

Near-sweep in Ontario returns Liberal Party to power in Canada

OTTAWA (AP) — Saved by a near-sweep in Ontario, the ruling Liberal Party headed back to power today with a slim victory in an election that fractured, sharply along regional lines.

Prime Minister Jean Chretien, whose Liberals barely won the minimum to govern without a coalition, was nearly defeated in his own Quebec district Monday after calling the election 18 months early on the assumption his Liberals would win handily.

Chretien's lackluster campaign raised doubts about whether he would remain at the helm of his party for his entire five-year term.

The right-wing Reform Party dominated western Canada and replaced the separatist Bloc Quebecois as the top opposition party. Two other parties, the Progressive Conservatives on the right and the New Democrats on the left, made impressive comebacks after having their ranks decimated by the Liberal landslide in 1993.

The end result of Monday's election is a weak federal government that will be heckled by four opposition parties in Parliament, including one party — the Bloc Quebecois — that wants to secede from Canada entirely.

With voting polarized into regional blocs — Reform in the west, Liberals in Ontario, Canada's most populous province, and Bloc Quebecois in Quebec — it's not going to be easy for the ruling party to address any of Canada's substantial problems.

Those difficulties include a 9.6 percent unemployment rate, a floundering national health care system and constitutional disputes with Quebec sepa-

ratists.

The Liberals emerged with only 155 of the 301 parliamentary seats at stake, down from 174. Voters in the Atlantic provinces tossed Liberal lawmakers out for not focusing on creating jobs and residents in Manitoba lashed back at them for launching the campaign during the century's worst flood.

Liberals salvaged a win by grabbing 101 of Ontario's 103 districts.

Reform boosted their seats from 50 to 60, the Bloc Quebecois dipped from 50 seats to 44, the New Democrats surged from nine to 21 and the Progressive Conservatives came back from near-oblivion — two seats — to win 20. One independent was elected.

The Liberals captured 38 percent of the vote, while the Conservatives and Reform won 19 percent each and the New Democrats and the Bloc Quebecois both earned 11 percent. Support for Reform and the Bloc Quebecois translated into more seats because their voters were so concentrated.

Turnout was 67 percent, slightly below average.

Farmers, native Canadians and other groups had complained bitterly that their concerns were ignored in a campaign that paid little attention to issues other than national unity.

In a rambling acceptance speech, Chretien urged the new, divided Parliament to work together but offered little hint to the priorities of his next government.

"The Canadian people expect all of us to carry out our responsibilities in accordance with the longstanding Canadian values of tolerance,

openness, generosity and inclusion. That I will do," he promised.

Reform's leader, Preston Manning, had been accused by other candidates of running a bigoted campaign that played on anti-Quebec sentiment. Bloc leader Gilles Duceppe used Manning's contention that Quebec should not be given any special rights to press his case for independence.

"The hard line against Quebec in this campaign is the best proof that reconciliation is impossible," Duceppe said. "For Quebecers as a whole, there is only one option to come out of the constitutional quagmire and that is sovereignty for Quebec."

Manning insisted the new Parliament would be able to work together despite its regional divisions.

"Some will say this new Parliament is a House divided," Manning said to the cheers of supporters in Calgary. "I say this is a season of transition. It is one to be welcomed rather than one to be feared."

Alexa McDonough, the New Democratic leader, reignited what many felt was a dying party by focusing on jobs, health care and education. Her party's strong showing in the Atlantic provinces was the surprise development of the election.

"We are the only opposition party that can say we truly represent Canadians from coast to coast," she said. "And the message to the Liberals is, don't take us for granted."

For their part, Conservatives had to accept that once again, they divided the right-wing vote with Reform, often allowing Liberal candidates to walk on in to victory.

French president Chirac hands over premiership after election defeat

PARIS (AP) — Conservative President Jacques Chirac, forced to share power with the Socialists who routed his party in national elections, handed over the premiership Monday to former opposition leader Lionel Jospin.

Both Chirac and Jospin were tight-lipped about how they will govern together and battle the record unemployment that led to the right's downfall in Sunday's vote. Questions also remained over whether communists will join the Socialists in a coalition government.

A poll Monday confirmed job creation was the top priority for French voters, who overwhelmingly cited Jospin's promised job program for young people as their chief demand.

That and other Socialist campaign promises would reverse the conservatives' budget-cutting measures, which aimed to boost the private sector and qualify for the euro. The European's single currency planned for 1999 is part of an effort to turn the 15-nation European Union into an economic superpower.

"The New Chance," the leftist daily Liberation said in a headline Monday, after the left swept the right from power. Chirac had miscalculated in calling the vote 10 months early, hoping to save his crumbling majority in Parliament.

Monday began with Chirac's loyal lieutenant, Premier Alain Juppe, submitting his resignation at the president's Elysee Palace, giving the news media only a tight-lipped smile.

When the left took an early lead in the first round of voting on May 25, France's most unpopular premier in 40 years promised to resign after the sec-

ond round. But it was not enough for the right to survive: Voters fired him before he could quit.

Barely two hours after Juppe's ouster, his Socialist rival walked up the palace steps to take power. A jubilant Jospin, talking to reporters on the steps, called his meeting with Chirac "excellent."

The 59-year-old Socialist said he will form a new government "quickly, within the week," half the time he is allotted to do so. He did not elaborate, but he faces the tough task of forming a diverse, leftist coalition that can keep his promises.

The Socialist Party's No. 2 leader, Daniel Vaillant, appeared to be trying to temper high expectations.

"The French elected us to succeed, but they also know the road will be difficult," Vaillant told RTL radio.

The Socialists won 252 seats, short of the 289 needed for a majority. They'll need to gather support from among the communists, who won 38 seats; independent leftist parties with 16; and environmentalists with seven. The former governing center-right coalition won 243 seats.

The far-right National Front of Jean-Marie Le Pen took only one seat but played the spoiler, drawing votes from the center-right. Le Pen himself stayed out of the parliamentary election for the first time in three decades.

While communist leader Robert Hue has expressed hostility toward the sell-off of state industries and the euro currency, he sounded conciliatory Monday. Jospin has said he would not block existing privatizations and that he backs the

euro, though not at the cost of jobs.

Under French law, Chirac must wait a year to call elections again, and will otherwise govern in a split government with a leftist National Assembly until the next scheduled elections in 2002.

The president still maintains control of defense and foreign policy, and can thwart an opposition majority's domestic programs by blocking government decrees and slowing down the legislation process.

France's stock market opened sharply lower Monday; it had fallen several percentage points last week on the prospect of a leftist win. The franc slipped to 5.83 to the dollar from 5.77 on Friday amid concern over what Jospin's policy on the euro.

A poll Monday showed the main concern for French voters was that Jospin fulfill his promise to create 350,000 public jobs for young people. Jospin has also promised to create another 350,000 youth jobs in the private sector, and to cut the work week from 39 to 35 hours without a cut in pay.

The second-most important measure to voters was an increase of the minimum wage and retirement, picked by 55 percent of those surveyed by the agency Sofres for TFI television.

Asked if they felt Chirac should stay in office despite his coalition's defeat, 61 percent agreed. The poll, which questioned 1,000 people nationwide, had a margin of error of plus or minus 2-3 percent.

TEXAS BRIEFS

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Police arrest man in serial sex offender case
HOUSTON — A man who posed as a truant officer so successfully that a woman allowed him to take her child with him has been arrested on 12 charges and is believed to be a serial sex offender.

Police arrested Christopher Warren Sharp, 30, Saturday on charges of impersonating a police officer. Monday, 11 charges of sexually assaulting children were added.

Sharp was arrested at his home after a caller to Crime Stoppers identified him as the man who posed as a truant officer to lure children to him.

Charges filed against Sharp after he appeared in a police lineup on Monday include aggravated kidnapping, attempted aggravated sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault of a child and indecency with a child.

The investigation that led to the arrest of Sharp began with sex crimes officers from the Houston Police Department and Harris County Sheriff's Department began working with Houston Independent School District officers.

Jostling under way over airline tax proposal
WASHINGTON — As the House tax-writing panel scrambles to put together an \$85 billion tax cut, a behind-the-scenes battle centers on the scope of airline ticket taxes, including one proposal that could raise taxes on domestic legs of international flights.

While the issue is far from settled, the airline industry and House Ways and Means Committee staff are poring over scores of options to revise the current taxes on airline tickets, which play a pivotal role in the balanced-budget agreement.

The stakes are huge. Discount air carriers complain they could be socked with \$550 million in higher taxes and other costs under a new airline tax formula advanced by seven big airlines, which assert they now pay a disproportionate share.

"We, like everyone else, are responding to various proposals" emanating from the House Ways and Means Committee and its staff, said D. Scott Yohe, a lobbyist for Delta Air Lines in Washington. "There have been a number of different proposals submitted out there."

The issue is quickly coming to a head; the Ways and Means Committee is scheduled to finish work on a tax bill by June 13.

ATF's credibility attacked by judges, agents
WASHINGTON — Some unlikely sources are taking aim at the credibility of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Its own agents have challenged their bosses and several judges have weighed in with some harsh words of their own.

None of the agents or supervisors involved in a dozen cases — both criminal and civil — in which questions of credibility were raised has ever been disciplined, according to a review by The Associated Press.

The agency says problems are isolated given the thousands of cases it handles, involving violent gunrunners, gang members and bombers — and that they are being blown out of proportion because of the recent negative spotlight cast on the bureau.

ATF agents were cited in 1996 for events that included drunkenness and racist behavior at gatherings dubbed "good ol' boys roundups" in Tennessee. And several were reprimanded for the botched 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound at Waco, Texas. In the latter, the government concluded ATF supervisors made false statements to cover up errors.

"Clearly, a public perception still persists about the agency stemming from Waco and the roundup, but nothing can be further from the

truth," said Stephen J. McHale, the agency's chief counsel.

Out-of-state cases flooded Houston courts
HOUSTON — Attorneys representing nearly 3,000 out-of-state plaintiffs suing asbestos companies filed cases in Houston a day before Gov. George W. Bush signed a new law discouraging lawsuits by non-Texans.

State judges in Harris County are now ordering attorneys to separate the plaintiffs in two of the largest lawsuits against 60 makers or distributors of asbestos-related products. Many of the plaintiffs live in Southeastern states, primarily Alabama.

The cases were filed last Wednesday, a day before Bush signed into law a bill that would have blocked them. Supporters of the measure had argued that Texas courts have been swamped by outsiders "shopping" for venues and high-dollar verdicts.

"We anticipated some additional filings were likely since we knew the change was effective with the signing of the bill by the governor," said Wes McCoy, assistant chief deputy clerk for Harris County.

"We just had no way of knowing whether it would be 20 or 200 or 2,000 new cases. It has burdened our entire operation by having to field it with the normal work flow."

Malcolm X's grandson had troubles in Texas
SAN ANTONIO — Malcolm X's grandson, accused of setting a fire that critically injured his grandmother in Yonkers, N.Y., struggled in school and had encounters with police during his recent short stay in Texas.

Malcolm Shabazz, 12, named for his famous grandfather, was arrested Sunday after an early-morning fire left Malcolm X's widow, Betty Shabazz, with third-degree burns over 80 percent of her body.

The youngster had returned to the New York City area about three weeks ago after a tumultuous five months living in San Antonio with his mother, Qubilah Shabazz, family friends said.

"Obviously, he did have some problems," said Chuck Andrews, president of Inner City Broadcasting Co. of San Antonio, which owns radio station KSJL, where Qubilah Shabazz worked before resigning last week.

Study: More angioplasties, better the patient
DALLAS — Angioplasty patients whose doctors haven't had much experience with the artery-opening procedure are more likely to die or have complications, including heart attacks, two studies published today found.

The findings may intensify efforts already under way to require that cardiologists be certified for the procedure. Some doctors also suggest that physicians be required to tell patients how many times they have done specific procedures, and recommend limits on the number of doctors nationwide who are allowed to perform angioplasties.

"It's a powerful report because it objectively describes what many patients and physicians have felt, which is practice makes perfect or at least 'better,'" said Paul S. Teirstein, director of interventional cardiology at the Scripps Clinic in California, who wrote an editorial accompanying the studies.

The studies in the American Heart Association journal Circulation, compared complication rates to the number of times per year physicians performed balloon angioplasty.

The nonsurgical technique is performed to reopen clogged arteries and prevent heart attacks. A balloon-tipped tube is threaded through blood vessels to a blockage in a diseased heart artery. There, the balloon is inflated to flatten the fatty material, reducing the blockage and restoring blood flow.

Report: Aberdeen Proving Grounds' general to retire after admission of committing adultery

NEW YORK (AP) — The commanding general of the Army's Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland has decided to retire after admitting he committed adultery during a separation from his wife, The New York Times reported Tuesday.

Maj. Gen. John E. Longhouser, 53, was targeted by investigators who received an anonymous tip over a hot line established to uncover cases of sex abuse at Aberdeen, the Times said, citing unidentified Pentagon officials.

The telephone line was established in the wake of a flurry of recent cases of male drill sergeants preying on young female recruits.

Adultery is considered a

crime by the military, but officials said Longhouser's offenses were not comparable to those committed by drill sergeants at the base, which included rape.

The officials said Longhouser's situation also is unlike that of 1st Lt. Kelly Flinn, an Air Force bomber pilot who had an affair with a married man. The case of Flinn, who recently agreed to resign with a general discharge in exchange for the Air Force dropping criminal charges against her, was complicated by charges of lying and disobeying orders, they said.

Longhouser, a two-star general, had an affair with a civil-

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"Words once spoken, can never be recalled."
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OUR VIEWS

Coahoma's Bulldogs set for 'The Show'

In just about two days, Coahoma's Bulldogs will take the field in Austin in quest of the Texas Class 2A state baseball championship.

While some schools never have the opportunity to make the trip to Austin, this will be the second time in three years for the Bulldogs to journey into Texas high school baseball's version of "The Show."

After a slow start against larger classification schools, the Bulldogs proved to be the class of Class 2A baseball — first in District 8-2A and most recently in all of West Texas.

As the Bulldogs prepare to leave for Austin at 9 a.m. Wednesday, there's a measure of pride throughout Howard County that these young men are carrying more than just the banner of Coahoma and Coahoma High School.

Indeed, they represent all of us in Howard County. Their spirit on the diamond is the same spirit of the men and women who settled this country more than 100 years ago.

Theirs is a spirit of "yes we can" and instead of looking for reasons why they might fall short of their goals, the Bulldogs seek out ways to get on base, reach home plate and realize their dreams.

Despite being just 14 players deep, the Bulldogs have done what was needed to reach this rung on the ladder.

Yes, there are players on the team who are better known than others, but baseball is a sport in which any player at any time can deliver the game-winning hit or make a game-ending catch.

Coahoma baseball is Mike McMillan, Rodney Gressett, Marshall Wright, Jerry Mann and Scott Goodblanket.

It is T.J. Green, Shawn Rye, Michael Cobb, Vincent Garcia and Freddy Olivias.

And it's Steven Henry, Delvin White, Mario Garcia, Lance Monteleone and manager Jason Beard.

It's coaches Trey Morgan and Brandon Collins and it's the hundreds of fans who fill the stands to support the Bulldogs as they take the field to take on all comers.

Coahoma baseball is the spirit of the community. It's a spirit that will bathe Austin in red and white as the Bulldogs seek to fulfill their dreams of a state title.

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"FRANKLY, I LIKED 'THE TAMING OF THE SHREW' BETTER BEFORE THE N.E.A. CUTBACKS."

The power (washing) of coming clean

Don Baxter has a surgeon's steady hands, hands capable of building a clock or dovetailing furniture.

My Mississippi friend, in fact, teaches a clock class in his basement, where several well-lit tables hold an array of antique beauties with irregular ticks or missing tocks.

I have grown used to Baxter's esoteric interests. But his latest hobby surprised me. Last time I visited, he told me about his new passion: power-washing.

Not one to do things halfway, Baxter bought his own power-washing machine, a gasoline-run gorilla that could knock the red off a brick. Clock-mending and gardening and all his other refined, avocational loves were on back burner. He swore now by power-washing. Life is full of intersections. Only a few weeks after hear-

I had visions of Gilbert, crossing the Chattahoochee headed east toward Atlanta, wagging his power-washer behind him.



Rheta Johnson
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ing Baxter extol the virtues of power-washing, I was in Langdale, Ala., working on a column about the 60th anniversary of a theater. My old friend Bill Gilbert was the volunteer in charge.

It seemed Gilbert, too, had fallen under the powerful spell of power-washing. There was a strange, determined look in his eyes.

Already Gilbert had power-cleaned the concrete apron at the theater, not to mention a mile or so of city sidewalk. Years of grime and graffiti had melted away like a southern snow as he waved a wand. It had been a feeling so satisfying that he couldn't seem to stop himself.

"See that bridge over there," Gilbert pointed to a big, concrete bridge in the distance. "I think I'm going to wash it."

I had visions of Gilbert, crossing the Chattahoochee headed east toward Atlanta,

wagging his power-washer behind him.

After seeing the evangelical zeal aroused in my friends, I decided to take the power-washing plunge. I needed a productive hobby; sitting in a porch swing gets you nowhere.

The concrete walks around my house had a green patina of dirt and moss. It's the look Martha Stewart says you should encourage on a flower pot by painting it with yogurt. But on a walkway the same slime can be dangerous.

The rental store had a sign on its front wall: "You Can't Buy Happiness, But Maybe You Can Rent It Here."

Two men loaded a machine that a clerk said packed 4,000 pounds of pressure per square inch. It looked like a small nuclear reactor.

"Be careful. That thing can cut a board in two," said Harold Miles, who owns the

rental store. "Stand back away from what you want to clean."

At home I rolled the monster onto the grass and cranked her up, but not before reading a printed warning on the side that said the State of California has determined power-washers can cause birth defects. The noise was deafening. Birds flew from their nests. My dog ran for the hills.

Power-washing is painfully slow, something nobody had mentioned. For all its muscle, the machine cleans only a few inches at a time. My trigger finger grew tired. I forgot I wasn't sprinkling petunias with a garden hose and hit my bare toes with that lethal flow. It felt like a cross between a wasp sting and an elephant stepping on your foot.

I've heard athletes rave about a runner's high, a feeling of euphoria you get at a certain point while exercising. I get tired and sweaty and sore, but never a runner's high.

And now this. The intoxicating punch was eluding me. I couldn't get drunk with power-washing.

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OTHER VIEWS

Gov. George W. Bush says he will turn down his part of a pay raise of more than 15 percent a year that is proposed for him and seven other statewide elected officials. He says he was elected at his current salary and is content with \$99,122 a year.

What upsets state employees isn't the amount of the proposed raise for Bush and the others, it's the comparison between the \$1,000-plus per month the eight elected officials would get and the belated \$100 per month state employees are slated to receive.

State employees have gotten the short end of the salary stick for quite a while, in some cases, years and years. The state can and should do better by the people who do the grunt work.

There's not a crying need for the proposed raises for Bush, the state comptroller, attorney general, agriculture and land commissioners, and railroad commissioners.

-AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN

The immigration issue is back — although it never went away — and once

again it is a problem that touches on every other American issue, from welfare to the budget to our relationships with other countries.

Having dealt — sort of — with illegal immigration last year, some in Congress hoped to address legal immigration this year. Instead, because of political fallout, Congress is easing the restrictions on Supplemental Security Income benefits for legal immigrants that were included in the 1996 welfare reform legislation, and it is fending off criticism for parts of the immigration law that are just now taking effect — such as a return to the old policy of requiring requests for permanent resident visa to be filed in an immigrant's home country instead of being requested here by people already in this country illegally.

And now there are stories pointing out problems being caused by the lack of enforcement of immigration laws inside the United States. A Washington Post article quotes Immigration and Naturalization Service reports about massive smuggling of Chinese nationals through loopholes in

U.S. immigration law. The INS concludes that it needs hundreds more fraud investigators and thousands of agents to enforce the laws well inside our borders.

The underlying problem, meanwhile, persists. Just as our superior economy and the opportunities it fosters are attractive to legal immigrants, the United States is a magnet for illegal immigrants seeking work. As the Jordan Commission pointed out in 1995, the answer is to crack down on the hiring of illegals. Yet tough sanctions against employers and mandatory document verification proposals both were dropped from last year's immigration bill — opposed by employer groups and civil libertarians.

As long as the American people aren't really sure they want to keep out aliens who will work cheaply, the influx of illegals will continue. It will remain politically popular to bolster the Border Patrol, which can never be entirely effective, while closing our eyes to the thousands of illegal workers hundreds of miles behind the borders.

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Defense, pitching power Bulldogs

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — You build baseball teams on pitching and defense, and Trey Morgan has built a winner in Coahoma.

Good pitching and defense, the initial building blocks of any good team, have been the major reasons for the Bulldogs' postseason success this season.

Coahoma opens play in the Class 2A UIL State Baseball Championships at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Burger Center in Austin against Alto. The winner of that game plays for the state championship at 10:45 a.m. Friday at Disch-Falk Field.

The Bulldogs entered postseason play hitting .355 as a team, but that average has shrunk by almost 100 points in the playoffs.


Staff ace Mike McMillan has been particularly effective this postseason. Despite struggling through his last outing, the senior righthander has posted some sterling numbers in the playoffs.


Through four games, McMillan has limited opponents to a .138 batting average (13-for-94). He has struck out 40, walked only and allowed six runs — all earned — en route to compiling a playoff ERA of 1.50.

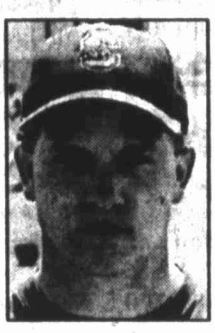
McMillan's two main pitches are a fastball that breaks the 80 mph barrier and a curveball that tails away from right-handed batters.

COAHOMA BASEBALL


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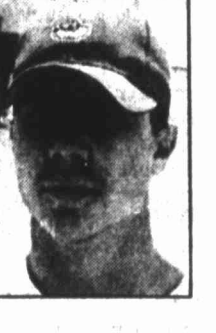
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3B — MARSHALL WRIGHT (playoffs)
BA — .250 (3 for 12)



CF — SCOTT GOODBLANKET (playoffs)
BA — .078 (1 for 13)



C — SHAWN RYE (playoffs)
BA — .182 (2 for 11)


1B — RODNEY GRESSETT (playoffs)
BA — .428 (3 for 7)


SS — VINCENT GARCIA (playoffs)
BA — .273 (3 for 11)


DH — MICHAEL COBB (playoffs)
BA — .250 (2 for 8)


LF — JERRY MANN (playoffs)
BA — .300 (3 for 10)


2B — FREDDY OLIVAS (playoffs)
BA — .167 (2 for 12)

Irvin's minicamp no-show irks some of his teammates

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have added one All-Pro receiver, but they're still missing another.

The Cowboys signed free-agent receiver Anthony Miller on Monday, but it was another star wideout, Michael Irvin, who stole the spotlight by pulling another no-show at a team minicamp.

Irvin's continued absence is starting to irk some of his teammates.

"It's discouraging, no question about that," quarterback Troy Aikman said Monday when Irvin didn't appear for a mandatory quarterback school.

Aikman's mood brightened at the idea of throwing to Miller. Irvin had 64 receptions last season, but the Cowboys got only 89 catches from their other wide receivers.

But most of the locker room buzz Monday surrounded Irvin, whose problems have marred team morale since he faced drug charges and a resulting five-game NFL suspension last year.

Dennis Rodman, scoring machine? 'The Worm' says he will fire away

CHICAGO (AP) — Pass the ball, Michael. Step aside, Scottie. The Worm is ready to turn into an offensive force.

NBA FINALS

That's right, Dennis Rodman said he's through standing around and watching the Chicago Bulls' big shooters hog all the glory while he gets ignored by Karl Malone and other Utah Jazz defenders.

That Malone, the league's MVP this season, outscored Rodman 23-4 wasn't surprising. That the Mailman outrebounced the Worm 15-12 was somewhat unexpected.

Rodman, the NBA's six-time rebounding champion, has averaged only five shots a game this season. During the playoffs, he has more technical fouls (16) than free throws (12).

"I'm going to have to be more aggressive, be more of a threat, take the ball to the hole, put up shots," he said Monday, a day after the Bulls won the series opener 84-82.

Oliver (3-6) walked one and pitched eight shutout innings as the Rangers beat the Minnesota Twins 8-0 Monday night.

TEXAS TEAMS

The Rangers hit 'em hard, they hit 'em soft, they hit 'em over the fence," Kelly said. "They had their hitting shoes on. I don't know if anybody would have beat 'em tonight. We couldn't get anything going, and they played a super game."

Houston's Luis Gonzalez doubled to open the sixth off Nomo and Bill Spiers walked before Ausmus followed with a two-run double to center. Ausmus had two hits to raise his career average against Nomo to .556 (5-for-9).

about Rodman's behavior. Malone said: "I'm worried about how my kids behave themselves. On the court, I don't worry about guys behaving themselves."

"It's typical," Rodman said of Malone's misses. "He's known to miss free throws in clutch situations."

Malone has made 76 percent of his foul shots this postseason. But he built a reputation as a poor clutch shooter in last year's playoffs, when he shot 57 percent and missed six free throws as Utah lost Game 7 of the Western Conference finals to Seattle.

The prospect of facing Hideo Nomo seems to bring out the best in the Houston Astros.

"The first pitch the bunt was on, then they took it off and I was free to do what I wanted," Ausmus said. "I just figured he thought I was bunting so they usually will give you a fastball in that situation."

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Stallings ends college career
Jeremy Stallings, the Stanton High School graduate who is now a senior at the University of Florida, will conclude his collegiate career when he participates at the NCAA outdoor track and field championships at Bloomington, Ind.

Girls' hoops league starting
The Crossroads Girl's Basketball Summer League will hold its 1997 season from June 2-July 31.

Girls' camp June 9
The annual Howard College Girls' Basketball Camp will be held June 9-13 at the college.

CTLGA news
The Couples Memorial Day Tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course was a handicap man/woman format.

Olivers avoids walks, shuts down Minnesota

ARLINGTON (AP) — Darren Oliver avoided the walks that haunted him all season, and the rest was easy.

Oliver (3-6) walked one and pitched eight shutout innings as the Rangers beat the Minnesota Twins 8-0 Monday night.

In his previous outing, Oliver walked six and paid for that lack of control with a 5-0 loss to the Seattle Mariners. This time, Oliver had much better command and was rewarded.

"We needed Darren to get himself straight," Rangers first baseman Will Clark said. "When he throws strikes, he makes it easy on all of us. We get in, we get out and we're able to use our bats."

Ivan Rodriguez went 3-for-5 with a home run, and the Rangers had six doubles and two homers, including Warren Newson's two-run shot in the sixth. Domingo Cedeno went 3-for-4 and Clark 3-for-5 as Texas had a season-high 18 hits.

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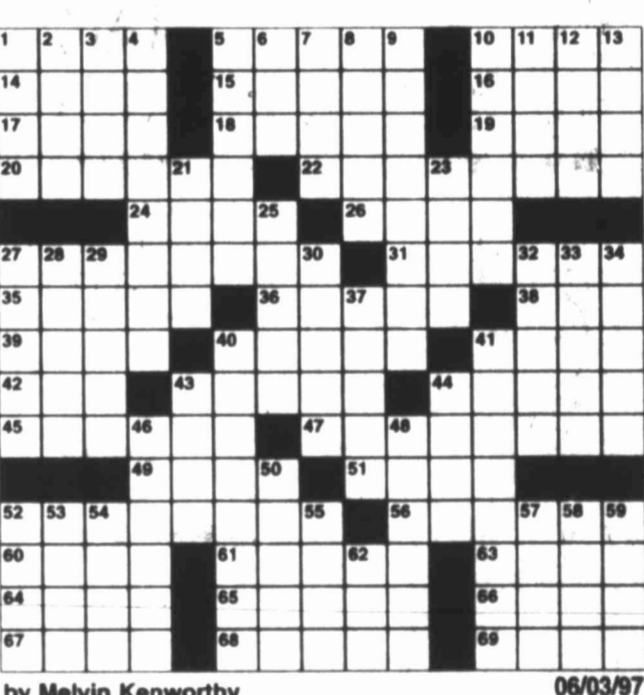
THIS DATE IN HISTORY

154th day of 1997. There are 211 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 3, 1963, Pope John XXIII died at the age of 81, ending a papacy marked by innovative reforms in the Roman Catholic Church. He was suc-

THE Daily Crossword

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by Melvin Kenworthy 06/03/97

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 - 57 Incarnation of Vishnu
 - 58 Sea of —
 - 59 Withered
 - 62 Southern general

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ceeded by Pope Paul VI. On this date: In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received a charter for New Netherlands, now known as New York. In 1808, Jefferson Davis — the first and only president of the Confederacy — was born in Christian County, Ky. In 1888, the poem "Casey at the Bat," by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, was first published in the San Francisco Daily Examiner. In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France. In 1948, the 200-inch reflecting telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory in California was dedicated. In 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini 4. In 1981, Pope John Paul II left a Rome hospital and returned to the Vatican three weeks after the attempt on his life. In 1983, Gordon Kahl, a militant tax protester wanted in the slayings of two U.S. marshals in North Dakota, was killed in a gun battle with law enforcement officials near Smithville, Ark. In 1989, Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, died. Ten years ago: President Reagan arrived in Italy to prepare for a summit of major industrialized democracies, the 13th such gathering of world leaders. Five years ago: Undeclared presidential candidate Ross Perot announced he'd hired Hamilton Jordan and Edward Rollins to help steer his campaign. Democrat Bill Clinton appeared on "The Arsenio Hall Show." One year ago: The FBI pulled the plug on electricity at the Freeman ranch in Montana in an attempt to persuade the occupants to negotiate an end to the 71-day-old standoff. During joint war games in the Pacific, a Japanese destroyer mistakenly shot down an American attack plane; two Navy aviators ejected safely. Today's Birthdays: Actress Ellen Corby ("The Waltons") is 86. Actor Tony Curtis is 72. Musician Boots Randolph is 70. TV producer Chuck Barris is 68. Musician Curtis Mayfield is 55. Rock singer Ian Hunter (Mott The Hoople) is 51. Rock musician John Paul Jones (Led Zeppelin) is 51. Singer Suzi Quatro is 47. Singer Deniece Williams is 46. Rock musician Billy Powell (Lynyrd Skynyrd) is 45. Singer Dan Hill is 43. Actor Scott Valentine ("Family Ties") is 39. Singers Ariel and Gabriel Hernandez (No Mercy) are 26.