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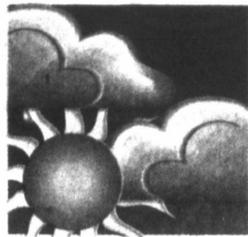
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MCLEAN - A Texas Historical Marker will be dedicated to mark the former site of a POW camp used during World War II on Sunday, August 24 at 3 p.m. A reception following the ceremony will be held at the McLean-Alanreed Museum.

PAMPA - The end of the 1997 Summer Reading Program a Lovett Memorial Library has arrived. On August 13, at 2 p.m., the library will host the last program of the summer. All children are invited to attend the carnival that will take place in the library auditorium and receive their certificates for involvement in the program.

The prizes for the top ten readers will also be handed out at this program. The library wants to thank all of the parents and children that were involved in the 1997 Summer Reading Program and wish everyone a very happy school year!

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 14-15-34-37-39.
Number matching five of five: none.
Matching four of five: 321.
Prize: \$996.
Matching three of five: 10,613.
Prize: \$30.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

- Paulus Burkett, 81, retired plant operator for Phillips Petroleum.
- Rabbi Dr. Claude C. "Ariel" Hargis, 43, Messianic minister, author.

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Local schools to lose tax funds in wake of amendment passage

By LAURA HALEY
Staff Writer

A new Texas constitutional amendment adopted Saturday to cut school residential property taxes statewide will result in a loss of tax funds for the Pampa Independent School District.

Pat Bagley, chief appraiser for the Gray County Appraisal District, said that the \$10,000 increase in homeowner's exemptions could have a "substantial affect" on the residential tax revenue for the school district. Approximately 20 to 30 percent of the revenue is generated through residen-

tial property taxes.

Bagley admits the loss to PISD will not be quite as harmful as to several other school districts across the state, many of which are almost completely funded by residential taxes.

Although financial figures concerning the impact of the new amendment are not yet available for school districts in Gray County, Bagley said many, such as Pampa, Lefors and McLean, will lose a

Exact figures on just what the loss will be should be released this week.

large portion of its tax revenue. He expects to have the numbers sometime this week.

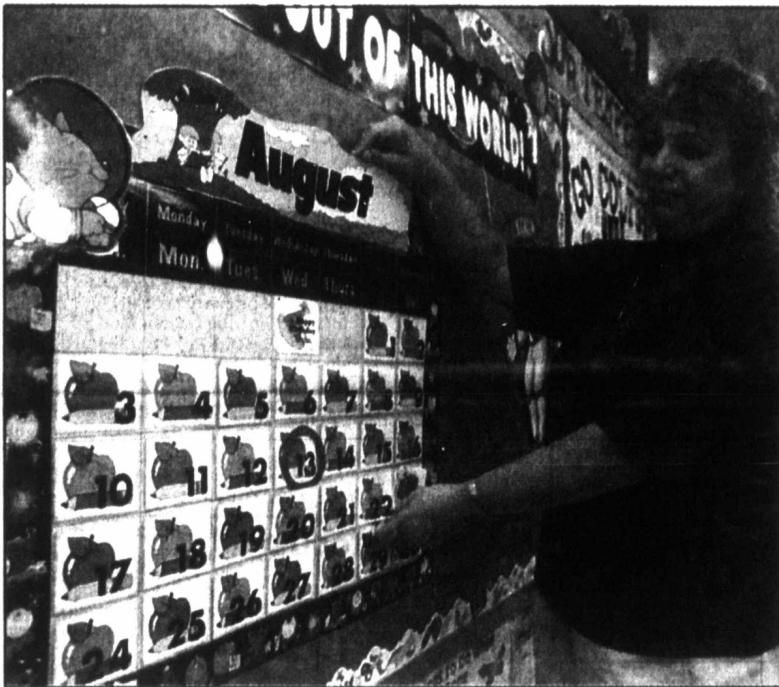
Gov. George Bush has vowed to cover the losses to Texas school districts with a \$1 billion surplus in the state's budget. The amount of funds to be received by each school district is based on last year's maintenance and operating budget. This money, said Bush, will also be funded next year.

Despite the additional \$10,000 homestead exemption, some school districts will still be unable to offer much relief to taxpayers. The \$10,000 exemption and the state's vow to cover the difference in revenue loss does address the ever-changing home appraisal values. In school districts where the appraisal values have declined, taxes will have to be raised to cover costs.

This, said PISD Business Manager Mark McVeigh, is unrelated to the new constitutional amendment. School districts with decreasing property values would have to fund that difference anyway, even with-

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That time again...



Belinda Masters, who teaches third grade at Wheeler, puts the finishing touches on her classroom bulletin board before students show up Wednesday for the first day of class.

(Pampa News photo by David Bowers)

Wheeler Co. grand jury indicts man for forgery

WHEELER - A 40-year-old man was in Wheeler County jail today after being indicted on forgery charges.

Jon Roger Davis, 40, of Hedley, was in Wheeler County jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond after being indicted this week by a Wheeler County Grand Jury on a forgery charge. Davis was charged with forgery in connection with allegedly signing another person's name to a check in July.

George Douglas Morgan, 40, of Shamrock, was free today on \$2,500 bond after being indicted for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense.

Court records indicate that Morgan was previously convicted for DWI in 1986 and 1989.

Both indictments were returned Monday by the Wheeler County Grand Jury. Judge M. Kent Sims set bond for each man in 31st District Court Monday.

Chautauqua Dallas musicians will perform free

By DARLENE BIRKES
For The News

In keeping with Chautauqua traditions of introducing new trends, jazz harpist Cindy Horstman of Plano and bassist Michael Medina of Dallas will be featured musicians on the Chautauqua stage during the 16th annual event in Central Park on Labor Day.

Sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association, the free stage will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Horstman and Medina will give a 40-minute stage concert at 11 a.m. and will be in the PFAA tent during the afternoon.

Horstman's unique, jazzy style brings a new sound to one of the oldest instruments and her music reaches out to all age groups according to music reviewers.

The Austin native came to the harp by accident. When she entered the University of Texas - Austin intending to study classical guitar, she was told UT would not accept this as a serious instrument. After no success in voice, she began playing around on the harp as a hobby. A UT harp professor told her that if she would concentrate,

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Chautauqua will also include activities for children, arts and crafts booths and about 20 food booths beginning with the Rotary pancake breakfast at 7 a.m. Profits from the festival will be used for park improvement.

RV, auto crash slightly hurts 5

SKELLYTOWN - Five people suffered injuries Monday in a collision between a car and a recreational vehicle near Skellytown.

Skellytown officials said a Colorado family of four and the driver of the car suffered minor injuries about 11 a.m. Monday when the two vehicles collided near the White Deer Creek bridge about three miles east of Skellytown.

Some of the victims were thrown from the RV.

Although details of the accident are sketchy, authorities

said the RV appeared to be west bound on Texas 152 at the time of the accident.

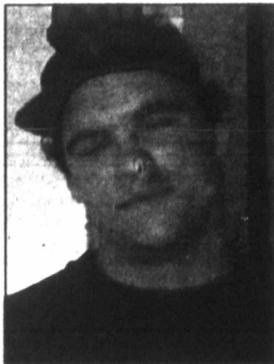
Emergency workers said the couple in the RV told them they were returning to Colorado after visiting Oklahoma with their grandchildren when the accident occurred.

The two grandchildren, a boy, 12, and a girl, 13, were cousins.

The driver of the car as well as the four people in the RV were taken to Columbia Medical Center where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

Quite frankly...

Do you believe in aliens? Why or why not?



"Yes, I think there are, because the government likes to lie to us."
- Johnny Hughes



"I don't know that there are aliens, but I do believe there are some forms of life out there."
- Sherilyn Archer



"I don't know."
- Jean Browning



"No, I don't, because I haven't seen one before."
- James Reynolds



"I do. I've seen too many weird things happen."
- Katy Myers

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Services tomorrow

BOYD, Darlene — 6 p.m., Metrocrest Funeral Home, Carrollton.
BURKETT, Paulus — 11 a.m., Morrison Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel, Dumas.
PARSONS, Norma Lee — 10:30 a.m., Kern-Schneider-Kiesau Memorial Chapel, Clinton, Okla.

Obituaries

PAULUS BURKETT DUMAS — Paulus Burkett, 81, father of a Pampa resident, died Monday, Aug. 11, 1997. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Morrison Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel with Art Lynch, minister of First Street Church of Christ, and Brent Clark, of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Dumas Cemetery.
 Mr. Burkett was born at Walnut Springs and had been a Dumas resident since 1966. He married Joetta J. Stockton in 1943 at Fort Worth. He was plant operator at Phillips Petroleum Company prior to retiring.
 He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II aboard the USS Saratoga, the USS Hector and the USS Pensacola. He received his naval training in San Diego and was awarded the World War II Victory Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the American Defense Medal with one star, the Philippine Liberation Medal, the Commendation of Meritorious Mast and the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.
 He was a member of First Church of Christ and Veterans of Foreign Wars.
 Survivors include two sons, Kenneth P. Burkett of Pampa and Ronnie H. Burkett of Dumas; a sister, Bertie Carr of Dallas; a brother, Ted Burkett of Decatur; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
 The family will be at 512 Cedar Street and requests memorials be to Crown of the Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson St., Amarillo TX 79101; or to Panhandle Chapter of the American Heart Association, 2404 W. Seventh Ave., Amarillo TX 79106.

RABBI DR. CLAUDE C. 'ARIEL' HARGIS — ELKTON, Md. — Rabbi Dr. Claude "Ariel" Hargis, 43, a former Pampa resident, died Sunday, Aug. 10, 1997, of heart failure at Medpointe, Md. Graveside services are to be at 4 p.m. today at Brookview Cemetery in Rising Sun, Md., with Shlomo Kunkel officiating. Burial will be under the direction of R.T. Foard Funeral Home, P.A., of Rising Sun.
 Mr. Hargis was born Aug. 23, 1953, at West Terre Haute, Ind. He was a Rabbi Messianic minister. He was involved in Ephraim and Judah International and travel extensively, speaking at conferences and Messianic meetings. He helped over 500 families return to Israel and authored several books and tapes which have been distributed internationally.
 Survivors include a sister, Phyllis Strole of West Terre Haute; and four brothers, Richard Hargis, Donald Lee Hargis, Daniel Hargis and Cecil P. Hargis, all of West Terre Haute.

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Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls and arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. to today.
MONDAY, August 11
 An information report was taken at 404 N. Somerville.
 A report of domestic violence - assault was made at 408 S. Gillespie.

TUESDAY, August 12
 Three counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon were reported at 1009 Varnon.

Arrests
 Tyrone Dewayne Satchell, 22, 403 W. 7th, was arrested on charges of driving without a valid drivers license, liability insurance and an expired license tag and MVI sticker.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

12:27 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to a gas spill at Hobart and Somerville.
 9:47 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to a medical assist on Hobart and Francis.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.31	Chevron	30 3/8	up 1/16
Milo	4.00	Coca-Cola	62 3/16	up 7/16
Corn	4.63	Columbia/HCA	34 13/16	up 9/16
		Enron	36 7/8	up 1/8
		Halliburton	45 1/2	up 1/2
		Ingersoll Rand	63 1/16	up 1/4
		KNE	41 1/2	up 1/4
		New McGee	62 5/8	up 1/16
		Limited	23	up 3/8
		Magnco	30 11/16	NC
		McDonald's	51 3/8	dn 1/4
		Mobil	76 7/8	up 5/16
		New Century Energy	NA	NA
		New Atmos	24 1/4	up 1/8
		Penney's	60 1/2	up 2 3/8
		Phillips	48 3/4	up 1/16
		SLB	75 1/2	up 5/8
		Tenneco	47	NC
		Texaco	114 1/2	dn 1/2
		Ultramar	33	up 1/16
		Wal-Mart	37 1/8	up 1/8

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation.

Occidental	25	up 1/16
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

Magellan	97.17
Puritan	20.01

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco	95 7/8	up 1/16	New York Gold	326.30
Arco	77 5/16	up 3/8	Silver	4.37
Cabot	28 1/2	dn 1/16	West Texas Crude	19.64
Cabot O&G	21 1/16	NC		

Calendar of events

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
 Are you or someone you know in an abusive relationship? Tralee Crisis Center is offering a women's support group Wednesdays at 5 p.m. All inquiries will be kept confidential. For information call 669-1131.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

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CHAUTAQUA

she could make the harp her principal instrument. She earned an MA in harp performance.

Two decades later, she has become recognized as one of the county's finest, most distinctive jazz harp musicians, according to a review in the *Dallas Observer*. She is one of the county's few jazz harpists because the instrument is usually used with classical music as part of a symphony orchestra.

According to Horstman, the harp is a difficult instrument to play jazz on because the strings are laid out like the white keys on the piano and the sharps and flats are the foot pedals, numbering seven.

"In jazz, with all the altered harmonies, your feet are moving the whole time you are playing," said Horstman, "and you have to be thinking chords and melodies. But I like the challenge more than anything."

Horstman credits her growing up in Austin for her interest in the blues. She also lived next door to Stevie Ray Vaughan.

"I really loved his music and it made an impression on me," she said.

But she did not become motivated to become a jazz and blues harpist until she moved to Californian with her husband in 1982. There she met jazz harp pioneer Mimi Allen and Stella Castellucci, who did the sound tracks for *Jaws* and *E.T.*

Horstman is now a prize winner of several harp competitions and is a touring artist for the Texas Commission on the Arts. She has played in numerous festivals and jazz clubs and her recordings are featured on radio stations throughout the U.S.

Bassist Michael Median is an



(Special photo)

The 16th annual Chautauqua, a local fine arts festival, will introduce jazz harpist Cindy Horstman in Central Park on Labor Day. Horstman is a prize winner of several harp competitions and is a touring artist for the Texas Commission on the Arts.

11-year executive board member of the American Federation of Musicians and owns the record company that produced some of Horstman's CDs and cassettes. He is a graduate of North Texas State University and has done national and local television and radio spots and numerous recordings with various artists.

In addition to filling Central Park's stage with entertainment featuring soloists, bands, storytelling and dance,

Chautauqua will include activities for children, arts and crafts booths and about 20 food booths beginning with the Rotary pancake breakfast at 7 a.m. Profits from the festival will be used for park improvement.

For additional information or booth reservations, call the Pampa Fine Arts office, 665-0343 or Chautauqua chairman Charlene Morris, 665-4866.

SCHOOLS

the new exemption.
 A few years ago, Pampa's public school district may have fallen into that category. Property values were declining for several years, said McVeigh, but in the past two years the values have stabilized.

But, with the new amendment comes other legislation that will have an impact on school districts. Contingent on the passing of the property tax relief amendment is an increase in the statewide teacher's salary schedule.

Effective Sept. 1, this schedule increases minimum pay rates for teachers across the state. A beginning teacher's salary was raised from \$19,950 to \$21,050. Pampa currently pays new teachers \$22,500, which is well above the new minimum standard. However, this change will affect PISD.

McVeigh explained that a teacher with over 20

years experience is currently paid \$35,750, which is above the old minimum of \$35,510. The new legislation has increased that minimum to \$37,460 resulting in a \$2,000 raise for each teacher with over 20 years in PISD.

So, even though this amendment offers relief to taxpayers, new legislation is raising the operating costs of school districts, costs that will not be funded through the state's aid.

Pampa's proposed school budget is offsetting these additional costs required by new legislation through savings in operating costs resulting from the closing of two elementary schools.

The school district tax rate, however, is proposed to increase during the next year by 2 1/2 cents, consistent with the information given to the public during the bond election, said McVeigh. This increases the overall tax rate from \$1.43 to \$1.455, with the maintenance and operation tax decreasing to \$1.365 and adding 9-cent debt service tax.

Three men found dead in two panhandle locales

TULIA, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers were investigating the deaths of three Panhandle men whose bodies were discovered in two different locations about 100 miles apart.

The first of the bodies — of Jacob Leatherwood — and Ricardo San Miguel, 22, were found Monday on a rural road nine miles north of Tulia. Swisher County Sheriff Larry Stewart said.

A third man, 22-year-old Jose Delgadillo, apparently following a similar path, was found in a canyon about 30 miles northwest of neighboring Armstrong County, authorities said.

A gun suspected in all three shootings was found near Delgadillo's body, District Attorney Terry McEachern said.

Leatherwood's mother said the three were good friends who were at her Tulia home until 9:30 or 10 p.m. Sunday, when they left to go to Amarillo.

A man driving to work found Leatherwood and San Miguel about 2:30 a.m. Monday. Highway workers found Delgadillo about 9 a.m., authorities said.

Autopsies for all three men were pending.

Policewoman beaten after stopping man for speeding

CARTHAGE, Texas (AP) — Carthage Police Chief Duane Baushke says a camera mounted on the side of Michelle Jeter's squad car may have videotaped the worst incident of officer abuse he's seen.

Jeter suffered a broken nose, shattered cheekbones and a broken bone underneath an eye when she was attacked by a parolee she had stopped for speeding, Baushke said.

"We may have caught the assault," Baushke said.

Jeter, 23, was in serious but stable condition Monday at Shumpert Medical Center in Shreveport, La.

Accused attacker Jorge Dannell Orozco, 37, of Texarkana, was being held

Monday in the Panola County Jail on \$1 million bond on charges of possession of marijuana and aggravated assault against a public servant. He's also charged with a parole violation.

Police gave this account of the attack.

Jeter had stopped a Ford van for speeding about 5:45 p.m. Sunday and was given permission to search the vehicle. The officer apparently found marijuana then was attacked while trying to handcuff and arrest Orozco.

The man struck Jeter in the face, knocking her to the ground. She apparently hit her head on the pavement, knocking her unconscious. The man

continued beating the officer as his 8-year-old daughter, who was a passenger in the van, watched.

A passerby stopped to help, and the man fled the scene with the child. Another witness called 911 by car phone and followed the van until a highway patrol officer and Panola County deputies stopped the van and arrested the driver. Authorities said they recovered a felony quantity of marijuana.

Jeter was taken to Panola General Hospital, and later was taken by helicopter to the Louisiana hospital about 40 miles away. Orozco's daughter was released to the custody of family, Baushke said.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low 67. Wind north to northeast at 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High 90. Yesterday's high was 86; the overnight low, 64.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Tonight, partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the middle 60s. Wind shifting to the southeast at 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High 85 to 90. South wind 10-20 mph. South Plains/Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy. A chance of thunderstorms. Lows 60-70. Wednesday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms. High in the lower to mid 90s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows lower 60s to near 70. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 65-70. Wednesday, partly cloudy.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight and Wednesday, partly cloudy. Lows 73 to 78. High 94 to 99. Extended forecast, Wednesday night through Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s. Highs in the 90s.
SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 70s, near 70.

Highs in the mid to upper 90s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows 65-70. Extended forecast, Thursday through Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows near 70. Highs in the 90s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 70-75. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid to upper 90s. Far West Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy. A slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Wednesday, partly cloudy. A slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms. Highs mid 90s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, partly cloudy. A slight chance of evening thunderstorms. Lows 60s mountains to mid 70s along the river. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs mid 80s mountains to 103 along the rio grande.

Hill Country. Wednesday, partly cloudy and hot. Highs in the upper 90s to near 100. Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, fair. Lows in the mid 70s inland to lower 80s coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy and hot with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s inland to near 90 coast. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 80 coast to the upper 70s inland. Wednesday, partly cloudy and hot with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms.

BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Tonight through Wednesday night, partly cloudy with widely scattered afternoon and early nighttime thunderstorms; thunderstorms a little more numerous over the mountains. Highs Wednesday 70s and 80s mountains and north with upper 80s to 90s lower elevations south.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms mainly north Oklahoma. Lows mid 60s to lower 70s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs upper 80s to mid 90s.

City briefs

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Line-item veto invites court challenges

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton hopes Congress will think twice about helping special interests now that he has, for the first time, used his line-item veto power, killing budget provisions that would have helped some farm co-ops, U.S. financial firms with overseas arms and New York state.

"When you know the president is prepared to use the line-item veto, that tends to operate as a deterrent against the most egregious kinds of projects," Clinton said Monday as he went on national television to veto the three provisions.

For now, it seems unlikely that Clinton's historic action will be overturned by lawmakers when they return from their summer recess in September.

But use of the veto sets the stage for the Supreme Court to decide the broader question of whether Congress had the right to give the president the power to veto individual items in tax and spending bills.

Though senior Republican aides said they had not yet forged a strategy for dealing with the vetoes, they said one option was to negotiate new, acceptable language with the White House, rather than seeking the two-

thirds House and Senate majorities needed to reverse the president.

The vetoes were to items within two bills Clinton signed five days earlier. The bills were aimed at balancing the budget by 2002 and trimming taxes. Clinton had until Monday to use his line-item veto on the signed bills.

A spokeswoman for House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said administration officials had not objected to the provisions during weeks of budget talks and said the vetoes "may have less to do with sound policy and more to do with petty politics."

And predictably, those directly affected by the vetoes were upset and already mapping their next steps. Included was Gov. George Pataki, R-New York. One vetoed provision would have let New York qualify for extra federal Medicaid funds by imposing a tax on hospitals.

Clinton's veto, if not overridden, would be a "body blow" to New York's health-care network, and the state will "fight in Congress and in the courts to protect our children and needy families," Pataki said in a written statement.

Kenneth Vest of the American Council of

Life Insurance said his group might go to court over Clinton's veto of language that would have let American insurance companies and other financial firms defer taxes on income from overseas operations. U.S. manufacturers can do that for their foreign arms, Vest said.

"We see this as a simple matter of tax fairness, new business and jobs," said Vest, the council's media relations director.

Among the companies that sought the language was Citicorp, the New York-based banking giant, participants said.

The third vetoed provision would have trimmed capital gains taxes — "possibly forever," Clinton said — for some agribusinesses that sell food refineries and other assets to farmer-owned cooperatives.

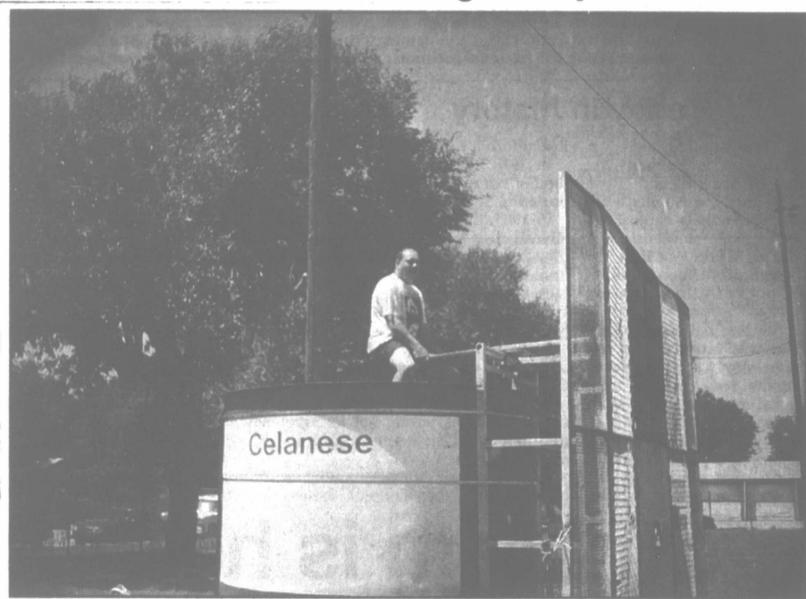
White House aides had hoped the agribusiness veto would be easy to defend by arguing the provision was inserted by Republicans to help GOP campaign contributor Harold Simmons of Texas. Simmons said in a statement Monday that the veto is irrelevant to him because the sale of his sugar refineries is structured in such a way that he won't pay capital gains taxes for about 30 years.

Voter turnout in other countries

Country	Government Type	Percentage
Uzbekistan	Parliamentary	92
Kazakhstan	Presidential	91
Iceland	Parliamentary	87
Kyrgyzstan	Presidential	86
Argentina	Presidential	81
France	Presidential	80
Tanzania	Presidential	77
Namibia	Presidential	76
Algeria	Presidential	76
Peru	Presidential	73
Malaysia	Parliamentary	72
Estonia	Parliamentary	70
Finland	Parliamentary	69
Poland	Presidential	68
Thailand	Parliamentary	62
Belarus	Parliamentary	55
Georgia	Presidential	47
Guatemala	Presidential	47
Niger	Parliamentary	35
Haiti	Presidential	28

Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan had some of the highest percentage voter turnouts in the world in 1995 — over 90 percent of eligible voters went to the polls. In Haiti, on the other hand, less than one-third of eligible voters went to the polls.

School board official is a good sport!



Keith Roberson, school board president, takes his turn in the dunking board during the Lefors "Back to School Bash."

Jury rules in favor of inmate in snake suit

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A jury has ruled that a prison guard and a librarian at the Dolph Briscoe Unit violated the civil rights of a prisoner who claimed that guards made him pick up, kill and skin more than 300 rattlesnakes.

Not that Timothy Volk is any better off financially for it. The jury awarded him no monetary damages.

"It is a confusing verdict, and a useless verdict, in my mind," Glen Mangum, court-appointed attorney for Volk, said Monday.

The jury verdict indicates that they recognized that two individuals violated his constitutional rights and that damaged him, but they felt that he deserved no money.

Volk, 37, filed the civil rights lawsuit in early 1995 against the warden, the librarian and several guards at the prison unit in Dilley, 70 miles southwest of San Antonio.

The inmate alleged that guards made him handle all the rattlesnakes found by outside work crews. Volk also alleged that after he was bitten they filed charges against him for violating rules by catching a snake and for violating safety standards.

Prison officials denied ever having asked him to handle snakes and denied any improper action was taken against him.

Volk said librarian Donald Fischer filed charges against him after he began research on the lawsuit that he filed first by himself.

Mangum was appointed by the court to represent Volk, and there was no money in the judgment for legal expenses.

Mangum said he is not sure whether Volk will be able to recover the "good time" he lost as the result of retaliation against him. "Good time" is extra days off a sentence for good behavior.

"Maybe if parole officials have considered this lawsuit when considering his parole, and have thought it was frivolous and held it against him, this will change that," Mangum said. "Then again, this finding may do him no good at all. He is as confused by this as I am."

Former Pasadena doctor takes licensing battle to governor

AUSTIN (AP) — A former physician from Pasadena has turned to Gov. George W. Bush for help in his 10-year battle to regain his Texas medical license.

Hugo Ramirez said he was in the wrong place at the wrong time in 1987. The Texas Board of Medical Examiners was under fire for not taking enough action against bad doctors when false and unconfirmed complaints were raised against him, the native of Colombia told reporters Monday.

He wants Bush to convince the medical board to reconsider its decision and asked the governor to appoint a special investigator.

"The medical board needed a scapegoat to show they were taking quick action," Ramirez said. "The medical board made a mistake from the beginning."

Dr. Bruce Levy, executive director of the board, said Ramirez's case has been fairly evaluated.

"The board decided it was not in the best interest of the public to reinstate his license," Levy said.

Ramirez was an OB-GYN who in 1985 began performing liposuction as a side business. He had performed 8,000 deliveries, 5,000 surgeries and 218 liposuction operations before losing his Texas license, he said.

According to Ramirez's account:

— Five patient complaints were filed against him. Each involved the development of infections after liposuction operations, including what Ramirez calls the state's first two cases of

the so-called flesh-eating bacteria.

In those cases, Ramirez and several other doctors were ruled negligent. The Medical Board said Ramirez was found grossly negligent, he said, adding that he's the only doctor involved to have lost his license.

— Two other cases were dismissed in court and the fifth was a false complaint, which the alleged complainant says she never filed.

A federal judge reversed Ramirez's license revocation on appeal but was later overruled by a higher court that said the judge lacked authority to rule in the case.

A state district judge has said he's concerned about the case, but also said he did not have legal authority to act, Ramirez said.

State lawmakers have changed the medical licensing law to make clear courts can rule in such cases after administrative appeals are exhausted, Ramirez said. He is completing that process now.

"Dr. Ramirez's allies dropped off material with the governor's office," said Ray Sullivan, a Bush spokesman. "That will be reviewed to see if any further action is warranted."

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Board poised to close dozens of cases

AUSTIN (AP) — The board that regulates nursing home administrators in Texas is about to dismiss dozens of cases rather than impose discipline on administrators accused of running problem homes, according to a published report.

The cases are being closed by the Texas Board of Nursing Facility Administrators, which will be abolished at the end of the month. Its duties will be turned over to another state agency.

A three-member board committee has continued to recommend dismissal of some disciplinary cases this summer rather than hand them off to the new state office that will oversee the state's 2,700 nursing home administrators, the Austin American-Statesman reported today.

One case that has been recommended for closures involves an administrator who ran a home where four people died after staff members failed to notify a doctor when the residents' health took a

turn for the worse. The Fairview Nursing Home in Bonham had so many life-threatening problems that a trustee had to take over in 1993.

Another administrator was accused of failing to ensure that residents did not wander to a highway or to protect them from assault by other residents.

Another administrator was accused of running a nursing home where residents had severe bed sores and were bathed only sporadically.

The committee took the action Monday to close 47 of the 64 cases on the panel's agenda. Meeting behind closed doors in a Dallas hotel, the committee recommended further investigation in 13 cases and discipline in four.

"My feeling is we have a job until Aug. 31, and until someone tells me otherwise, I think it's our responsibility to fulfill it," said Mike Sims, a Waco nursing home administrator and chairman of the regulatory board.

"We'd probably be criticized

either way — if we didn't do anything or if we did something."

If the board goes along today with the the committee's recommendations, the new Department of Human Services office taking over regulation of nursing home administrators could not reopen the case unless new evidence is presented, officials said.

The board was eliminated on a vote by the Texas Legislature after legislators heard about widespread problems with the board, including its inability to take action against administrators it was supposed to govern.

The Austin newspaper reported last September that the board had failed to discipline any nursing home administrators from September 1993 through August 1996 despite hundreds of complaints filed against administrators.

State Sen. Mike Moncrief, a Fort Worth Democrat and sponsor of the law to scrap the board, questioned why cases are being recommended for closure without review by the Department of Human Services.

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Opinion

Putting sense back into sentencing

It hardly qualifies as the kind of thoroughgoing reassessment of the drug war that is really needed. But a recommendation from Attorney General Janet Reno and drug "czar" Gen. Barry McCaffrey to reduce the disparity in sentencing between those found in possession of powder cocaine and crystallized "crack" cocaine is a small step in the direction of sanity.

The disparity has its roots in 1986, during the height of the crack epidemic. Eager for any gesture that seemed tough on this new menace, Congress included in a crime bill a provision requiring a mandatory no-parole sentence of five years for conviction of possession of five grams of crack cocaine. The five-year sentence for powder cocaine was — and is — imposed at the level of 500 grams.

That's a 100-to-1 disparity for substances that are virtually identical from a pharmacological perspective. A gram of powder cocaine can be turned into about a gram of crack through a simple process involving cooking it with baking soda and water. Some have argued that crack, because it delivers the "high" more quickly, is more addictive, but scientific opinion is divided. McCaffrey says the substances are virtually identical by weight and "from a drug-abuse perspective, 1 to 1 made more sense to me."

The Clinton administration says it was convinced by law-enforcement people that some difference was required since the crack trade is more violent. So the proposal is to change the law to require a five-year sentence for possession of 25 grams of crack or 250 grams of powder.

That's not especially rational or principled, but few decisions in the drug war are. At least it's a recognition that the crack sentencing law, conceived amid congressional grandstanding with little reliance on facts, has had perverse effects.

One of them is the fact that, as of 1993, 92.6 percent of those sentenced to the mandatory five-year crack sentence were African-Americans. That doesn't seem to have been the intention. But for various reasons — price, fashion, convenience — crack seems more common among African-Americans, while the powder is used more often by whites.

The law should be changed whether that racial disparity existed or not. Rather than thumping their chests and resisting this proposal, the Republican Congress should let it pass and concentrate on its core issues such as cutting taxes and reducing the size of government.

—Odessa American

Beware of vacation schemes

Summer is the time for choosing travel destinations and booking reservations. That's why shady tour and cruise promoters choose this time of year to bombard Texans with the promise of idyllic vacations at little or no cost.

Unfortunately, many of these promotions are nothing more than clever sales campaigns specifically designed to part you from your cash as quickly as possible. We at the Office of the Attorney General want to be sure that your dream vacation does not turn out to be a nightmare.

Some tour promoters send out millions of solicitations every year. A fancy engraved certificate announces that you've been selected to receive a fabulous six-day, five-night tropical vacation. Your reservation number is printed in big bold letters, together with a toll-free telephone number to call.

A high-pressure salesperson answers your call. You learn that you must close the deal right away or lose this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. If you do sign up, you will receive a free side trip to Orlando or Daytona. If you do not, your vacation might go to someone else. They will need your credit card number to reserve your cruise.

Chances are you haven't won anything, no matter what the certificate says. Millions of Americans "win" this not-so-free deal. Instead, your dream vacation may include many hidden costs and second-rate services far below what was promised. The usual story behind the pitch is:

- Air fare to Florida, where most cruises origi-



Attorney General Dan Morales

Dan Morales is the Attorney General of Texas.

is not included. In addition, your hotel stay in Florida before and after the cruise may not be included in the package.

- Departure taxes and fees are not included. This can add up to hundreds of dollars.
- The cruise will cost \$198 — or more — per person.
- Hotel, service, port and other taxes will also be added.
- The island hotels you stay in are often of low quality, with poor service and poor facilities.
- Your side trip to Orlando or Daytona? A sales meeting with a time-share salesperson.

All of these omissions, hidden costs, misleading marketing ploys and outright deceptions are calculated to influence your decision to accept the offer before you learn the truth. This is a violation of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices — Consumer Protection Act.

The telltale signs of a travel scam include:

- The package's price is billed as a 50% or 75% discount. Unfortunately, there is no way to tell what the original price was.
- The salesperson insists that you make a decision immediately, without having time to review the offer, or that the offer is only good today.
- The salesperson can't give you the name of the cruise line, hotel or airline, or hesitates about giving the name and address of the company.
- You are quoted one price, then find out you must pay for additional services; cover administrative costs or join a travel club to qualify for the special rate.
- The seller asks about your income. This is a tipoff that the trip may be part of a pitch to sell time-share condominiums.

Deal directly with a listed local travel agent, the cruise line or airline or the hotel at your destination. By shopping around, you can often get a better deal than the offer that came in the mail, and you can be confident that it is legitimate. Don't pay for the package until you receive complete details in writing. These details should include the total price, including port fees, airline taxes, etc.

The OAG's Consumer Protection Division monitors complaints about travel and cruise offers. If you believe you have been the target of a travel or cruise scam, report it to the nearest OAG Consumer Protection Division regional office, or call 1-800-621-0508.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 12, the 224th day of 1997. There are 141 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 12, 1898, the peace protocol ending the Spanish-American War was signed.

On this date:

In 1851, Isaac Singer was granted a patent on his sewing machine.

In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton.

In 1898, Hawaii was formally annexed to the United States.

In 1915, the novel "Of Human Bondage," by William Somerset

Maugham, was first published.

In 1944, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, was killed with his co-pilot when their explosives-laden Navy plane blew up over England during World War II.

In 1953, the Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

In 1960, the first balloon satellite, the Echo 1, was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1972, the last American combat ground troops left Vietnam.

In 1977, the space shuttle Enterprise passed its first solo flight test by taking off atop a Boeing 747, separating and then touching down

in California's Mojave Desert.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI, who had died six days earlier at age 80, was buried in St. Peter's Basilica.

In 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people.

In 1994, Woodstock '94 opened in Saugerties, N.Y.

Ten years ago: President Reagan addressed the nation on the Iran-Contra affair, saying his former national security adviser, John Poindexter, was wrong not to have told him about the diversion of Iran arms-sale money.

Five years ago: After 14 months of negotiations, the United States,

Mexico and Canada announced in Washington, D.C., that they had concluded the North American Free Trade Agreement, which would create the world's largest trading bloc. Avant-garde composer John Cage died in New York at age 79.

One year ago: The Republican Party opened its 36th national convention in San Diego by celebrating Bob Dole as a tested, trustworthy leader who would lower taxes and bring compassionate conservatism to the White House.

Today's Birthdays: Choreographer Michael Kidd is 78. Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., is 72. Actor-director John Derek is 71. Country singer Porter Wagoner is 70. Singer-musician Buck Owens is 68.

Americans' cynicism is healthy

Columnists, commentators and pollsters never seem to tire of telling us we are too cynical for our own good.

I fear I have failed in this duty, as I deeply believe the public has abundant reason to be cynical. Hell, there's 535 reasons to be cynical on Capitol Hill alone.

Oh, that's just too cynical. How about 533? Item: TORRICELLI DEMONSTRATES REMARKABLE RECALL.

During the Senate campaign finance hearings, Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., bemoaned the Republican focus on Asian-American contributors. As an Italian-American, he said, he had been sensitized to ethnic stereotyping when Sen. Estes Kefauver turned the spotlight on the Mafia in 1951. "It is among the first memories I have of government," Torricelli said.

He was three days old when the Kefauver hearings began.

Well, he said when someone pointed out this incongruity, "I must have been watching the videotapes when I was five."

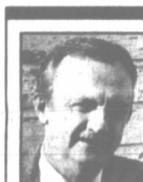
But videotapes were not widely available until the 1970s.

OK, maybe he recalled it "from seeing the film." He added: "I think there might have been a larger point that was missed."

Au contraire, Senator. We get the point.

Item: HELMS HOLDS UP WELD NOMINATION.

Any fair-minded Republican should be pleased that former Massachusetts governor William Weld, one of the party's more brilliant and youthful stars, has been nominated by President Clinton to be ambassador to Mexico.



Joseph Spear

Then again, Sen. Jesse Helms is anything but a fair-minded Republican. He is an imperious, stubborn, ossified yahoo, who, by dint of seniority, has risen to become chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee.

As such, Helms has veto power over many things, including ambassadorial appointments. Bill Weld may be a fiscal conservative, but he is pro-choice and supports the medical use of marijuana and that makes him a dagdum liberal. Helms decreed that Weld wouldn't even get a hearing, much less a vote.

Let's see if we can sum up this uniquely American tale:

A small-town boy becomes a radio and television editorialist who rails against "Negro agitators." He takes his mouthful-of-marbles drawl to Capitol Hill, where he makes a career out of standing tall against busing, civil rights and the Martin Luther King Jr. national holiday. He warns us that Caspar Weinberger is too dovish to be a good secretary of defense. He alerts us that Henry Kissinger is too liberal to be secretary of state. He cautions us that George

Bush is too liberal to be director of the CIA.

We didn't listen then, but things are different now. Jesse has power now. No ideologically impure ambassadorial nominees are going to slip by Old Jess. And the entire United States Senate has to go along because, well, those are the rules.

Item: D'AMATO PURSUES NEW IMAGE.

A year ago, the man who chaired the seemingly interminable Senate Whitewater hearings regularly and loudly accused Clinton and associates of engaging in "lies," "distortions" and "obfuscation." The New York Republican's constituents apparently did not agree with his harsh representations, and his polls plummeted. Thus, Al D'Amato experienced an abrupt change of heart: Two months ago he declared that independent counsel Kenneth Starr had damaged his credibility, and that the American public had grown "sick and tired" of Whitewater.

In his previous life, D'Amato bashed the National Endowment for the Arts for its support of "abhorrent" art. Recently, he stood on the steps of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and declared that the "health and vitality of the arts community must be nurtured, must be strengthened."

D'Amato began introducing himself as "the new and sensitive Al D'Amato" and told reporters that his change of attitude "has nothing to do with the fact that I might be languishing in the polls and am looking to an election year."

We're a cynical people, you say? Indeed we are. We doubtlessly owe our sanity to it.

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Berry's World



Flushed in Cambodia

Noy So was barely seven-years-old when her family was forced to flee their native Cambodia. For seven days and nights, Noy's mother, father, five sisters and two brothers walked, on foot, from their tiny village to safe haven in the neighboring country of Thailand.

Though she was just a little girl then, Noy can remember her family's exodus from war-torn Cambodia, along with thousands of other refugees. She remembers exploding bombs. She remembers gunfire. But most of all, she remembers people dying all along the perilous trail.

One of those who perished was Noy's frail young brother. The arduous walk, through fields and forests and finally over mountains, took a fatal toll on the lad.

Nonetheless, Noy considers her family lucky to have escaped Cambodia. Soon after they fled, their village was overrun by the Khmer Rouge army, led by Pol Pot, then known as "Brother Number One." Many of their friends and neighbors were killed or maimed. Those who survived were conscripted to Communist work farms.

It's because of that experience of 22 years ago that Noy, one of an estimated 150,000 native Cambodians living in the United States, is eager to see Pol Pot brought to justice, now that the tyrant has been deposed as leader of the Khmer Rouge.

Many Americans may consider this strictly a Cambodian matter, one that does not concern the United States. But we are a nation committed to human rights. And of all the human rights violations that have occurred over the past quarter-century, few can compare to the atrocities that Pol Pot visited upon his people.

That is why the United States must not stand idly by, watching developments in Cambodia from afar. This nation has a vested interest in seeing Pol Pot answer for his war crimes. Not just on behalf of the 150,000 Cambodian-



Joseph Perkins

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Americans, but also on behalf of conscientious Americans who oppose despotism, oppression and genocide, in any part of the world.

As to Noy, it matters not to her that the tyrant who drove her family and hundreds of thousands of other refugees out of Cambodia is now old and enfeebled. Nor does it matter that he was humiliated to the point of tears in a recent show trial, denounced by his former Khmer Rouge comrades and sentenced to serve out the remainder of his life under "house arrest."

She will not be satisfied, nor will most Cambodian expatriates, until Pol Pot is brought before a legitimate court where he would be tried and punished for his five-year reign of terror, from 1975 to 1979, during which as many as two million Cambodians died of disease, starvation, overwork, torture or execution.

Noy and her fellow Cambodians have a champion in Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who has said that the United States does not accept Pol Pot's recent jungle trial not the least because it was conducted by the Khmer Rouge, which has complicity in the war crimes committed by Brother Number One.

At the moment, Albright said, U.S. officials "are exploring different ways to ensure that whatever trial there is, is appropriate, legal and

valid in terms of the international community." The problem is, the United States will have to figure out a way to get the Khmer Rouge to turn over Pol Pot.

This might have been an easier undertaking a month ago, before a coup forced First Prime Minister Norodom Ranariddh from power. Ranariddh had engaged in "peace" talks with the Khmer Rouge, granting amnesty last year to one of its leaders, which in turn led other guerrillas to defect to the government.

Ranariddh was betrayed by Second Prime Minister Hun Sen, who now presides over the government in Phnom Penh. Hun Sen previously worked in the Cambodian government when it was backed by Communist Vietnam (which helped drive the Khmer Rouge out of power). Neither he nor Khmer Rouge leaders will have anything to do with each other.

Only a remnant of the Khmer Rouge army remains, and they want to come in from the Cambodian jungles. But they can only do so if they work out terms with the Cambodian government: And one of the conditions of such an accord should be that the Khmer Rouge hands over Pol Pot, to be followed later by other Khmer Rouge war criminals.

What can force Hun Sen and the Cambodian government to work out such an arrangement with the Khmer Rouge? Simple: The United States should use its leverage to persuade the rest of the international community to withhold all nonhumanitarian aid from Cambodia unless the government goes along. Without such aid, Hun Sen's government will almost certainly collapse.

The objective in all this is not to destabilize the Cambodian government, but to bring a war criminal to real justice before he goes gently into the night.

Noy So and her fellow Cambodians deserve no less.

Study: Some 1,200 illegal immigrants died crossing

HOUSTON (AP) — Nearly 300 people a year are dying — most of them by drowning — as they attempt to cross illegally from Mexico into the United States, University of Houston researchers have found.

"Something like a plane crash full of people every year," Nestor Rodriguez, director of the University of Houston's Center for Immigration Research, said.

The center on Monday released the findings of what researchers said was a first-ever study that counted 1,185 people killed trying to cross illegally into the United States from Mexico from 1993 through 1996. Seventy-two percent of the deaths, or 851, were attributed to drowning.

"This figure, while staggering by itself, we know is a very conservative estimate," Jacqueline Hagan, associate director of the center, said. "Many bodies go undetected. Some wash out to open sea. Some remain in isolated uninhabited terrain. We know from our previous research some deaths are not reported."

The researchers noted illegal entry into the United States is becoming more hazardous as authorities block the most common unlawful routes, forcing undocumented immigrants to choose more risky paths.

"If the intent of current enforcement operations along the southwest border is to make the crossing more difficult, then clearly it has become more dangerous," the study, entitled "Death at the Border," concluded.

"There will always be migration, regardless of how many programs or operations along the border," Rodriguez said.

"We understand and agree the United States has a right as a sovereign country to enforce its borders, but we think policymakers in government both in this country and Mexico need to be considerate of what is happening."

Researchers examined death certificates and consulted medical examiners, justices of the peace, county and city clerks, Mexican officials in border towns, fire and police departments, border patrol offices and funeral homes along the 1,600-mile border that separates Mexico from California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

The deadliest county for illegal immigrants was San Diego County, Calif., with 193 fatalities during the four-year period, primarily from auto-pedestrian accidents and drownings in the Tijuana River.

New school year poses challenge for Jarrell

JARRELL, Texas (AP) — The start of a new school year will bring more than the usual first-day challenges in Jarrell, where 27 people — including 12 students and a teacher — were killed by a tornado on May 27.

Superintendent Larry Hausenfluke says he hopes the devastating storm will be far from the minds of the district's 635 students today.

"We're going to do everything in our power to have a normal school day. No first day of school is normal, so it'll be a little less normal than usual," he said.

Mostly, things at the elementary, middle and high schools should be the same. The buildings, all located on one campus, were virtually untouched by the tornado.

Unlike other first days, however, the school district will have 10 to 12 counselors on hand and teachers will have received advice from Scott & White Hospital experts.

Counselors will remain on campus for the first few days of school, and all of the school's staff will be on the lookout for signs that a student needs help dealing with the tornado's effects.

"It's different for every level of student — they could show feelings in play or the older kids might show aggressive behavior," said Scott & White chaplain Judy Hoelscher.

She and three other Scott & White employees provided training for teachers last week and will be available to offer additional help if needed.

Hausenfluke, superintendent for 11 years, said it helps that Jarrell is a small school district and small community that the 53 teachers know the students well.

"The best counseling has been between kids and kids, and kids and teachers," Hausenfluke said. "There's an advantage of being small, of knowing each other as people, not just as students."

Pre-kindergarten teacher Jackie Puska isn't anticipating many questions from her pupils. She said she expects most will come back to school emotionally strong. "They know we're here for them. We'll all lean on each other for what we need," she said.

"The first big storm that we have and the first couple of weeks are going to be really hard," she added.

Billy Simopoulos, 18, who was graduated from Jarrell High in the spring, said that although he thinks the community is moving on, he doesn't envy the students who will return to school.

"It's going to be pretty strange for everyone. Everybody knows everybody in Jarrell. It's going to be traumatic remembering all the classmates that are going," he said.

Underwater fun



Quisha Boyd is ready for underwater adventure, complete with goggles. Boyd and several other Pampa kids enjoyed splashing at the Marcus Sanders pool recently.

(Special photo by Judy Elliott)

Cadets at A&M in charge of moving Reveille grave sites at university

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Many of the cadets in Company E-2 don't like the thought of moving the four Reveille grave sites any more than other tradition-bound Aggies.

But, duty-bound, those Texas A&M students in charge of the school's mascot will put their personal feelings aside Wednesday and take part in the temporary reburial forced by the \$30 million expansion of Kyle Field.

"We're not happy about it, but it's something we realize has to be done," Jeff King, the commanding officer of Cadet Corps unit E-2, said Monday night. "We've accepted the movement and we're trying to make the best of the whole situation."

King said the 8 a.m. event will be "a private deal," attended by members of E-2, some school officials and archaeologists. He said he expected between 20 and 30 of the roughly 55 members of E-2 to be in attendance, with those missing mostly because the fall semester doesn't begin until Sept. 1.

"This is just a move to the temporary site. It's not anything worthy of a ceremony," King said. "The ceremony will come when we move to the permanent spots."

King, a senior from Dallas, said E-2 has notified several top school officials of its plans.

"The date has been set for about a week, two weeks," he said.

However, A&M spokeswoman Mary Jo Powell said Monday afternoon that her office didn't know anything about it.

"As far as the university administration knows, nothing has been scheduled for 8 a.m.

Wednesday morning," she said.

"The cadets in Company E-2 and the Corps of Cadets know how the university works, and I fully suspect that if something was happening 36 hours from now, the proper people in the vice president's office would be aware, and they are not aware."

The four purebred American collies, all named Reveille, have been laid to rest just outside the football stadium with their paws and faces pointing towards the scoreboard, in accordance to Aggie lore.

Wednesday's move will relocate them across the street in Cain Park. When the expansion is finished in 1999, the grave sites will be moved to a tree-lined plaza just outside the north end of the stadium.

The move is necessary because, as part of the expansion, the tunnel that opened to the grave sites will be filled in with an elevator shaft leading to luxury sky boxes.

Since being publicized last month, the decision has divided school supporters. Those who

cherish the Reveille lore are outraged; others say the graves stand in the way of progress.

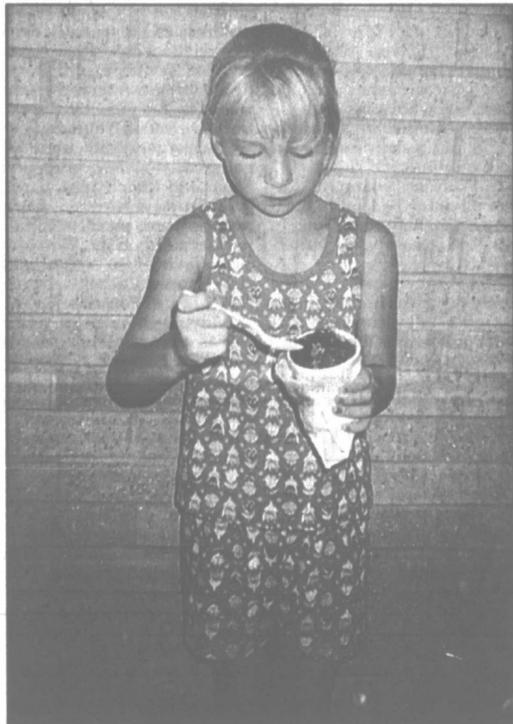
A vocal opponent to the change has been a group calling itself "Friends of Reveille." They have planned a press conference for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the mascot gravesite to make "an important announcement ... concerning constructive reaction to this ungraceful and untimely act."

Vice president of student affairs Malon Southerland said officials had considered moving the grave site inside the stadium so the Reveilles could see the scoreboard, but then the graves would be off limits when the stadium is locked.

However, administrators are considering putting an electronic message board — where scores could be displayed — outside the renovated stadium's north end so the mascots could continue to follow the score.

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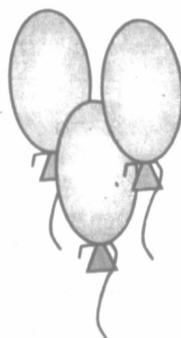
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Out front: On patrol with Red Platoon in Cambodia

By IAN STEWART
Associated Press Writer

NATIONAL HIGHWAY 68 NEAR O'SMACH, Cambodia (AP) - A brilliant flash and a thundering explosion rip the peace of a dirt road snaking through Cambodia's dense northern jungles.

But before the sound even registers, Chea Mai crumples to the ground, his abdomen mangled by hot shrapnel.

He has triggered an invisible trip wire, detonating a mortar round rigged as a booby trap along the road while he marched headlong into enemy-held terrain.

In Cambodia's newest guerrilla war, the latest horror in Cambodia's two decades of bloodshed, coups and genocide, there are no rules of engagement, no Geneva conventions. In this war, anything goes.

A 24-year-old soldier in the army of Hun Sen, who seized power in a bloody July 5-6 coup, Chea Mai was cut down in a chaotic two-hour skirmish in a remote place few have heard of, in a war many can't be bothered with.

He and his compatriots were battling two enemies at the same time: royalist soldiers loyal to ousted First Prime Minister Prince Norodom Ranariddh and the remnants of Khmer Rouge rebels.

Chea Mai was the first casualty of



AP/Wm. J. Castello

the battle.

Two fellow soldiers rushed in to help, bundling him into a hammock slung from a long pole. They dashed off, rubber sandals flapping against the ground, hauling him to a distant aid station.

He looked up from under a blood-soaked blanket and tried to speak, but

only blood came from his mouth. A few paces further, his eyes rolled back into his head. Three more steps and Chea Mai was dead.

But while Chea Mai did not survive this battle, it is the opposition that may be facing the end, with the government warning it is massing for a final assault on the royalists. Ranariddh, though, insists they are far from defeated.

Resistance fighters loyal to Ranariddh, who have been on the run since the coup, are trapped in a desperate bid to hold off government troops.

With Hun Sen's forces fast approaching O'Smach, the royalists' last outpost just across the border from Thailand, the resistance is fighting just to survive. Outnumbered and cut off from supplies, they have aligned themselves with what remains of the Khmer Rouge.

After they seized power in 1975, the Khmer Rouge guerrillas turned Cambodia into a Maoist-inspired labor camp and caused the deaths of as many as 2 million people.

They detest Hun Sen, a former Khmer Rouge member who escaped purges in 1977 and allied himself with the country's historic enemy, Vietnam. Vietnam's army toppled the Khmer Rouge regime in 1979, and Hun Sen eventually came to lead the Vietnam-backed government of the 1980s.

Though their numbers have dwindled, Khmer Rouge rebels, with Chinese-style Mao caps and a grim, ruthless fighting style, are still dreaded opponents.

"Khmer Rouge to the left," barked Tuy Toue, veteran commander of the government's Red Platoon.

The guerrillas and Ranariddh's forces may be outnumbered and outgunned, but they're still putting up a fight.

Straight ahead, about 150 yards down the road heading to Thailand, some 200 soldiers loyal to Ranariddh had dug in, not yet ready to give up this stretch of jungle.

To the left, Khmer Rouge soldiers took up positions that threatened to cut off Red Platoon soldiers from their camp at Khtum village, about four miles to the south.

The crack of a single shot fired from an AK-47 rifle sent the platoon's dozen or so men scurrying into shallow ditches that line the road.

More bullets shot past, loud twangs that echoed off looming banana trees and gently waving elephant grass.

Sixteen-year-old So Preak tossed aside his rifle and buried his face in the sodden ditch to avoid the fire. A bullet skipped off the road a few feet from his face.

A few yards away, his buddy, who minutes before battle was cradling a stray puppy, shrieked as a bullet

ripped into his thigh. The wound, though not life-threatening, left the young soldier writhing in agony. He hobbled away. It was at least 12 miles to the nearest hospital.

A distant voice crackled over Tuy Toue's radio. His troops were told to keep low as the rear guard Yellow Platoon prepared a volley of 82 mm mortars to push back the opposition.

A Chinese-made DK-82 roared to life: A funnel of smoke and fire belched from its barrel and some seven seconds later the round slammed down on the royalist forces.

It took only moments for a response. Overshooting their target, 60 mm mortars slammed into the ground just beyond Red Platoon.

The more seasoned fighters of Yellow Platoon moved forward to reach their pinned-down colleagues, crossing a small river where a bridge once stood.

The group's lead soldier, standing tall despite the heavy fire, let loose a burst of gunfire while pushing forward 100 more yards.

"Look! I'm shooting!" he yelled across the front line. "Why don't you shoot me? Why don't you shoot me?"

By evening, Red Platoon and Yellow Platoon had gained just over a mile on their march to O'Smach. They have six to 10 still to go.

One dead and five wounded was the price for this day's gain.

Undercover sting: Drug raids expose drug runners in New York City

WASHINGTON (AP) - Undercover operations aimed at Mexican drug runners resulted in 89 arrests in nine U.S. cities and the seizure of tons of cocaine and marijuana and millions in cash. The probes disclosed major new inroads by the Mexicans into the New York City market, officials said Monday.

The combined haul of two separate operations begun last fall: 11.4 tons of cocaine, 6.4 tons of marijuana and \$18.5 million in cash. At least 28 people were arrested Monday alone.

"This is a tremendous conspiracy that reached all the way from Juarez, Mexico, to New York City and Westchester County," in the New York suburbs, said Thomas A. Constantine, administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

"This was brand-new to us," Constantine said. "For the first time, we saw the organized crime syndicates from Mexico actually bringing their own cocaine into the New York City area and selling it."

"These operations dramatically demonstrate that Mexican drug traffickers are displacing at least some of the Colombian cocaine organizations which have traditionally dominated the New York City market," he said.

He estimated that Mexican drug bosses now account for 30 percent to 35 percent of the cocaine distributed in the United States.

Law enforcement officials said the drug traffickers were associates of Amado Carrillo Fuentes, who until his death last month was considered Mexico's most powerful druglord.

A law enforcement official said the arrests included several non-Mexican truck drivers from Battle Creek, Mich., who allegedly hauled narcotics from Juarez, Mexico, and El Paso, Texas, in 18-wheeler trucks and brought back millions of dollars in cash.

The operation included the use of warehouses in the New York City suburbs of New Rochelle and Pelham, said the official.

Winding up that operation, dubbed "Reciprocity," a joint task force composed of agents from the DEA, FBI and the U.S. Customs Service arrested 25 people Monday in New York, Battle Creek, El Paso and Albuquerque, N.M.

During the course of the investigation, an additional 13 people were arrested, including alleged drug runners in Tucson, Ariz., and Los Angeles.

The totals for Operation Reciprocity are 7.4 tons of cocaine, \$11 million in cash, 2,700 pounds of marijuana and 41 arrests. Twenty eight of those arrests were made on Monday.

The official said those arrested include two alleged leaders of the Mexican drug distribution operation in the New York City area. One of them, Martin Manzo, was arrested Monday. The other, Alejandro Ortiz, was arrested earlier.

A second drug investigation, Operation Limelight, focused on a third cell of drug racketeers also linked to Carrillo, the late Mexican drug boss. The investigation opened last September and concentrated on the Chicago area, the official said. He said it resulted in the seizure of 4 tons of cocaine, 10,000 pounds of marijuana, \$7.4 million in cash and 48 arrests.

Operation Reciprocity began last Oct. 30 with the seizure of \$2 million in cash from a secret compartment in a van that had been stopped by a Texas state trooper in McAllen, Texas, a town at the Mexican border.

Officials said it was learned that the van was registered to Ortiz at an address in the New York City area.

Investigators concluded the van and its hidden cash were headed into Mexico.

In a second event, a state and local police task force in Tucson, responding to an anonymous call, seized 5.3 tons of cocaine at a local warehouse. Three El Paso residents were arrested.

"The investigation showed that 6,000 kilos of cocaine had already left the warehouse and had been delivered into the New York City area," the U.S. law enforcement official said. "That was done by truckers based out of Battle Creek, Mich. They delivered on orders and payment from the Juarez-based drug cell."

The agents traced the deliveries to the New Rochelle and Pelham warehouses and determined they were controlled by Ortiz and Manzo, the official said.

Officials said arrests have been made in the following cities since the two operations began last fall: New York; Battle Creek; El Paso and Tyler, Texas; Albuquerque; Jersey City; San Diego; Chicago and Rockford, Ill.

Scandal erupts in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Salinas has repeatedly denied Mexican officials distanced themselves Monday from accusations by the former national police chief, who accused an ex-president of ordering an assassination and a slain cardinal of drug trafficking.

Juan Pablo de Tavira, the former head of the Federal Judicial Police, made his accusations in radio and newspaper interviews last week.

"The attorney general's office not only distances itself from his statements, but also notes that in most of the cases it has entirely different theses," the federal attorney general's office said.

It added that it has summoned De Tavira to testify about any evidence he might have in the cases.

De Tavira still works in the attorney general's office but "does not form any part of the teams of investigation... related to the cases he spoke of during his interviews," the agency said.

De Tavira accused former president Carlos Salinas de Gortari of pronouncing "a death sentence" against candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio.

Salinas has repeatedly denied any relationship to the slaying, and De Tavira offered no evidence in the interview, which was also reported by the daily El Universal on Thursday.

Colosio was shot at a campaign rally in the border city of Tijuana in March 1994. Current President Ernesto Zedillo replaced him as the candidate for the ruling party.

De Tavira also said that the late Roman Catholic Cardinal Juan Jesus Posadas Ocampo was involved in drug trafficking, as was papal representative Girolamo Prigione.

Prosecutors claim Posadas Ocampo was killed during a shootout by rival drug gangs at Guadalajara airport when gunmen mistook his car for one supposedly carrying a drug lord. The cardinal had spoken out against drug lords.

Prigione, who retired earlier this year, has denied any involvement in drug trafficking.

De Tavira himself was the focus of a bizarre case. He was poisoned in December 1994 shortly after taking over the police agency. He spent months in a coma before recovering.

Another memorial goes up for cadet

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(AP) - Eight Air Force Academy cadets have died in the past 14 months, surpassing the casualty total for the previous five years, according to academy spokesman Capt. Ron Watrous.

On Monday, for the second time in a week, cadets gathered at the academy chapel to remember a fallen classmate - sophomore Cadet Shannon Paul Biela, 20, of Franklinville, N.Y.

Biela collapsed last Thursday as he walked from his dormitory to practice with the saber drill team. An autopsy revealed a blood clot on his

lung caused heart failure.

A week earlier, the memorial was for sophomore Cadet Stephanie Pollard, 19, of El Paso, Texas. She died July 21 of heart failure brought on by a buildup of fluid in her lungs after a day of survival training.

On June 25, senior Cadet Pace Weber of Miami, Fla., died, along with his instructor pilot Capt. Glen A. Comeaux of Yorktown, Va., when their T-3 training plane crashed during an instructional flight northeast of the academy.

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Gas leak prompts evacuation in Liberty County

DAYTON, Texas (AP) — A gas line ruptured, sending up a cloud of flammable gas that triggered the evacuation of almost 4,000 inmates housed at three state prison facilities north of this Liberty County town.

At least 31 inmates, 26 of them pregnant, were taken to hospitals after they complained of nausea, breathing difficulties and burning eyes.

The gas formed a pungent white cloud that drifted on the steady breeze toward the three prison units north of Dayton, 35 miles northeast of Houston.

About 1,300 male inmates were bused Monday night to the Stiles prison unit in Beaumont and about 2,600 female inmates were bused to a civic center in Humble.

"This is the first time I can recall the Texas prison system ever having to evacuate inmates for a gas leak," said Gary Gomez, a Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman. "The only other (evacuation) I can recall was during the 1980s for a hurricane."

Larry Fitzgerald, another TDCJ spokesman, said the prisoners would not be returned to Dayton until the danger is over.

Fitzgerald, who was in Humble overnight, said the women inmates were sleeping on the floor of the civic center. Most of the women inmates have been incarcerated because of substance abuse problems and are not considered dangerous, he said.

Officials said five inmates and two employees were taken to Liberty-Dayton Hospital in Dayton after breathing the fumes. Five other inmates were treated at the prison infirmary.

Twenty-six pregnant women were taken to a regional medical facility in Texas City after complaining of breathing problems, Houston television station KTRK reported.

After the leak was reported about 2:30 p.m. Monday, authorities moved about 2,000 inmates from their cells to get them farther from the drifting gas, but had not planned to remove them from the three-unit complex north of Dayton.

But as the liquefied petroleum gas continued spewing through a two-inch hole in a Chevron pipeline, officials decided about 7:30 p.m. not to risk a catastrophe in case the gas should continue to accumulate on prison grounds.

"The leak is going to last a little longer than we thought," Gomez said. "We had not expected it to last this long — through the night. We're just doing this to be on the safe side."

The first facility alerted was the L.V. Hightower Unit, a middle-security facility for men, only about 100 yards from the rupture.

Employees reported hearing a "popping" sound and then smelled gas seeping through windows and vents in the dormitories, which are not air-conditioned, warden Tim Keith said.

"We decided to move the inmates outside to get as much air as possible," he told the Houston Chronicle.

Inmates were herded to the fenced prison yard, which had been ringed by guards.

Air testing soon showed the fumes had dissipated, and inmates were returned to their cells after about 45 minutes outdoors.

About the same time, the 503 women inmates in the nearby Dempsey Henley Substance Abuse Facility were removed from the prison dorms and walked, two-by-two, across a field to another women's unit, the Lucille G. Plane State Jail, said June Groom, senior warden for both facilities.

The Henley inmates were escorted to the recreation yard at the Plane Unit while the inmates at the Plane facility remained in their cells.

"We had armed security on horseback and the perimeter enclosed with officers. It was not possible to escape," Ms. Groom said. "We had smelled an odor inside and thought it best to evacuate farther away from the source."

Chevron crews, meanwhile, used a portable flare to begin burning off the gas at a point farther down the line.

Moderate picked to head long range Republican strategy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pennsylvania moderate newly named to develop a 21st-century message for House Republicans says he intends to avoid such divisive issues as abortion.

"When we talk about broad goals, we are very much in unison," said Rep. James Greenwood. An abortion-rights supporter, he often has voted against the party's leadership, but said Monday there are enough areas of agreement on issues for the party to speak with one voice.

Greenwood was picked by House Speaker Newt Gingrich to head a long-range planning team. He replaces Rep. Bill Paxon of New York, who resigned the leadership position amid questions about his role in a failed attempt to topple Gingrich.

Greenwood, in his third term, was already a member of the six-person strategic planning team, which was created by Gingrich in January to develop a long-term GOP message.

Greenwood sought the job because he already had been working on writing the Republicans' long-term strategic blueprint, which will cover tax and other policy issues. He said he hopes to complete the document this fall.

"When we were in the minority party, we had as our responsibility to continuously rail against the failure of the majority party to balance the budget and handle certain key issues well," Greenwood said. "Now it's our responsibility to make sure we understand what most Americans want."

He said spelling out the long-range vision will

help Americans "come to understand where we want to take the country" now that Republicans have accomplished their primary goal of passing a balanced budget plan.

Rep. Rick White, R-Wash., who is in his second term, will serve as vice chairman.

Greenwood's and White's appointments were made shortly before the House began its summer recess on Aug. 1. Although their appointments took effect immediately, the group is not expected to meet before September.

Greenwood will remain a member of the Tuesday Group, a collection of House GOP moderates who meet at least once a week to formulate strategy. Greenwood was its liaison to Gingrich until April.

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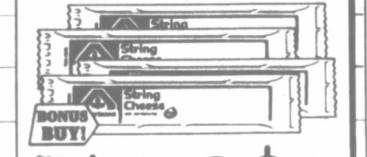
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Israel agrees to ease sanctions against Palestine

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Israel agreed today to lift some economic punishments imposed on Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, while angry Palestinians burned an effigy of the U.S. envoy who is pressing the two sides to work together on security issues.

After a meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, President Clinton's envoy, Dennis Ross, told reporters that "measures that don't relate clearly to security are measures that are not helpful and are counterproductive."

Protesters in the West Bank town of Nablus, meanwhile, burned an American flag and an effigy of Ross. A group of Hamas supporters among the 5,000 marchers chanted "give us car bombs" while members of Arafat's Fatah faction paraded with AK-47 Kalashnikov assault rifles.

Thousands of Palestinians also rallied in Ramallah and Gaza City. "America is an ally of the enemy!" one protester in Ramallah shouted through a loudspeaker.

Later, Israel announced it was easing restrictions on Palestinian agricultural goods leaving the Gaza Strip. Three trucks with eggplants and tomatoes crossed after the gate was opened.

Israel banned Palestinians from entering the country after a July 30 double suicide bombing claimed 16 lives, including the bombers, in an open-air Jerusalem market. A ban on travel between some Palestinian towns in the West Bank is still in force and Israel has refused to transfer millions of dollars in tax revenues to the Palestinians.

Atef Alawneh, Palestinian deputy finance minister, told reporters that the cutoff in taxes collected from Palestinians by Israel amounted to \$40 million, about 60 percent of the Palestinian Authority's monthly income.

"The situation is very dangerous, and we are on the verge of collapse. We have no money," said Alawneh.

David Bar-Illan, a top aide to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, said Israel refused to hand over the tax money, which he estimated at \$22 million, because some senior police had been involved in planning attacks on Israel.

"We feel that it is a little ridiculous to hand over money to the very same police force that is engaged in terrorism," said Bar-Illan.

Israel has demanded the trial of Palestinian Police Commissioner Ghazi Jabali after claiming he was involved in sending a squad of police to ambush Israelis in the West Bank.

Palestinian officials indicated it was premature to say whether Ross would be able to break the impasse and resume peace talks.

"(Ross) came to deal with security issues," said Saeb Erekat, the chief Palestinian negotiator. "And we told him that the Palestinian security is as important as Israeli security."

Security cooperation between Israel and the Palestinians has been suspended since March when Israel started a Jewish housing project on disputed land in Jerusalem.

"We told him you cannot deal with one issue and ignore the other issues," Erekat said on the Voice of Palestine.

Arafat reluctantly has accepted the idea of focusing on security, but has not yet responded with the sort of action that would satisfy Israel.

"We have a start at this point," Ross said Monday as he shuttled between meetings at the governor's mansion in Ramallah.

Shin Bet security agency chief Ami Ayalon and other Israelis met with Palestinian intelligence chief Amin al-Hindi and security chiefs from the West Bank and Gaza.

The U.S. team in the three-way talks included CIA officials.

A Palestinian official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the Palestinians agreed to resume regular security meetings and that Israel accepted their condition that the Americans take part in them.

An Israeli official said a new list of 230 suspected terrorists had been given to the Palestinians. Israel insisted the militants be arrested.

Ross' return to the region Saturday night heralded the first major American peace-making effort since January, when he brokered an agreement under which Israel pulled out of most of the West Bank town of Hebron. Since then, the peace process has stalled.

Environmentalists: Too much weed killer seeping into Midwest tap water

WASHINGTON (AP) — An environmental group says levels of weed killer in tap water in 245 communities are too high, despite the fact that the government deems most of it safe, and federal officials agree the standards could be tightened.

The study released Monday by the Environmental Working Group focused on atrazine, a chemical sprayed on corn to kill weeds, and several related chemicals. In high doses, atrazine has been linked to cancer.

Using a new food protection law, the environmental group developed its own, tougher standard of what it considered dangerous levels of atrazine. The group then concluded that tap water in 245 communities contains that level or more.

That would affect about 4.3 million people in communities in nine states, the environmental group says. Most of the towns were in the Corn Belt: 77 in Illinois, 70 in Ohio and 49 in Missouri.

The other 49 communities were scattered through Delaware, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland and Nebraska. A list of specific locations was not available.

The atrazine tap water standard used in the study — 0.15 parts per billion on average over a year's time, compared to 3 parts per billion now — has not been

adopted by any government agency. Pesticide makers dismiss the study as speculative, alarmist and aimed mainly at gaining political support for forcing them to pay for water system improvements or mandating changes in the way farmers use chemicals.

"The water is absolutely safe," said Chris Klose, spokesman for the American Crop Protection Association. "The study is without scientific merit, and it's damaging to the public trust."

But Environmental Protection Agency officials said Monday it is likely that atrazine levels would be tightened by 1999 as the new Food Quality Protection Act is implemented. In addition, the EPA is taking a new look at the health risks of long-term exposure to atrazine and related chemicals.

"We have to reassess the food standards for all the pesticides," said Dr. Lynn Goldman, the agency's assistant administrator for pesticides. "We've got to add in the drinking water risk with the dietary risk."

The environmental group contends that atrazine and other pesticides repeatedly show up in tap water with unknown long-term health effects.

"We know it passes straight through conventional water treatment systems," said president Ken Cook.

But some regulators call the conclusions exaggerated.

In Ohio, officials note that only one of the 70 communities cited by the group — the town of Sardinia — has failed to meet the current federal standard of 3 parts per billion. Using the food law to speculate about a new water standard doesn't make sense, they say.

"If there was something to worry about, we'd be the first ones to notify people," said John Sadzewicz, chief of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's water division.

The Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, which represents most city water systems, supports the study's conclusion that the government should take more action to stop pesticides from entering the water supply.

City systems would have to spend up to \$3 billion to upgrade treatment systems if the current atrazine standard were tightened significantly, said Diane Vandehei, executive director of the group. Chemical companies should be forced to foot part of this bill instead of consumers, she said.

But pesticide makers dismiss the study as speculative, alarmist and aimed mainly at gaining political support for forcing them to pay for improvements or mandating changes in the way farmers use chemicals.

Web scoop of magazine story called unethical

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Traditional reporting? Or Web gossip?

When a Web columnist and self-proclaimed media gadfly broke a Washington story being pursued by a *Newsweek* reporter, it raised questions about traditional news standards on the Internet.

A month before the *Newsweek* piece was published on Aug. 4, Web writer Matt Drudge began posting pieces of the story about a possible sexual harassment allegation against President Clinton.

Though it got Washington talking, the Web scraps bore only some resemblance to the full story *Newsweek* writer Michael Isikoff reported. The magazine story raised doubts about whether former White House aide Kathleen Willey was sexually harassed at all.

"As far as I'm concerned, I've written the only reliable account on this whole matter. Nothing that Drudge writes can be accepted by anybody as reliable," Isikoff said from *Newsweek's* offices in Washington D.C.

He began pursuing the story months ago. Drudge stands by the tidbits

he posted on his *Report*, a one-man gossip column and tip sheet read by millions.

"I'm getting a bad rap, people say I don't check my sources. But I do. I did have sources, three or four, even some in the White House," Drudge said from his Hollywood apartment, which doubles as a newsroom.

"I outed the story," he was quoted as saying in Monday's editions of *The Washington Post*.

Some initially thought Drudge had pulled raw copy from *Newsweek* computers while Isikoff was working on the story. But Drudge and Isikoff said Drudge's information came by word of mouth, not computer hacking.

Do the basic tenets of journalistic ethics — get it first but get it right — change in a wired world? Not a bit, said Kevin Kelleher, managing editor for the Web-based *Wired* news service, an arm of *Wired Digital Inc.*

The issue isn't one of journalistic standards, but of differing standards for news and gossip, said Kelleher, who once ran Drudge's column on his site.

"Drudge is a gossip colum-

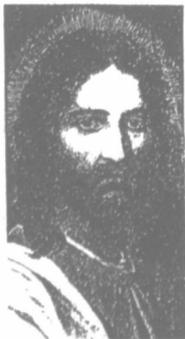
nist. It doesn't matter what media he's in. He's groomed himself to be a kind of Walter Winchell for the '90s," Kelleher said.

Traditional media has to recognize that there are different media within the Web — some with high standards, and some with looser ones, Kelleher said.

Paula Jones' lawyers last month subpoenaed Willey, in an effort, they said, to establish a pattern of improper sexual overtures by Clinton. Willey has vowed to resist any deposition.

The president has denied propositioning Jones in 1991, as she claims in a \$700,000 sexual harassment suit, and he has denied any wrongdoing involving Willey.

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Labor secretary urges UPS, Teamsters to resume talks

By KEVIN GALVIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Teamsters and the United Parcel Service continued to dig in for a long strike despite efforts by Labor Secretary Alexis Herman to get both sides back to the bargaining table.

With no talks scheduled toward ending the work stoppage, now in its ninth day, the union was unveiling important new support today for picketers and UPS was promoting its contract proposal to the public.

In other developments, a United Parcel Service truck plunged off a Tennessee highway ramp Monday, killing a manager substituting for striking drivers. And police in Miami said they arrested four suspects and were searching for two others in connection with the non-fatal stabbing of a UPS driver who crossed the picket line Thursday. Two of those arrested were striking workers. Herman held separate meetings with both sides Monday.

Today she was traveling with President Clinton to St. Louis and was using the opportunity

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to discuss the UPS strike with him, officials said.

"I think she intends to brief the president in some greater detail about her discussions," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said.

Herman described her meet-

ings with Teamsters President Ron Carey and the chief UPS negotiator, David Murray, as "candid, wide-ranging and useful."

"Our talks today were serious and each side will be conferring with its representatives and will get back to me about next steps," she said in a statement.

UPS stepped up its campaign for White House intervention, issuing a letter to members of Congress and calling on them to pressure Clinton.

But the White House has maintained that the work stoppage wasn't a threat to the nation's safety and health — the standard for government intervention under the Taft-Hartley Act. Herman underscored that position Monday.

"The administration is seriously engaged in bringing both parties back to the table, the only place a solution will be reached," she said.

Federally mediated talks broke off Saturday.

As of Thursday, the cash-

strapped Teamsters will owe some 185,000 strikers \$55 in weekly strike benefits.

In a public address planned for today at Teamsters headquarters, AFL-CIO President John Sweeney was to announce financial support for strikers. Sweeney was on the phone to other union presidents Monday night, lining up support.

"We are urging our members all across the country to support the picket lines," Sweeney told reporters earlier in the day. "We will support them in every way we possibly can. It's safe to say that includes financial resources."

Meanwhile, UPS was publicly promoting the pension offer it says is the key sticking point at a National Press Club event.

The Teamsters originally dismissed as a bargaining ploy the company's proposal to withdraw from multi-employer health and pension plans and establish separate funds for UPS workers.

But Carey has taken on the proposal seriously in recent days, characterizing it as an attempt by the company to seize the investment income generated by its employee's pension and health funds.

"This is a multimillion-dollar pension grab," he said.

UPS insisted that the union's demands for more full-time jobs was not a "deal-breaker," just an effort by the union to avoid the pension proposal.

Leaving his meeting with Herman, Murray thanked her for taking a personal interest in the standoff.

"However, we still believe the correct solution to this is

for the Teamsters to put our people back to work and our offer out for a vote," Murray said.

Carey said he had hoped the labor secretary would urge the company to bargain on the union's key issues of full-time jobs, subcontracting and increased wages.

UPS has estimated 7,000 union members crossed picket lines, a number the Teamsters say is greatly exaggerated.

The company usually handles 12 million parcels and letters daily, but it has been reduced to 10 percent capacity and admits it lost hundreds of millions of dollars last week.

Los Angeles — two riots, two reality checks later

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Watts burned just six months after Bernard Parks joined the police force, and yet, somehow, the problems that sparked the 1965 riots hadn't registered with this young black man from South Central.

He had lived, he noted, "somewhat of a sheltered life." Parochial school. Good family — dad was a cop for the Harbor Department. Football. College. A promising career ahead of him at the Los Angeles Police Department.

"Things came fairly easy," said Parks, set to be sworn in as new chief Aug. 22 after expected City Council approval today, "so you didn't have the indication that everybody wasn't living the same way."

Fast forward to another flash point: the 1992 verdict against two white officers charged with beating black motorist Rodney King. Another riot, another wakeup call for Parks, by now a high-ranking official at the police department.

"What caused a lot of us to reflect on (was) that maybe the perception of the LAPD in communities is totally different than what we might perceive, and that was a major adjustment," Parks said.

Things may come easily to Parks, but when he speaks about two of the city's violent defining moments, he speaks of things learned, reflected upon, studied and analyzed — not innately known.

Parks, 53, a husband and father of three, has a master's degree in public administration from the University of Southern California. He is a man of plans and strategies, of management models that maximize accountability and use new technologies.

He is, in many ways, the new CEO of the Los Angeles Police Department. Those seeking a father figure, soothing symbol or man of the people need look elsewhere.

Which is just as the city's movers and shakers wanted it after five frustrating years with Chief Willie Williams, whose management lapses alienated him from the City Council, the mayor and the civilian Police Commission.

In selecting Parks last week to lead the 9,500-member force, Mayor Richard Riordan chose an administrator over an ideologue, a man whose single vision is to have no single vision, a workaholic with 32 years on the force who expects to be rated by performance rather than personality.

In short, he's a man very much like Riordan, the bland multimillionaire businessman-turned-mayor who was re-elected by defeating a more ideological candidate, former '60s activist Tom Hayden.

"They appear to be soul mates," said political analyst Sherri Bebitch Jeffe of the Claremont Graduate University. "They appear to have similar approaches to leader-

ship. It is an executive, almost corporate approach to leadership."

Parks does have his skeptics. Rank-and-file members of the police officers' union overwhelmingly endorsed Deputy Chief Mark Kroeker, who is seen as having more of an emotional link to the street cop.

The union worries Parks will be too tough as an administrator and inflict too much discipline.

"I'm sure there's going to be a little bit of disappointment," Police Protective League president Dave Hepburn said.

Yet Hepburn, like many, praised the selection of an LAPD insider, speaking in an anything's-better-than-Williams tone that is so prevalent downtown.

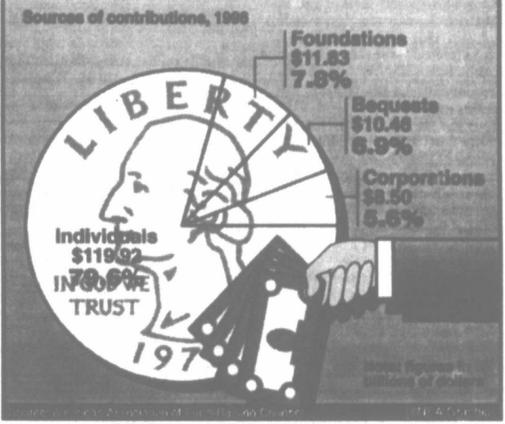
Parks was seen by some as helping to undermine Williams' position. In what is now city lore, Parks missed getting the chief's job five years ago, then was publicly demoted by Williams from assistant chief to deputy chief.

But this, declares Parks, is ancient history. His goal now is to enjoy the new manager-friendly atmosphere in the nation's second-largest city, where crime is down, the police budget is up and the buzzword is "quality-of-life policing."

"It gives me the opportunity to concentrate much more on the reality issues as opposed to dealing with perception," he said.

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New crew prepares to take over from old

MOSCOW (AP) — The outgoing crew of the Mir orbiting station donned special suits today to prepare for their return to Earth, while its replacement team watched a training video and exercised to prepare for a key spacewalk next week.

The departing cosmonauts, Vasily Tsibliyev and Alexander Lazutkin, were wrapping up details for the formal transfer of the 120-ton spacecraft to the new arrivals, Anatoly Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov.

Tsibliyev and Lazutkin also put on their Chibis vacuum spacesuits, which are designed to improve blood circulation in their lower bodies, said Irija Manshilina, spokeswoman for Russia's Mission Control Center.

The suits, resembling pleated pants from which air is gradually pumped out, will help the pair better adjust to Earth's gravity upon their return home Thursday. After months of weightlessness in space, cosmonauts initially find it difficult to walk due to poor blood circulation and a loss of muscle tone in their legs.

Tsibliyev and Lazutkin are to return to Earth aboard one of two Soyuz-TM capsules currently docked at the space station. They have already checked out the capsule's systems and loaded it

with gear, Deputy Mission Chief Viktor Blagov said.

Meanwhile, replacement crew members Solovyov and Vinogradov watched video recordings of simulations of their upcoming task — a trip into the Mir's airless Spektr module to repair damage from a space collision six weeks ago.

American astronaut Michael Foale, who will remain on the Mir with the new Russian crew, was busy with his scientific experiments, the spokeswoman added.

On Friday, Foale and the two newly arrived Russians will board the other Soyuz and briefly disengage from the station to get an hour-long visual inspection of its exterior, which was damaged when a cargo ship crashed into it on June 25.

The remaining crew's biggest problem is the power supply, which was cut in half due to the collision in space.

Solovyov plans to enter the Spektr module on Aug. 20 and reconnect power cables linking its solar panels to the station's main power system. The task will have to be performed in a dark and airless module littered with waste from ruined scientific experiments.

British poll: Royals popularity fading fast

LONDON (AP) — With speculation intense about Princess Diana's reported dalliance with a millionaire playboy, a poll today said support for the royals had sunk below 50 percent for the first time.

The best man at Dodi Fayed's first wedding, meanwhile, said that his friend will move quickly if he wants to marry Diana.

"To get a girl, I don't think there are any limits on his extravagances, whether it is chartering a plane or getting on a boat. He would go to any port," Andrew Wainrib told independent GMTV, speaking from Los Angeles.

He last spoke to Dodi at Thanksgiving and had no information on whether the 41-year-old film producer wants to marry the 36-year-old princess, but said it would be a "great merger."

The Guardian/ICM poll in the liberal London newspaper *The Guardian* said only 48 percent of those questioned thought Britain would be worse off without its royal family compared to 70 percent who thought the same when pollsters asked the same question three years ago.

The paper said the poll showed the harm done to the monarchy's reputation by repeated media rev-

elations including the divorce of Diana and Prince Charles last year, their confessions of adultery, the divorce of Prince Andrew and the Duchess of York and the duchess' extravagances.

The poll, which had an error margin of plus or minus 3.2 percentage points, said 30 percent thought Britain would be positively better off without Queen Elizabeth II and her family compared to 13 percent who thought the same three years ago.

The rest of those questioned were undecided whether the monarchy was a good thing.

A MORI poll in *The Sun* devoted solely to Diana and Fayed heaped only a quarter of the blame on them. It showed 74 percent of those questioned thought their Mediterranean yacht cruise together last week made no difference to the royal family's image. That poll had an error margin of 4.1 percentage points.

On Sunday and Monday, fuzzy pictures of Diana and Fayed embracing aboard a yacht in the Mediterranean last week dominated the front pages of London tabloids.

Today's *Sun* kept the story going with a picture of Diana, Fayed,

Diana's sons Prince William, 15, and Prince Harry, 12, and Fayed's father Mohammed Al Fayed together during a vacation last month on the same yacht.

Wainrib recalled being best man when Dodi married American model Suzanne Gregard in 1987, a wedding that was arranged in 24 hours. The marriage lasted just eight months.

Dodi will stop at nothing in the pursuit of love, Wainrib said.

"I would see him looking to close the deal as fast as he possibly could."

Mohamed Al Fayed, who owns Harrods department store and the Ritz Hotel in Paris, was a friend of Diana's late father and has taken a close interest in the princess' welfare.

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Rather than bronzing a plaque of rules for parents, "Mom" should deal directly with the children.

1. Don't want kids for hours on end or as dinner/holiday guests? Send 'em home! Children are not psychic. Most aren't sensitive enough to get subtle hints like, "Time to wash up and set the table."

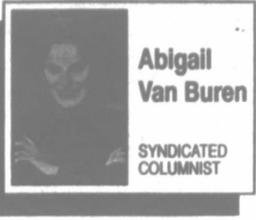
2. Encourage them to help you garden. There is nothing like a sense of ownership to foster pride.

3. Take time to teach. There's nothing wrong with house rules like, "At our house we don't call names," or, "Here we use 'please' and 'thank you.'" Set limits for acceptable behavior. It may take many repetitions to get results. Be patient, but firm.

I have given up my lawn and most of my garden for now. The few short years of childhood are worth more than a few blades of grass. I'm enjoying the sounds of basketball and Rollerblades, water fights and kids selling lemonade. I can grow plants any time, but my kids are young for only a short while.

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DEAR MOM: Many readers wrote offering different approaches to problems with neighborhood children. Read



Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This is the answer to "Not Everyone's Mom," the mother who set rules for parents of neighborhood children.

Four years ago, a couple with two little girls, ages 3 and 4, moved in next door. Spring was approaching and I could hardly wait until my hybrid tulips bloomed. When the blossoms appeared, they were just beautiful!

I stood admiring them one morning, then left on an errand. When I returned one hour later, someone had picked all the petals off the tulips. The guilty parties left a trail of petals leading to their house.

I knocked on the door and spoke to the mother of the two girls. I pointed out that I wasn't angry, just upset. I asked her not to punish the children, but to explain to them that they were my flowers and they shouldn't pick them without asking me first.

Four years have gone by, and I have not lost another petal. Every year each girl is allowed to choose one flower in my garden that she wants, then I pick them — and one for their mother, too. In return, my wife and I have two of the most beautiful little friends one could ask for.

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Your Birthday

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In the year ahead, there could be a noticeable improvement in your social life. Your chart indicates activity with new companions with whom you will have a lot common.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your personality is dynamic and charismatic today. Don't be surprised if people with whom you've been out of touch suddenly want to talk with you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Critical issues can be brought to happy conclusions today. If there are any loose ends in your life, see if they can be tied off to your advantage.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This could turn out to be one of your luckier days, especially if you're working on a new endeavor about which you feel enthusiastic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your material prospects look encouraging today. The rewards to which you're entitled might suddenly become realized, and could even produce extra dividends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today you're likely to be luckier for yourself than you will be for other people. Focus on enhancing your personal interests and ambitions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are very close to a profitable arrangement, but it is not of your own making — try to do what you can to make a contribution.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you possess the ability to improve and expand upon the good ideas of your

associates. You could have several opportunities to utilize your skills.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Even if you have to work a few extra hours today, do everything within your power to please the boss. Your industriousness will be noted and rewarded.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An exceptional day could be in the offing for you if your attitude is positive, humorous and expectant. Your enthusiastic spirit will generate the vibes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Positive changes are presently stirring that could benefit you and your family. For the moment, however, they may be slightly veiled and difficult to perceive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day for you to negotiate agreements. Your wisdom will generate a fair deal both for yourself and the other party.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Yesterday where you met with obstacles and impediments, you should now find opportunities. Figure out what you'd like to reconstruct to your advantage.

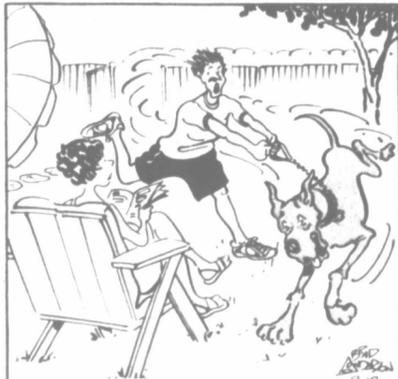
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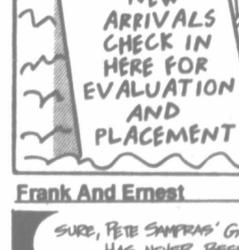
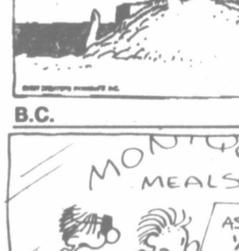
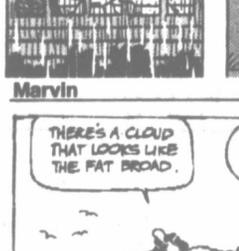


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AMARILLO — The Hansen family of Pampa came away champions at Paul & Mike's Excellent Mile held last month at Thompson Park.

Ryan Hansen competed in the boys' 9 & under age group and placed first with a time of 5:59.

Chris Hansen, competing in the men's 40-49 age group, also won with a time of 4:47.

Marci Hansen won the girls' 14-18 division with a time of 6:09.

Terry Anderson of Canyon was the overall winner with a time of 4:31.

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — All Pampa Middle School students in the 7th and 8th grade planning to play football this season can pick up their equipment on Friday, Aug. 15.

Eighth graders can pick up equipment at the middle school from 9 a.m. through 12 noon. Seventh graders may come by for their equipment from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Those who are not able to check out equipment Friday will be issued equipment the first day of school.

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PITTSBURGH (AP) — In theory, they've changed everything about the Pittsburgh Steelers. In reality, they've changed nothing.

"They threw so much at us, I don't know if any quarterback could have picked it up," Philadelphia Eagles running back Ricky Watters said after Pittsburgh's reinvigorated defense accounted for three touchdowns in the Steelers' 42-26 exhibition victory Monday night.

Welcome back, Blitzburgh.

The Steelers lost defensive stars Rod Woodson and Chad Brown among 10 departing players during a tumultuous offseason that supposedly ravaged the AFC's top defense. But the only devastation Monday was experienced by a confused Eagles' offense that still hasn't settled on a quarterback — or a way to combat the Steelers' ever-varying blitzes.

BASEBALL

BALTIMORE (AP) — Rex Barney, who highlighted a major league pitching career with a no-hitter for the Brooklyn Dodgers in the late 1940's, was found dead today at his home in Baltimore. He was 72.

Barney was the public address announcer for the Orioles for more than 20 years.

The cause of death was not known, Orioles' officials said.

Barney pitched a no-hitter on Sept. 9, 1948, against the New York Giants, retiring the last 22 batters he faced. It was the premier moment of Barney's finest season in the majors. He went 15-13 that year and finished his career with a 35-31 record.

His strength was a blazing fastball, but his weakness was control.

As the Orioles' PA announcer, he was best known for his "Give that fan a contract!" line, delivered whenever a fan did a nice job of fielding a ball in the stands. He also followed each announcement with a trademark "Thank youuuu!"

BASKETBALL

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Houston's Cynthia Cooper virtually matched Charlotte's offensive output in the first half, and the Comets went on to beat the Sting for their fourth straight victory.

Cooper, the WNBA's leading scorer, scored 26 of her total of 39 points to pace the Comets to a 42-31 halftime lead Monday night, and Houston went on to a 72-62 victory.

Cooper, who averages over 22 points, was 5-for-7 from 3-point range.

"Our big players got on the boards and played their big people real well," she said.

Cowboys' Irvin shows he still loves football

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — If there was any doubt about Michael Irvin's desire to play football this year, he erased it by professing his love for training camp.

He loves everything about it, the two-a-days, the heat, the sweat, the grueling conditions.

"Training camp is very important. I'm one of those guys who loves the strain of it," Irvin said Monday. "Last year, I didn't really have training camp because of my suspension. Me having a training camp this year should make a big difference."

Irvin appears more determined than ever to have a productive year on the field and a quiet year off it.

In 1995, Irvin had his biggest year as a pro, catching 111 passes for 1,603 yards and 10 touchdowns as the Cowboys won the Super Bowl.

Then the trouble hit.

He pleaded no contest to cocaine possession charges that led to his five game NFL suspension at the start of last season.

When he finally got to play, he caught 64 passes for 962 yards, missing 1,000 yards for the first time in six years. And he still gets riled about losing the second-round playoff loss to Carolina.

"You always say to yourself, 'We should have played better,'" Irvin said. "You watch the film and say, 'We were one or two plays away from being where we wanted to be.'"

"Our goal is to make sure that the plays that cost us the game last year don't happen this time around. That's what you work on."

Irvin has largely shunned the media during this year's camp. He refuses to answer any questions

about his off-the-field turmoil.

"Those things I won't address," Irvin said. "I think anything I talk about outside of football really distracts this football team, and I'm not willing to distract this football team any more than I have."

But Irvin said he supports owner Jerry Jones' efforts to clean up the team's tarnished image, including the installation of surveillance cameras in the players' dorm at camp.

"I think those cameras help," Irvin said. "I wish those cameras would have been in there in the past. They might have helped situations like mine."

"I think all the steps Jerry has taken are helping the team."

Irvin's troubles hit a zenith last December when a former topless dancer named Nina Shahravan falsely accused Irvin and offensive tackle Erik Williams of raping her. Police determined she lied, and

the woman faces trial on perjury charges.

The players recently settled a lawsuit they filed against the Dallas-Fort Worth television station that first aired the allegations for a reported \$2 million.

Jones said he understands why Irvin demanded to be traded during the offseason and threatened retirement at a news conference in June.

"It may have been of his own doing but he certainly had a right to step back and assess what had happened to him over the past couple years and, certainly with that in mind, get in the dumps or blues so to speak," Jones said.

"I think we've all been through that before and when he sorted through it and looked around at his family, his teammates and everyone involved, plus his love for the game, he wanted to be back on the field.

"It goes without saying that he has been in the top one, two or three of the outstanding players in camp," Jones said.

Aikman credits Irvin for driving others to perform better in drills with an intensely contagious work ethic.

"In light of what he's been through over the last year and a half, for him to still come out and play with the emotion, he seems to really be enjoying himself," Aikman said. "That's important. He's had an exceptional camp."

But Aikman, who has always stood by Irvin and helped him land an endorsement deal recently with Logo Athletic sportswear, said he would have understood if Irvin hung it up.

"I knew it would have an impact on our football team if Michael wasn't playing," Aikman said.

Gil leads Texas win

By JIMMY GOLEN
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON (AP) — Benji Gil turned to Domingo Cedenio during batting practice and told him, "I've never gotten a hit here."

Then Gil went out and got three.

"It's a funny game," the Texas shortstop said Monday night after hitting a three-run homer and adding two singles to lead the Rangers to an 8-3 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

Gil's homer over the screen above the Green Monster was his first hit ever in Fenway Park, breaking an 0-for-21 slump. His three hits were as many as he'd had in the previous 17 games.

"They found holes," he said when asked to explain his newfound hitting prowess. "That's about it."

Darren Oliver (9-10) scattered nine hits to earn his sixth victory in his last seven decisions. He walked none and struck out five, throwing 83 of his 119 pitches for strikes for his second complete game this season and the third of his career.

"I don't know what his ceiling is. He just seems to get more confident and better," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "His fastball was as good in the ninth as it was in the first."

John Valentin homered in the first inning to give Boston a 1-0 lead.

But a stiff wind blowing out to left proved dangerous as Red Sox knuckleballer Tim Wakefield (6-14) added to his major league lead in losses.

"It wasn't very good. I let the team down," said Wakefield, who went four innings, allowing five earned runs and eight hits. "I didn't have good stuff."

In the second, Juan Gonzalez singled, Will Clark walked and Jim Leyritz hit an RBI single. One out later, Fernando Tatis doubled to score Clark, then catcher Bill Haselman couldn't handle a knuckler and Leyritz came home on the passed ball.

The Red Sox closed to 3-2 on Valentin's RBI single in the third. After Gil's three-run homer, Wilfredo Cordero tripled and scored on Jesus Tavarez' groundout to make it 6-3.

Leyritz added a two-run double in the seventh to make it 8-3.

Notes: Rangers catcher Ivan Rodriguez, who signed a five-year, \$42 million contract on July 31, took the night off. He has just six hits in his last 40 at-bats. ... Former baseball commissioner Fay Vincent was in attendance. ... Red Sox DH Reggie Jefferson, who would be leading the AL with a .359 average but is 19 plate appearances shy of qualifying for the batting title, sat out, as he does against all lefties. ... Rangers outfielder Tom Goodwin stole second in the eighth for his 40th steal this year.

Swimmer excels



(Special photo)

Dakota Tefertiller of Pampa recently entered the Texas Age Group Championships, long course, in Austin. Tefertiller placed fifth out of 43 swimmers in the 200-meter breaststroke with a time of 2:35.88 and ninth out of 48 swimmers in the 100-meter breaststroke with a time of 1:10.94. His times in both events were personal bests. Those final times make Tefertiller the top record-holder of all the 100 and 200 breaststroke records in yards and meters from ages 13 to 18 on the Amarillo Swim Team. Tefertiller will be attending the University of South Dakota this fall and will be a member of the Coyote Swim Team.

Injuries hit NFL hard

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

The Jacksonville Jaguars and Carolina Panthers are learning how fickle life can be in the NFL.

Both teams made it to the conference title games in their second seasons last year, and both lost their young quarterbacks Saturday night — Carolina's Kerry Collins for six weeks with a broken jaw; Jacksonville's Mark Brunell, perhaps for the season, with a knee injury.

"It's sad, I hate it. But I don't know what more we can do to protect the quarterbacks," said George Young, chairman of the NFL's competition committee, which has made several rule changes this decade designed to protect quarterbacks.

"You reach a point where you have to say it's a collision game and these things happen."

Young, general manager of the New York Giants, was at Giants Stadium Saturday night when Brunell went down. The hit came when Brunell planted his right leg and was struck by Jessie Armstead after the Giants linebacker was blocked to the ground on a blitz and crawled toward the quarterback.

Collins was hit in the face mask by Denver's Bill Romanowski while releasing a pass.

The NFL is reviewing Romanowski's hit but not Armstead's, although tapes of all

plays involving injuries are sent to the league office.

"Any plays involving helmet-to-helmet hits on quarterbacks in the pocket have to be reviewed for possible discipline," league spokesman Greg Aiello said Monday. "Those are explicitly against the rules."

John Elway, Denver's 37-year-old quarterback, has torn biceps in his right arm, although he's resumed throwing and should be ready for the start of the season.

Miami has lost a raft of players, including wide receiver Yatil Green, their top draft pick, who is gone for the season with a knee injury, and middle linebacker Zach Thomas, who has a broken leg but expects to play the opener.

This weekend was a major blow to the league's two newest teams, although Carolina seems better fortified at quarterback than Jacksonville.

The Panthers should have Collins back a quarter of the way through the season.

His replacement is Steve Beuerlein, who has started with the Raiders and Cardinals and been a competent backup in Dallas and Carolina. In 1991, he replaced an injured Troy Aikman and led Dallas to an 11-5 record and its first playoff berth under Jimmy Johnson. He was Jacksonville's first starting quarterback but moved on to Carolina after one season.

Harmon leads a Tiger around Winged Foot

MAMARONECK, N.Y. (AP) — Tiger Woods' caddie, Fluff Cowan, was checking out possible pin positions on the second green at Winged Foot for this week's PGA Championship when Butch Harmon called to him.

"Fluff, six more up and one to the right," Harmon said. "That's it there," he said, stopping Cowan as he counted his paces to a spot beneath the towering tree that hangs over the left side of the green.

Cowan held the flagstick over an imaginary hole as Woods practiced chipping to it from the rough.

"Oh man, that one's a killer," Harmon said about the pin position.

Never more than a stride away from Woods at any time during the nine-hole practice round on Monday, Harmon, the famed teacher whose father was the professional at Winged Foot for 33 years, was giving his prize pupil the benefit of his experience.

On each hole, Woods tossed balls into the sand and practiced blasting out of the massive bunkers.

"Better watch that takeaway," Harmon said as Woods hit from the greenside bunker on No. 3. "Keep it steep."

A steep arc gets the ball high and over the deep lips of the bunkers at Winged Foot.

"And notice how the sand is not so deep," Harmon pointed out to Woods. "It'll pop right out of there."

Harmon, who grew up on the course while his father was the professional from 1945-78, was greeted with constant calls of "Hey, Butch" followed by a smile and a warm handshake.

"It feels good to be here," Harmon said. "It's like going home."

Harmon's homecoming could be a big advantage for Woods this week. He knows every corner of the course and will be able to help his young student through a frustrating week when par is likely to be a very good score.

Top-seeded Nevada knocks off defending champs in NBC tourney

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Bryan Besco drove in two runs and Brian McMillin and Marques Esquerria one each in leading the top-seeded Nevada, Mo., Griffons to a 4-3 victory that eliminated the defending champion El Dorado, Kan., Broncos from the National Baseball Congress World Series early today.

Winning pitcher David Therneau scattered eight hits while striking out six and walking just one. His teammates staked him to a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the first. El Dorado tied the score at 3-3 with a run in the eighth, but the Griffons took back the lead with a single run in their half of the inning.

In Monday's other games, Craig Kuzmic drove in four runs as the Kenai, Alaska, Peninsula Oilers stayed undefeated with a 6-2 victory over the Liberal, Kan., Beejays, while the Santa Barbara Foresters eliminated the Cape Girardeau, Mo., Capahas, 14-4 in a game-shortened to six innings because of the 10-run rule.

Liberal's loss was its first of the tournament. The Beejays had taken a 2-0 lead on Eric Vandevanter's two-run homer in the bottom of the third, but

then Kuzmic's three-run homer in the fourth put the Oilers ahead to stay.

Santa Barbara's Chris Koeper ended the game with Cape Girardeau when he scored the fifth run of the sixth inning on a wild pitch.

Earlier in the sixth, the Foresters' Tyler Ferrer hit a three-run homer off the tower in center field. Koeper singled, advanced to third on an error and then scored the game-ending run on Chad Begephal's wild pitch.

Aaron Gordner drove in four runs and Koeper two for Santa Barbara.

Winning pitcher Seth Bean went the distance for the second time in the tournament, allowing just four hits and striking out five. The Capahas' Tom Breuer had two of those hits, raising his tournament average to .345.

Kenai and the only other undefeated team in the double-elimination tournament, the Prairie, Ill., Gravel play tonight at 7 p.m. after a 4:30 p.m. game between Liberal and the Alaska Alaska Aloues. The Dallas Sox meet the Hays, Kan., Larks in the 10 p.m. nightcap.

Dodgers slip by Cubs, 2-1

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chan Ho Park, coming off the worst outing of his career, pitched a four-hitter Monday night as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Chicago Cubs 2-1.

Park (11-6), the first Korean born pitcher in the majors, allowed only one runner as far as second base through the first seven innings. The right-hander struck out seven and walked one in getting his first complete game in his 33rd start.

Park lost a bid for his first shutout when former Dodger

Dave Hansen hit a pinch homer in the eighth inning.

Brett Butler drew a leadoff walk in the first inning, took third on Mike Piazza's single and scored on a sacrifice fly by Eric Karros.

Raul Mondesi led off the fourth with a double — one of his three hits — and scored the Dodgers' second run on Greg Gagne's single.

Miguel Batista (0-1) allowed two runs and seven hits in seven innings of his first major league start.

Scoreboard

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Astros pound Mets, 8-3

NEW YORK (AP) — Jeff Bagwell, whose support helped Pete Harnisch come back from clinical depression, homered and doubled off his friend, Monday night as the Houston Astros defeated the New York Mets 8-3.

Harnisch (0-1) allowed eight runs, 10 hits, seven for extra bases, in only 4 2-3 innings.

But once Harnisch took the mound, the Houston hitters were all business.

Derek Bell doubled on the next pitch and Bagwell followed with his 32nd home run, a deep drive to dead center.



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Despite two losses, Oilers' quarterback optimistic

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Steve McNair is not about to hang his head over the Tennessee Oilers' two exhibition losses.

"You hope to play well in every preseason game, but if things don't happen like you want to, you can't get frustrated," McNair said Monday. "You have to have a positive attitude, practice hard and go win the next one."

McNair was 4-of-16 for 14 yards in Saturday's 18-12 exhibition loss to the Washington Redskins. He gained almost twice as much on the ground (25 yards) in two carries.

The Oilers' offensive starters have yet to score a touchdown in two preseason games, playing the first half of each. The Oilers suffered a 21-12 loss in their first game against the New Orleans Saints.

The offensive problems are partly attributable to playing it close to the vest: Coach Jeff Fisher and his staff don't want to give future opponents anything to study.

"Most teams try to keep things under wraps until it really counts. That's kind of our approach right now," offensive coordinator Les Steckel said. "Our main objective right now is to evaluate players and make sure the system is being taught and learned."

And in that regard, Steckel said, things have gone well.

"I feel great about Steve's progress," he said. "If there's one highlight in training camp right now it's Steve and how he's absorbing the offense and reading the defenses."

"I think there's no correlation between his performance the other night in the rain and his performance out here every day," McNair, a third-year player out of Alcorn State, was tutored during his first two years as a backup to Chris Chandler. When the Oilers felt he was ready, they traded Chandler to Atlanta and handed over the reins. The patient approach to bringing him along continues.

"I'm not concerned about it," Fisher said. "He'll come back and have a big week at practice."

Fisher said he will begin opening up the offense a little more in Saturday's third exhibition game against the San Diego Chargers in Nashville.

"He's going to play this week through the first half and into the third quarter, and have plenty of opportunities for success," Fisher said. "I'm not concerned, the 4-for-16 thing, him losing the handle and things like that."

"He's been a guy that's corrected things immediately. Had he been a player that had difficulty learning from mistakes there would be concern. But he doesn't. He learns quick."

There has been a lot for McNair to learn, from handling the status as the No. 1 guy at quarterback to the new offensive system being installed by Fisher and Steckel.

"I feel pretty good," McNair said. "I just have to execute on the field. Mentally I'm well prepared. Now I just have to go out there and put it to use. It's not that big of a change."

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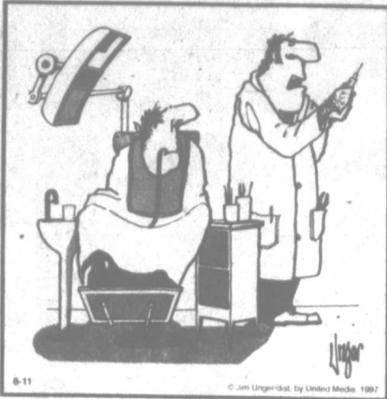
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Nation briefs

Lieutenant fined \$2,000 for charges stemming from affair

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. (AP) — An Air Force lieutenant said after she was punished for an affair with a married superior officer that the military is out to destroy her and the child she had with him.

Lt. Crista Davis was reprimanded and ordered to pay \$2,000 on Monday, after a hearing officer found her guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer for the affair, and for writing sexually explicit letters to the man's wife.

The Air Force, a week after a nonjudicial, administrative hearing, decided against a court martial, citing the possible ill effect it would have on morale.

Lt. Gen. Phillip J. Ford said he concluded that Ms. Davis was guilty of all of the charges against her.

In letters she sent to the now former wife of Maj. Greg Russell, her lover, Ms. Davis boasted in explicit terms about the sex the two had.

Unlike Lt. Kelly Flinn, the nation's first female B-52 pilot, who was forced out of the Air Force, Ms. Davis was never charged with adultery for her affair.

The Air Force said that issue was not raised because there was a possibility that Ms. Davis, Russell and Russell's wife thought the Russells' divorce had been finalized.

Ms. Davis was also accused of lying to superior officers, disobeying orders and dereliction of duty for going off base without leave to give birth to the baby fathered by Russell.

Witnesses question if man killed by police had lunged at officers

BALTIMORE (AP) — No one will ever know why James Quarles did not drop an 8-inch knife, despite repeated requests from four police officers with their guns drawn.

What witnesses to his death are more interested in knowing, however, is why Officer Charles Smothers had to shoot the 22-year-old man.

Smothers, 29, who reportedly went back to work on the streets last summer after serving probation for shooting at a car carrying his former girlfriend, was placed on desk duty while the Quarles shooting is investigated. That is standard after a police shooting.

The Quarles shooting was captured on videotape by a bystander and has received extensive publicity since Saturday. The tape, obtained by WBAL-TV, appears to contradict initial police statements that Quarles lunged at police.

The tape shows Quarles standing alone in front of four police officers with their guns drawn. The camera is behind Quarles and a concrete trash container stands between them, blocking his legs and the knife from the camera's view.

A crowd that gathered behind the officers shouts, "Put the knife down!" and "Don't shoot that boy!"

Seconds later, Quarles lays dead after the officer closest to him takes a step forward and fires a single bullet.

Report: EPA to go online with factory pollution stats

NEW YORK (AP) — Details about toxins and other pollutants given off by factories in five major industries could soon be available at the click of a computer mouse, *The New York Times* reported today.

The Environmental Protection Agency plans to publish reams of data about environmental performance of producers of oil products, steel, other metals, autos and paper on the Internet, the newspaper says.

The planned profiles are to include pollution permit violations, inspections, toxic releases and even demographic profiles of the surrounding communities. They are part of an effort by the Clinton administration to expand "right to know" initiatives — environmental programs that rely on public pressure rather than red tape and bureaucratic regulations to reduce pollution, the *Times* said.

But representatives of the affected industries said the profiles are misleading.

"Giving accurate information and meaningful data to the public — that is appropriate," said Josephine S. Cooper, vice president for regulatory affairs at the American Forest and Paper Association. "The concern we have is that the data that is in there, if it is not accurate and properly characterized, can mislead and misinform the public."

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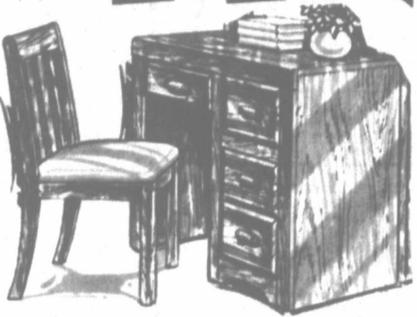
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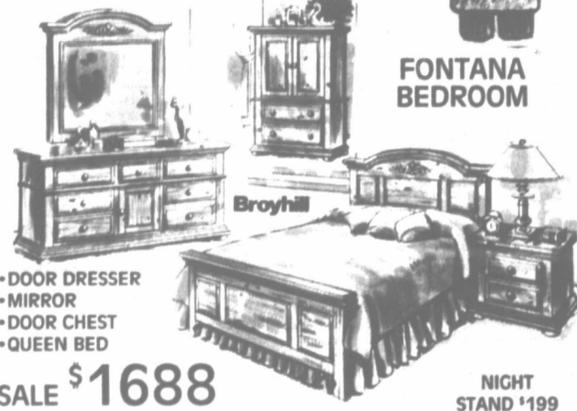
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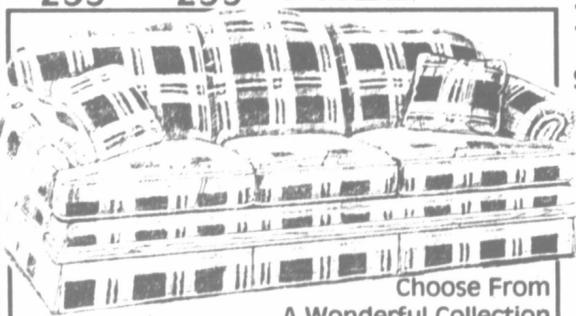


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