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Friday, December 9

EXAM TIME	WHO TAKES EXAM
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m. MWF
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	CHEM 1301, 1305, 1307, 1308, 3305
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. MWF
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	SPAN 1507, 2301, 2302, 2607
7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m. MWF, Friday night only classes, graduating seniors

Saturday, December 10

EXAM TIME	WHO TAKES EXAM
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m. MWF
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m. MWF
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m. MWF
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	ACCT 2300; 5:00, 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. TR
7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	Thursday night only classes, Saturday only classes

Monday, December 12

EXAM TIME	WHO TAKES EXAM
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m. TR
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	3:30 p.m. TR
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. MWF
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	ISQS 3344, PHYS 1403, 4:00 p.m. MWF
7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	ACCT 2301; Monday night only classes

Tuesday, December 13

EXAM TIME	WHO TAKES EXAM
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m. TR
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	MATH 0301, 0302, 1300, 1320, 1321, 1330, 1331, 1351, 1352, 1420, 1430, 1550, 2300, 2350
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. TR
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. MWF
7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	ECO 2301, 2302, 2305; Tuesday night only classes

Wednesday, December 14

EXAM TIME	WHO TAKES EXAM
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m. TR
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m. MWF
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	BIOL 1403; IE 3301
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m. TR
7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m. MWF; Wednesday night only classes

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Report: We control many breast cancer risk factors

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Women concerned about breast cancer should worry less about cellphones and hair dyes and worry more about weighing or drinking too much, exercising too little, using menopause hormones and getting too much radiation from medical tests. So says a new report on environmental risks by a respected panel of science advisers.

By environment they mean everything not governed by genes — what's in the air and water but also diets, vitamin use and even things like working night shifts. And while they lament that most chemicals in consumer goods get little safety testing, they find too few studies in people to say whether there is a breast cancer risk from certain pesticides, cosmetics or bisphenol A, known as BPA and used in many plastics and canned food liners, although it has been eliminated from baby bottles and many reusable beverage containers in recent years.

"We don't have enough data to say 'toss your water bottles,'" said Irva Hertz-Picciotto, chief of environmental and occupational health at the University of California, Davis.

She headed the Institute of Medicine panel — independent experts under the National Academy of Sciences who advise the government and others. This report was paid for by Susan G. Komen for the Cure, a breast cancer foundation. It was presented Wednesday at a cancer conference in Texas.

"We've done a better job of treating breast cancer than preventing it," said Dr. Michael Thun, senior epidemiologist for the American Cancer Society, who helped review the report. Breast cancer death rates in the U.S. fell 31 percent from 1990 to 2007, but incidence rates declined only about 5 percent.

Weight and obesity matter because fat cells make estrogen, and that hormone fuels the growth of most breast cancers, he said.

Other factors are more complex. Moderate alcohol consumption may lower the risk of heart disease but seems to raise the risk of breast cancer a little.

The report sorts the evidence for higher breast cancer risk factors like this:

—Yes: Hormone therapy combining estrogen and progestin, excess weight after menopause, alcohol consumption and radiation from

too many medical tests, especially during childhood. The panel doesn't say how much radiation is too much, but says two or three abdominal CT scans give as much as atomic bomb survivors received. Mammograms use minuscule amounts and should not be avoided. Oral contraceptives slightly raise breast cancer risk while taken, although cancer rates are very low in the age groups that use them.

—No: Hair dyes and the kind of radiation from cellphones, microwaves and electronic gadgets.

—Probable: Smoking.

—Possible: Secondhand smoke, nighttime shift work and exposure to benzene and a couple other chemicals through jobs or from breathing car fumes or pumping gas. It is "biologically plausible" that BPA and certain other plastics ingredients might affect estrogen, which fuels most breast cancers, but evidence is mostly in animals and lab tests — not

enough to judge whether they harm people, the panel concluded.

"There's a tremendous desire to blame someone or something" for breast cancer, said Dr. Eric Winer, a cancer specialist at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston and chief scientific adviser to the Komen foundation.

"There's a real danger in prematurely concluding that a substance is the culprit and then closing your eyes

and not paying attention to what might be a much more concerning factor," or substituting something for BPA that might be worse, he said.

Thun of the cancer society agreed.

"One should first do everything possible to address the known risk factors," he said. "If I'm making the choices, I wouldn't put this (BPA) at the top of my list."

However, Laura Anderko, a Georgetown University Medical Center public health scientist, said she was "deeply disappointed" by the report's heavy emphasis on personal responsibility for cancer prevention.

"It is in stark contrast to the President's Cancer Panel report last year that has a strong call to action on chemical policy reform," she wrote in an email.

About 230,000 cases of breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed this year in the U.S. Less than 10 percent of cases are due to inherited genes.

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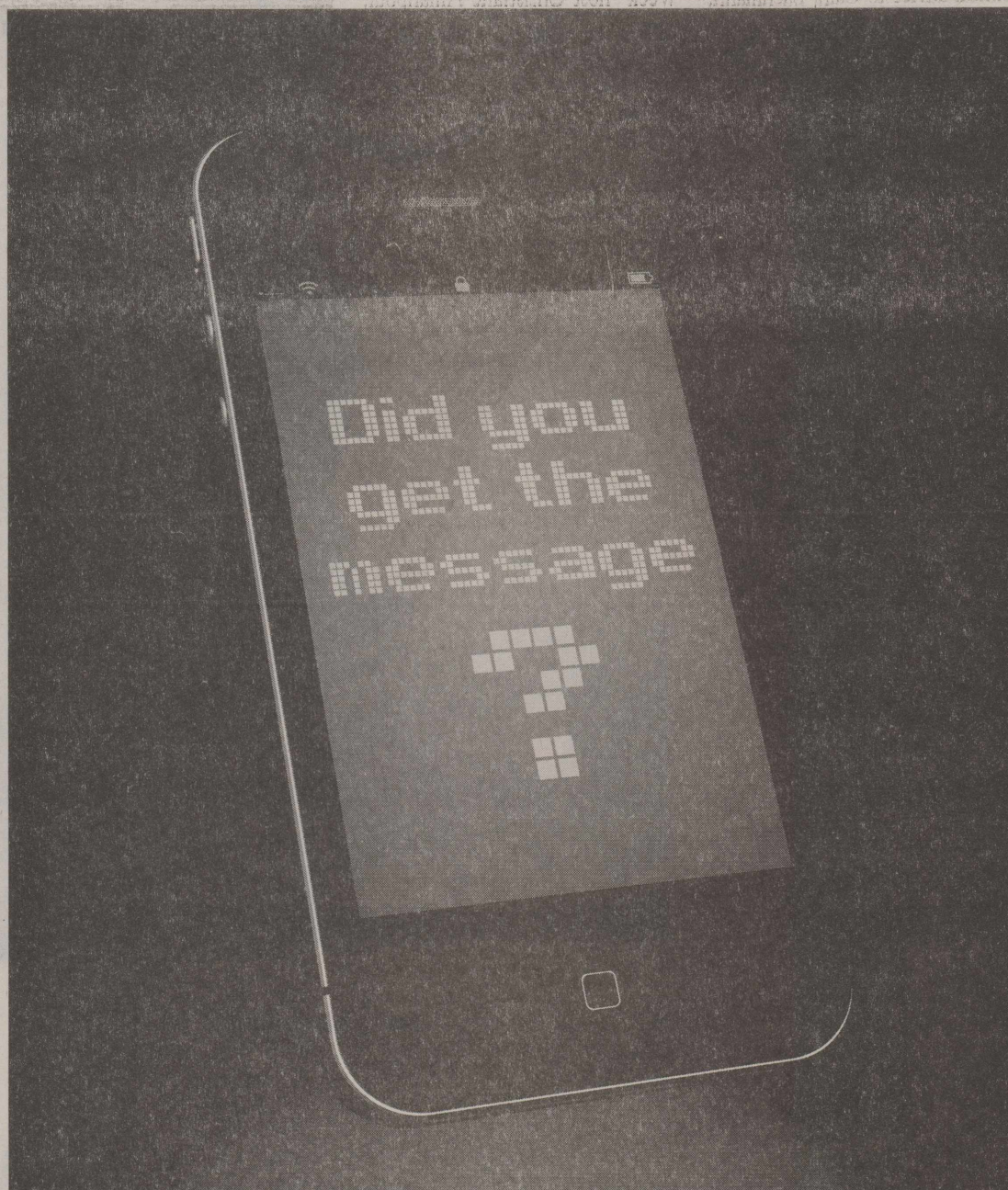
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Presidential race coverage raises conflict issues

NEW YORK (AP) — Political consultant Dick Morris recently disclosed on Fox News Channel that some of the Republican presidential candidates that he talks about on the air have paid for advertisements in a newsletter he sends out to subscribers.

Columnist and ABC commentator George Will's wife works for Rick Perry, Fox host Greta Van Susteren's husband advised Herman Cain. NPR's Michele Norris left as host of "All Things Considered" in October because her husband began working for President Barack Obama's re-election campaign.

Such entanglements are laying bare the close ties between the media and political world during this campaign season while raising familiar questions: How much should consumers be clued in to preserve the sense that news organizations are acting independently? And what should journalists do to avoid the perception of a conflict?

There are no shortages of opinions on the topic and no one correct answer, though advocates for ethics in journalism tend to lean toward full disclosure of conflicts caused by relationships between politicians and on-air reporters or commentators.

"They may have an opinion, but they should still, I believe, have accuracy and fairness as their guidepost in the same way as other reporters," said Bob Steele, a journalism ethics professor at DePauw University.

On Monday, Morris became the latest to outline publicly his connections to the candidates he discusses on air, saying that Cain, who just suspended his campaign, Rep. Michele Bachmann and former House Speaker Newt Gingrich all have paid for ads in the free political newsletter he sends to nearly a half-million subscribers.

Morris said he does not paid political consulting work for candidates within the United States and has given free political advice to Cain, Bachmann, Gingrich and Mitt Romney.

"I down them with advice," he said. "I'm constantly emailing them."

Morris' comments during Sean Hannity's prime-time program came a few hours after The Associated Press questioned him and Fox programming executive Bill Shine about the ads. Though he acknowledged the ads, Morris did not address questions from the AP about their propriety, in light of his commentator role, and did not immediately respond to requests for comment. And Shine declined requests for an interview about the topic.

The liberal advocacy group Media Matters for America, which subscribes to the newsletter, says it saw at least seven ads from July through October that stated they were paid for by Cain's campaign.

Morris, during some Fox appearances, expressed support of Cain's campaign and doubt about those who accused Cain of inappropriate sexual behavior. He said on Fox, "I look forward to her spread in Playboy" after Sharon Bialek publicly accused Cain of groping in 1997. Morris also dismissed Ginger White's claim that she had a long-running affair with the married Cain.

How media outlets handle such issues vary.

CNN recently removed Cornell Belcher, a political pollster, from its list of paid political commentators after he began work for the Obama campaign. Belcher still occasionally appears on CNN, but he is identified each time as being a part of the Obama team, spokeswoman Christa Robinson said.

"As a news organization that doesn't take sides, it's important to be transparent and disclose the relevant work of our contributors and guests so that viewers will know the background and possible motivations of those on our air," she said.

When he was working at MSNBC in 2010, prime-time host Keith Olbermann was suspended for two days after violating a network rule on political donations (he gave \$2,400 apiece to three Democratic congressional candidates). Olbermann later complained that the rule was "probably not legal" and left MSNBC two months later.

NPR's Norris is taking a break from "All Things Considered" until Election Day next year. She said she'll continue to report for the organization, but not on campaign news.

Prompted to take care of some "housekeeping" by ABC's "This Week" host Christiane Amanpour, commentator Will told viewers last month that his wife, Mari Maseng, had signed on to help Perry prepare for debates. He said Maseng was a long-time political professional who had worked as a campaign speechwriter for Ronald Reagan. But the website Politico wrote about her job before Will addressed it on television.

Fox's Van Susteren fought back last week after it was pointed out in news reports that during a segment on her show about Cain's campaign, she made no mention that her husband, lawyer John Coale, had offered advice to Cain.

Romney steps up pace of campaign

PARADISE VALLEY, Ariz. (AP) — Mitt Romney is ramping up his presidential campaign in a big way — just as Newt Gingrich emerges as a serious threat for the Republican nomination.

Over the next week, Romney's cross-country fundraising trips will cease, replaced by a more rapid-fire campaign schedule in early voting states. That means more TV ads, more media interviews and more hand-to-hand politicking in early-voting Iowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Florida and, Romney says, "a couple other states."

"We're just starting," the former Massachusetts governor said Tuesday before jetting off to court donors. "We're making our closing argument. ... You'll see me campaigning aggressively."

That would be a stark contrast to the cautious, calculated approach that Romney has taken all year as he focused on stockpiling campaign contributions for a drawn-out nomination fight.

The more intense focus is born out of timing — and necessity.

Voting for the GOP nomination begins in Iowa on Jan. 3 and Gingrich, a former House speaker and nationally known figure, has shot to the top of public opinion polls in Iowa and South Carolina while making gains elsewhere. Much to Romney's chagrin, Gingrich has benefited from the struggles of other rivals also considered more conservative than Romney, including Texas Gov. Rick Perry, Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann and Georgia businessman Herman Cain, who has dropped out of the race.

The primary has essentially become a two-way fight between Romney and Gingrich.

Romney's message will stay largely the same: He argues he has a business background that makes him the best candidate to create jobs and improve the economy — and the best candidate to beat President Barack Obama. Still, it's been fine-tuned in recent days, as Obama traveled to Kansas to invoke

Teddy Roosevelt's pitch for a "square deal" for middle-class Americans.

"This election will be the choice between entitlement and merit, appeasement and resolve," Romney plans to say in speech Wednesday in Washington, echoing words he used in Arizona on Tuesday.

Behind the scenes, Romney aides are planning to start aggressively dipping into his mound of campaign cash to ramp up his presence on the TV airwaves.

He's already running ads in both Iowa and New Hampshire — positive spots that highlight his economic record — but he's not yet on the air with the heavy levels that usually come at this point in the campaign, as voters start paying attention.

He's also starting to increase his appearances on Fox News Channel, watched by many GOP primary voters, and has agreed to appear on "Fox News Sunday" on Dec. 18, his first appearance on a Sunday news show in more than a year and a half. Aides say it's a

calculated effort that will help Romney across the map over the course of the nomination fight.

"I'll be on the air a good deal more than in the past," Romney said.

He's likely to get some help on that front in the coming weeks, when a super PAC aligned with Romney starts to engage by running ads, probably against Gingrich, in early voting states.

Aides refuse to say just how aggressively the campaign itself will go after Gingrich as the first caucus nears. The former House speaker is vulnerable to attacks on his record in Washington and his rocky personal life.

Romney offered hints of a more aggressive strategy toward Gingrich.

"We're going to make sure that the differences in our experience and perspective are well-aired. You can be sure I will not be quiet," Romney said during a Fox News interview Tuesday. "I am going to make sure my message is heard loud and clear. Gingrich is a friend, I respect him, but we have very different life experiences."



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Questions swirl around \$6 billion nuclear lab

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — At Los Alamos National Laboratory, scientists and engineers refer to their planned new \$6 billion nuclear lab by its clunky acronym, CMRR, short for Chemistry Metallurgy Research Replacement Facility. But as a work in progress for three decades and with hundreds of millions of dollars already spent, nomenclature is among the minor issues.

Questions continue to swirl about exactly what kind of nuclear and plutonium research will be done there, whether the lab is really necessary, and — perhaps most important — will it be safe, or could it become New Mexico's equivalent of Japan's Fukushima?

As federal officials prepare the final design plans for the controversial and very expensive lab, increased scrutiny is being placed on what in recent years has been discovered to be a greater potential for a major earthquake along the fault lines that have carved out the stunning gorges, canyons and valleys that surround the nation's premier nuclear weapons facility in northern New Mexico.

Final preparations for the lab — whose the high-end price tag estimate of \$5.8 billion is almost \$1 billion more than New Mexico's annual state budget and more than double the lab's annual budget — also comes as a cash-strapped Congress looks to trim defense spending and cut cleanup budgets at contaminated facilities like Los Alamos. It also comes as the inspector general recommends

that the federal government consider consolidating its far-flung network of research labs.

Despite the uncertainty, the National Nuclear Security Administration, an arm of the Department of Energy that oversees the nation's nuclear labs, is moving forward on final designs for the lab. Project director Herman Le-Doux says it has been redesigned with input from the nation's leading seismic experts, and the NNSA has "gone to great extremes" to ensure the planned building could withstand an earthquake of up to 7.3 magnitude.

Most seismic experts agree that would be a worst-case scenario for the area. But many people who live near the lab — and have seen it twice threatened by massive wildfires in 10 years — see no reason for taking the chance.

"The Department of Energy has learned nothing from the Fukushima disaster," said David McCoy, director of the environmental and nuclear watchdog group Citizens Action New Mexico, at a recent oversight hearing. That's become a common refrain since last year's earthquake and tsunami in Japan caused a meltdown at one of its nuclear plants. "The major lesson of Fukushima is ignored by NNSA: Don't build dangerous facilities in unsafe natural settings."

Lab officials say CMRR is needed to replace a 1940s era facility that is beyond renovation yet crucial to supporting its mission as the primary center for maintaining and developing

the country's stockpile of nuclear weapons. While much of the work is classified, they insist the lab's mission is to do analytical work to support the nearby Plutonium Facility, or PF-4, which is the only building in the country equipped for making the pits that power nuclear weapons.

Watchdog groups, however, call it an effort by the DOE and NNSA to escalate the production of new nuclear weapons and turn what has largely been a research facility into a bomb factory.

And they are not giving up their efforts to halt the project. The Los Alamos Study Group, headed by Greg Mello, one of a number of area activists who have made a career out of monitoring LANL, has two lawsuits challenging the project and what he says is the federal government's refusal to look at alternatives despite the increased seismic threats uncovered in 2007 that have sent the price tag soaring.

Mello spends his days poring over every available public document on Los Alamos and the nation's nuclear program. And he makes frequent trips to Washington to lobby against funding for CMRR, which he says is an unnecessary attempt to "open the door for an overall expansion in intensity and scale" of the nation's nuclear weapons program.

At just about every public hearing related to the labs, Mello lines up with a regular group of aging hippies, retired scientists, former lab employees, residents of near-

by pueblos as well as housewives and grandmothers from Santa Fe and other neighboring communities to oppose CMRR and anything and everything related to an expansion or continuation of the nuclear mission at Los Alamos.

While much of the public outcry over Los Alamos in recent years has focused on lagging cleanup efforts of radioactive waste and hazardous runoff into the canyons that drain into the Rio Grande, earthquake danger and the potential for catastrophic releases of radiation from existing facilities was front and center at a recent meeting in Santa Fe of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, appointed by Congress to oversee the nation's nuclear facilities.

"The board believes that no safety issue problem in (the nation's nuclear complex) is more pressing than the plutonium facility's vulnerability to a large earthquake," the board's chairman, Peter Winokur said in reference to efforts to reinforce PF-4.

The board has worked closely with NNSA to ensure CMRR is designed to withstand a ma-

major quake, so Winokur said the board is not concerned about that project — "as long as they follow through."

It's that follow through that has watchdogs concerned.

"Los Alamos doesn't have that safety ethos needed for a facility that will store the bulk of the nation's stockpile of plutonium," Mello said.

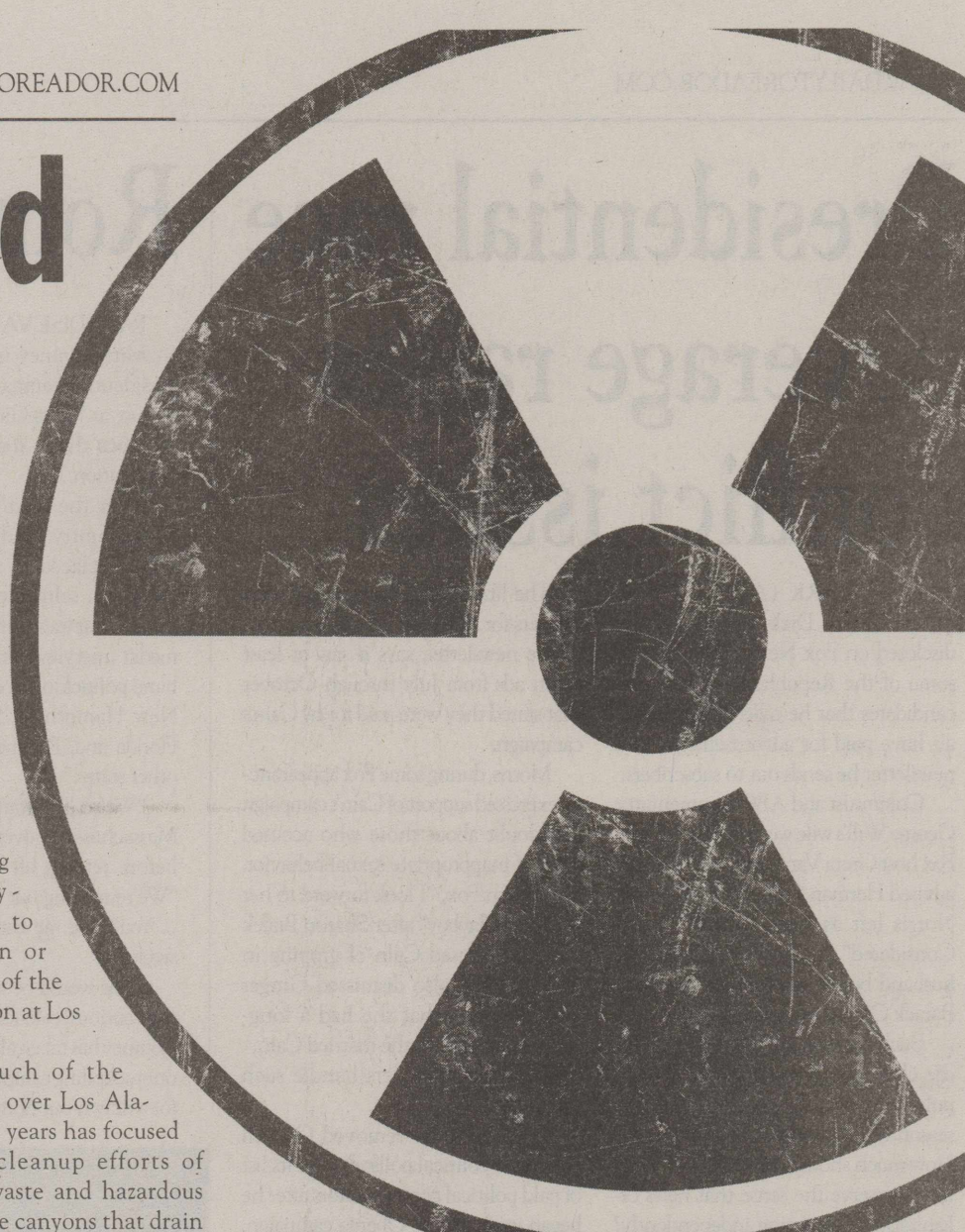
Winokur agreed that safety remains a concern at the lab.

Since the last contractor took over operations in 2006, he said, "It's fair to say they have improved safety at the sites." But he pointed to two recent memos about deficiencies in nuclear safety programs that he said underscore the fact

"that the operations out there are very challenging and that there is plenty of room for improvement."

Asked if he thought it was wise to spend billions of dollars to keep the nation's nuclear weapons operations centered on an earthquake-prone mesa, Winokur said his mandate from Congress is to oversee safety, not second guess major policy decisions.

"I'll leave that to Congress and DOE about whether or not they want to build a facility of that nature in that region of the country where they do have a fairly large earthquake threat," Winokur said.



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GOP's Gingrich relishes role of antagonist

JOHNSTON, Iowa (AP) — Newt Gingrich grinned as he pledged to dog President Barack Obama at every turn and from coast to coast next year if he's the Republican nominee.

"The White House will be my scheduler, and wherever the president goes, I will show up four hours later

to respond to his speech," the GOP presidential candidate said wryly on a recent visit to Iowa.

Seemingly in unison, the 500 Iowa Republicans crowded into the banquet hall rose from their seats applauding, for there he was — the tested antagonist that Republicans here have been craving to go toe to

toe with the Democratic incumbent. "We're looking for Ulysses S. Grant. And Newt Gingrich is the only one who has said we need to attack," said Craig Bergman, a Des Moines Republican who had been leaning toward Gingrich recently — and was hooked after last week's speech.

If there's any one reason that may explain Gingrich's sharp rise in Iowa, where he now leads in polls, it's this: Republicans, in Iowa at least, are aching for an attack dog candidate in the effort to beat Obama.

Indeed, prospective Republican caucusgoers, who are looking for a fighter prepared to go up against the well-funded, politically deft and oratorically gifted Obama, have gravitated to other GOP candidates not shy about lobbing verbal bombs at Obama — Michele Bachmann, Rick Perry and Herman Cain among them. But those candidates have either faded or dropped out. In Donald Trump's case, he never ran but his no-holds-barred criticism of the president helped him briefly rise to the top of national polls.

Enter Gingrich.

His pitched battles with Democratic President Bill Clinton while he was House speaker serve as an important reminder to GOP voters that he's challenged the opposition at its highest level. But, should he win the GOP nomination, he will have to do

more than rally a frustrated GOP base; he will have to convince swing voters he can lead a worried nation.

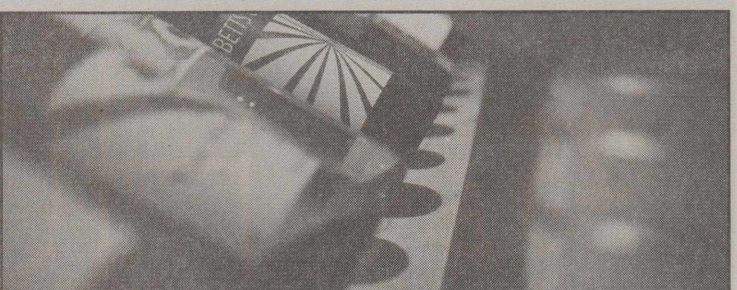
As Jim Dyke, a former Republican National Committee communication director now based in South Carolina, put it: "He's been a chief antagonist in the past, so that certainly gives him credibility. ... But we're not voting for chief antagonist. We're voting for president."

First, however, the candidate must get through the GOP nomination race.

And, less than a month until the leadoff Iowa caucuses, Gingrich's reputation as a bulldog is setting up a key stylistic contrast to former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who is focusing largely on Obama's handling of the economy in his second bid for the GOP nomination.

Compared with Romney, Gingrich seems more at home in the role of adversary. And he doesn't simply note his disagreements with Obama. He casts himself as the Democrat's philosophical opposite.

"He is an Alinsky radical," Gingrich told The Associated Press last week, calling Obama a disciple of Saul Alinsky, the late left-wing activist from Chicago. "And I am an American exceptionalist. He believes in fundamentally undermining the America we inherited. I believe in fundamentally rebuilding the America we inherited."



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Retirement woes?

Some reject retirement, keep working even into 90s

DALLAS (AP) — At 91, Maxine Bennett still works six days a week at her jewelry store: keeping the books, helping customers and occasionally going on buying trips.

Retirement's not for her. "At 65 I was just really getting started," Bennett said.

She is part of a growing number of people who continue working way past the usual retirement age. The reasons are as unique as the individuals themselves. There are those who can't afford to retire, but there also are those who made mid-life career switches and want to see their new vocation through, and others, like Bennett, who simply enjoy going into work each day.

"Mother lives because she works. If she went home, didn't do anything, there's not enough crossword for her to keep busy all day long," said her daughter, Beverly Bennett. "Basically, this may be working, but this is really mother's living."

The idea of a set retirement age at 65 is changing as companies drop pensions, and people are living longer and staying healthier, said Jean Setzand, AARP's vice president of financial security. "Our belief here is we want people to work as long as they desire to do so," Setzand said.



Medicine.

"For some people, staying engaged and doing meaningful activities can be accomplished through leisure and retirement activities," Magaziner said.

For those who want to work, being self-employed or having knowledge valued by an employer can help ensure that happens, said Sara Rix, senior strategic policy adviser in the AARP's Public Policy Institute.

Like the Bennetts, 82-year-old Darrell Reneker can't imagine life without working. The distinguished professor of polymer science at The University of Akron still works full time teaching and conducting research.

"I get paid, but my lifestyle isn't so dependent on that. What else would I do that's more interesting? And the answer is I can't think of anything," said Reneker, who starts every day with an

early morning run.

Raised in the small West Texas town of Rankin, Maxine Bennett left business college after getting hired as a bookkeeper. While her two children grew up, she worked a variety of jobs, from switchboard operator to bookkeeper to butcher.

"I can't remember not working and not enjoying it," she said.

During the 1960s, her husband's job as a drilling superintendent for an oil company took them to Iraq, Kuwait, Mozambique, Tunisia, Libya and Singapore. At most stops, she found jobs as well. When he died of a heart attack in Saudi Arabia in 1973, at age 54, "life as I had known it ended," she said.

Returning to Texas after 13 years overseas, she found a purpose when her son, Scotty, came up with an idea: buy Native American jewelry and sell it

overseas. That didn't exactly take off, but from that a business was born. By the mid-1970s, the Bennetts opened Castle Gap Jewelry in Dallas.

Maxine Bennett says she knows many people who retire are "as happy as they can be." But for her, "When you find something that you enjoy and you don't have to do it — I guess that it makes it all the more interesting."

John Adams, 79, who took over his father's Dallas paint store in 1977, said his work is fulfilling because he's able to help people.

"Somebody comes in with a problem, you help them with it," said Adams, who sells paint and frames pictures at Adams Paint Center.

"They're not just my customers, they're my friends," he said. Adams' previous jobs included supervisor at a baking company and running a restaurant.

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“ ... they kind of have these stereotypes that people who have tattoos are irresponsible or maybe don't have a background that they approve of or think is appropriate for the work world.”

By NICOLE GUSTAFSON
IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

In a college classroom of 50 students, about 20 students have a tattoo somewhere, according to trends reported by the Pew Research Center.

When those students graduate, they are entering a workforce that, for the most part, does not feel the same acceptance toward tattoos. Tattoos are much less prevalent in older generations and often come with a stigma. These older generations are the employers that graduates of universities such as Iowa State have to impress to get a job.

“I think that maybe it's just something they're not used to seeing, or because they kind of have these stereotypes that people who have tattoos are irresponsible or maybe don't have a background that they approve of or think is appropriate for the work world,” said Taren Reker, Career Services coordinator for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Iowa State U. “I think it's just a lot of old stereotypes.”

One solution young adults have turned to is getting tattoos in places that are easy to cover. The Pew Research Center found that approximately 70 percent of people born after 1980 that have tattoos got them in places that are not usually visible.

“Everyone always told me growing up that, if I got a lot of visible tattoos, people could deny me jobs because of it,” said Shelby Leahy, ISU sophomore in child, adult and family services who has three tattoos. “I didn't find it very fair, of course, but I figure that's how the generation that's running the business thinks, so I might as well get them in easily hidden places for the time being.”

Other students are willing to sacrifice fashion choices, such as short sleeves, for more tattoos. Cole Nedved, ISU junior in pre-journalism and mass communication, said he was not as worried about the possibility of being denied jobs because all of his many tattoos can be covered by a suit.

“My dream job would be working for a rock station so having tattoos isn't a big deal there,” Nedved said.

Josh Alex, ISU sophomore in pre-liberal studies, said when he started getting tattoos, he was not concerned at all about how they would affect his future career.

“I went on tour when I was right out of high school,” Alex said. “Everyone had

tattoos and things like that, so that's kind of what drew me to it. I hate to say, ‘Oh my friends were doing it,’ but everyone I was in a bus or a band with had tattoos, so I started getting them.”

Alex's career plan at the time didn't cause him much concern about his tattoos.

“I was never worried about that because then I thought I was going to tour for my whole life,” said Alex, who now wants to work for a sports agency.

Nedved and Alex have both chosen to stay away from tattoos on their hands and necks for career reasons.

Young adults now are getting tattoos as a form of art or self-expression rather than as an act of rebellion.

“It might sound silly, but I think of my body as a canvas — a billboard that advertises my creativity and personality,” Leahy said. “I really enjoy that I can take something meaningful to me and create something that I can always wear as a reminder of how important it is.”

Alex agreed that tattoos are a way to show personality without using words.

“I'm not a person that expresses a lot of feeling or anything, so I think that it's an outlet for me,” he said.

There is also a tattoo culture that attracts young adults.

“I like being a part of something greater,” Nedved said. “Just being a part of that culture is great. You're kind of being the minority, but that minority is growing smaller now.”

Only time will tell if, in the future when today's college graduates become tomorrow's bosses, employees will be hired regardless of any tattoos and not have to cover them if they wish.

Nedved said the thought of hiring someone with tattoos does not phase him.

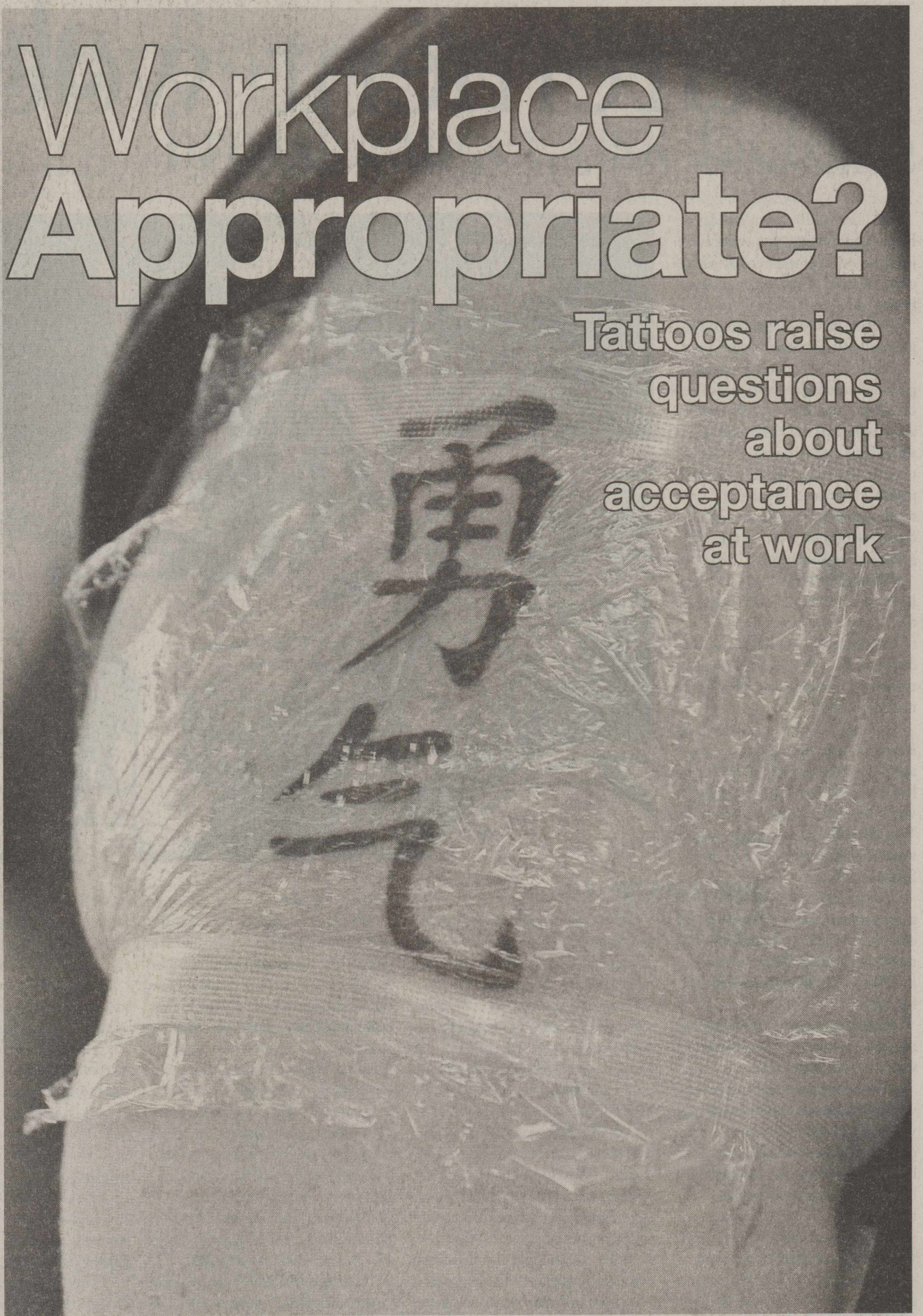
“Having tattoos doesn't affect the person you are as a whole, so I would encourage it,” he said.

Leahy said she would actually prefer to employ the type of person who is open to tattoos.

“I definitely plan to hire people without taking into consideration their tattoos or body modification in general,” she said. “I think that, from what I've seen at least, the people with the most body modification like piercings, colored hair and tattoos actually are more artistic and open-minded in the way that they operate.”

Workplace Appropriate?

Tattoos raise questions about acceptance at work



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Pearl Harbor survivors return to ships after death

HONOLULU (AP) — Lee Soucy, who lived to be 90 after surviving the attack on Pearl Harbor, is finally back with his shipmates 70 years later.

Soucy passed away just last year. On Tuesday, seven decades after dozens of fellow sailors were killed when the USS Utah sank on Dec. 7, 1941, Navy divers took a small urn containing his ashes and put it in a porthole of the ship.

The ceremony is one of five memorials being held this week for servicemen who lived through the assault and want their remains placed in Pearl Harbor out of pride and affinity for those they left behind.

"They want to return and be with the shipmates that they lost during the attack," said Jim Taylor, a retired sailor who coordinates the ceremonies.

The memorials are happening the same week the country observes the 70th anniversary of the aerial bombing that killed 2,390 Americans and brought the United States into World War II. A larger ceremony to remember all those who perished will be held Wednesday just before 8 a.m. Hawaii time — the same moment the devastating attack began.

Most of the 12 ships that sank or were beached that day were removed from the harbor, their metal hulls salvaged for scrap. Just the Utah and the USS Arizona still lie in the dark blue waters. Only survivors of those vessels may return in death to their ships.

The cremated remains of Vernon Olsen, who served aboard the Arizona, will be interred on his ship during a sunset ceremony Wednesday. The ashes of three other survivors are being scattered in the harbor.

Soucy, the youngest of seven children, joined the Navy out of high school so he wouldn't burden his parents. In 1941, he was a pharmacist mate, trained to care for the sick and wounded.

He had just finished breakfast that Sunday morning when he saw

planes dropping bombs on airplane hangars. He rushed to his battle station after feeling the Utah lurch, but soon heard the call to abandon ship as the vessel began sinking. He swam to shore, where he made a

makeshift first aid center to help the wounded and dying. He worked straight through for two days.

The Utah lost nearly 60 men on Dec. 7, and about 50 are still entombed in the battleship. Today, the rusting hull of the Utah sits on its side next to Ford Island, not far from where it sank 70 years ago.

Soucy's daughter, Margaret, said her parents had initially planned to have their ashes interred together at their church in Plainview, Texas. But her father changed his mind after visiting Pearl Harbor for the 65th anniversary in 2006.

"He announced that he wanted to be interred on the Utah. And my mother looked a little hurt and perplexed. And I said, 'Don't worry Daddy, I'll take that part of your ashes that was your mouth and I'll have those interred on the Utah. And you can then tell those that have preceded you, including those that were entombed, what's been going on in the world,'" Margaret Soucy recalled saying with a laugh.

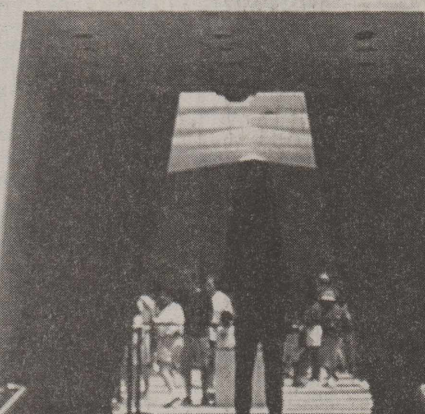
"And the rest of your remains we will put with mother in the church gardens at St. Mark's." And then my sister spoke up and said, "Yes, then mother can finally rest in peace," she said.

The family had long kidded Soucy for being talkative — they called him "Mighty Mouth" — so Margaret Soucy said her father laughed and agreed. "He just thought that was hilarious," she said.

"So that is what we are doing. We're taking only a portion of his ashes. It's going to be a small urn," she said.

Soucy's three children, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren — 11 family members altogether — attended the sunset ceremony on Tuesday. His wife died earlier this year.

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Marlins show Jose Reyes the love — and the money

DALLAS (AP) — Jose Reyes felt the love from the Miami Marlins. And the money.

When the free-agent signing period began last month, the Marlins wanted to meet the All-Star shortstop right away — as in not a minute to spare.

So owner Jeffrey Loria and top baseball executive Larry Beinfest arranged a midnight rendezvous with Reyes and his agent in Bemelmans Bar at The Carlyle, the New York hotel famous for hosting President John F. Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe a half-century ago.

"12:01. Those guys are crazy," Reyes said Wednesday, when his \$106 million, six-year contract was finalized. "They showed me a lot of love."

Leaving the cash-strapped New York Mets, who signed him when he was 16, Reyes accepted an offer that pays him \$10 million in each of the next two seasons, \$16 million in 2014 and \$22 million in each of the final three years. Miami has a \$22 million option for 2018 with a \$4 million buyout, which could raise the total to \$124 million.

Reeling from three straight losing seasons, \$70 million in losses and a lawsuit seeking to recover

money from their owners for the victims of the Bernard Madoff Ponzi scheme, the Mets never made a formal proposal to retain their first NL batting champion.

"They didn't make a real offer, so that means they don't want me there," Reyes said. "I need to move on."

After trading Francisco Rodriguez and Carlos Beltran, All-Stars are disappearing as fast from the Citi Field home clubhouse as spectators are from the stands. Reyes sounded hurt that the Mets made little effort to retain him.

"If you're asking whether I should have sent him a box of chocolates, perhaps I should have done that," general manager Sandy Alderson said. "But on the other hand, the box of chocolates would have cost \$106 million."

Wearing the new look of the Marlins — a cap with a blue, white, orange and yellow "M" with a swoosh that looks like it could be a logo for a fast food chain — Reyes' dreadlocks dangled onto the white jersey of the team, which was renamed from the Florida Marlins as it prepares to move into its \$515 million downtown ballpark next season.

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Famous Idaho Potato Bowl Ohio vs. Utah State	Dec. 17 @ 4:30 p.m.	Utah State	Utah State	Ohio	Ohio	Utah State	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
R-1 Carriers New Orleans Bowl San Diego State vs. Louisiana-Lafayette	Dec. 17 @ 8:00 p.m.	Louisiana-Lafayette	San Diego State	San Diego State	Louisiana-Lafayette	San Diego State	San Diego State	San Diego State	Louisiana-Lafayette	Louisiana-Lafayette
Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl Florida International vs. Marshall	Dec. 20 @ 7:00 p.m.	Florida International	Louisville	Florida International	Marshall	Marshall	Marshall	Marshall	Florida International	Florida International
S.D. County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl TCU vs. Louisiana Tech	Dec. 21 @ 7:00 p.m.	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU	TCU
MAACO Las Vegas Bowl Arizona State vs. Boise State	Dec. 22 @ 7:00 p.m.	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State	Boise State
Sharon Hawaii Nevada vs. Southern Miss	Dec. 24 @ 7:00 p.m.	Southern Miss	Nevada	Southern Miss	Southern Miss	Southern Miss	Southern Miss	Nevada	Southern Miss	Southern Miss
AdvoCare V100 Independence Bowl Missouri vs. North Carolina	Dec. 26 @ 4:00 p.m.	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri
Little Caesars Bowl Western Michigan vs. Purdue	Dec. 27 @ 4:30 p.m.	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	Western Michigan	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	Western Michigan	Western Michigan
Belk Bowl Louisville vs. NC State	Dec. 27 @ 7:00 p.m.	NC State	NC State	Louisville	NC State	Louisville	NC State	NC State	Louisville	NC State
Military Bowl Toledo vs. Air Force	Dec. 28 @ 4:30 p.m.	Air Force	Toledo	Toledo	Toledo	Air Force	Toledo	Toledo	Air Force	Air Force
Bridgepoint Education Holiday Bowl California vs. Texas	Dec. 28 @ 8:00 p.m.	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	California
Champs Sports Bowl Florida State vs. Notre Dame	Dec. 29 @ 4:30 p.m.	Florida State	Notre Dame	Florida State	Notre Dame	Florida State	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Florida State	Notre Dame
Valero Alamo Bowl Washington vs. Baylor	Dec. 29 @ 8:00 p.m.	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor
Bell Helicopter Army Air Corps Bowl BYU vs. Tulsa	Dec. 30 @ 11:00 a.m.	BYU	Tulsa	BYU	Tulsa	Tulsa	BYU	Tulsa	BYU	BYU
New Era Pinstripe Bowl Rutgers vs. Iowa State	Dec. 30 @ 2:20 p.m.	Rutgers	Iowa State	Iowa State	Iowa State	Iowa State	Iowa State	Rutgers	Iowa State	Rutgers
Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl Mississippi State vs. Wake Forest	Dec. 30 @ 5:40 p.m.	Mississippi State	Mississippi State	Mississippi State	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Mississippi State	Mississippi State	Mississippi State	Mississippi State
Insight Bowl Iowa vs. Oklahoma	Dec. 30 @ 9:00 p.m.	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma
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Hyundai Sun Bowl Georgia Tech vs. Utah	Dec. 31 @ 1:00 p.m.	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Utah	Georgia Tech	Utah	Georgia Tech	Utah
AutoZone Liberty Bowl Cincinnati vs. Vanderbilt	Dec. 31 @ 2:30 p.m.	Cincinnati	Vanderbilt	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Vanderbilt	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Vanderbilt
Kraft Fight Hunger Bowl Illinois vs. UCLA	Dec. 31 @ 2:30 p.m.	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	Illinois	Illinois	UCLA	Illinois	UCLA
Chik-Fil-A Bowl Virginia vs. Auburn	Dec. 31 @ 7:30 p.m.	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Virginia	Auburn	Auburn	Virginia	Auburn
TicketCity Bowl Houston vs. Penn State	Jan. 2 @ Noon	Penn State	Penn State	Houston	Houston	Houston	Penn State	Penn State	Houston	Houston
Outback Bowl Michigan State vs. Georgia	Jan. 2 @ Noon	Michigan State	Georgia	Michigan State	Michigan State	Michigan State	Michigan State	Georgia	Michigan State	Georgia
Capital One Bowl Nebraska vs. South Carolina	Jan. 2 @ Noon	South Carolina	South Carolina	Nebraska	South Carolina	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	South Carolina	Nebraska
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Richardson chasing 2nd title, Heisman

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP)—Alabama's Trent Richardson wasn't a starter when he arrived on the scene.

He was bidding his time behind tailback Mark Ingram, who was on his way to becoming Alabama's first Heisman Trophy winner. But Ingram knew long before Richardson was selected as a finalist that the Crimson Tide might have another candidate waiting in the wings.

Then a freshman, Richardson broke four tackles en route to a 52-yard touchdown against Arkansas two years ago in a run that has only grown in the retelling.

"He broke like seven tackles and then took it up the sideline for like 40 yards," Ingram recalled. "I was like, 'Yeah, that's not really normal.' I figured that we had a special guy."

A program that collected — by its own count — 12 national titles before fielding a Heisman winner now is hoping for its second in three seasons. Because of Ingram's looming presence, Richardson was a star long before he was a starter.

Compact, powerful and with a sprinter's burst, Richardson joins LSU cornerback Tyrann Mathieu, Wisconsin tailback Montee Ball and quarterbacks Andrew Luck of Stanford and Robert Griffin III of Baylor as finalists for this year's Heisman, which will be presented Saturday in New York.

"As a child you dream of winning the Heisman or MVP at any level, and now that it's here and my team has worked hard for this, and I know I worked hard for it," Richardson said. "Just to represent for Alabama is going to be an honor for real, and to represent for (Florida hometown) Pensacola. It's pretty big for me. My name will be in the books if I do win."

Alongside Ingram, his former backfield mate now with the New Orleans Saints.

Richardson picked up where his predecessor left off, powering the Tide's offense into a national title shot Jan. 9 against LSU.

Since Archie Griffin won his second straight in 1975 for Ohio State, only Southern California has had two Heisman winners in a three-year span: Charles White and Marcus Allen (1979, '81) and Carson Palmer ('02) and Matt Leinart ('04).

Richardson has run for 1,583 yards and has 20 rushing touchdowns and three as a receiver. Not bad for a first-year starter, who never let on publicly if he minded running in second place for two seasons. His handling of that situation endeared Richardson to teammates.

"The first word that comes to my head when I think of Trent is 'teammate,'" Alabama left tackle Barrett Jones

said. "He really is the ultimate teammate. Not many guys would have had the attitude he had these past two years. Probably would have started anywhere else in the country just with the talent level he had."

"He never said anything complaining. He was always worried about the team. All of us who have been here for a while we're really excited for him to step up this year and for this to be his team. His humility and the kind of teammate he is really makes you want to block for a guy like that."

Richardson said he "just really had to humble" himself. He still racked up 1,451 yards and 14 touchdowns — and two Sports Illustrated covers — before becoming a starter when Ingram left for the NFL, another move that Richardson soon could duplicate.

The 5-foot-11, 224-pounder has gotten plenty of attention for his weight room prowess — Tide coaches limit him to 475 pounds on the bench press and 600-pound squats — and ability to steamroll defenders or carry several for extra yardage.

Despite Richardson's physical style, coach Nick Saban scoffs at labeling him a "bruiser."

"You're talking about a guy to me that shouldn't be pigeonholed into a guy that

is a bruising back because to me he's so much more," Saban said. "He's a great leader on our team. He's a hard worker. He sets a great example. He cares about the other players on the team. He's certainly a very, very productive, competitive guy who has been probably as good a player as I've ever had the opportunity to coach in terms of the whole package."

"Bruising back would be an insult to what he is, even though he does that pretty well, too, because he's tough and he's physical."

Richardson made a strong final statement with a career-best 203-yard game in the final romp against Auburn. It also provided a so-called "Heisman moment," when he halted his momentum and straight-armed a defender on the sideline then raced across the field for a 57-yarder.

Against Mississippi, he shed two tacklers, cut over to the right sideline and stopped short to shake one defender around the 10 before sprinting to the end zone to punctuate a 76-yard run.

"That was awesome," Jones said. "The Iron Bowl run was awesome, too, but the Ole Miss run where he did the little move at the end, that was a lot of fun to watch."

Richardson also had a solid overall effort against No. 1 LSU. He ran 23 times for 89 yards and had five catches for 80 yards.

Richardson's nine 100-yard rushing games ties Ingram for the school record. He's only 75 yards shy of the Alabama mark set by Ingram two years ago in one extra outing — the Southeastern Conference championship game.

Richardson is also a finalist for the Maxwell Award as player of the year and the Doak Walker Award given to the nation's top running back.

The lone drawback to all these awards: Flying. The back that fearlessly smashes into 230-pound linebackers can't stand it.

"I really just start praying before I get on and when I get on just go from there," Richardson said. "I start sweating, and it's just a big mess, for real. I haven't gotten over it yet, but I'm used to flying. Just when it takes off and when they be about to land, it's crazy."

Richardson, Tim Tebow and Cam Newton are the only SEC players to rush for 20 touchdowns in a season, and those two quarterbacks are Heisman winners.

Alabama has cited the quality of defenses Richardson has faced in promoting his candidacy. He has faced eight defenses ranked among the nation's Top 51, and the school says no other Heisman contender went against more than five.

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Baylor's RG3 is Big 12 offensive player of year

DALLAS (AP)—For Robert Griffin III, this may be only the precursor.

Baylor's exciting dual-threat quarterback was named Wednesday as The Associated Press' Big 12 offensive player of the year.

A leading contender in what is expected to be a tight Heisman Trophy race, Griffin was unquestionably the Big 12's top offensive player, getting 14 1/2 of 17 votes from a panel of AP member sports reporters who regularly cover the league.

Oklahoma senior defensive end Frank Alexander was the Big 12's top defender with 14 votes.

The highlight producer known as "RG3" leads the nation in passing efficiency and has piled up 387 total yards per game. He has completed 267 of 369 passes (72 percent) for 3,998 yards with a Big 12-leading 36 touchdowns and only six interceptions, and run for 644 yards with nine more scores.

"He wins," Texas coach Mack Brown said. "He's a guy that when you go into a game, he's such a dynamic player that he changes the game."

Brown made that statement even before Griffin passed for 320 yards with two long touchdowns and ran for two more scores in a 48-24 victory over the Longhorns last weekend.

That nationally televised showcase for Griffin before the final Heisman ballots were cast gave the 15th-ranked Bears (9-3, 6-3 Big 12) their fifth straight victory. It is the longest winning streak in 20 years for Alamo Bowl-bound Baylor, whose only 10-win season came in 1980 during Mike Singletary's senior season.

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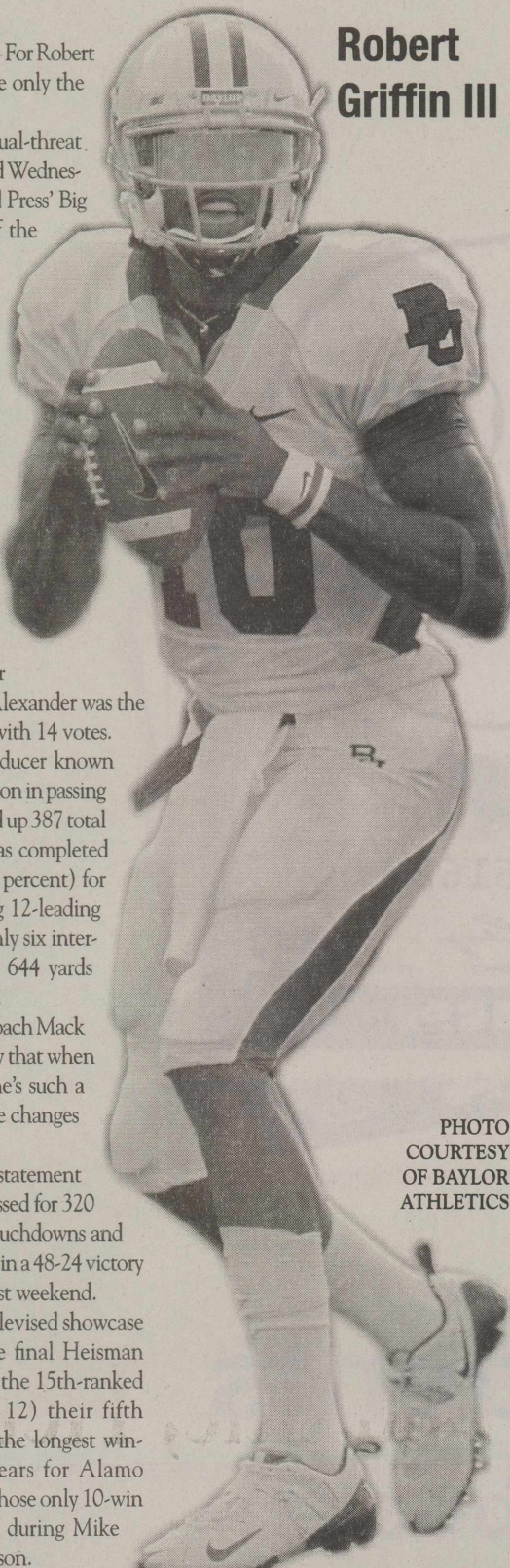


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1B Pujols' negotiations dominate MLB meetings

DALLAS (AP)— Albert Pujols will get a huge contract, there's no doubt. But the team that will sign the three-time NL MVP remains unclear.

Will it be St. Louis, the team he's helped to two World Series titles in six seasons?

The new-look Miami Marlins, whose newfound riches from their new ballpark are dominating the free-agent market?

The Los Angeles Angels, until now in the background?

"He's not the only guy," Marlins owner Jeffrey Loria said Tuesday, trailed by media whenever he walked the hallways.

Baseball's new Big Fish were the talk of the winter meetings, with teams wondering how close the Marlins were to an agreement with Pujols on a deal that could be worth \$200 million or more over 10 years.

St. Louis said it submitted a new offer Tuesday to keep Pujols. Agents for other players said they had heard the Angels were bidding, too.

Traditional big spenders such as the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox

were reduced to spectators.

"They have a new stadium. They're excited about it, and it's good for baseball," former Marlins and current Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "They had hoped that they'd get the new stadium and they would be able to do those types of things. Our roster is pretty set. We have a lot of guys that are on long-term deals. That's why maybe there's not a lot happening for us."

Reyes' \$106 million, six-year contract was finalized Wednesday, a deal that pays him \$10 million in each of the next two seasons, \$16 million in 2014 and \$22 million in each of the final three years. Miami has \$22 million option for 2018 with a \$4 million buyout.

"It's a perfect situation in Miami," Reyes said. "We have a lot of talent there and the new stadium, the weather, close to Dominican, a lot of Spanish people there, so I think I'm going to like it and enjoy it as much as I can."

When the winter meetings were at the same hotel in 2005, Paul Lo Duca, Juan Pierre and Todd Jones followed Josh Beckett, Mike Lowell, Guillermo

Mota, Carlos Delgado and Luis Castillo out of Florida as the Marlins cut payroll from \$56 million to \$21 million.

Now they're a different kind of team. Having already reached deals with All-Star closer Heath Bell (\$27 million for three years) and Reyes, the Marlins' interest in Pujols is real. What's unclear is whether the first baseman is prepared to go to Miami or whether his talks with the Marlins were an attempt to push the Cardinals higher.

"I know the ownership group is putting their best foot forward and trying to do everything that they can to make this possible," new Cardinals manager Mike Matheny said, "but I also know it's a complicated decision on both sides. There's a lot going on, a lot that I'm not even involved in, but I think it's clear to say that the St. Louis Cardinals would love to have Albert, and we'll see how it all plays out."

With the Angels, Pujols could take over at first base from Mark Trumbo, who is recovering from a stress fracture in his right foot and could be shifted to third.

"He's become a very proficient first baseman, and hopefully that comfort level, catching a ground ball and the activities you need to play there will translate over to third base," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said.

Elsewhere, Prince Fielder was still in play in the hitters' market, and C.J. Wilson and Mark Buehrle were among the available starting pitchers on the second day of the four-day swap session, which has been relatively slow.

The New York Mets agreed to trade outfielder Angel Pagan to the San Francisco Giants for outfielder Andres Torres and pitcher Ramon Ramirez, and reached agreements with free-agent relievers Frank Francisco (\$12 million for two years) and Jon Rauch (\$3.5 million for one year).

The Chicago White Sox traded closer Sergio Santos to the Toronto Blue Jays for pitching prospect Nestor Molina, and the Minnesota Twins dealt right-hander Kevin Slowey to the Colorado Rockies for a player to be named. The Twins also finalized a \$4.75 million, one-year deal with closer Matt Capps.

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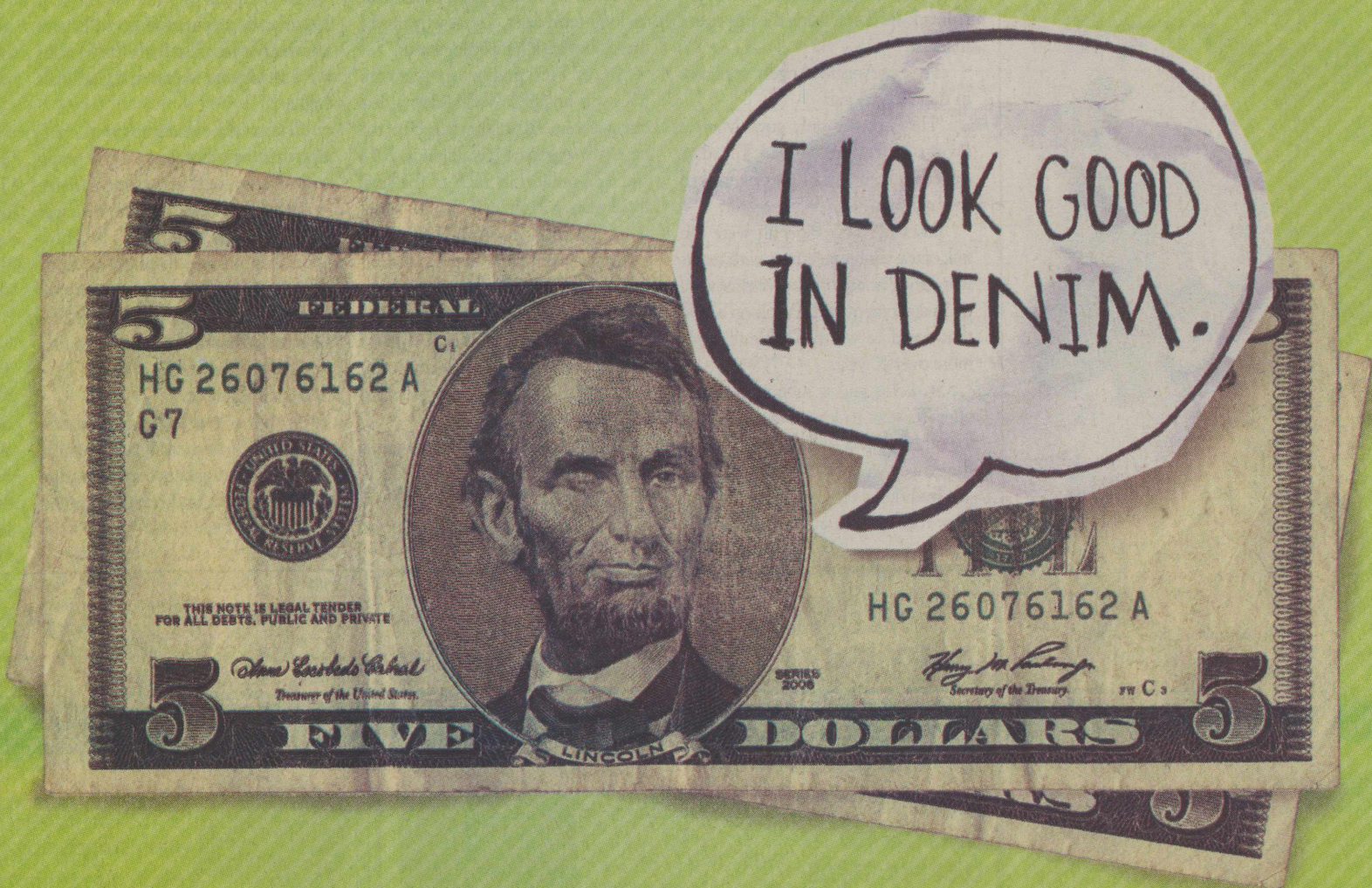
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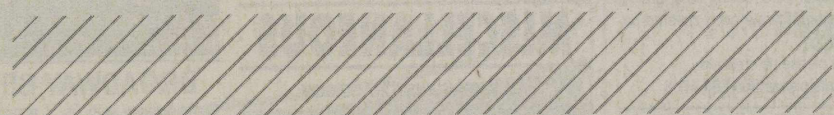


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