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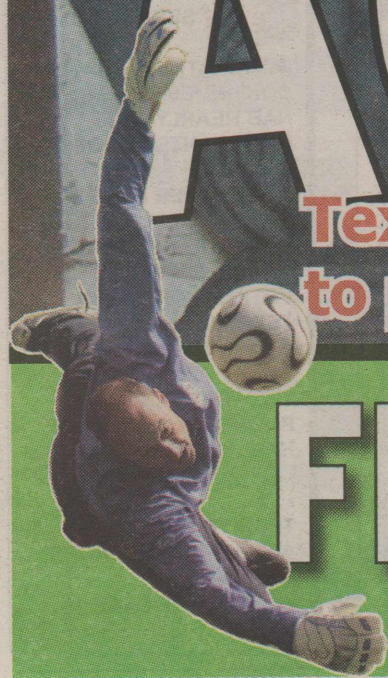
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U.S. deaths in Iraq war hit grim new milestone

WASHINGTON (AP) — American deaths since the invasion of Iraq have reached 2,500, the Pentagon said Thursday, marking a grim milestone in the wake of recent events that President Bush hopes will reverse the war's unpopularity at home.

The latest death was announced as Congress was launching a symbolic election-year debate over the war, with Republicans rallying against calls by some Democrats to set a timetable for the withdrawal of U.S. troops.

The Pentagon provided no details on the nature of the 2,500th death. Nevertheless, reaching the new marker underscored the continuing violence in Iraq just after an upbeat Bush returned from a surprise visit to Baghdad

determined that the tide was beginning to turn.

"It's a number," White House press secretary Tony Snow told reporters at the White House.

"Any president who goes through a time of war feels very deeply the responsibility for sending men and women into harm's way, feels very deeply the pain that the families feel. This president is no different," he said.

"It's always a sad benchmark, and one of the things the president has said is that these people will not die in vain," Snow added. "... You've got a government now that can help ensure that that is not the case."

The Pentagon releases new casualty figures daily with no fanfare — and scant

detail — as defense officials have said that no one death should be highlighted since all losses are equally tragic.

Some members of Congress have been calling for a timetable for the eventual withdrawal of troops from Iraq, of which there are about 127,000.

The United States invaded Iraq in March 2003, in an effort to depose dictator Saddam Hussein, amid now debunked allegations that he had weapons of mass destruction.

According to the Pentagon totals, there have been 1,972 service members killed in action in Iraq, and another 528 died from other non-hostile causes. There also have been 18,490 troops wounded in action, including 8,501 who did not return to duty.

WAR IN IRAQ: TIMELINE	March 19, 2003	Sept. 7, 2004	November 2004	March 3, 2005	Oct. 26, 2005	June 15, 2006
	President Bush launches invasion of Iraq.	The U.S. soldier death toll reaches 1,000 troops.	Most deadly month of fighting: 137 U.S. troops killed.	Death toll reaches 1,500 soldiers killed during war in Iraq.	U.S. soldiers' deaths hit the 2,000 mark after more than 2 years.	2,500 U.S. soldiers killed in the war against Iraq.

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Federal judge clears Tech students of charges in financial aid scam

By PAUL ROBERTS
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A Lubbock Federal Judge did not charge two former Texas Tech students, clearing them of any charges of a financial aid scam that defrauded the government of more than \$200,000.

Jacob Lustgarten and Amanda Sheils, two former Tech students, were cleared of any charges. They were originally accused of allowing another student access to their social security numbers and other personal information to apply for government financial aid.

A third student, Jessica Black, pleaded guilty earlier this month.

Ten former Texas Tech students, including Rojelio Hernandez, have been named in connection with the Pell Grant theft ring. Hernandez worked in the Tech Financial Aid office from 1998 to 2000. In February of 2004, Tech officials identified a case of fraud involving federal financial aid.

Once Hernandez obtained the personal information from several students, he falsified Federal Grant Application Forms. When the grants were received by the students, the grant money was split among ten students allegedly involved in the theft.

Rojelio Hernandez pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 30 months in prison.

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THE FRONT PAGE: Cam Carrington, a junior business major from Coppell, Prarie Endres-Parnell, a graduate student from Gainesville studying performance and pedagogy, Mattie Ad- amson, a senior theatre major from Nacogdoches, keep Danny Gonzales, a junior theatre major from Rio Grande City, character from sneezing during a rehearsal of "The Good Doctor" Monday evening. Photo by Caitly Colvard/The Daily Toreador.

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FRONT PAGE STORY: SUMMER THEATRE

Three plays, three weeks

By **PAUL ROBERTS**
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Looking for a new summer activity that doesn't involve passing out at the pool before noon? Go see a play. Go see three, to be exact.

The Texas Tech Department of Theatre and Dance kicks opens Summer Rep' this weekend with three plays at the Lab Theatre on the Tech campus. The plays run from today to July 2. All plays begin at 7:30 p.m.

The plays are "Sylvia," a comedy by A.R. Gurney that tells the story of a man who befriends a stray dog only to discover his wife believes that "man's best friend" is really her rival to his affections; "The Good Doctor," by Neil Simon, a series of comic vignettes based on the writings of Anton Chekhov; and "Veronica's Room," a chilling horror story by Ira Levin, the author of "Rosemary's Baby" and "The Stepford Wives."

"Sylvia" begins at 7:30 p.m.

today.

Richard Privitt of the Tech theatre department said this play will have the audience leaving the theatre giggling the whole drive home.

"Probably because of the fact the main character is a dog played by a female actress," Privitt said.

In "Sylvia," a couple moves to Manhattan after 22 years of raising children. Kate's career is taking off while Greg's is in decline. Greg befriends a stray golden retriever in Central Park and names her Sylvia, who soon becomes a bone of contention between Greg and Kate. The marriage is put into serious jeopardy until, after a series of hilarious and touching complications, Greg and Kate learn to compromise and Sylvia becomes a valued member of the family.

He said some laughs will come from the confusion of the relationship with the dog and the husband, and how this angers his wife.

"She actually gets jealous of their relationship," Privitt said.

According to a biography of Gurney on The Colony Theatre Company Web site, Gurney is known for writing about issues and realities of middle-class American life. His plays have been produced for more than 40 years across the globe.

"His plays tend to be off beat and very personal," Privitt said. "They are well written for the characters involved."

"Sylvia" plays today, Sunday, Thursday, June 27, and July 1.

The second play opens Saturday. "The Good Doctor" is Neil Simon's homage to Anton Chekhov's early short stories, which eloquently capture both the comic and serious sides of the 19th century Russian bourgeoisie. According to the theatre department, Simon modernizes the quiriness of Chekhov into first-rate sketch comedy ranging from slapstick to absurdity, and even bursting into song.



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PAULA UNSTOT, A doctoral arts administration and acting/directing student from Lubbock, gives a growl as she defends "Master" Bob Chanda, a graduate theatre major from Lubbock, from a good scolding by Velvia Wylie, a graduate theatre major from Mexia, during a rehearsal for "Sylvia" Monday evening.

This play is a series of short stories compiled together, Privitt said.

Both Anton Chekhov are recognized a sensational writers of dramatic plays. However, Simon's "The Good Doctor" and Chekhov's short stories are much lighter in tone,

and audiences should not expect the dramatic tone of Simon's later work, Privitt said.

"This mood is different than Simon's Biloxi Blues," he said. "The

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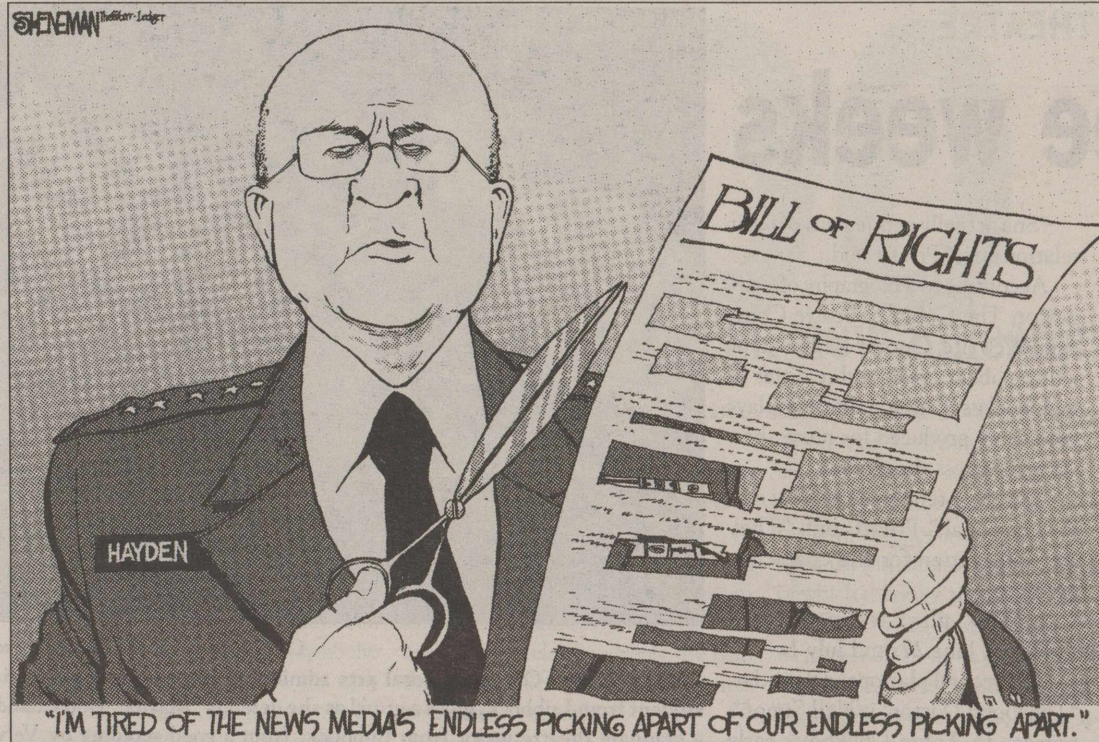
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All of us immigrants

The latest crackdown on immigration is called "Operation Return to Sender." So far, more than 2,000 immigrants have been arrested. The crackdown targets criminals, gang members and immigrants who already have been deported. No one would argue removing criminals from our country is a bad thing, but is the best way to look at illegal immigrants really as if they were of no more consequence than a misplaced piece of mail?

People cross deserts to live in this country. They face scorching heat and lack of food with no guarantees. In short, they risk their lives in search of something they believe will be better for themselves and for their families. This is not so different from the actions set in place by many of our own ancestors for a belief they strongly felt in their hearts.

What they do may be illegal. But that doesn't make them cowardly, dirty or even undesirable. Some would call them brave.

Many Americans, though, look at our neighbors, particularly the ones to the South, with a callow disapproval that is contemptible and un-American,

Sarai Brinker



especially given the probable ancestry of those who speak so negatively of modern-day immigrants.

Immigration has a long, often sad history in this country. During the late 1800s, hundreds of thousands of Irish people immigrated. When unspeakable hardships such as the potato blights and oppressive English rule rained down over Ireland, many chose America as their beacon of hope.

Upon reaching Ellis Island, though, many were denied access because they were deemed "undesirable." In contrast to the phrase engraved on the Statue of Liberty, "Give me your tired, your poor, the huddled masses yearning to break free," these "undesirables" were refused entry and sent to Canada instead, where many of them died.

More recently, during World War II, ships full of Jewish people trying to find refuge in America were also refused entry. They were shipped back to Germany where they were met by Nazi officers who escorted the deported Jews to concentration camps.

What were we so afraid of? This country was largely built by immigrants; still today immigrants do work that natural-born citizens for the most part take no part in. Would a few ships full of Irish or Jewish immigrants really have hurt our country?

Certainly, there are numerous problems with illegal immigration today. But we must remember that we are a country made up almost entirely of descendants of immigrants. Many of our ancestors were criminals shipped to America from Britain. We are not any "better" than immigrants. We just happened to be lucky enough to be born here.

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Strongest man?

New kind of "drug" enhances performance

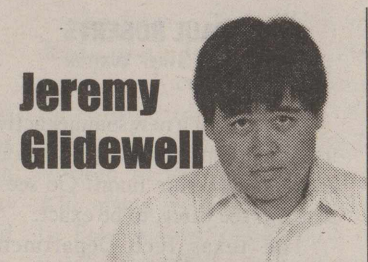
Normally this week would be cause for celebration; the Czech Republic beat the United States in the World Cup group stage. But how can I write about something as trivial as the World Cup when there is something drastic happening in these U.S.?

There is a pandemic sweeping across our great nation in a similar fashion to the bird flu or the iPod. It is causing athletes to become bigger, stronger, faster, as well as recover more quickly and lift ridiculously massive quantities of weight. This mysterious medicine is even allowing 76-year-old men to leg press weights that would more easily be measured in tonnage than pounds. Is it steroids? No. Is it Creatine? Not even close? Andro? Just stop. Stanozolol? Seriously, stop guessing, I mean it.

According to Associated Press reports, Pat Robertson, founder of the Christian Broadcasting Network and host of the 700 Club, claims that he is able to leg press, and I swear I am not making this up, 2,000 pounds. This not only breaks, but shatters the world record set by Dan Kendra, a former Florida State University fullback who played in the NFL and is currently a Navy SEAL, who during his record breaking attempt had to modify the machine to hold and fit 1,335 pounds. Also, he burst several blood vessels in his eyes. Robertson claims that the record is the result of extensive weight training with a very good physician, who according to Robertson can easily press 2,700 pounds.

So how does he do it? According to his Web site, he has formulated a perfect protein shake that can help anyone lose weight and gain strength. The shake contains such magical ingredients as Protein Powder, Safflower Oil, Flaxseed Oil (Why does that one sound famil-

Jeremy Glidewell



iar?), various fruits, as well as a single packet of the non-caloric sweetener of your choice. I know what most of you are thinking. You think that Pat Robertson has made the whole thing up to sell more bottles of his Protein shake, but nothing could be further from the truth.

First, money is not important to televangelists. Second, did not God give Samson, who was also in the midst of old age, enough strength to tear down a stone pillared building with his bare hands when he was blind, beaten, and hindered with shackles? Well, no he didn't, the hair gave him the power, but God gave him the hair. Is it so farfetched then, that God would give Robertson the power to leg press one non-metric ton? I say we're looking at the wrong culprit. Instead of doubting the veracity of Robertson's claims, we should instead look at what has given him the gift of superhuman strength — prayer and Christian belief, the ultimate performance enhancing drug. These things must be banned from athletic competition before their full power is realized, and athletes begin thanking the Lord for even the slightest of accomplishments.

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NATIONAL DEBATE: IMMIGRATION



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

JANET CERVAENTEZ, LEFT, and Domingo Cervantez wave American flags during an immigration march to the Lubbock County Courthouse in early May. The issue of immigration has sparked controversy, debate, walkouts and protests, and now federal agents have captured nearly 2,100 illegal immigrants across the nation in the past three weeks.

Sweep nets about 2,100 illegal immigrants

BOSTON (AP) — A blitz by federal agents during the last three weeks captured nearly 2,100 illegal immigrants across the country in raids targeting child molesters, violent gang members and past deportees who re-entered the country.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials credited the roundup to a network of 35 fugitive apprehension teams.

"This is a massive operation," said Marc Raimondi, a spokesman for immigration enforcement or ICE, which is part of the Department of Homeland Security. "We are watching the country's borders from the inside."

The crackdown, dubbed "Operation Return to Sender," kicked off May 26. An Associated Press reporter and photographer accompanied a fugitive task force as it made raids Tuesday night and early Wednesday.

A swarm of immigration agents had sped silently, headlights off, down a Boston side street and surrounded an

apartment house.

"Police! Policia! Police!" Monico yelled, holding his badge to a window where someone had pulled back the curtain. "Open the door!"

Soon agents led a dazed-looking Jose Ferreira Da Silva, 35, out in handcuffs. The Brazilian had been arrested in 2002 and deported, but had slipped back into the country. He now faces up to 20 years in prison.

"This sends a message," said Daniel

Monico, a deportation officer, after a successful raid early Wednesday. "When we deport you, we're serious."

The operation has caught more than 140 immigrants with convictions for sexual offenses against children; 367 known gang members, including street soldiers in the deadly Mara Salvatrucha, or MS-13; and about 640 people who had already been deported once, immigration officials said. The numbers include more than 720 arrests in California alone.

National Guard 'ramping up' for Texas border duty

AUSTIN (AP) — About 200 Texas National Guard troops have been activated and training for duty along the Texas-Mexico border with hundreds more expected later this month, spokesmen for the Guard and Gov. Rick Perry's office said Wednesday.

"We are ramping up," activating troops, said Perry spokeswoman Rachel Novier.

On Thursday, Assistant Secretary for Homeland Defense Paul

McHale and National Guard Bureau Chief Lt. Gen. H. Steven Blum are scheduled to discuss "Operation Jump Start" at Camp Mabry, headquarters of the Texas National Guard.

Speaking in Arizona on Tuesday, McHale said there would be 1,000 troops in place along the border in the southern border states by Thursday.

But while Texas Guard troops have been activated and undergone training, there will not be a large troop deployment on Thursday, Novier said.



Conservative watchdogs file suit over state spending limit

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's biennial spending limit is an artificial gauge of the economy that allows unconstitutional and excessive spending on state agencies and programs, according to a lawsuit filed Wednesday by a conservative taxpayer watchdog group.

The constitution requires that the state budget not exceed economic growth. The Legislative Budget Board determines that limit before each regular legislative session, based on personal income of all Texans.

The limit for the current budget was set at about \$56 billion.

Lawsuit seeks to stop electronic voting systems

AUSTIN (AP) — Travis County's electronic voting system violates state law because it doesn't produce paper ballots, according to a lawsuit filed by an Austin civil rights group.

The lawsuit, which names Texas Sec-

retary of State Roger Williams and Travis County Clerk Dana DeBeauvoir, seeks an injunction to block the county from using the system in upcoming elections. The Texas Civil Rights Project filed the lawsuit Wednesday in state District Court.

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comedy goes from slapstick to absurd."

"The Good Doctor" plays Saturday, Wednesday, June 23, 29, and July 2.

"Veronica's Room," which opens Tuesday, is a play written by Levin, who continues his cat-and-mouse tradition, playing with the themes of what is and is not reality, extreme family dysfunction and absolute horror — keeping the audience guessing the outcome right through to the end.

This play is for mature audiences only, Privitt said, because of a few sexual references. However, that is not what the play is about.

According to the Web site www.nndb.com, Levin was the Stephen King of the 1960s and 70s. He had a knack for turning absurd plots into realistic horrors, and like King, most of Levin's major works, such as "Rosemary's Baby," have been made into movies.

"Veronica's Room" plays Tuesday, June 24, 25, 28, and 30.

There are many differences between theatre in the summer as compared to theatre in the fall; time management being one of them.

"Summer theatre happens very quickly. We have about three weeks to build scenery, prepare costumes, build props, and rehearse," Privitt said. "In the fall, we have about five weeks."

After the three shows end in Lubbock, the theatre group will be making a trip to New Mexico for additional performances of the three plays.

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TURFMASTER IRRIGATION EMPLOYEES Chris Sambaro and Jacob Smith set a good base while owner Jimmy Schneider holds one of the 80 new trees straight on Memorial Circle Thursday afternoon.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Circle's look isn't worth change

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This opinion does not reflect that of The Daily Toreador, its editors or its staff members.)

To the person responsible for violating our sacred Memorial Circle by cutting down some of the most glorious trees on our beloved campus, I say to you, why? The damage is about 20 percent completed as I am writing this and I remain dumbfounded. This kind of action by city and campus planners is called "progress" or "improvement"

by them, they, the Powers that be. I call it vandalism. They call vandalism skateboarding and loitering; I call it destruction of history and heritage. Who gave them the power to kill living things older than themselves? When I came to this desert town I was stunned by the lack of life, living organisms, trees. The trees are one of the first things I saw during orientation and I was told about the history and sanctity of our circle. This year during orientation they are being mutilated

and molested, replaced by shrubs of no value. In conclusion, you who hold the power to destroy beautiful history, think before acting in an ignorant and arrogant way, again. Also, if you claim to have thought this out and "planned" the destruction, I ask you do you really think that a 4-year-old oak can replace all of the alumni's and current students' memories of memorial circle before it was violated by them.

— Justin Edwards, Senior Accounting major from Jersey Village

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Mexico grapples with wave of drug violence

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican lawmakers are working to revive their bill decriminalizing the possession of small amounts of marijuana, cocaine and heroin, and hope to override a veto if necessary, saying the reform will help curb drug-related violence that has killed more than 600 people this year.

President Vicente Fox called on Congress to drop decriminalization from the drug-law overhaul after intense lobbying from the U.S. State Department and mayors of several U.S. border cities, who called it a disaster that would encourage hordes of young Americans to cross the border for "drug tourism." Mexico's Roman Catholic Church also opposes it.

With the July 2 election looming and lawmakers limited to one term, any reform could be stalled until after a new president is inaugurated in December.

Tech to rid residence halls of phone lines

Texas Tech residence halls will be without phone lines beginning this fall semester, as an effort to save students money on their housing costs.

Sean Duggan, managing director of Housing and Residence Life, said removing phone lines will save the university more than \$600,000.

"We are paying a lot of money for an outdated technology," Duggan said. "Housing rates would be nearly double if we kept the phone lines."

These savings go directly to the students, Duggan said.

Most students have given up on using their phone lines.

"In a survey we conducted, 95 percent of student living in dorms use a cell phone as their primary means of communication," he said.

He said students' Internet access will not be affected.

A public phone will be installed on each floor, and is free to use.

The phone lines will be removed by the time residence halls open for the fall semester, which is scheduled for Aug. 20.

—Paul Roberts/Senior Staff Writer

Major carriers continue to increase airline fares

ATLANTA (AP) — Last-minute business travelers and some first-class fliers will pay more this summer for domestic tickets on some of the major airlines.

Some fares at the major airlines have been creeping up in recent months largely because of persistently high fuel prices.

Delta Air Lines Inc., the nation's third-largest carrier, has raised one-way domestic fares on unrestricted first-class and walk-up coach tickets by \$50, spokeswoman Chris Kelly said Thursday. Other first-class tickets were not affected.



FEMA official comes under fire at Hill

WASHINGTON (AP) — A FEMA official angered lawmakers Wednesday, after she cast doubt on a congressional study that concluded up to \$1.4 billion of the individual aid doled out after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita was spent for bogus reasons.

Donna Dannels, acting deputy director of recovery for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, told a House hearing the congressional conclusions "represent a fraction of the overall assistance provided."

Congress' Government Accountability Office used a statistical analysis to estimate the fraud may have totaled 16 percent of the individual assistance

after the two hurricanes last year. But Dannels told a House Homeland Security subcommittee that the GAO looked only at .01 percent of the 2.5 million applications for assistance, and said FEMA only learned of the new estimates last week.

In a sharp exchange, Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., told Dannels: "The amount of fraud outlined in this report ... I don't think it's refutable."

Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, the investigations subcommittee chairman, added the GAO had been working with FEMA since February on the study, and accused Dannels of "failing to respond" to the fraud allegations.

Senate sends Bush \$94.5 billion for war, hurricane

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Thursday sent President Bush a \$94.5 billion emergency spending bill, meeting his funding requests for America's wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and providing new aid to Gulf Coast hurricane victims.

The 98-1 vote on the compromise House-Senate legislation gave much-needed funds to support U.S. troops overseas. Most of the money — \$66 billion — goes to the Pentagon for military operations overseas.

Bush praised Congress for providing funds to "fight terrorism, defend our homeland, enforce our borders, and fulfill our moral obligation to help our fellow Americans in need."

The bill would bring to almost \$320 billion the tally for the campaign in Iraq and \$89 billion for the one in Afghanistan.

Only Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., voted against the bill. He is opposed to a provision endorsing Bush's \$873 billion "cap" on the annual appropriations bills that Congress passes each year. Specter is pushing for \$7 billion in additional money for education and health programs.

Still, there is increasing concern in Congress about the cost of the war in Iraq and the fact that the spending is kept on a set of loosely policed books that are kept separate from the rest of government operations.

Bush signs law increasing fines for indecent broadcasts

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed legislation Thursday that will cost broadcasters dearly when raunchy programming exceeds "the bounds of decency."

At a signing ceremony for the new law increasing by tenfold the maximum fine for indecency, Bush said that it will force industry figures to "take seriously their duty to keep the public airwaves free of obscene, profane and indecent material."

Accompanying the president at the ceremony was a crowd of lawmakers who worked to pass the bill in Congress.

For raunchy talk or a racy show of skin, the Federal Communications Commission can now fine a broadcaster up to \$325,000 per incident.

Approval of the bill culminates a two-year effort to get tough on sexually explicit material and offensive language on radio and television following Janet Jackson's 2004 Super Bowl "wardrobe malfunction."

The FCC recently denied a petition of reconsideration from CBS Corp.-owned stations facing \$550,000 in fines over the Jackson incident, in which she briefly revealed a breast during a halftime concert.

The agency recently handed down its biggest fine, \$3.3 million, against more than 100 CBS affiliates that aired an episode of the series "Without a Trace" that simulated an orgy scene. That fine is now under review.

Tot run over, killed during carjacking

HOUSTON (AP) — Police were searching for two carjackers who ordered a family from their vehicle, then backed over and killed a toddler who would have celebrated her second birthday Thursday.

Police said Stephanie Garcia suffered a skull fracture and massive body trauma.

Her father had stopped to use a pay phone just before 11 p.m.

Tuesday when two men walked up to him and demanded money, according to Houston police.

Luis Garcia handed over the \$2 he had, and then a second gunman ordered Garcia's wife from the vehicle, according to a report in Wednesday's online edition of the Houston Chronicle.

The woman told the assailant that her four children were inside, and the two men began tossing them

out "as if they were pieces of paper," Luis Garcia's brother, Efran, told the newspaper.

Houston police Sgt. C.W. Howard said after being yanked out of the vehicle, Stephanie became frightened and ran. As the two suspects fled in her parent's sport utility vehicle, they ran over the girl.

Stephanie died soon after at a local hospital. Police recovered the vehicle early Wednesday.

Light quake shakes Northern California

SAN MARTIN, Calif. (AP) — A magnitude 4.7 earthquake struck the south San Francisco Bay area early Thursday, but there were no reports of injuries or damage, authorities said.

The quake struck at 5:24 a.m. PDT about 6 miles east of San Martin, a town of 4,200 people in a rural part of southern Santa Clara County, and was followed by three smaller quakes, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

The quake could be felt in San Francisco, about 70 miles north of the epicenter.

No one was hurt and there were no reports of damage, according to the Santa Clara County sheriff's department and police in Gilroy, about 8 miles from where the quake struck.

Three San Antonio sites apply for Homeland Security facility

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Three San Antonio-area sites have applied to be the location of a proposed federal lab that would study the nation's most dangerous disease threats.

Brooks City-Base, the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research and the Texas Research Park are among 29 locations being considered by the Department of Homeland Security for the \$450 million National Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility.

Texas A&M University also is under consideration, according to Dr.

Harold Timboe, associate vice president of research at the University of Texas Health Science Center.

About five national finalists will be announced around September, with the final selection expected in 2008. The facility could be operating by 2012.

Initial plans are for a 500,000-square-foot lab with up to 300 scientists and support staff on at least 30 acres. The lab would develop countermeasures against human and animal diseases that could be used as terrorist weapons.

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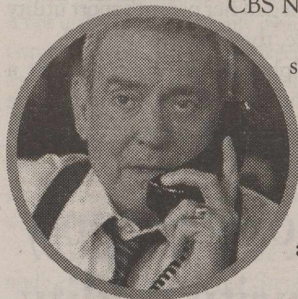
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Dan Rather era may be ending at CBS News

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Rather, who has been working at "60 Minutes" since leaving as "CBS Evening News" anchor last year, apparently is in his final days at CBS News.



CBS executives and Rather's representatives appear close to a deal that will end Rather's association with CBS News after more than 40 years, according to an executive knowledgeable about the situation who spoke to *The Associated Press* on condition of anonymity on Thursday.

Rather, 74, told *The Philadelphia Inquirer* that he has had no conversations about continuing at "60 Minutes" beyond the television season that ended last month. Another story published Thursday in *The Washington Post* quotes CBS executives who declined to be identified that network bosses have concluded there is no future role at CBS for Rather.

CBS News President Sean McManus would not comment on the reports Thursday, a spokeswoman said. Rather did not immediately return a call to his office.

Rather stepped down in March 2005 after 24 years as CBS' anchorman. He took much of the public blame for a discredited 2004 story that questioned President Bush's military service, an episode that clouded his final months on the job.

CBS News seems eager to usher in a new generation at "60 Minutes," where Katie Couric will start in the fall as a correspondent and CNN's Anderson Cooper will begin contributing stories. Other new correspondents like Lara Logan and Scott Pelley are also competing for airtime there.

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HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam (AP) — An appeals court has upheld the child molestation conviction and three-year prison sentence for former British glam rocker Gary Glitter.

The court "rejects the appeal of the accused and sentences him to three years in prison for obscene acts with children," said Judge Truong Vinh Thuy of the People's Supreme Court of Vietnam.

Glitter, 62, was found guilty March 3 of committing obscene acts with girls ages 10 and 11 at his rented seaside villa in southern Vietnam.

Standing before the judge Thursday, he shook his head several times as he listened to a court trans-

lator during the 40-minute reading of the court's decision.

"There was no defense allowed!" he screamed to reporters as he left the courthouse.

"I didn't do anything!" he said and yelled an obscenity at journalists before he was driven away in a military-green police truck.

Glitter, whose real name is Paul Francis Gadd, was accused of kissing, fondling and "engaging in other physical acts" with the girls.

He has been in police custody in Vung Tau since Nov. 19, when he was arrested in Ho Chi Minh City trying to board a flight to Bangkok, Thailand.

BOSTON (AP) — Music director James Levine said he will return to the podium for the July 7 opening of the Boston Symphony Orchestra's Tanglewood summer program for first time since injuring his shoulder in a fall four months ago.

"I'm thrilled to be back," Levine said in a statement released Thursday by the BSO. "In retrospect, I'm also very happy with the unexpected opportunity this accident provided me to focus on my health in a way I've never had time to do before."

Levine has been recuperating from shoulder surgery after he tore his rotator cuff when he fell leaving the stage

at Boston's Symphony Hall on March 1.

"I'm feeling better than I ever have, and as a result, I'm even more excited to be making music again, with a renewed sense of energy and anticipation," he said.

At Tanglewood, in Lenox, Mass., Levine will conduct the same program as in his last appearance, Beethoven's Ninth Symphony and Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony No. 1.

Levine has been with the BSO since 2004. He also has been the music or artistic director of New York's Metropolitan Opera since 1976. He made his Met debut in 1971.

LONDON (AP) — British prosecutors said they will not charge Kate Moss on allegations of cocaine use in a west London music studio last year.

The Daily Mirror published pictures in September of the 32-year-old supermodel apparently using cocaine in a studio where her then-boyfriend, Pete Doherty, was recording with his group Babyshambles.

On Thursday, the Crown Prosecution Service said there was "insufficient evidence" to charge Moss.

Rene Barclay, the CPS' London director of serious casework, said there was an "absolutely clear indication" that Moss had been using an illegal substance.

"However, in the absence of any forensic evidence, or direct eyewitness evidence about the substance in

question, its precise nature could not be established," he said.

"Ms. Moss declined to provide any explanation when interviewed, and the direct eyewitnesses also declined to provide evidence," he added.

A spokeswoman for Moss declined to comment Thursday.

Moss lost contracts with H&M, Burberry and Chanel after the photos were published, but her career seems to have suffered no lasting damage.

After apologizing to "all the people I have let down" and visiting a rehab clinic in Arizona, she resumed her career, signing new modeling contracts and appearing on several magazine covers.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It didn't take Dennis Farina long to nab a new role after leaving "Law & Order" last month.

Farina is set to join the ensemble cast of "The Grand," which includes Woody Harrelson, Cheryl Hines, Ray Romano and Jason Alexander, spokeswoman Lori De Waal announced Thursday. The film, set against a poker tournament in Las Vegas, begins shooting there in July,

she said.

Farina has divided his time between the big and small screen throughout his career.

His film credits include "Saving Private Ryan" and "Get Shorty." His TV credits include "Empire Falls," "Crime Story," "Miami Vice" and his recent stint as dapper police Detective Joe Fontana on NBC's "Law & Order."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lisa Guerrero, best known for her season-long stint as a sideline reporter on "Monday Night Football," has been named West Coast correspondent for the newsmagazine "Inside Edition," executive producer Charles Lachman announced Thursday.

As a broadcaster, Guerrero has covered the Golden

Globes, Academy Awards, Super Bowl and World Series.

Her acting credits include appearances on TV's "Seinfeld," "Frasier" and "Sunset Beach." Guerrero is married to pitcher Scott Erickson, who was cut by the New York Yankees last week.

Her first story for "Inside Edition" will air June 22.

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Redickberger — a new breed of athlete

Ladies and gentleman of the sports world, I would like to formally award the MVP trophy to the newest rising star in this era to date — Redickberger.

No, the award is not going to former Duke Blue Devils' standout J.J. Redick for his stellar collegiate career, nor is it going to Pittsburgh Steelers' main man Ben Roethlisberger for his 2005 postseason performance for bringing a Super Bowl championship back to the Three-Rivers city for the fifth time in NFL history.

I am giving it to both of them for their lackluster performance off of their conventional wood and gridiron stages within this past week. Therefore, enter the newest monstrosity created by Doctor Ego Invincible — Redickberger.

Why are they receiving this illustrious award?

Because they are two high-profile athletes who have nothing better to do during their offseasons but drive around negligently with a lack of disregard for the safety of others and for themselves.

Roethlisberger, a first-round pick in the 2004 NFL draft by the Steelers, has been repeatedly questioned about his decision to ride his motorcycle without

Stephen Monahan



a helmet since his signing of an NFL contract. His mentor and coach, Bill Cowher, has reportedly discussed the issue with Big Ben on more than one occasion, but I guess it takes a collision on Earth for superstar athletes and celebrities to crash back down to Earth.

And for Pittsburgh's two-year starter, the Steelers organization and its fans, the world has come crashing down on them for the moment.

Late Monday morning, while riding his crotch rocket in downtown Pittsburgh, Roethlisberger was involved in a two-vehicle collision, throwing him from his bike. He suffered a broken jaw and nose, cuts to the back of his head and wounds to his knees.

Roethlisberger, who is accustomed to wearing headgear while playing football, was not wearing his helmet when he was

involved in the wreck on Monday.

Redick, the Associated Press Player of the Year and a projected first-round selection for the upcoming NBA draft, was arrested early Tuesday morning in North Carolina on charges of drunken driving.

Redick's DWI comes at an inopportune time, as the Duke athletic program is slowly recovering from a lacrosse scandal earlier this spring — and the professional draft is June 28.

For my disclaimer for the rest of this column, I do indeed hope that Big Ben fully recovers from his physical injuries and returns with maybe only a battered ego.

And as for J.J., I do not condone his actions, nor will I make any excuses on his behalf. He is no longer "dy-no-mite."

Ironically, I am sure Redick has solidified himself as a Duke deity among the Devil student body, and ditto goes for Roethlisberger with Blitzburgh fans.

I just want to know where athletes get off thinking they are immortal. At what point do they think that nothing terrible can or will ever happen to themselves? Why do the 24-year-old Roethlisberger and 21-year-old Redick take their lifestyles for granted?

However, I am guessing this thinking probably does not apply to a sizeable portion of professional athletes and potential superstars though.

But with my knowledge of male adolescence, and as a former Mr. Know-It-All, I have learned that at 23, I am not impenetrable, invulnerable, invincible nor indestructible. I am human. I am flesh. I am blood. I am mortal.

What would Pittsburgh fans think had Big Ben been paralyzed from the waist up or even died? I am sure they would express their sympathy for him, but at some point, fans have to question why he was incapable of wearing a helmet.

Roethlisberger is by far fortunate that he was released from the hospital Thursday after two days of surgery and stitches.

As for Redick, I guess he feels driving under the influence is something "cool" people do. But I bet it would have been "cool" to hit the four-point play after sideswiping a Dodge minivan, killing a family of four.

According to a 2005 statistical chart by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on www.madd.org, 16,694

people were involved in alcohol-related traffic fatalities nationally in 2004 — 39 percent of the total number of traffic accident fatalities that year.

Redick was great at blowing up the stat sheet while at Duke. He should feel fortunate he did not add to the stat sheet when it comes to alcohol-related traffic deaths.

If Redickberger's fortune had turned sour, he would have left teams, fans and the rest of the sports nation without an appetite. Thankfully, those sports' factions can remain hungry for what the two athletes will bring to their respective sport in the future.

I do not know if it is the wealth, the fame or some other prestigious form of intangible feeling that creates this Superman-outlook on the lives of these public figures. However, with these two incidents in consecutive days, athletes better be watchful of their own version of kryptonite.

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RECOVERY

Big Ben sent home from hospital

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger was released from a hospital late Wednesday night after spending more than two days recovering from facial injuries he sustained in a motorcycle accident.

The Steelers quarterback left Mercy Hospital a little before midnight. It was unclear where he went, said team spokesman Dave Lockett.

Doctors had encouraging words Wednesday about Roethlisberger, whose motorcycle collided with a car at a Pittsburgh intersection Monday morning. A second round of tests again showed no brain injuries, although he has a concussion.

Roethlisberger got out of his bed to greet visitors Wednesday, less than 48 hours after being admitted to a hospital located only a few blocks from the crash site.

Players who visited with Roethlisberger said he is upbeat, and they are convinced he will be back quickly and with no diminished skills. Counting the playoffs, the Steelers have a 27-4 record with Roethlisberger at quarterback and have advanced to two AFC championship games and won a Super Bowl during his two seasons as a starter.

His release was kept a secret from the Pittsburgh media, which has stationed reporters and cameras at the hospital each day. The hospital released a statement saying that it "respected the wishes and privacy of Mr. Roethlisberger and his family" by not confirming his discharge until about nine hours later.

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Raiders earn All-American honors

By **STEPHEN MONAHAN**
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

After the 2006 NCAA Championships concluded Saturday in Sacramento, Calif., six Red Raiders returned home as All-Americans.

Seniors Sage Thames, Bryan Scott and Althea Chambers, junior hurdlers Marlon Odom and Shawon Harris and freshman Sabrina Taylor each received the season-ending award after finishing as one of the top eight athletes in their event.

Taylor, Thames and Harris each received All-America awards because of the international rule that allows American athletes to be named All-Americans if one or more international athletes finish the finals in the top eight.

Tech's highest finish came from Chambers, who finished sixth in the 800M finals, and Odom, who finished sixth in the 110M hurdles with a time of 13.70.

Chamber's time of 2:05.64 in the finals gave her the fifth-best time of her career and in school history. She also holds the school record for the event with a time of 2:05.21.

Odom, one of three Tech hurdlers to receive the honor, said his sixth place finish was unfortunate because of contact over the fifth hurdle from a competitor in an adjacent lane.

"If that wouldn't have happened, I feel like I could have at least got second," Odom said. "That just threw the whole race off. He hit me in my chest. I ain't never got hit like that before. It was hard enough to take me out of my race."

Bryan Scott took eighth place in the 400M hurdles, clocking a time of 50.69.

Scott said his improvement throughout the years will hopefully continue through next season.

"It's a blessing," Scott said. "Last year I didn't even make it out of the semifinals. It just shows progression.

Hopefully, I'll do better next year."

Thames, who graduated in May and will be attending dental school at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio later this summer, said he was glad to end his career on a high note.

"It feels good," Thames said. "You always want to end your career with your best performance, but it doesn't always work out that way. I'm not disappointed at all. I'm really happy how the season went I guess as a whole."

Thames finished ninth in the pole vault, clearing a height of 17'-6.5"

Taylor said although her 10th-place finish in the long jump was disappointing, she accomplished one of her goals and will continue to work hard in hopes of attaining a higher finish next season.

"I was disappointed because I didn't jump as well as I thought I could've," the freshman said. "Next year I'm going to stay consistent. I'm going to work on my fouls.

I had two fouls in prelims and in the finals."

Harris received his third All-American honor for the 2006 season despite missing the finals in the 400M hurdles. He received two honors this earlier this season in indoor track and field.

Harris said he is pleased with the outcome of nationals, but wished he would have done better.

"That's why you go out there and run the race because nothing is guaranteed," Harris said. "I'm going to work harder for next year. Work on a lot of technical stuff. You don't always have 10 perfect hurdles. Just try

to maintain the best posture over each hurdle I go over."

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UT baseball player needs new kidney

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas baseball player born with chronic renal failure has learned that he will need a transplant for his only functioning kidney.

Outfielder Carson Kainer, 21, said his doctor told him earlier this month that the organ was failing.

"My doctor told me that my kidney function went down to 13 percent," Kainer, who was drafted by the Cincinnati Reds in the 14th round of the Major League Baseball First Year Player Draft last week, said in a story in Wednesday's online edition of the Austin American-Statesman. "That

one kidney that had been doing all the work all this time is starting to give out."

Chronic renal failure is a condition in which kidneys are unable to filter toxins and waste from the blood.

Kainer said Wednesday that he would postpone plans to turn pro and instead return for his senior season at Texas in 2007.

He said he hoped one of his relatives would prove a kidney match, saving him from dialysis or a wait on the transplant list.

"The quicker they do it, the bet-

ter," Kainer said. "There's a process involved for me to go through — like three months or so — before I can do baseball stuff. Hopefully I can take it slow and be ready for next season."

Kainer hit .364 this season and led the team in RBIs (66), doubles (25), and hits (84).

He would not be the first Texas athlete to bounce back after transplant surgery.

San Antonio Spurs forward Sean Elliott in March 2000 became the first known pro athlete to return from a kidney transplant, rejoining the Spurs seven months after the procedure.

Youngster has a ball at Open, despite 81

MAMARONECK, N.Y. (AP) — The kid wore a big smile, even after shooting an 81 that didn't include a single birdie. Tadd Fujikawa made history at the U.S. Open on Thursday, and it had nothing to do with a lackluster round that included three double bogeys.

The USGA initially said the Hawaii high-schooler would be the second-youngest player to participate in an Open, behind only Tyrell Garth Jr., who

played in 1941.

But after contacting Garth at his home in Texas on Wednesday, the USGA had to amend the record book. Turns out Garth was 15 years, 11 months and 27 days when he played. That's actually older than Fujikawa, who is 15 years, 6 months, 7 days.

Fujikawa, who stands 5-foot-1 and weighs about 135 pounds, officially put his name in the record book when he

teed off at 9:12 a.m.

He four-putted No. 1 en route to a double bogey and added three more 6s after that before walking off the course with absolutely no complaints.

"It was a lot of fun out there, actually," he said. "I hit a lot of great shots. I think I missed a couple of drives that cost me a couple of double bogeys, (but) my score didn't really tell how my day went."

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England advances with second-half win

NUREMBERG, Germany (AP)—Peter Crouch ended England's second-half drought and sent his team into the second round of the World Cup.

Crouch headed in a cross by David Beckham in the 83rd minute to give England the goal it struggled to get all game and beat tiny Trinidad and Tobago 2-0 Thursday.

Steven Gerrard added a goal in injury time and England got its second straight win in Group B to clinch a spot in the next round.

England controlled the play for most of the game, but Crouch and others missed countless good chances in front of the net,

raising Trinidad's hopes of holding its second straight favorite to a 0-0 draw.

England got a boost from Wayne Rooney's early return from a broken foot in the 58th minute, and finally broke through near the end. Aaron Lennon, the 19-year-old winger who came on in the second half, got the ball to Beckham in open space on the right side.

Beckham took his time and found the 6-foot-7 Crouch in front of the Trinidad net. Crouch leapt over Brett Sancho and headed the ball past Shaka Hislop for England's first second-half goal in a World Cup since 1998.

Nothing but uphill for U.S.

On the 66th anniversary of Norway surrendering to Germany, the world surrendered its attention to the same country to witness the most-watched sporting event.

The fans have traveled miles and spent savings, loans or whatever they got for their belongings to see their respective countries compete in this year's FIFA World Cup, and USA fans are no different.

This may be the most pivotal year for the program, ranked among some of the best teams in the world, and yet, they were still overlooked as a No. 1 seed before the match draw in December.

Bitter, not really. They seem to want it this way. It's the way they have become accustomed to since first making the second round in 1994, only to lose to eventual-champion Brazil.

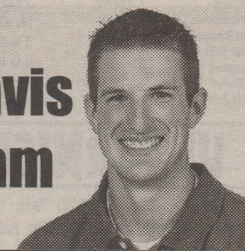
But dreams have quickly faded into hopes and prayers for many USA fans, players and coaches, as the American squad faces an elimination if they can not beat Italy on Saturday.

The 3-0 loss to the Czechs was a harsh blow to both the team's standings and their spirit. And the fans have felt it as well.

I watched a room full of students in the Student Union Building cheer on the USA team, even after the first goal was scored in the first five minutes by the Czechs.

The passion in the room was something you don't often see on a college campus, with the exception of college football.

Travis Cram



As one room became full, a person walked into the second TV room in the SUB basement and quickly told the idiots watching Cartoon Network that this is something that only happens once every for years, and he did not want to miss it.

But now, these same fans are asking questions and hoping the team and coach Bruce Arenas have answers for a hot Italian squad who would loving nothing more than to put away the Americans and place themselves in a spot in the second round.

But the USA coach remains relaxed.

Arena has been so relaxed he allowed his players to spend time with their families before beginning the final practices last Tuesday in Hamburg, Germany.

He remains focused on the task at hand and insists the team still can make the next round of the tournament, but they will need help.

Although they face an uphill battle in their group, the biggest battle has been getting their fans to support them.

But Uncle Sam's Army showed up in large numbers Monday to support

the team and you can bet they will be there to give the Itais an ear full on Saturday as well.

The team constantly deals with racist fans in every country, who even bash African Americans or other players on their home teams. ESPN.com reported that even a bag of blood or urine thrown at a player is nothing out of the ordinary.

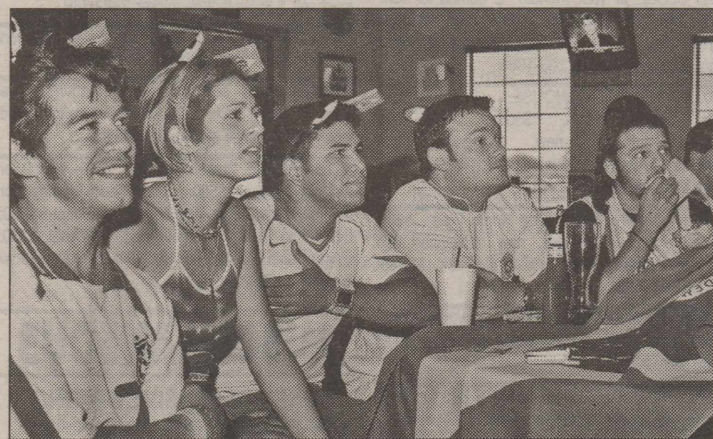
In this country, where soccer is more popular with kids younger than 13, the U.S. team has sparked some excitement and for the first time could draw more attention to the Cup from the U.S. than most professional sports are right now.

The Olympics flopped, overlooked by American Idol and other reality shows and even the Stanley Cup Finals were down 23 times the viewers who watched the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

So if you have never watched a World Cup game before and want to understand what makes this sport the most popular game in the world, try to catch a game during the next month. Yes, it is the same rules as always, and yes, every game is 90 minutes long, so if you need alcohol to get through it, I understand. After all, Scottish hooligans will be causing trouble as usual, even if their team is not in the tournament.

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Arena dismisses claim of confusion

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — For a coach who has always stressed team unity, Bruce Arena's message seems to have gotten muddled.

DaMarcus Beasley was the first to stir things up by saying he was too busy playing defense to push up on the right flank during the U.S. team's 3-0 World Cup loss to the Czech Republic. That didn't make Arena happy.

Then fellow midfielder Bobby Convey said some players didn't know what to do during the game.

At first, Arena didn't believe he said it, until a press officer confirmed that Convey did, indeed, as part of a longer response.

Not only did Arena derisively dismiss claims by both his players that the U.S. team was disorganized in its opener, he maintained Thursday that the Americans couldn't have been more prepared.

He also said the comments were being blown out of proportion.

"I would have to say you've got two young players commenting, and you've got an anxious press corps that wants to jump



RON SCHEFFLER/US Presswire

U.S. COACH BRUCE Arena speaks during team practice at Edmund Plambeck Stadium in preparation for the World Cup.

on anything they can jump on," he said at a news conference. "I would have to say, if anything, we were overorganized. Our guys know everything they need to know going into these games.