



MONDAY MORNING

Safe haven

For years, Freewill Foster Home has been providing foster care to abused, neglected children to give them some form of stability./1C



SPORTS

Finally, four

Mississippi State, Syracuse join Kentucky, UMass in college basketball's Final Four./1B

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New greenbacks

WASHINGTON — A new \$100 bill with a bigger, off-center picture of Benjamin Franklin and several innovations to thwart counterfeiters goes into circulation around the world today./4C

Traffic watch

The Midland Police Department will be placing special emphasis on the following locations in the upcoming week working all hazardous violations in these areas with a special priority on red-light violations. Extra officers will be in these areas at various times of the day.

Today: Midkiff Road from the railroad tracks to south city limits, Industrial Road from Cotton Flat to Midkiff Road, Andrews Highway from Wall Street to Michigan Avenue

Tuesday: Ward Street and Haynes Avenue by Goddard Junior High

Wednesday: Midkiff Road from the railroad tracks to south city limits

Thursday: Cuthbert Avenue and Garfield Street, Cuthbert Avenue and Mabery Avenue

Friday: 2100 to 2200 blocks of West Illinois Avenue

Saturday: Midkiff Road and Neely Avenue

Burning rubber

It sounded like a good idea at the time — recycling some of American's billions of used tires as roadbed fill. But two roads repaired with the material in Washington state give new meaning to that old saw about the road to hell being paved with good intentions./4C

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President Lee Teng-hui celebrated his election victory in Taiwan by promising to work on improving relations with Beijing./8A

Influx of new drugs gives patients hope in fight against HIV

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Fifteen years into the AIDS epidemic, patients finally have the promise of not curing but controlling the deadly virus — thanks to a sudden influx of new drugs unlike that ever marshaled against any other disease.

"It's such an extraordinary time of both discovery and hope," said Gordon Nary, executive director of the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care.

"For many people today with HIV disease, there is a very good possibility ... it'll be a chronic disease" instead of a quick killer.

These new drugs, called protease inhibitors, don't cure the HIV virus that causes AIDS. But they attack it very differently than all other medicines — and the two newest ones can almost eliminate virus lurking in patients' blood.

The new drugs give patients unprecedented choices in battling HIV. More importantly, combining them with older medicines deals the virus a one-two punch that doctors hope — although they haven't proved it yet — will suppress HIV enough that patients live with AIDS for decades, just as they control other chronic diseases.

The headlines started in December when the Food and Drug Administration approved Hoffman-LaRoche's saquinavir, the first but weak protease inhibitor, in a record 97 days.

That record quickly fell. On March 1, the FDA approved Abbott Laboratories' more powerful ritonavir in 72 days. Two weeks later, indinavir got the nod just 42 days after manufacturer Merck & Co. filed an FDA application.

Protease inhibitors weren't the only good news. Patients also got a new eye implant to prevent AIDS-related blindness, the FDA passed a better method to

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Monthslong drought could prompt cattle sell-off across Texas

By Worth Wren Jr.
N.Y. Times News Service

Soaring feed costs and parched grasslands created by a monthslong drought are forcing Texas ranchers to sell cattle at bargain-basement prices and threatening to eventually drive up beef prices at the grocery store.

If rains don't arrive in 30 to 60 days to revive grass and fill drying ponds, there may be a mass sell-off of cows, which could lead to higher prices for consumers, said Ron Gill, a livestock specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"This thing is getting awfully scary," said Randy Carson, investor-operator of the Abilene Livestock Auction, which he said is handling nearly twice as many cattle as it did a year ago.

Texas routinely leads the nation in beef production, typically generating about \$6 billion or more of revenue a year. The No. 1 rural Texas commodity is cattle, accounting for about 50 percent of the cash income in agricultural markets.

The drought comes at the worst time in nearly two decades for the cattle market. Record volumes of beef, poultry and pork nationwide have pushed cattle prices paid to ranchers to 18-year lows.

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Budget battle finale to test Dole at helm

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As President Clinton and Congress square off this week in perhaps the finale of their 1996 budget war, there will be an interesting subplot involving fire-brand House Republicans and Bob Dole's White House aspirations.

Facing a Friday deadline, administration officials and GOP leaders will try to broker a deal on a \$160 billion bill financing dozens of agencies for the rest of fiscal 1996 and avoiding another federal shutdown. As they do, the measure will be a test

case of whether Dole — the party's leader in November's election — can persuade confrontational House Republicans to compromise with Clinton on some of their most heart-felt principles.

The odds are Dole will succeed because it would be too costly for him and congressional Republicans to fail. A new shutdown would tarnish his reputation as an achiever, encourage support for a third-party candidate like Ross Perot, and wound efforts by GOP lawmakers to appear reasonable, not extremist.

But getting there won't be easy. There remains a deep-seated reluctance among many conservative House Republicans to compromise with Clinton on central GOP issues like spending cuts and government regulation — even though Dole, House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and other House leaders want them to.

"He's got to run a presidential campaign, but he doesn't have to win my congressional seat," said Rep. Mark Souder, R-Ind., one of the

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Curt Whitcomb/Reporter-Telegram

One problem with renovating the present facility, according to airport officials, is that they cannot build the facility any higher or to the north or south because it would further hinder the "line of sight" of air traffic controllers.

The arguments: Sides make their cases

Up *in the air*
New terminal at issue

... and who is picking up the tab?

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

City officials say construction of a \$53.2 million airport terminal building can be funded entirely with federal grants, entitlement fees and airport revenue and won't use any tax dollars.

"The taxpayers of Midland will not pay, the users will pay," Mayor Bobby Burns said. "We need to be aware of that when we go to the ballot box."

Opponents are skeptical of city officials' promise that tax dollars will never be used.

Edna Walker, president of Citizens Against Taxpayer Abuse, said she has followed the new terminal building process from the onset, including 100 public meetings on the issue.

"When I first heard the proposition, I thought, 'No problem. City has the funding. City has the land. That's all they need to get going. And they've got it,'" she said. "In the interim, however, I've seen a lot of

Editor's note: This is part two of a three-day series examining the city's proposal to construct a new terminal building at Midland International Airport for \$53.2 million, which includes design/engineering fees spent to date. Voters will determine May 4 whether to allow the city to borrow \$21 million for the project.

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Enough problems plague the terminal building at Midland International Airport that rebuilding makes more sense — in terms of money and future repairs — than renovation, according to officials with the city and an architectural/engineering firm hired to assess the structure.

Experts hired by the city have diagnosed several problems — the result of economical construction coupled with neglect and age. "We have a sick building," Mayor Bobby Burns said.

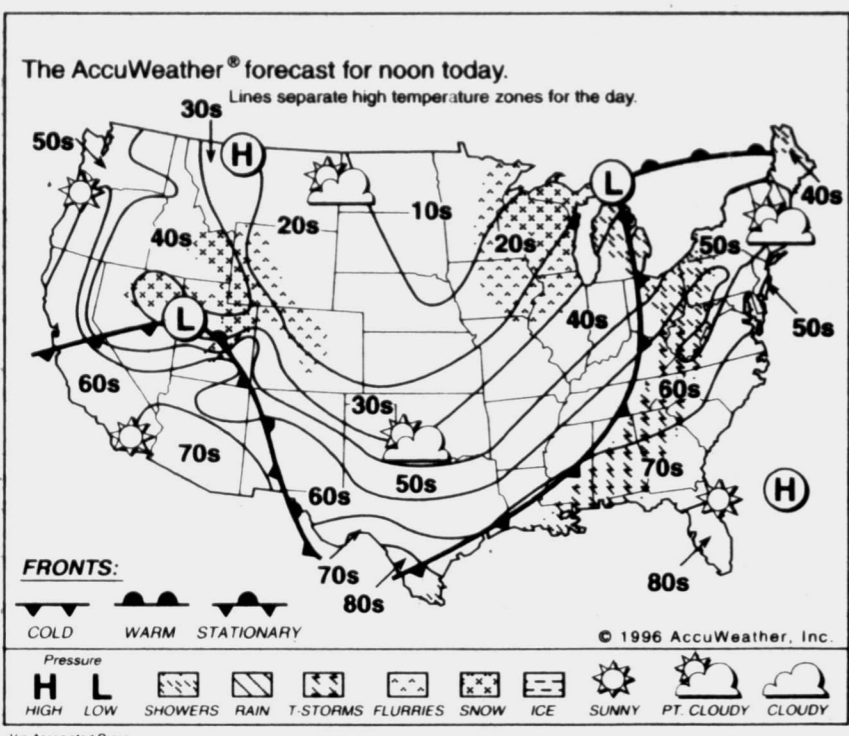
City officials cited problems with the heating and cooling, plumbing and electrical systems. And there's a deterioration of portions of the concourse and a need to rebuild baggage and passenger loading bridge equipment, officials said.

There's also a need to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and install a fire protection system for insurance purposes and to meet building codes, officials said.

And relocating the building to where parts

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WEATHER WATCH



Hang onto your hat: It's gusty

Don't start dusting the house yet, the winds will still be blowing today. Forecasters at the National Weather Service station at Midland International Airport said today should be partly cloudy with a high between 60-65 with east to southeast winds 10-20 mph and gusty.

STATE

Winds gusting over 70 mph damaged buildings and downed power lines while hail up to tennis ball size pounded North Texas on Sunday, breaking car windshields and house windows during early spring storms.

Several tornado warnings were issued during the storms, triggered as a dry line passed through warm, moist Gulf air. But no twisters touched down and no one was injured.

Flights at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport were canceled or diverted during the height of the storm, which left several inches of hail in parts of Tarrant County.

"It was like snow on the south end of town — yards were covered with the hail," Watauga police Lt. Eddie Hargroves said.

National Weather Service radar Sunday night detected a developing tornado just east of Navarro Mills Reservoir. But a sheriff's spokeswoman in Corsicana said no twister had been spotted.

Golfball-size hail in Angus, located in Navarro County, broke windows. Hail roughly the same size damaged several weather service employees' cars in Fort Worth. Marble-sized hail pelted cars and homes in Grayson County.

Winds gusting to 78 mph forced workers to abandon a tower at Naval Air Station Fort Worth, the weather service said.

Lightning accompanying the storms knocked out power to some homes in Van Alstyne, east of U.S. Highway 75, said Tom Osburn, district manager for TU Electric.

The line of thunderstorms prompted more weather service warnings, as it moved southeastward through the state.

The weather service also issued a tornado watch for parts of East Texas through early today.

NATION

A snowstorm blew across the northern Plains on Sunday, closing highways with drifts and stranding travelers, while thunderstorms stretched across the central Plains.

The heaviest snow extended from the Nebraska Panhandle across eastern South Dakota into eastern North Dakota.

Snowfall totals from Saturday into Sunday afternoon included 12.1 inches at Bismarck, N.D., and 8.5 inches at Fargo, N.D. About 6 inches had fallen at Chadron, Neb.

The brunt of the storm hit Wyoming on Saturday, and by Sunday morning the state had 22 inches of fresh snow at Pinedale and 14 at Lander.

Blowing, drifting snow in North Dakota closed a 290-mile section of Interstate 94 and a 65-mile stretch of I-29, as well as many secondary roads.

About 25 travelers were stranded at St. Pius Catholic Church in New Salem, N.D., along I-94 some 30 miles west of Bismarck, and town residents supplied them with food and videos.

"You meet people and make new friends. It's kind of a nice thing," said Sandy Del Rio, 50, of St. Adolphe, Manitoba. "We'd like to be traveling, but there's a silver lining everywhere."

Interstates 25 and 80 in Wyoming were reopened Sunday after snow began tapering off there, but roads remained hazardous.

"We were just swamped with people trying to go west," said Mike Davis of the Burns Brothers truck stop on Interstate 80 east of Cheyenne, Wyo. "Our lots were full, the roads were full, the on-ramps and exit ramps were full. There was no place else to go."

The snow on the northern Plains was expected to spread eastward through the Dakotas and northern Minnesota, reaching Wisconsin and possibly Michigan during the night.

Midland statistics

Table with columns for Forecast, National Weather Service Readings, Local Temperatures, and Texas temperatures. Includes data for Abilene, Austin, Beaumont-Port Arthur, Bryan-College Station, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Laredo, Lubbock, Marfa, San Angelo, San Antonio, Victoria, Waco, and Wink.

Area forecast

West Texas: Permian Basin/Upper Trans. Pecos — Today, partly cloudy. Highs 55-65. Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low in the mid-30s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s to mid-60s. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the mid- to upper 30s. Extended forecast: Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Highs in the 70s. Friday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 70s. Saturday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 50s to mid-60s. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Extended forecast: Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 70s. Friday, partly cloudy. Lows around 50. Highs in the 70s.

Border forecasts

NEW MEXICO — Today, partly cloudy north with a few rain and snow showers. Mostly fair south. Highs 40s and 50s mountains and north with mostly 60s central and south. Tonight, increasing clouds north with a chance of snow showers. Partly cloudy south. Highs mid-50s to 60s mountains and north with mostly 60s elsewhere. Tuesday, windy and cool. A chance of rain and mountain snow showers north. Partly cloudy south. Highs mid-50s to 60s mountains and north with 30 to mid-40s elsewhere. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy with scattered showers north. Partly cloudy south. Lows teens and 20s mountains and northwest with mid-20s and 30s elsewhere. Extended forecast: Wednesday, partly cloudy and breezy statewide with a few showers and mountain snow showers extreme north. Highs mid-50s to lower 60s mountains and northwest with 50s and 60s elsewhere. Thursday and Friday, windy showers and mountain snow showers north. Partly cloudy south.

Searchers recover 2 bodies in avalanche in East

MOUNT WASHINGTON, N.H. (AP) — Searchers recovered the bodies of two men buried in an avalanche Sunday on Mount Washington, the highest peak in the Northeast. The avalanche happened around 9:30 a.m. in the Gulf of Slides, a remote gully for hiking and skiing southeast of the more popular Tuckerman Ravine.

The two victims, both from Massachusetts, were dug out late in the afternoon from under 6 to 8 feet of snow, Fish and Game Maj. Ronald Alie said. The bodies were brought off the mountain by evening. The men had skis with them but were hiking when the avalanche hit, he said. Just last week, the mountain club had warned skiers and hikers of the possibility of avalanches and falling ice on the 6,288-foot-high mountain.

where they probed about an acre of hard-packed snow up to 12 feet deep. The avalanche came after 9 inches of wind-swept snow had fallen over two days, much of it sticking to the sides of steep slopes. Sunday's sunshine may have loosened the snow, creating avalanche conditions. Mount Washington is known for unpredictable weather. It is in the center of three major storm tracks, and sunny weather can be quickly replaced by heavy overcast, fog, snow, rain or bitterly cold wind. The world's fastest surface wind speed, 231 mph, was recorded at the peak, which holds a weather observatory. Four people have died so far this winter in the Presidential Range, which includes Mount Washington. More than 100 deaths have been recorded on Mount Washington through the years.

FINALE: Measure will test Dole's persuasive power

(From 1A) most conservative of the 74 House GOP freshmen. Souder says that while he and other Republicans want to avoid another shutdown, striking a deal "is like business as usual again" — anathema to first-term Republicans who pledged to change Washington's ways.

his efforts to attract more moderate swing voters. But for now, this week's fight focuses on legislation that is half-a-year overdue because of conflicts between Clinton and the GOP, and among Republicans themselves over spending levels and provisions loosening environmental protection and restricting abortions. Both the House and Senate have approved versions of the spending measure. The Senate measure is more to Clinton's liking: With Dole's support, senators added \$2.7 billion extra for education and \$700 million more for the environment. Much of that money, perhaps more, will have to be in any final bill for Clinton to be expected to sign it.

"A vote not to get something done in a sensible way is a vote for Clinton," said Dole friend Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., who is retiring next year. "There's a bigger plan here, and that bigger plan is to beat Bill. It doesn't take much brain power to figure that out." One longtime Dole supporter in the House, moderate Rep. John Edward Porter, R-Ill., says he believes it will take a personal plea to House Republicans by Dole to assure that the rank-and-file supports his effort to quickly complete work on the spending measure. But in the end, many House Republicans believe they and Dole will work out a position they all can accept. "We're all members of the same team here," said freshman Rep. J.D. Hayworth, a former sportscaster. "We'll decide in the huddle what we're going to do."

INFLUX: Flurry of drugs offers AIDS patients hope

(From 1A) screen blood donations for HIV, and the first oral HIV test is expected in months. AIDS patients until now had five choices: AZT, ddI, ddC, d4T and 3TC. All worked the same way, targeting an enzyme called reverse transcriptase that is important for HIV to reproduce. But the drugs helped only modestly, and HIV quickly mutates to resist them.

drugs are not a cure. Still, the idea is that keeping patients' HIV blood levels low for years would postpone AIDS symptoms. To do that, three-drug cocktails of either ritonavir or indinavir plus two older medicines became the most recommended AIDS therapy this month. But that recommendation could change within the year.

Doctors are beginning studies of a four-drug mixture. And companies have begun testing two drugs, nevirapine and delavirapine, in a third new class of AIDS medicines. "It is an exciting time," said FDA AIDS expert Dr. David Feigal. But he cautioned that getting new AIDS drugs to patients fast means they haven't been tested for very long. So no one knows how long the new protease inhibitors' effects will last or even which patients should opt for which drug. Another serious drawback is the price of combining drugs that each cost thousands of dollars a year. Treating HIV as a chronic disease could cost each patient \$250,000 over a lifetime, Nary said.

CATTLE: Hard drought may prompt sell-off in Texas

(From 1A) said Ernest Davis, extension livestock marketing specialist. "Cattle raisers now find themselves in just about the worst scenario they could be in," Davis said. But if cattle owners cut their herds, the prices eventually will go back up because of the reduced supply, meaning higher prices at the consumer level.

ranchers are diversifying by collecting revenues from hunting and other outdoor recreation in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. High costs of feed grains and manufactured feeds used for winter supplements are breaking cattle raisers' budgets, Davis said. Corn and grain sorghum prices are at record highs after a string of below-average annual U.S. harvests and rising demand at home and abroad.

about 3,000 of 7,800 leased acres of grass to a recent fire in nearby Shackelford County. Still, he said, timely and persistent spring rains could save the season, producing grass, filling ponds and heading off sales at bargain-basement prices. By retaining more cattle, Texas ranchers could trim the volume of beef bound for consumers and spur at least a modest rebound in cattle prices, auction operators said. Since summer, ranchers have been receiving 25 percent to 50 percent lower prices for their young calves, bigger feedlot-bound calves, old cows, young bred heifers, bulls and cow-calf pairs than during the peak markets of 1991 to 1993.

But drought and high feed costs have forced some ranchers to sell even younger cows and heifers that are typically kept to improve herds, said Charley Christensen, general manager of Producers' Livestock Auction in San Angelo. The lack of rain has also hurt the state's wheat crop, so many ranchers cannot allow their hungry cows to graze on wheat. Many ranchers are turning to out-of-state grazing or feedlots, auction operators said. "I can get more for a good buck deer than for a prized bull with proven 20-year genetics," said rancher James McAllen. He said expensive feeds such as cured poultry manure, waste cookies or candies or byproducts of wheat flour milling. Grassland leases in the Fort Worth-Dallas area are always in high demand by part-time and hobby cattle raisers, and if the drought lingers, good grazing will become even rarer, said James Schroeder, a Fort Worth veterinarian who raises registered Herefords. Schroeder and his wife, Jan, have culled and sold 15 cows, 27 percent of their herd, keeping 40 cows on 300 leased acres in suburban Fort Worth. That's about twice the normal annual culling rate, he said. Culling is part of a cycle in Texas, where ranchers match herd size with available grass and water and live with an ever-present threat of drought. But this year, Mother Nature has gotten downright mean. Reports of less than 4 inches of moisture since September or October are common. Even in areas where more moisture fell, there hasn't been nearly enough for a rebound, cattle traders said. "We've been through the driest six months in my lifetime, and that includes the '50s drought," said Chaunce Thompson Jr., president of the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association. The Breckenridge-area rancher and his partner, a brother, lost

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Opposition groups express growing discontent with Cuba

HAVANA (AP) — After the government tossed two leaders of Cuba's fledgling opposition coalition behind bars, Martha Beatriz Roque worried she might be next.

An adviser to the leadership of the new Concilio Cubano movement, she quietly moved into a friend's home. With every knock on the door, she peers over the balcony to see if the caller is someone she knows.

The former economics professor said being arrested does not scare her; she has been detained before. But Roque said the 4-month-old Concilio needs its leaders free while it strives to strengthen its roots.

"Concilio has been beaten up, but it's still alive," said Roque, 50, one of seven veteran dissidents who are advising the Concilio leadership council.

"The opposition has gone through many phases in Cuba: It's born, it grows, it splits up and it dies," said Roque. "This time it will survive."

Concilio's founding Nov. 27 marked the first time under Fidel Castro's communist government that dissident groups have formed a common front on the island itself.

Concilio was formed by 131 groups, including independent journalists, doctors and lawyers and environmental groups, religious organizations, political parties and human rights advocates.

Most of the groups are tiny, and their goals often diverge. But all agreed to support peaceful transition to democracy, amnesty for political prisoners, support of human rights and the right of all Cubans to participate in politics.

Unlike Cuban exile groups, Concilio's members do not advocate the overthrow of Castro's government, preferring gradual change in which government leaders could participate. They envision free and fair elections and freedom of expression.

But that is a tall order. The regime has kept a tight lid on dissent for 37 years.

Concilio's resilience will be tested in the coming weeks as it revamps its leadership and tries again to hold a public convention.

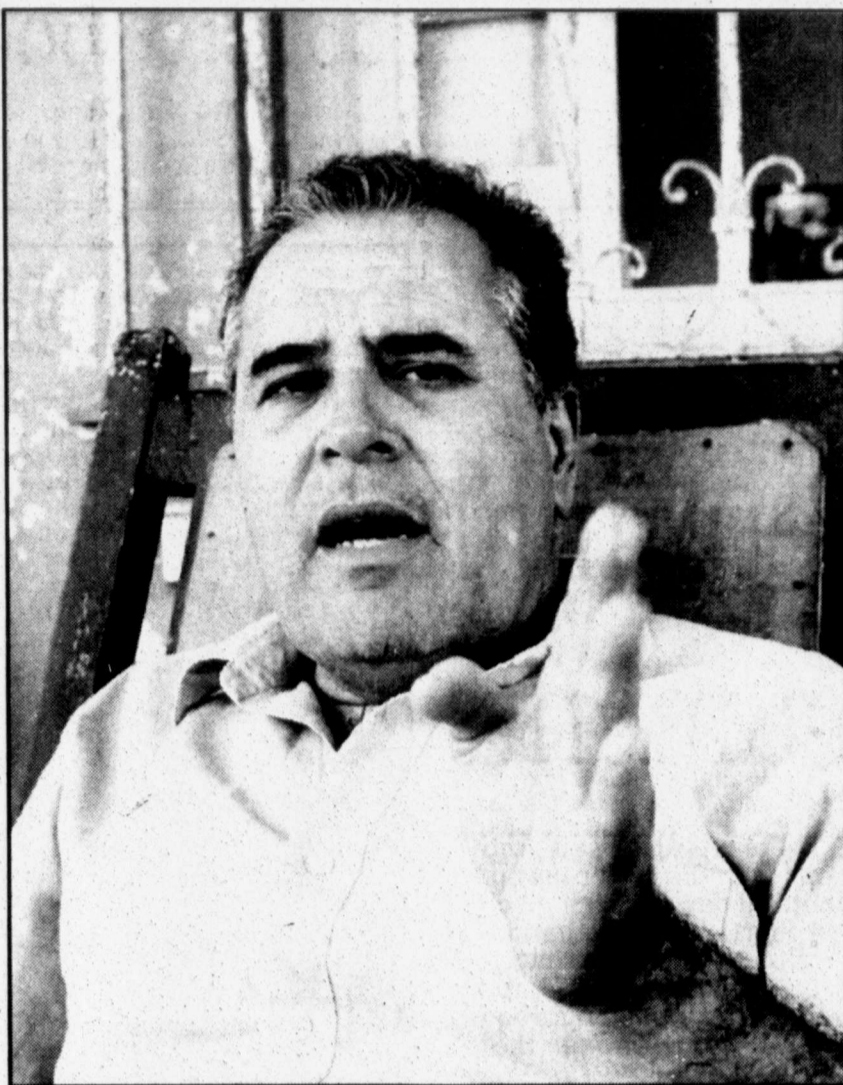
Concilio's first attempt at a major meeting resulted in about 50 of its members being rounded up starting Feb. 15. Most were questioned and released and the Feb. 24 gathering was canceled.

The day the convention was to be held, Cuban MiGs off the island's coast shot down two American civilian planes carrying four members of the exile group Brothers to the Rescue. Some people suggest a link, noting that Brothers to the Rescue leader Jose Basulto had pledged thousands of dollars to Concilio.

Since then, two of Concilio's five national directors have been sentenced to prison. Leonel Morejon Almargo, head of an environmentalist group, received 15 months for disobedience and resisting authorities. Human rights advocate Lazaro Gonzalez Valdez got 14 months.

This past Tuesday, Concilio expanded its national directorship from five to nine members to provide a larger leadership pool in the event of more arrests. It is expected to announce a new convention date soon.

Still, many people are skeptical



Cuban dissident Elizardo Sanchez is seen in the porch of his home in the capital of Havana. Sanchez is among Cuba's best known opposition leaders, and serves as advisor to an umbrella group of over 100 dissident organizations.

of Concilio's staying power, saying it does not have the social base needed for an opposition movement. Because the government controls all news media, most Cubans don't even know Concilio exists.

Tight government control makes grassroots organization nearly impossible, so Concilio members elicit support from abroad, talking frequently with backers in Miami and the U.S. government's Radio Marti.

Court confiscates Marcos millions

ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) — In a dramatic new twist to the long-running legal battle over late Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos' fortune, a Swiss court has recognized a new claim to the Marcos millions lying in Swiss bank accounts.

A Swiss court has decided that a golden Buddha statue filled with diamonds — all Japanese war booty — was most likely illegally seized by Marcos from a poor Filipino locksmith who uncovered it in 1971.

The Zurich Legal Office will within days send Marcos' widow, Imelda, an order to pay \$460 million to compensate the locksmith's family which, under Philippine law, is owed half the value of any find, the family's lawyer, Andres Baumgartner, told The Associated Press on Sunday.

If Mrs. Marcos does not pay, the money can be seized from the Swiss accounts to pay the locksmith's family.

The fortune also is claimed, however, by Mrs. Marcos, the Philippines government and victims of human rights violations that a Hawaii court said the Marcos regime committed.

After 10 years of legal proceedings over the Marcos millions, the new judgment, issued Feb. 23 by the Zurich district court, has

opened an even stranger chapter. Many people believe that shortly before World War II ended in 1945, Japanese Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita hid booty in the Philippines amassed during the war in Southeast Asia.

The booty is said to include about 1,000 tons of gold bars and a 3-foot-high golden Buddha filled with diamonds. But while the Swiss court has recognized the statue's existence in Mrs. Marcos' portfolio, no one knows definitely if the booty was ever discovered or where it is now.

A poor locksmith, Rogelio Roxas, allegedly found the treasure more than 25 years later buried in a tunnel near a hospital. Witnesses say Marcos seized the treasure for himself.

Roxas was arrested, tortured and imprisoned. After his release, the tunnel was empty.

Roxas has since died, but he founded a group in the United States called The Golden Buddha Corporation, which has been working in the name of Roxas' successors to win compensation.

In May 1991, Baumgartner, acting for the group, brought a case before the Zurich district court demanding the confiscation of Marcos' millions as payment for the gold.

Hijackers surrender after commandeering Sudanese plane

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Two Sudanese men hijacked a Sudanese airliner to the neighboring country of Eritrea on Sunday, where they surrendered without injury to the 49 passengers and crew members.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that the flight was en route from the Sudanese capital of Khartoum to Port Sudan when the pilot was forced to divert to the Eritrean capital, Asmara.

On surrendering there, the two hijackers said they were allied to Sudanese opposition parties, Saudi Arabia's Middle East Broadcasting Center said.

The hijackers professed "a lot of hatred" for the Sudanese government, the jet's captain, Bashir Ali, told the Saudi network in a telephone interview from Asmara. But they made no political demands, and only wanted to go to

Asmara, Ali said.

The hijackers, one of them carrying a pistol, seized control of the A720 Airbus about 25 minutes after takeoff from Khartoum, Ali said.

"He was very confused ... we calmed him down," Ali said.

On arrival in Asmara, less than an hour after the hijacking began, the "hijackers left the plane in a normal manner, from the front

door," Ali said.

The 42 passengers and seven crew members were freed.

Sudan's Muslim fundamentalist government has been fighting a 13-year civil war with rebels in the country's southern region who want autonomy. The rebels are mostly Christians and adherents of tribal faiths, while the government in Khartoum is Muslim.

More than 1.3 million people have died in the conflict and the famines it brought.

Eritrea is at odds with Sudan, accusing the government of supporting Eritrean Islamic rebels.

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CASES: Sides in terminal debate air their arguments

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ing now exists — would eliminate control tower line-of-sight problems, officials said.

The sum of these problems and others justify rebuilding, city officials said.

Heating and cooling concerns rank high on the list.

Current systems can't keep the building cool in the summer or warm in the winter, officials said. Why? Because the two baggage carousels suck in outside air when in use and the double automatic doors are too close to one another to keep air out, officials said. And the concourse isn't insulated and doesn't have energy-efficient windows, officials said.

"The system can't keep up with it," Director of Airports Ken Day said. He likened the building to driving a car with the windows rolled down and the air conditioner on during the summer.

Despite installation of new boilers and coolers in the

and other work — is severely hampered because of restricted space between the ceiling of the ground floor and the second floor, according to Kyle Womack, with the engineering/architectural firm of Parkhill, Smith &

There has also been problems with the sewer pump shutting down during electrical shortages from thunderstorms and causing sewage to overflow, officials said. A new facility would not require a sewer pump through the



Architect Kyle Womack with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper points out the "line-of-sight" problem that air traffic controllers have in not being able to see the south end of the runway.

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Cooper Inc. And building upward isn't possible because of height restrictions set on the structure, officials said.

Beneath the building, cast

use of positioning and gravity, officials said.

On the concourse, which was constructed without insulation or waterproofing, the vinyl wallpaper peels off regularly, officials said. And inside the single-pane windows, the adjacent woodwork has deteriorated, officials said.

Because of the unavailability of replacement parts for passenger loading bridges parts are routinely traded out, and the same problem with the automatic doors led to eliminating some doors to salvage for parts, officials said.

Whether the city builds anew or renovates, it will be necessary to perform asbestos abatement, meet ADA requirements and install a fire-protection system, officials said.

But renovation won't solve control tower line-of-sight concerns and limited space for jet traffic adjacent to the concourse, officials said. Moving the location of the terminal will eliminate both inconveniences; neither are considered a safety hazard, officials said.

The range of problems coupled with available financing and cost comparison are the



Water collects in this underground space where electrical connections and other pipes are located.

1980s, the overall system was part of construction done as economically as possible beginning in the 1950s, Day said.

Installation of larger air ducts — along with a sprinkler system, electrical wiring

iron plumbing installed in the 1950s has begun to deteriorate, officials said. The condition is aggravated by ground-water moisture trapped because the structure was built on an old military airfield ramp, officials said.



According to airport officials, there is asbestos insulation in the ceiling over the main walkway that leads to the concourse and in the ceiling above the ticket counters of the airlines.

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Ken Day points out that there is not enough room between the roof and the ceiling to add air conditioning and heating ducts that would be required to handle the present cooling and heating needs of the facility.

basis to rebuild. A new terminal building would cost \$33.2 million while renovation could cost as much as \$18 million, project coordinators said.

"It's probably the most clear-cut decision for a public facility project that I've ever seen," Womack said. If the

keep up with it but we couldn't chase it fast enough," City Manager Mike McGregor said. That's when the city decided build anew, he said.

Mark Earle, director of aviation for Lubbock International Airport, said the age of the Midland building indicates a likelihood for replace-

nance, Ms. Schneider said.

Despite the history and pressing needs reported, some Midlanders are not convinced a new structure should be built.

"It's an unneeded boondoggle. The one we have now is perfectly adequate for now and the foreseeable future," said Tom Dollahite, who led a petition drive that put the new terminal building proposal up for a public vote.

Dollahite said he believes the estimated cost of repairs was "grossly exaggerated" at the interest of those who stand to profit from a new terminal building. "I can't believe it's that bad and can't be fixed," he said.

Edna Walger, president of Citizens Against Taxpayer Abuse, said she also believes rebuilding is overkill. "This is a show-off thing," she said.

Ms. Walger said city officials have said the building is sound, and therefore, she believes repair is an option.

Opponents did not have concrete evidence concerning the state of the terminal building. Dollahite said an independent engineer was being secured to examine the building.

Because heating and cooling problems were cited as the most significant problem with the building, a mechanical engineer was contacted by the Reporter-Telegram. He said mechanical systems — such as heating and cooling and electrical — are generally about 10-15 percent of total costs of a new building. The engineer, who has not inspected the building, said structural problems — and not mechanical problems alone — should be the basis for building anew.

The engineer, when queried about the need for more space between the first floor ceiling and second floor, said additional room for heating and cooling ducts is generally only needed if the building is expanded. Project officials responded that additional space is needed for larger ducts and other work such as the sprinkler system.

Whether a new building is constructed or the existing one renovated, asbestos abatement will be a concern and necessity, opponents pointed out.

Moving the location of the building may improve the line-of-sight but that's only a negligible benefit, Dollahite said.

The current set-up has been deemed safe by the FAA, he said. In addition, Dollahite, a corporate pilot, said he has never seen an airport without some blind spots.

"There is a line-of-sight issue at Midland and we would prefer it not be there," said Otis Welch, manager of the FAA's Texas Airport Development Office in Fort Worth. "It's not a safety hazard. It's an inefficiency we'd rather not have."



'The system can't keep up with it.'
— Ken Day, director of airports

building is renovated today there will be "a hell of a lot more to do in 10 years."

There just comes a time when throwing money at a problem — in terms of repairs — isn't financially prudent, city officials said.

"We've increased the maintenance budget every year to

ment.

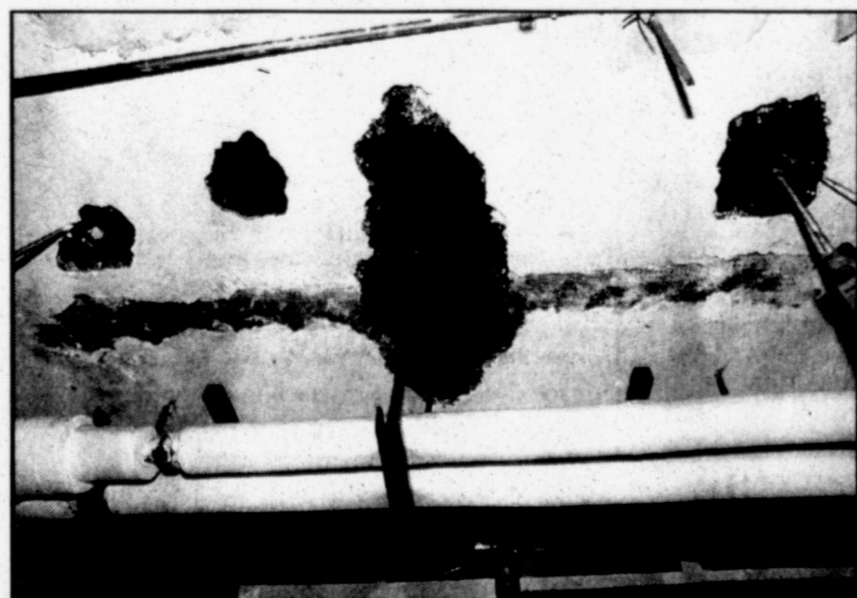
"The older the building, the cheaper it is to replace than to renovate," he said. Earle was assistant director of aviation at McAllen International Airport when the 20-year-old terminal building there was replaced with a model facility a few years ago.

In Midland, age compounded with economical construction and neglect have been responsible for the building's condition, officials said.

The lobby area of the building was constructed in the late 1950s and reflect those times, officials said. "We all know the difference of something built in the '50s and something built in the '90s," City Council member Pat Schneider said.

In the 1970s, the building was expanded and the concourse added. "It was low-cost, quick and to serve a function," Womack said.

And when the bust hit Midland in 1982, people quit spending money — including the city on some aspects of terminal building maintenance.



A section of the floor of the second story of the terminal building, as seen from the first floor, shows how little space there is between the first floor ceiling and the floor of the second story.

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Raw sewage overflows into this underground area, which is in the baggage area of American Airlines, according to Ken Day, director of airports for the city.

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Up in the air
New terminal at issue

Growth appears to be selling point to many supporters

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Although future growth isn't cited by city officials as a reason to construct a new terminal building, it appears to be a selling point for many supporters.

Nevertheless, officials acknowledge the benefit. "I believe it has a large impact on the future of this city," Mayor Bobby Burns said.

The mayor and other supporters said good appearances for visitors and business people make a difference.

The head of operations at Lubbock's airport agreed.

"It's the first thing someone sees when they come to your community to do business," said Mark Earle, director of aviation for Lubbock International Airport. "It's the first and last impression."

Although a visiting company will make the ultimate business decision, impressions that demonstrate a city's progressiveness are an influencing factor, Earle said.

"People don't like to invest in a community that's tentative and shows signs of falling behind," he said. And "the first and last chance you have to say as a community where

you're going is that airport."

Those impressions not only affect prospective businesses but prospective employees recruited by local companies, hospitals and schools, Earle said.

Image along with need and funding are usually the major considerations to look at when deciding whether to construct a new terminal building, he said.

Aside from a good image to help the city prosper, a city needs to consider future growth when making plans, Earle said. To stay ahead, a community needs to pay attention to a community's economic growth, along with projections made in a city's airport master plan.

Based on recent boardings at the Midland airport, city officials estimated use to continue to climb about 2 percent annually.

The Federal Aviation Administration — which ranked Midland International the 100th largest airport in the nation based on enplanements and 94th based on take-offs and landings — forecasted enplanements to increase 44 percent between 1992 and 2005 and take-offs and landings to jump 79.5 percent during that period. That compares to 44 percent each for enplanements and take-offs/landings projected for Lubbock International Airport.

Meanwhile, projected population for Midland and Ector counties — 225,547 in 1990 — will be 255,608 in four years and 286,428 in 2010, according to State Data Center figures.

If Midland-Odessa and the surrounding area served by Midland International Airport continue to grow, expansion of airport services may be forthcoming and, subsequently, the terminal building.

Despite opponent claims that the terminal building can be extended north or south, city officials said the building cannot be expanded because of control tower line-of-sight restrictions and other considerations. That's also been an argument in favor of constructing a new terminal rather than renovating the existing one.

"Why would you want to come in here and spend \$13 million to \$15 million (for renovation) knowing in the future you can't come in here and expand the facility? ... I would consider that fairly irresponsible planning," said Kyle Womack, office manager for Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Inc., which designed plans for a new terminal building.

TAB: Officials' pledges haven't swayed wary

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will not be there."

Pledges by Mayor Burns and former-Mayor J.D. Faircloth that tax dollars will never be used have not quelled Ms. Walger's — and others' — concern. Assurances from elected, appointed and paid city officials — past and present — as well as other proponents has not changed the minds of the wary.

City officials point out that airport construction and improvements have always been funded with airport-generated money and never sales or property taxes.

Tom Dollahite, corporate pilot and new terminal building opponent, acknowledged the self-sustenance but added that the city never before attempted to pay off such an expensive airport project.

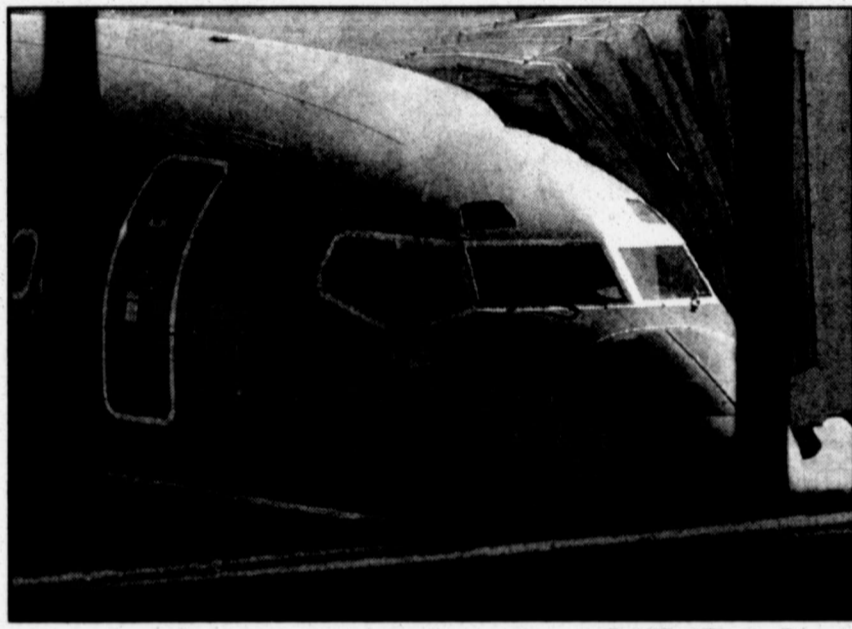
THE FINANCING plan for a new building — \$31.5 million for construction and \$1.7 million for engineering and design — calls for three funding sources: passenger facility charges (PFCs), airport revenues and Federal Aviation Administration entitlement grants.

PFCs — collected from a \$3 per passenger charge on airline tickets — will pay for \$15.5 million of the cost over a 20 year period, officials said. PFCs totaling \$4.5 million have been collected in Midland since January 1993 and are designated specifically to help pay for a new terminal building.

Airport revenues — from parking, airline landing and space rental fees — will pay for \$5.5 million of the cost over a 20 year period, officials said. Available revenues and PFCs are based on 550,000 boardings with 0.5 percent annual growth, compared to the 2 percent yearly increase expected, city officials said.

And FAA grants will pay for \$8.2 million of the cost, officials said. The city has already secured a commitment for \$3.7 million for the years 1994-95-96. Another \$4 million are expected to be appropriated to the city for the years 1997-98-99.

City officials have repeatedly



A Southwest Airlines plane sits at Gate 2 as seen from inside the concourse.

expressed confidence that all funds, less those already secured, will be forthcoming. Mayor Bobby Burns said Midland is "amazingly lucky to have the opportunity" to pay for a new building in 20 years and not use a cent of sales or property taxes.

In fact, city officials said, a new building will be funded by users. "If a Midlander does not use the airport, they will not pay for it," Burns said.

Opponents are critical of all funding sources.

Opponents said the use of PFCs — despite what city officials claim — constitutes the use of tax dollars. "It's public money. If you believe the PFC is not a tax you believe in the tooth fairy," Dollahite said.

Ms. Walger said the PFC, like any federal program, is subject to be cut. "You never know what's coming out of Washington," she said.

THE MAYOR SAID re "grasping at straws" in attempt to discredit the funding plan. "Their concerns are just hogwash," he said.

FAA officials said PFCs will continue throughout the designated project: a new terminal building. "That will not change unless the city of Midland says, 'We will not build the terminal,'" said Otis Welch, manager of

the FAA's Texas Airport Development Office in Ft. Worth.

Opponents also said FAA entitlement grants are in jeopardy.

Opponents pointed out that the provision requiring airlines to deposit 10 percent of each ticket sold into the FAA fund expired in December. "Eventually the well runs dry if nothing is being put in," Ms. Walger said.

FAA OFFICIALS acknowledged the airlines' contributions ceased but expressed optimism that Congress, as in the past, would reinstate the provision. Currently, allocations are being made from the fund and the program will not end until September, the close of fiscal year 1996, FAA officials said.

"I don't see any reason there won't be any funds in the future for Midland for the terminal," FAA's Welch said.

City officials were equally optimistic.

"I have no reason to believe we won't get the 1998-99 grants. In fact, I have been told by the FAA that we will get them," City Manager Mike McGregor said.

The mayor expressed similar sentiments. "I feel totally secure those are forthcoming. I've been to Washington several times and heard directly

from the director and others in the FAA that the money is coming," he said.

A spokesperson for U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm said many in the senate recognize the Airport Improvement Program (the vehicle for grants) as vital to airports and that it will likely be renewed.

Opponents questioned the larger picture of federal funds. According to Dollahite, FAA grant funds are co-mingled with the general fund and that money is being spent in other areas. Furthermore, he said, the federal government's attempt to reduce spending threatens FAA grant allocations.

IN ADDITION, Dollahite said, there are more pressing demands for FAA funds. That includes the FAA's air traffic control computer system in critical need of costly replacement, he said. "Had you rather board an airliner from a plush new terminal building or be in the airliner in bad weather when the computer fails?" he asked.

Once again, city and FAA officials generally dismissed these concerns as exaggerated pessimism.

Opponents also took a shot at funding through airport revenues.

"The airport is in the black but not enough to pay for anything in significance," Dollahite said.

CITY OFFICIALS said there will be more than enough revenue funds available and there's no reason to think revenues will drop in coming years. In fact, revenues are expected to increase but if the cash flow dropped slightly, there would still be enough funds available, city officials said.

Opponents suggested that an airport emergency or other airport needs might draw from the revenues, draining funds earmarked for the new building.

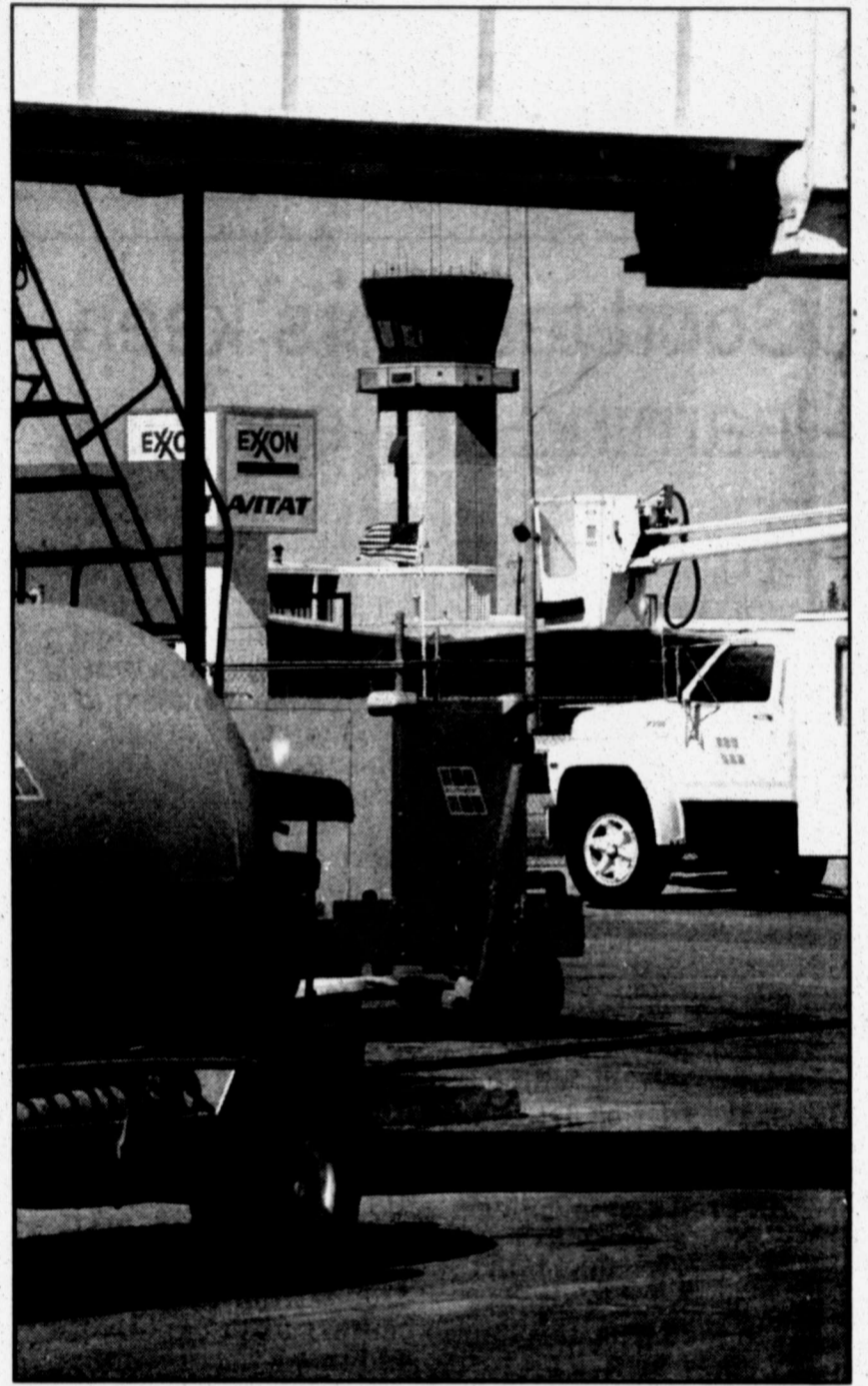
City officials said the airport, other than the terminal building, is in good shape, and unexpected needs don't threaten funding for the proposed construction. And if revenues dropped drastically, the city has the option to pay off the terminal past the 20 years scheduled, officials said.

The mayor said there is "contingency plan after contingency plan" to insure funding.

Opponents have also brought up concerns about possible overruns.

"The number they put out is not the final number. I have been watching our taxing bodies for nine years. There is never anything built by a taxing body that doesn't have cost overruns," Ms. Walger said.

As for any overruns, the city could dip into the surplus of the airport's \$3 million operating fund or seek additional allocations from the FAA, City Manager McGregor said. Already the project has some cost overrun from the original estimate



One problem with renovating the present facility, according to airport officials, is that they cannot build the facility any higher or to the north or south because it would further hinder the "line of sight" of air traffic controllers. Controllers do not have a clear "line of sight" at the south end of the terminal and they cannot see the end of runway No. 4.

due to inflation. The original estimate of \$28.65 million has grown to \$31.5 million, not including \$1.7 million design/engineering costs.

Aside from the finance plan, opponents have criticized the cost of rebuilding vS. renova-

dollars — than to rebuild, city officials said.

Mark Earle, director of aviation for Lubbock International Airport, said constructing a new terminal rather than renovating is generally the best choice when faced with an



A section of the concourse shows how thin the walls are and adds to the problem of keeping the concourse cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

tion. In addition to city officials' claims that renovation would only temporarily solve problems, building anew is considered more cost-effective.

Renovation was estimated in 1990 to be about \$14 million. If the buildings were renovated today, the cost would be at least \$1 million to several million more due to inflation and other factors, project officials said.

ALTHOUGH THE cost differences between rebuilding and renovation is obvious, the funding structure is the critical difference, city officials said.

Half of the renovation cost — using old estimates — would come from airport revenues. That's \$1.5 million more than would be used to build a new structure.

The other half would be funded with current and future FAA grants, which would be limited, city officials said. And if Midland doesn't take advantage of FAA grants for construction, the money will be allocated elsewhere, official said.

And PFCs collected reportedly cannot be used for a renovation project.

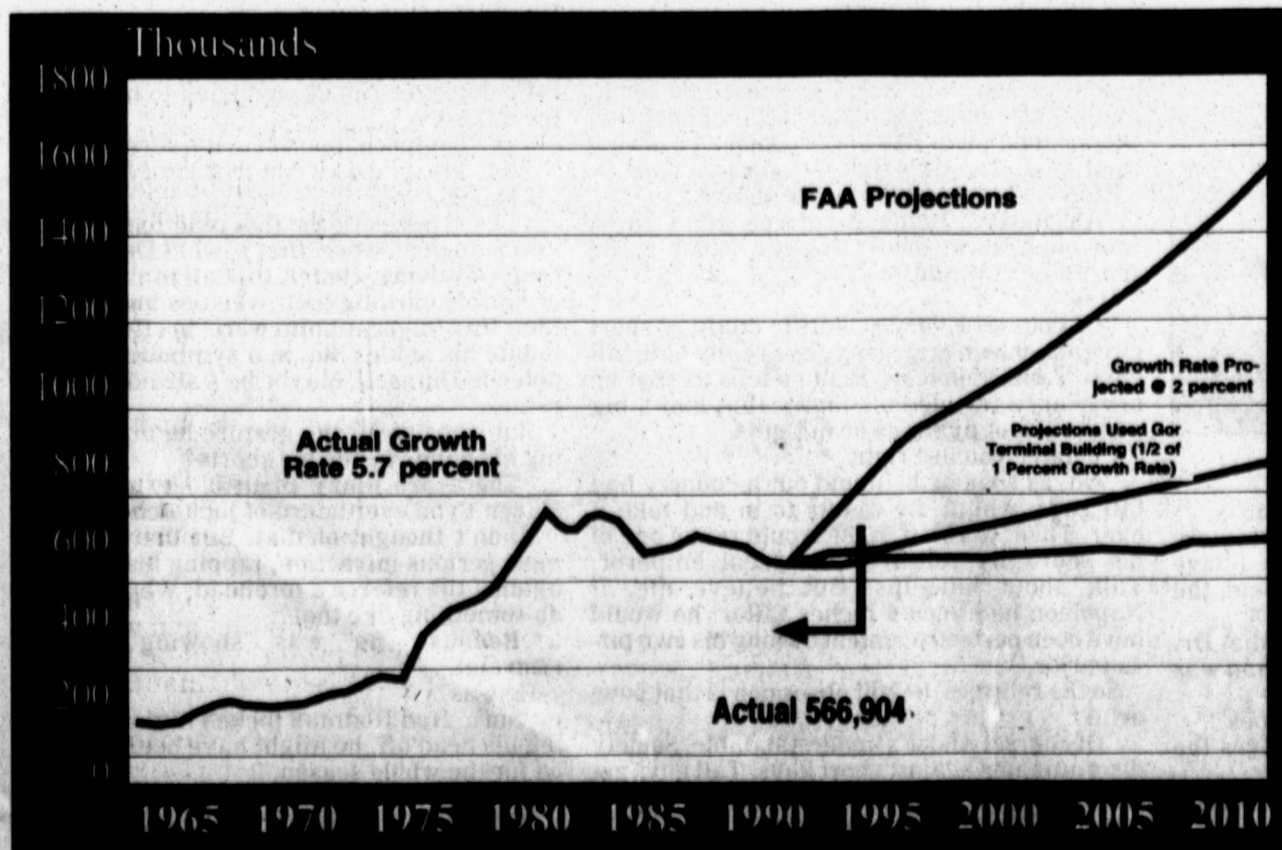
Because of limited FAA funds and the unavailability of PFC funds, renovation would be more pricey — in terms of local

aging, deteriorating building. "And if the FAA is offering the money now and if there's the underlying need to build it, take advantage of it now," Earle advised.

In a few years FAA funding for such projects at small to medium airports will be phased out and the city — if it decides to build later — will pay using tax dollars, he said.

Earle applauded Midland's financial plan for a new terminal building. The Lubbock terminal building, constructed in 1976 and replacing a 1950 structure, is being paid off in part with tax dollars, he said. And at McAllen International Airport — where Earle previously worked — the 20-year-old terminal building was replaced a few years ago and is being paid off in part from the city's general fund.

ENPLANEMENTS (PASSENGERS) AT MIDLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



Tomorrow: The Future

What happens if the new terminal project passes? What happens if the vote fails? We look at support, opposition and draw some comparisons with Lubbock's airport.

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Good teachers keep learning all year long

The Japanese have a proverb which says that to teach is to learn. And the best teachers are always learning.

Ours hats are off to Crockett Elementary School teacher Janna Boyd and Lee High School teacher Jill Williams who were recently named Teachers of the Year by the Midland Chamber of Commerce's Education Combination.

In fact, Ms. Boyd echoed the Japanese proverb in responding to her award. She said, "You learn a lot of things in the classroom they didn't tell you in college. ... My methodology depends on each child and where they are when they pass through my classroom door."

Ms. Williams noted, "I expect more out of my students and they rise to the occasion. A lot of

them are not aware they have it in them."

It is through the talent and interest of good teachers like Ms. Boyd and Ms. Williams that knowledge is placed in front of young people who are inspired to grasp that knowledge and, hopefully, to seek more.

Education is the process of learning, but it isn't always easy and frequently does not occur without the effort of teachers who are inspired to fire young minds with the thirst for knowledge.

It is via teachers like Ms. Boyd and Ms. Williams that education occurs year after year, decade after decade, century after century — and thank goodness that it does!

Congratulations to them on being named Teachers of the Year.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Americans word choices could be improved

The people up there are having a hissy fit all over Washington," Pat Buchanan told "Face the Nation" on CBS. "They can't believe it — 'The beast is coming.'"

This citation breathed new life into my hissy fit dossier. It was opened in July 1995, when Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah said, "If you file for cloture after five days of debate, that's no reason for anybody to get up here and pitch a hissy fit."

Asked about this at the time, Hatch said: "The term probably surfaced in the Appalachians, but it's been used in Utah for as long as I can remember. And if you really wanted to carry it out to the end, a hissy fit is an 'itty bitty fitty.'" Having ventured onto that thin ice, the senator added, "I think I'll go back to plain and simple temper tantrum."

I would not advise that; a tantrum, origin a mystery, means "a fit of temper," and a temper tantrum is both redundant and an example of fused words. Better choose to fly into either a temper or a tantrum, in describing a red-faced politician lying on the floor, banging his heels, waving his tiny fists and bawling at the unfairness of trade policy.

The senator bottomed his opinion about the phrase's Appalachian origin on a citation in the Dictionary of American Regional English, which spotted it in a 1934 issue of American Speech: "Hissy is probably provincial slang. I have heard it for eight or 10 years. He threw a hissy ... means that the person in question was very disturbed and very angry."

DARE speculated that it came from a hypocoristic, or pet-name, form of hysterical, or may be from the echoic hiss. My guess is that the association with fit suggests hysteria.

The term is now in active use. An Internet posting (in the news group alt.showbiz.gossip), under the heading "Madonna and Her Chihuahua," asks: "Does anyone have any details on Madonna's confrontation with airline officials about taking her Chihuahua on a flight?"



Safire

Supposedly she gave a hissy fit." Thus, the operative verb can be "to have, throw, give" such a fit, but the most vivid, in my view, is Hatch's "to pitch" one.

Buchanan's follow-up line was to quote the Washington establishment as saying, in horror of his candidacy, "The beast is coming." That text cries out for deconstruction.

It has nothing to do with "Beauty and the Beast" or any rough beast slouching toward Bethlehem. Rather, it may be rooted in an 1815 skit, found in Louis Cohen's 1925 "Napoleonic Anecdotes," purporting to show how Napoleon's return from Elba was progressively regarded in Paris; it can be found under "public opinion" in "Respectfully Quoted," the dictionary of quotations most frequently requested from the Congressional Research Service.

"What news? Ma foi!"

"The tiger has broken out of his den" was the first report. Then: "The monster was days at

sea. The wretch has landed at Frejus." As Napoleon marched toward Paris, the newspapers treated him with renewed respect: "The general has entered Lyons." As he came nearer, the nervous press gave him back his name: "Napoleon slept last night at Fontainebleau." Next came the return of title: "The emperor proceeds to the Tuileries today." And finally, "His imperial majesty will address his loyal subjects tomorrow."

This anecdote shows the vagaries of public opinion, especially as reflected in press coverage, and was expressed in shorthand by Buchanan's "The beast is coming," whether he knows it or not. (Deconstructionists don't worry about what authors intend; only the text counts.)

William Safire's column is distributed by New York Times News Service.



ANOTHER VIEW Immigration issues should be separated

The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee did right about legislation that would change immigration laws. It separated legal and illegal immigration issues and opted to address them separately. The U.S. House should follow suit.

Critics of the bill weren't arguing that there is no cause to rewrite immigration laws. Rather, they faulted the attempt to treat the issues as one.

The justified concern was that the Senate bill

and the House bill were extending anxiety and anger over illegal immigration to push for reforms that would undermine the best interests of the country.

The urgency is to reduce abuses of the laws, and to do so without rejecting values and principles that have defined the American character and society.

— Akron Beacon Journal
Akron, Ohio

JAMES E. GARCIA

Candidate's murder may alter Mexican history

AUSTIN—Two years ago, Mexican presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio was gunned down during a rally in a Tijuana shantytown. That, it now seems, is about the only thing having do with his murder anyone can prove.

Colosio, 44, was the man who would be president. Few Mexico watchers would dispute that. He had been handpicked by then-President Carlos Salinas de Gortari — now living in exile — and the leadership of Mexico's ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, known as the PRI.

Mexicans say that undemocratic part of their democratic presidential selection is just what has always been done. They call it "el dedazo," which translates roughly as "the official pointing of the finger."

But March 23, 1994, may mark the end of the old way of doing business.

The murder of Colosio was a watershed in Mexico's recent political evolution, according to Larry Birns, director of the Council of Hemispheric Affairs in Washington, D.C.

Before Colosio was shot, the PRI was regarded as virtually invulnerable, Birns said. Though the party of Salinas and Colosio had been under pressure to democratize the nation, Birns said, "The assassination) was the abscess that inevitably led to the pulling of the tooth."

The party had been greatly weakened. Analysts say the opposition National Action Party is expected to make strong gains against the PRI in the 1997 congressional election and may

win its first presidential race in 2000.

But back to the question of who killed Colosio. The answer depends on whom you ask.

Three federal investigations have turned up little conclusive evidence, except that 23-year-old Mario Aburto Martinez, a former factory worker, went to the rally intending to kill Colosio. After that, things start to get fuzzy.

Aburto confessed and was convicted of killing Colosio. But speculation about whether he had accomplices has run amok.

Birns blames much of the conjecture and confusion on the bungling of government investigators. Consider how the investigation has gone.

In April 1994, the government's top prosecutor in the case, Miguel Montes Garcia, declared, "Several individuals took part in a concerted action to take the life of Luis Donaldo Colosio." At the time, he didn't say who. Two months later, Montes switched gears and said Aburto had acted alone. The month after that, President Salinas announced he wasn't satisfied with Montes' conclusion. He ordered federal agents to keep investigating.

Then in February 1995, Othon Cortes Vazquez, a chauffeur for PRI leaders, was charged with conspiring to cover up the involvement of several other people in the assassination. So much for the lone gunman theory.

But there was more to come.

Last summer, two suspects in the killing were released from jail, an army general was accused of being involved in the assassination

and, in what has become perhaps the most bizarre twist in the case to date, a Mexico City newspaper reported a federal agent had killed Colosio, then was killed by unknown operatives.

Having learned of the allegations against him while on his honeymoon, the agent quickly returned to Mexico City, held a press conference and declared that he was innocent. Furthermore, the agent pointed out, he was not dead.

Because of the incredible confusion and sometimes downright silliness surrounding the multiple investigations, Birns said the ruling party has done additional harm to itself. The PRI has virtually no credibility among Mexican voters other than party diehards, he said. Several polls show a majority of Mexicans believe Colosio's assassination was part of a conspiracy, probably orchestrated by a faction of his own political party.

The PRI has other problems — an unresolved guerrilla war, allegations of high-level corruption, and a severe economic crisis. The death blow for the ruling party, however, may be the Mexican people's collective memory of Colosio, coupled with skepticism about the investigations of his death. A great many Mexicans think Colosio could have been a great president. As with President John F. Kennedy, "Colosio now is anointed because he was killed," Birns said.

The problem for the PRI is that martyrs are always glorified. These days, the PRI is not.

James Garcia's column is distributed by New York Times News Service.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, March 25, the 85th day of 1996. There are 281 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 25, 1965, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 25,000 marchers to the state capitol in Montgomery, Ala., to protest the denial of voting rights to blacks.

On this date:

In A.D. 752, Pope Stephen II died, only two days after his election.

In 1634, Maryland was founded by English colonists sent by the second Lord Baltimore.

In 1865, during the Civil War, Confederate forces captured Fort Stedman in Virginia.

In 1894, Jacob S. Coxey began leading an army of unemployed from Massillon, Ohio, to Washington, D.C., to demand help from the federal government.

In 1911, 146 immigrant workers were killed when fire broke out at the Triangle Shirtwaist Co. in New York.

In 1918, French composer Claude Debussy died in Paris.

In 1947, a coal mine explosion in Centralia, Ill., claimed 111 lives.

In 1957, the Treaty of Rome established the European Economic Community.

In 1975, King Faisal of Saudi Arabia was shot to death by a nephew who had a history of mental illness. (The nephew was beheaded the following June.)

In 1990, 87 people, most of them Honduran and Dominican immigrants, were killed when fire raged through an illegal social club in

New York City.

Ten years ago: In the second day of a confrontation between Libyan forces and the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Gulf of Sidra, thousands of Libyans rallied at Tripoli. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled the Air Force could ban the wearing of yarmulkes by Jewish military personnel in uniform.

Five years ago: "Dances With Wolves" won seven Oscars, including best picture, at the 63rd annual Academy Awards. Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, a rebellious conservative in the Roman Catholic Church, died in Martigny, Switzerland, at age 85.

One year ago: Two Americans who'd strayed across the Kuwaiti border into Iraq were sentenced to eight years in prison (however, David Daliberti and William Barloon were released by Iraq the following July). Mike Tyson was released from the Indiana Youth Center after serving three years for the 1992 rape of Desiree Washington, a beauty pageant contestant.

Today's Birthdays: Modeling agency head Eileen Ford is 74. Former astronaut Jim Lovell is 68. Feminist author Gloria Steinem is 62. Singer-actor Hoyt Axton is 58. Singer Anita Bryant is 56. Singer Aretha Franklin is 54. Actor Paul Michael Glaser is 53. Singer Elton John is 49. Actress Bonnie Bedelia is 48. Actress-comedian Mary Gross is 43. Actress Sarah Jessica Parker is 31. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Debi Thomas is 29.

Thought for Today: "Uninterpreted truth is as useless as buried gold." — Lytton Strachey, English biographer, (1880-1932).

MIKE ROYKO

Rodman's conduct brought on by persecution

Dennis Rodman has given Chicago's sports commentators an opportunity to broaden their field of expertise. They are now engaging in various forms of psychoanalysis to explain Rodman's recent behavior on the basketball court.

One columnist said it is possible that Rodman paints and pierces his body and behaves unconventionally because he was not cuddled enough as a child.

Another said that it is obvious that Rodman has "inner demons" that turn him into a "raging maniac" who cares only about himself.

And a radio sports host said that it is possible Rodman is a manic-depressive and a paranoid who might need something like Prozac to help him deal with severe mood swings and the belief that everyone is persecuting him.

They may be right, as sports commentators usually are. But in so serious a matter, I have to rely on the insights of Dr. I.M. Kookie, the noted expert on lots of stuff.

Here is an interview about Rodman that Dr. Kookie granted me shortly after Rodman was suspended for six games.

Why does Rodman act the way he does?

"Because it is obvious that he believes the referees are picking on him."

But what is behind this kind of delusion?

"Who says it is a delusion?"

Isn't it?



Royko

"No, he's absolutely right. The referees are picking on him. They're the ones who need help. I'd like to open up the heads of those referees and see how many woolly caterpillars are crawling around inside."

But why would the referees persecute him?

"Because most of the referees are short guys."

Really?

"Sure. Why do you think they take an undignified job like that, running back and forth, round and round, then tooting a whistle and waving their arms like crazy people? I ask you, what kind of work is that for a grown man?"

They do it because they are short?

"Absolutely. Being a referee gives them enormous power over tall guys, which is the short guy's ultimate fantasy."

It is?

"Of course. Every scientific study of short guys has shown that short guys really hate tall guys. Take Napoleon. History tells us that he never once invaded a country that had a big population of pygmies or midgets."

I believe you are right.

"No, as soon as he found out a country had tall guys, whom, he would go in and take it over. Then, to rub it in, he would make one of his short-guy relatives the local emperor. Talk about hangups. But believe me, if Napoleon had been 6 inches taller, he would have been perfectly content owning his own pizza parlor."

So the referees' height obsession is that powerful?

"Of course. And it's understandable. Society discriminates against short guys. Tall guys get the most beautiful women, unless they are short movie producers. Tall guys get to be CEOs of the biggest companies. Tall guys get to be pres-

ident of the United States. Short guys get the short end of the stick. But why not? Why would you give a short guy the tall end of the stick when he can't even reach it?"

But that still doesn't explain Rodman's bizarre behavior.

"There is nothing bizarre about his behavior. It is perfectly normal."

It is?

"Definitely. Let me ask you this: Has a mean little dog ever run up and tried to bite you on the ankles?"

Yes, that has happened to me several times.

"What do you do when that happens?"

I kick it.

"Yes, a perfectly normal reaction. And, in a psychological sense, that is what Dennis Rodman was doing. He felt that all of these small, creatures blowing their whistles and pointing their tiny fingers at him were, in effect, trying to bite his ankles. So, in a symbolic sense, he defended himself. Maybe he's afraid of getting rabies."

But what about the gesture he made, showing his hands inside his shorts?

"There are many plausible explanations. Haven't you ever heard of jock itch?"

Hadn't thought of that. But there was the most serious infraction, tapping his forehead against the referee's forehead. Why would he do something like that?

"Because he was showing prudent restraint."

He was?

"Sure. Had Rodman picked him up and bitten his head off, he might have been suspended for the whole season."

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Taiwan to seek improved relations with China

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Cradling children in his arms and handing a bottle of champagne to cheering supporters, President Lee Teng-hui celebrated his landslide election victory Sunday by promising to work on improving relations with China.

Shopkeepers set off firecrackers to greet Lee as he began an islandwide tour to meet with voters who for the first time elected their own president.

Beijing has demonized Lee as an independence-seeker who wants to dump the doctrine that China and Taiwan are one country. But Taiwanese voters, uncowed by a Chinese show of military force, gave Lee 54 percent of the vote in Saturday's election.

Still, just one day after Lee's triumph, newspapers were urging him to heal the rift that has led China to test-fire missiles and hold menacing war games close to Taiwan.

Lee did not signal any concessions, but said: "We will seek further development in our mainland relations. We will do it well."

"I know you want stability, and you want to make money. Let's strive together for it," he said to roars of appreciation from a crowd of 2,000.

"The past few weeks were a very difficult time," he said. "People rushed to buy U.S. dollars and sold their homes as missiles were fired.

"But everything is different today," Lee said. "We have won a big victory, a victory for democracy."

Premier Lien Chan, Lee's running mate, called for a resumption of low-level talks suspended by China last summer.

At a news conference, Lien promised to promote trade and civilian exchanges, but urged China to "shun any further deeds that could hurt people's feelings."

Asked about signing a treaty with China to end hostilities, Lien said Taiwan would seriously consider it, but added it would be a long process.

Beijing accuses Lee of seeking to dump the

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doctrine that China and Taiwan are one country. But it miscalculated when it thought its military threats would make Taiwanese blame Lee and deny him votes — most analysts agree that the threats rallied voters around their president.

"The election will send a clear message to the mainland authorities — you can't win people over by only pushing them around — in fact it could backfire," the respected China Times commented.

Lee encountered three challengers — Peng Ming Min, who advocated independence for Taiwan, and Lin Yang-kang and Chen Li-an, who sought to placate Beijing by reaffirming Taiwan's desire for reunification with China.

China drew encouragement from the fact that Lin and Chen together outpolled Peng by 25 percent to 21, and claimed its war games had succeeded in quashing pro-independence sentiment in Taiwan.

Friends stay close during war

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Before the war, the Muslim banker and Serb policeman lived next door to each other. When the shelling started in 1992, the best friends fled with their families.

On Sunday, they were back in their trashed apartments in the former Serb suburb of Grbavica, searching through rubble for traces of their old lives.

"There is no one who can separate me and my friend," said 50-year-old Miodrag Milic, the Serb. "And it's a lie when people say Serbs and Muslims can't live together."

"They tried to separate us," echoed his Muslim friend, 48-year-old Izudin Dizdarevic, "but nobody can do it."

Picking through the debris, Milic found a picture of his son's fifth birthday party and a postcard he wrote to his wife in 1971. Dizdarevic, the Muslim, discovered a 1969 photo of himself and his brother frolicking at the beach, and a painting his daughter did when she was a child.

Nearly four years of war drove apart Bosnia's Serbs, Muslims and Croats, destroying the rich ethnic mix that made Sarajevo one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the Balkans. Now, it is mainly Muslim, with small Serb and Croat minorities.

But Milic and Dizdarevic say their friendship is not unique.

"And the future of Bosnia depends on this — mixed friendship," Dizdarevic said.

Both men were born and grew up in multi-ethnic Sarajevo. They didn't think about anyone's religion. Even when Serbs fired bullets into their living rooms in May 1992, forcing them to flee Grbavica, they didn't view the fighting as ethnically motivated.

"They were shooting at all civilians, at all our children, no matter what nationality," Milic said. "It was an attack on civilians — not war — so that hurts me."

"It was an attack on an united Bosnia," added Dizdarevic.

Milic and his son were among thousands of Serbs who joined the Bosnian army and served until peace returned.

"I didn't shoot at Serbs, I shot at bad people," Milic said. He left the army and returned to his banking job in January, shortly after the Dayton peace agreement was signed.

Throughout the war, the two men managed to keep in touch. Milic when he was on leave from the war, Dizdarevic when off from his police duties. Milic's daughter went to Sweden. Dizdarevic's wife and two daughters escaped to Austria.

Two worlds exist side-by-side on divided island of Cyprus

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Crossing the "Green Line" that has divided Cyprus for 22 years is like traveling through time.

The Greek-speaking side of Nicosia, the capital, is filled with trendy boutiques, imported Japanese cars and neon-bathed night spots.

To the north of a no man's land of abandoned buildings, the Turkish-speaking side seems frozen circa 1974. The roads are full of potholes, the cars are old and battered. There are power cuts, unfinished buildings and empty shops. Most houses need a new coat of paint.

A British peacekeeping officer used a green pen to draw the dividing line that split Nicosia in 1964 after an outbreak of inter-communal fighting.

Turkey invaded northern Cyprus a decade later — after Greek Cypriots intent on uniting the island with Greece staged a short-lived coup — and the largely unfortified line was extended across the whole island. It is patrolled by U.N. peacekeepers.

The brief war of 1974 cemented the bitter division of this island in the eastern Mediterranean. Only foreigners are allowed to travel to both sides and view the diverging

paths they have taken.

Underlining the south's prosperity, a full-fledged stock market will be inaugurated Friday, replacing an informal bourse that dealt in shares of about 40 local companies.

The Greek Cypriot-headed government has hopes that the prosperity of its portion will win Cyprus membership in the European Union, although those prospects are hampered by the island's division.

Periodic peace talks have not made any substantial headway

toward reunifying the island.

That doesn't stop Afentis Afentiu, the central bank governor of the Greek side, from dreaming.

"If the country is reunited, there will be further prosperity with resources lying idle in the north used again," he said. "We can develop the north to the benefit of both communities."

But since its independence from Britain in 1960, Cyprus has been plagued by ethnic conflict, part of the larger feud between Greece and Turkey.

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Yankees clip Astros

New York Yankee legend Joe DiMaggio throws out the first ball before the Yankees' pre-season game with Houston Sunday. New York won 8-3.

TV Sports

TENNIS — Lipton Championships, 12 noon, ESPN.

NCAA WOMEN — Regional championships:

East: Tennessee (29-4) vs. Virginia (26-6), 4 p.m.

Midwest: Louisiana Tech (31-1) vs. Georgia (26-4), 6:30 p.m.

Mideast: Vanderbilt (23-7) vs. Connecticut (33-3), 8:30 p.m.

West: Auburn (23-8) vs. Stanford (28-2), 11 p.m., ESPN.

Texas Scores

NBA — San Antonio Spurs 100, Indiana Pacers 88.

New York Knicks 85, Dallas Mavericks 79.

PRESEASON BASEBALL — Texas Rangers 8, Pittsburgh Pirates 1.

New York Yankees 8, Houston Astros 5.

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PREP GOLF — District 4-5A girls tournament, round two, 10 a.m., The Club at Mission Dorado.

Top players named

ATLANTA — All-American Marcus Camby of Massachusetts and Saudia Roundtree of Georgia were chosen Boost-Naismith College Basketball Players of the Year Sunday.

Their coaches, John Calipari of UMass and Andy Landers of Georgia were selected coaches of the year.

Camby has led the Minutemen to their first appearance in the NCAA Final Four. They play Kentucky Saturday.

Camby, a 6-foot-11 junior center from Hartford, Conn., holds UMass' record for blocked shots and is one of four players in NCAA history to reach 300 career blocks before the end of his junior season.

Miller ejected

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana lost leading scorer Reggie Miller in the third quarter of Sunday's NBA game against San Antonio when he picked up his second technical of the game.

Miller, who averaged 20.9 points coming in, got his second technical for slamming the ball to the court with 8:53 remaining in the third period and his team trailing 56-50.

The call came when Miller was called for an offensive foul as he tried to get in position to shoot over San Antonio's Avery Johnson.

Racetrack death

MESQUITE — A driver was rounding the track at Devil's Bowl Speedway on a time trial Saturday when he lost control and crashed into a pit area, killing a 27-year-old fan and injuring a pregnant woman, police said.

Robert Pickering, 28, of Duncanville, died just before 8 p.m., the Dallas County Sheriff's Department confirmed Saturday.

Two other spectators were injured at the Dallas County racetrack.

Witnesses said the driver, identified as Ron Souter of Dallas, was driving at a speed of somewhere between 80 and 120 mph.

Syracuse, MSU make it Final

Orangemen zone out Jayhawks

By Tim Dahlberg
AP Sports Writer

DENVER — Syracuse was in a zone, and now the Orangemen are in the Final Four for the first time since 1987.

Forcing Kansas into a miserable shooting game with a tight 2-3 zone, Syracuse upset the second-seeded Jayhawks 60-57 Sunday to win the NCAA West Regional.

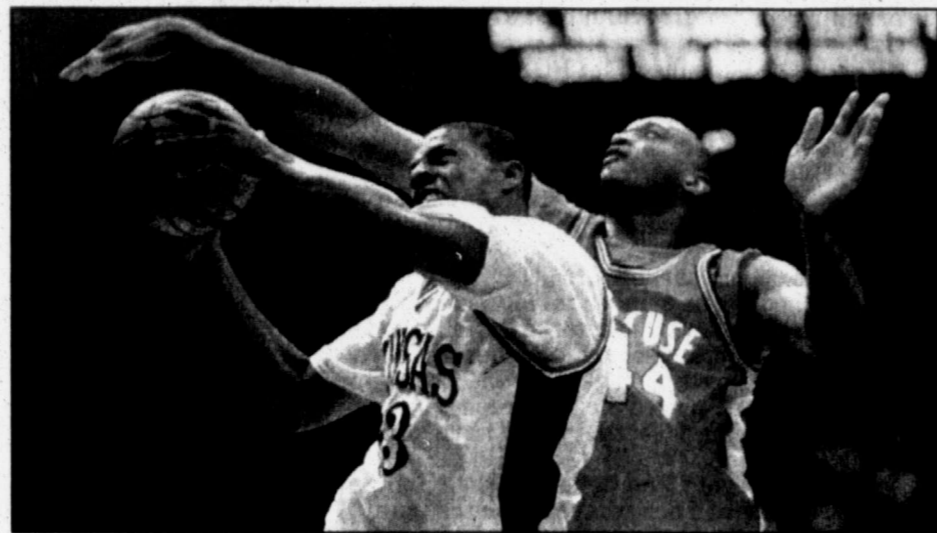
point attempt clanged off the rim as time ran out, Syracuse players mobbed each other on the floor in celebration of their improbable run into the Final Four.

"Meadowlands, baby!" screamed Jason Cipolla, who made a free throw with 12.5 seconds to give fourth-seeded Syracuse its final margin.

Kansas managed to hold Syracuse star John Wallace in check but, in a game where the Jayhawks desperately needed the outside shot, could hit only 4-of-25 3-point attempts.

The final shot by Vaughn was symbolic Kansas' utter inability to hit the long shot.

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Cincy latest tournament victim of under-Bulldogs

By Jim O'Connell
AP Writer

LEXINGTON, Ky. — An incredible two-week run has Mississippi State in its first Final Four. Now all the Bulldogs have to do is keep it going.

They added to their impressive close of the season Sunday with a 73-63 victory over Cincinnati in the championship game of the Southeast Regional.

The Bearcats were only the latest high-profile team to fall to a school that suddenly has grabbed everybody's attention.

Mississippi State beat then-

No. 1 Kentucky in the Southeastern Conference tournament championship game 14 days ago and knocked out top-seeded Connecticut on Friday night in the regional semifinals. In the weekend wins over the region's top two seeds, the Bulldogs never trailed.

Next up for fifth-seeded Mississippi State (26-7), which has won seven straight, will be Syracuse, which beat Kansas 60-57 in the West Regional final, in Saturday's semifinals at the Meadowlands in New Jersey.

"Dreams are coming true

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Saturday's Semifinals

Continental Airlines Arena
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Mississippi State (26-7) vs. Syracuse (28-8), 4:42 p.m.

Massachusetts (35-1) vs. Kentucky (32-2), 30 minutes after first game

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Longshots, heavyweights make up NCAA survivors

By Hal Bock
AP Writer

Sixty NCAA tournament teams are gone, their otherwise successful basketball seasons finished by losses. And four others remain, left to battle next weekend for a national championship.

The survivors are a diverse basketball group — two heavyweights, Massachusetts and Kentucky, and two longshots, Syracuse and Mississippi State, paired against

each other in Saturday's semifinals.

They will arrive at the Meadowlands in East Rutherford, N.J., riding emotional highs after winning their regional tournaments over the weekend, each of them in the hunt for two more wins and an NCAA championship.

The matchups:

UMass (35-1) vs. Kentucky (32-2)

This is the marquee game of the tournament, matching the

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SEC has chance to fill Final Four

■ Conference has representatives in all four of today's NCAA women's regional basketball finals.

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Writer

Through the years, Southeastern Conference teams have filled more than a quarter of all the berths in the NCAA women's Final Four, certainly an enviable mark.

But that's nothing compared to the possibility looming now. This year, the SEC could fill them all.

A team from the SEC will play in each of the four regional finals on Monday night — Tennessee in the East, Vanderbilt in the Mideast, Georgia in the Midwest and Auburn in the West.

And a fifth team, Alabama, almost made it. Alabama was knocked out by a 78-76 overtime loss to Stanford in the West semifinals on Saturday night.

"It comes as no great surprise," Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said. "Today we put the bracket up in front of our entire team and

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The hood of the car driven by Midland's Bobby Hillin pops up as it hits the wall on the second turn of Sunday's TranSouth Financial 400 won by Jeff Gordon. Passing by is Steve Gadsen (29).



AP Laserphoto

Mississippi State's Bart Hyche, left, celebrates his team's Southeast Regional final win over Cincinnati Sunday with Whit Hughes. The Bulldogs won 73-63 to reach their first Final Four.

Person shoots Spurs to 13th straight

■ Former Pacer gets key long-range baskets against Indiana, San Antonio with longest streak of NBA season.

By Hank Lowenkron
AP Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Scoreless through three quarters, Chuck Person showed his former team that he can still hit the big 3-point shots.

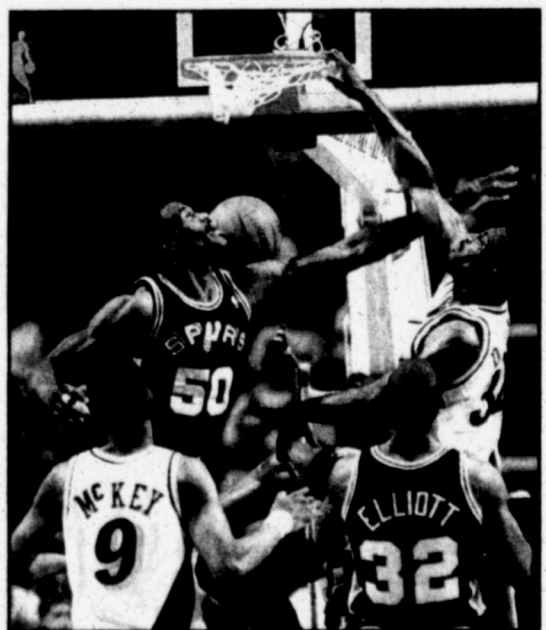
Person, who is second on Indiana's all-time NBA list for 3-pointers, hit three during a 15-2 fourth-quarter run as San Antonio defeated Indiana 100-88 Sunday.

"The only way you can score is to shoot," Person said, after helping the Spurs extend the league's longest current winning streak to 13. "When you get to your

spot, you've just got to shoot and not worry about whether it goes in."

The Midwest Division leaders have gone 18-2 since losing their first two games following the All-Star break.

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AP Laserphoto

Pacer Dale Davis dunks over David Robinson but the Spurs dunk Indiana 100-88.

Gordon seizes moment, Darlington

By Mike Harris
AP Writer

DARLINGTON, S.C. — Jeff Gordon didn't know if Dale Jarrett had to stop for gas or not.

All he knew was that his Chevrolet Monte Carlo was trailing Jarrett's Ford Thunderbird with the laps winding down in Sunday's TranSouth Financial 400 at Darlington Raceway.

With Gordon helping in heavy traffic, Jarrett took the lead 15 laps from the end of the 293-lap race.

"When he first got by me, my crew said not to worry because he had to stop,"

TranSouth Financial 400

Gordon explained. "I kept asking them if they were sure because he sure wasn't driving like a guy who knows he has to stop."

Then Jarrett, with Gordon, the defending series champion, looming large in his rearview mirror, came up on the slower car of Dave Marcis as they drove off turn four on lap 285.

He found himself squeezed into the wall, bouncing off the concrete as he

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McCarron tames wind, wins PGA event

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The gallery was pulling for Tom Watson, who had not won in nine years.

Golf Roundup

They crowded him by the hundreds from the driving range to the 18th hole on Sunday at the Freeport-McDermott Classic.

By the time Watson limped off the last hole with an 8-under-par 280, Scott McCarron had won the crowd over with his enthusiasm.

He won for the first time on the PGA Tour, capturing the \$1.2 million tournament with steady shooting in a stiff breeze.

"When I walked up the 18th, everyone was saying, 'You can do it, man,' 'You're the man,' 'We love you,'" McCarron said. "It was a tremendous thrill."

McCarron beat Watson by five strokes, becoming the third first-time winner in three weeks.

McCarron, who started the day in first place at 12 under, had only two bogeys despite strong gusts and Watson threatening over the front nine. He finished at 13-under 275.

"I wasn't very nervous, I wasn't looking at the leader board until late," McCarron said. "I just stuck to my game plan and took it one stroke at a time."

Entering the tournament, McCarron's total earnings this year were \$32,000. On Sunday, he won \$216,000 and a spot in the Masters.

"That's what I was thinking about all the way up 18," McCarron said. "I was glad about the

money and the first win, but I was really thinking about playing at the Masters."

Watson, winner of 32 tournaments, including eight majors, has not won since the 1987 Nabisco Championship.

"Losing takes its ounce of flesh," he said. "Not a pound of flesh, just an ounce."

Watson was two strokes behind McCarron at the start of play. He closed within one stroke only to find big trouble on the back nine with four bogeys to finish at 280.

"It's a cruel game at times," Watson said. "I've had a lot of good times, maybe it's just evening out."

Tommy Tolles finished third at 281 after a bogey on No. 18.

McCarron, who's best finish previously was third in last year's Las Vegas Invitational to keep his tour card, was unshakable over the front nine. He bogeyed No. 5, but got the stroke back with a birdie on the next hole.

Senior Legends of Golf

LA QUINTA, Calif. — Lee Trevino and Mike Hill combined for a 9-under-par 63 to win their second consecutive title in the \$1.1 million Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf team event.

Trevino and Hill, who finished with an 18-under 198 total, became the first team to win the event four times. Each earned \$100,000.

Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player shot a 66 to tie the teams of Chi Chi Rodriguez and Harold Henning and Jimmy Powell and Orville Moody for second place at 200.

Rodriguez and Henning shot a 64. Powell and Moody, the tournament leaders the first two days, fired a 69.

Trevino and Hill also won the tournament in

1991 and 1992.

"The turning point for us were the birdies at the ninth and 12th holes," Trevino said. "I had a 20-footer for par and Mike made a 25-footer for birdie at the ninth to take me off the hook. Then at the 12th hole, I made an 18-footer for birdie when Mike had a 12-footer left for par."

Nicklaus' birdie at the 18th enabled he and Player to tie for second.

LPGA Register Ping

PHOENIX (AP) — Laura Davies, capitalizing on a last-hole bogey by Kristal Parker-Gregory, shot a 2-under-par 71 Sunday and won her third consecutive Standard Register Ping title.

Davies became the first LPGA player to win the same tournament three consecutive years since Sandra Haynie captured the Charity Golf Classic in Fort Worth, Texas, from 1973-75.

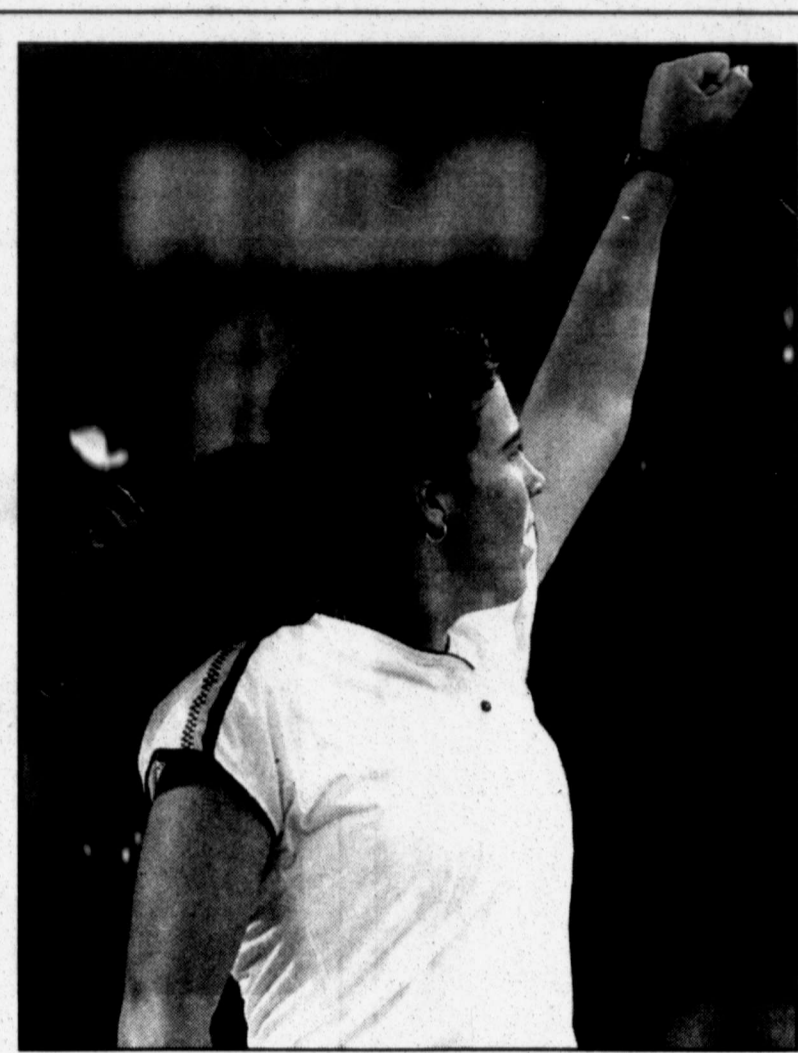
Last year, Davies finished second by one stroke at the McDonald's LPGA Championship at Wilmington, Del., after winning that event in 1993-94.

Davies, who earned \$105,000, won by a stroke, shooting an 8-under 284 for four rounds.

Parker-Gregory, who entered the last round with a three-stroke lead over Davies, finished at 285, including two bogeys on the last four holes. She three-putted the last green, missing a putt of less than 3 feet that would have forced a playoff.

Parker-Gregory had never finished higher than 20th place in her two years on the tour.

She two-putted for bogey on the par-4 sixth hole to fall to 8-under and Davies caught her with short birdie putts on Nos. 3 and 8.



AP Laserphoto
Jennifer Capriati signals after beating 10th-seed Amanda Coetzer Sunday at the Lipton Tennis Championships.

Sampras, Capriati advance with Lipton tennis victories

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — Pete Sampras always looks forward to the Lipton Championships, where he likes the stadium, the competition and the results.

A two-time champion and a finalist each of the past three years, Sampras advanced to the fourth round Sunday by beating Jakob Hlasek 7-5, 7-6 (7-3).

"Certain places I play well, and this is one of them," Sampras said. "The Lipton has a Grand Slam feel. You're playing the best players in the world; they're all here. It's a good indication of where you're at in your game."

Sampras has 19 victories in his past 20 matches at Key Biscayne. With top-ranked Thomas Muster losing his opening match Saturday to Nicolas Pereira, Sampras can regain the No. 1 spot by reaching the final and beating high-ranked players along the way.

"Lipton has treated me pretty well in the past three years," Sampras said. "I certainly hope that continues this week."

Among those advancing on the women's side were Jennifer Capriati and Gabriela Sabatini, who will renew a dormant rivalry when they meet Monday for the first time in

three years. Top seed Steffi Graf and Americans Chanda Rubin, Lindsay Davenport and Mary Joe Fernandez also won.

Capriati, staging a comeback from a long layoff, looked weary in the third set but overcame 55 unforced errors to eliminate No. 10 Amanda Coetzer 6-4, 0-6, 6-1.

"It shows me that I'm playing well to beat someone like her," Capriati said.

The tournament is the 19-year-old Floridian's third in the past month after she had played just one match in the previous 2 1/2 years.

Graf beat Gigi Fernandez 6-3, 6-2, and was surprised to learn she hit 35 winners, including serves, with only three unforced errors.

"Me? Really?" Graf said. "I felt great, I didn't know I had those kind of statistics."

No. 4 seed Sabatini beat Karin Kschwendt 6-3, 6-2; No. 6 Rubin swept Meredith McGrath 6-2, 6-3; No. 8 Davenport defeated Kristie Boogert 6-4, 7-5; and No. 9 Fernandez beat Florencia Labat 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

Third-seeded Anke Huber dodged an upset bid by Shi-Ting Wang of Taiwan 6-0, 5-7, 6-4. No. 7 Jana Novotna lost to Ai Sugiyama of Japan 6-3, 6-3.

Troubled Cowboy receiver shows up at Maverick game

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Michael Irvin sat courtside at a Mavericks basketball game Sunday, his first public appearance since reports linked him to a woman arrested on drug possession charges.

Irvin and his business partner, former Cowboys tight end Alfredo Roberts, sat in front-row seats at Reunion Arena, signing autographs and talking to fans. They

brushed off reporters' questions and left immediately after the New York Knicks beat the Dallas Mavericks 85-79.

Irvin has not been seen since news of his presence at an Irving drug bust broke last Tuesday. He is expected to testify before a Dallas County grand jury in connection with the March 4 drug arrest of 22-year-old Angela Renee Beck.

The Cowboys star has not been

charged in the case and has not commented publicly about it.

Later in the evening, Irvin and Roberts were seen at an event promoting their clothing line, which raises money for charity. Irvin again deflected questions from reporters.

"You guys know I can't talk about the case. Don't ask me about the case. ... I'm here to help other people. Not to help you guys sell

papers right now. Not help the ratings on your cameras," Irvin said.

Irving police say Irvin and Roberts were among the four people in a Residence Inn motel room. Officers arrested Beck in connection with the seizure of almost 3 ounces of marijuana, more than 2 ounces of cocaine and drug paraphernalia. Beck told officers that the drugs and paraphernalia belonged to her.

ORANGE: Vaughn's 3-pointer cuts Syracuse lead

(From 1B)

The Jayhawks had plenty of time to set up the final shot, but Vaughn did not get a good look at the basket as the Syracuse defense stretched out to deny the final points.

Kansas had trailed 59-54 before Vaughn hit one of his team's few 3-pointers to pull the Jayhawks within two with 13.3 seconds left. John Wallace then inbounded a pass long to Cipolla, who was immediately fouled by Vaughn.

Cipolla, cut on the fingers of his shooting hand early in the game, missed the first free throw but then made the second.

Kansas (29-5) was held to 34.4 percent shooting by the Syracuse zone, which continually frustrated efforts to get the ball inside to the Jayhawks' big men.

Syracuse (28-8), meanwhile, got 15 points each from Wallace and Otis Hill as the two big men got inside Kansas' man-to-man defense on numerous occasions for easy layups.

Syracuse led by nine points at halftime, but Vaughn and Raef LaFrentz came out of the locker room looking to get Kansas back into the game.

Diving for balls and flying through the lane, Vaughn and LaFrentz scored the first 15 points of the second half as Kansas roared back with an 18-5 run to open the second half.

LaFrentz, scoreless in first half, hit three baskets in 76 seconds to open the second half as Kansas roared back from the 35-26 halftime deficit.

Vaughn, forced to sit with three fouls and watch Syracuse build its

lead in the last three minutes of the first half, then took over, hitting a 3-pointer to tie the game at 35, then adding three straight layups to give Kansas its first lead of the half, 41-40, with 14:28 left in the game.

At no time were the Jayhawks' woes more obvious than in a 2-minute stretch late in the game with Syracuse holding a 54-52 lead.

On three straight possessions, Kansas had a chance to tie the game but misfired badly all three times.

Billy Thomas fired an air ball 3-point attempt as the shot clock ran out on the first possession, then Ryan Robertson clanged a 3-point effort off the rim on the next. Then, following a steal, Thomas was all alone under the basket but could not pick the ball up and fumbled it out of bounds.

Kansas made only two of its 11 3-point attempts in the first half and its frustration showed on forced passes inside and 3-point shots taken well behind the college line.

Wallace was the player Kansas feared, but it was Hill who did most of the damage in the first half for Syracuse.

Getting inside almost at will against the Jayhawks' man-to-man defense, Hill scored seven straight points as Syracuse expanded a 17-15 lead to 24-17 with 6:55 left in the first half.

Kansas crept back to 27-24, but when Vaughn was benched after picking up his third foul with 3:01 left in the half, Syracuse went on an 8-2 run to end the half with its biggest lead of the game.

MSU: SEC will take two teams in Final Four again

(From 1B)

for us," said Dontae' Jones, who led the Bulldogs with 23 points and 13 rebounds.

Top-ranked Massachusetts will play No. 2 Kentucky in the other national semifinal, and the winners meet next Monday night.

The SEC had two teams in the Final Four for the second time in three years. In 1994, Florida and eventual champion Arkansas made it to the national semifinals.

Mississippi State played its usual tight defense against Cincinnati (28-5), which was looking for its second Final Four appearance in the '90s, and was able to hold off the one big run the Bearcats made at them.

Jones, the unanimous selection as regional MVP, had 28 points in the 84-73 victory over Kentucky, only the Wildcats' second loss of the season. On Sunday, he had 15 points in the game's opening 7:19, making six of his first seven shots.

"Those are the shots I usually take and I guess the adrenaline was little more pumped than usu-

al," the junior forward said. "They were falling for me, and when they fall, I keep shooting and it gets the team pumped up."

The Bulldogs shot 56 percent and held the Bearcats to 36 percent in taking a 37-29 halftime lead.

"We knew it would be a war from the tipoff, but Dontae' made some big shots early and then we all gave that team effort that we need to win games like we've been winning," Mississippi State guard Darryl Wilson said.

Cincinnati opened the second half looking more like the team known for its defensive intensity. The Bearcats forced five turnovers in the opening 3:27 of the second half after the Bulldogs committed only five in the entire first half.

A fastbreak layup by Danny Fortson, who led Cincinnati with 24 points and 13 rebounds, made it 41-38 with 15:19 to play, and the Bearcats failed to score on two possessions that could have gotten them within one or tied it. The Bulldogs then went on a 13-3 run over the next 6:21, and a 3-pointer by

Marcus Bullard, his first of the tournament, gave them a 54-41 lead.

The closest the Bearcats got the rest of the way was 67-59 with 55 seconds left. The Bulldogs made four of six free throws after that to seal it.

"They did a great job. They got the early lead and when we made a run they hung in there," Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins said. "We got within three, but it was their day. They played very, very well. It was a bad day for us not to shoot very well."

The Bearcats finished 22-for-65 (36 percent) from the field, their second-worst effort of the season. Damon Flint, who averaged 19.3 points in the Bearcats' three NCAA victories, finished with two points on 1-for-12 shooting. He missed his first nine shots from the field.

"It was just an off day," Flint said. "I had good looks. I just wasn't knocking down the shots."

Jones had a different view. "Defense is our backbone and we have held the last three oppo-

nents to around 35 percent," he said. "We take pride in our defense."

Wilson, who had seven 3-pointers in the 60-55 regional semifinal victory over Connecticut, added 16 points for the Bulldogs and Marcus Bullard had 11.

Darnell Burton added 17 points for Cincinnati.

Jones' start had the Bulldogs off and running in a game that was supposed to be a matchup of two very physical teams. He hit his first four shots, the last a 3-pointer that made it 13-4 with 15:57 left in the half.

The surprise for Mississippi State was freshman Tyrone Washington, who came in averaging 1.7 points. He finished with seven and was a spark in the run that broke the game open, scoring the three points before Bullard's 3-pointer made it 54-41.

"This is a dream come true. It hasn't sunk in yet. It will probably sink in in a couple of years," Washington said.

FINAL: Heavy pressure on Kentucky coach Pitino

(From 1B)

surviving No. 1 seeds who spent most of the regular season at the top of the poll. It is a rematch of a Nov. 28 meeting when UMass beat Kentucky by 10 points. The Wildcats won 27 straight after that loss.

"We're a different team now and I know Kentucky is, too," Minute-men coach John Calipari said. "I don't think that game has any bearing on this one."

Guard Edgar Padilla does, though. In the blush of UMass' East region championship victory over Georgetown, Padilla relished the idea of another game against Kentucky. "We beat them once," he said. "We're looking forward to beating them again."

It won't be easy.

Kentucky is deeper than UMass. Rick Pitino often runs 10 interchangeable players, led by top scorer Tony Delk, into games while Calipari tends to stay longer with his starting five. That group includes center Marcus Camby, a shot-blocker who alters opponents' offenses.

"We have our hands full," Pitino said. "We didn't play Marcus Camby well the first time. He may be the premier player in college basketball. I wish he was our only problem."

The pressure is on Pitino because after seven years at UK, the Wildcat faithful are getting a tad impatient. It's been 18 years since Kentucky won a national championship and in Bluegrass country, that's a lifetime.

For UMass, this is the first trip to the Final Four, a place Calipari & Co. thought they'd be a year ago. A disappointing regional loss to Oklahoma State sent the Minute-men home early then and set their resolve for this season. Pitino understood that after Kentucky got an early ticket home against North Carolina a year ago.

"You learn from the past, plan for the future and live in neither," he said.

For Kentucky and UMass, the present is a semifinal meeting Saturday and a chance to play for the national championship Monday

night.

Mississippi State (26-7) vs. Syracuse (28-8)

This is a matchup of teams that get no respect.

Syracuse was not ranked in the preseason for the first time in many years and widely viewed as the fourth best team in the Big East behind Connecticut, Georgetown and Villanova.

Mississippi State was largely ignored in the Southeast Conference, hidden behind the high profiles of teams like Kentucky and Arkansas.

And then the Bulldogs started playing.

State won the SEC tournament, beating Kentucky for the championship and followed that up with tournament victories over UConn and Cincinnati. Syracuse, sent West for the NCAA tournament, maneuvered its way back to the Final Four with victories over Georgia and Kansas in the regional finals.

Still, though, no respect. Mississippi State coach Richard

Williams, sometimes a little irritable, explained why.

"Look at the Final Four hat," he said, holding up the evidence. "On the back. It says Mississippi, not Mississippi State."

For the record, Mississippi was through playing a while ago. State is still bouncing the ball.

The same thing goes for Syracuse's Big East buddies.

"No one picked us to even get to a regional final," coach Jim Boehm said. "The kids didn't worry about that. They just came out to play."

Both the Bulldogs and Orange-men rely on tough, unrelenting defenses and tough inside play from Erick Dampier and Russell Walters for Mississippi State and John Wallace and Otis Hill for Syracuse.

Bulldogs guard Darryl Wilson put it in perspective for all four surviving teams.

"It's just beginning for us," he said. "There's no reason to stop now."

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Tulane-Nebraska loser, 6 p.m. Nebraska-Chicago winner, 8 p.m.

WOMEN'S

EAST REGION FINAL - At Charlotte, N.C., Monday, March 25. Semifinals: ...

MIDWEST REGION FINAL

At Nacogdoches, Monday, March 25. Louisiana Tech (31-1) vs. Georgia (26-9).

WEST REGION FINAL

At Seattle, Monday, March 25. Auburn (23-8) vs. Stanford (28-2).

THE FINAL FOUR

At Charlotte, N.C., National Semifinals: ...

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday, March 30. Semifinal winners, 5:30 p.m.

SCORING

NCAA Tournament scoring leaders, through March 24. Player, School, G, Pts.

REBOUNDING

NCAA Tournament rebounding leaders, through March 24. Player, School, G, Reb.

NCAA by league

(Selections in parentheses). Southeastern (4), 12 2 857.

NCAA Hockey

EAST REGIONAL At Albany, N.Y. First Round: ...

WEST REGIONAL

At East Lansing, Mich. First Round: ...

FINAL FOUR

At Cincinnati, National Semifinals: ...

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, March 29. Semifinal winners, 5:30 p.m.

Pro Golf Results

PGA Freetop-McDermott

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Final scores and prize money Sunday after the fourth round of the \$1.2 million Freetop-McDermott Classic, played on the 7,116-yard, ...

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Lipton Tennis

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) - Results Sunday from the \$4.1 million Lipton Championships at Crandon Park.

Men's Third-Round Singles: Andre Medvedev (12), U.K. vs. Cedric Pioline, France, 6-2, 6-2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

THIRD ROUND: Stef Graf (1), Germany, def. Gigi Fernandez, Spain, 6-3, 6-3.

TRANSOUTH 400

DARLINGTON, S.C. (AP) - Results Sunday of the Transouth Financial 400 Winston Cup race at Darlington Raceway, with starting position in parentheses, name, residence, make of car, laps completed, and winner's average speed in mph.

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MONEY BRIEFING

Asset seminar

Smith Barney Financial Consultants Kenneth Smith and Daniel Watts will present a seminar, "What Is Asset Allocation?" Thursday in the Garden Room of Midland Country Club beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Whether the stock market goes up or down, taxes and inflation can reduce an investor's return. Smith and Watts will discuss how the allocation of assets may be as important as the underlying investment.

There is no charge for the seminar, but reservations are required and can be made by calling 685-1234.

Talk, dummy

AND THEY CAN'T SEE YOUR KNEES TREMBLE BEHIND THE PODIUM: Now that the people who publish the "Dummies" books have taught you how to master Windows and the Internet and how to go on a date (thanks to Dr. Ruth's "Sex For Dummies"), they're tackling a real killer: public speaking. A new book in the series is "Successful Presentation for Dummies," which, among other bits of advice, suggests public speakers turn stage fright to their advantage. "You can use the nervous energy to give a more animated and enthusiastic performance," it says. The book, written by Malcolm Kushner, also reminds speakers that the audience wants them to succeed. And anyway, it says, "don't worry. You'll be great."

Complaints are good

GIVING IT A POSITIVE SPIN: It may be hard to believe when your customer returns damaged merchandise or is unhappy with your company's service, but authors Janelle Barlow and Claus Moller contend that "A Complaint Is A Gift." Their book by that name explains to business owners and managers that when customers complain, they really want a response that will enable them to remain loyal customers. The authors say complaints should be used like market information — they define what service or merchandise customers are looking for.

Courtly art

COURTROOM MASTERPIECES: With cameras present at many high-profile trials, it's been harder for courtroom artists to find work. But some sketches from well-known cases are turning into collectors items. Smart Money magazine reports in its April issue that drawings from the trial of Charles Manson and his followers are selling for up to \$3,000. A sketch from boxing promoter Don King's insurance fraud trial has a price tag of \$750, and a drawing of New York's subway gunman Bernhard Goetz is on offer for \$250.

Interview 101

STICK TO THE BASICS: If you like to ask prospective employees all sorts of trick questions or try to intimidate them, you won't find out what really matters — can this person do the job? Nicholas Corcodilos, an executive search consultant interviewed in Working Woman magazine, says a job interview should not be about a candidate's most challenging experience or greatest accomplishments. "Interviewing is about the job," he says. A better way to conduct an interview would be a hands-on session in which a prospective staffer gets to show what he or she can do, Corcodilos said.

Speeding up tax refund check can be costly

By Pamela Yip
Hearst News Service

HOUSTON — One of the most frustrating things about tax season is knowing you have a refund coming and waiting and waiting for it to arrive.

But there are things you can do before you file to speed that check.

If you are in a hurry, avoid paper.

The IRS' goal is to get refunds on paper returns to taxpayers in 40 days but it could take longer.

Those who file the return electronically and ask the IRS to directly deposit the check can cut the time it takes to 14 to 21 days.

But this kind of speed can cost you money.

You may complete your return and have a company file it electronically to the IRS. The cost can range from \$35 to \$50.

At H&R Block and Jackson Hewitt Tax Service, there's no electronic filing fee if they prepare your return.

If you file electronically without direct deposit, it takes about three weeks to get your refund. Asking for the IRS

to electronically deposit your refund into your bank account can cut another week off that time. And it will save you worrying about your refund check being stolen from the mailbox.

To have the IRS electronically deposit of your refund, fill out IRS form 8888, "Direct Deposit of Refund," and attach it to your return.

If you file a paper return and use direct deposit, it will take about five weeks to get your refund, about one week less than the all paper filing and refund route, said Henry Holmes, IRS spokesman in Houston.

Those with real simple returns can speed that deposit check by using the IRS's new TeleFile system where you punch in the numbers on a touch-tone phone.

TeleFile will calculate the refund due you and it takes about three weeks to get a paper refund check. TeleFile doesn't allow for electronic deposit of refund checks.

But to do this you have to be single, make less than \$50,000 and live at the same address as last year.

Waiting to the last minute slows things down.

If you wait until the April 15 deadline to file your return without using direct deposit, expect to wait about

eight weeks to get your refund because the IRS will have a mountain of returns to process.

And mistakes on the numbers can also slow things down.

One of the most important tasks is to check to see that your Social Security number and your dependents' Social Security numbers are correct and match your names.

The Internal Revenue Service checks this in an effort to combat fraud and if your Social Security number is wrong, it will delay processing of your return and thus, your refund.

You may check the status of your refund three to four weeks after you've filed your return by calling 800-829-4477. This automated line asks you for your Social Security number, the amount of the refund and your filing status and then tells you the status of your refund.

If you have even more questions about refunds for an IRS representative, you can call the IRS at 800-TAX-1040.

But you better really want to get that questioned answered. This line is almost constantly busy because a skimpy budget has forced the IRS to cut back on the number of telephone staffers.

Paying off credit cards can improve bottom line

By Chet Currier
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — To find one of the best investment opportunities available anywhere, you may have to look no further than your own wallet or pocketbook.

Right there, where you keep your credit cards, may be an easy way to put your money to work for a double-digit return, with zero risk, at no commission cost.

Instead of buying a mutual fund or bank certificate of deposit, the "investment" in question involves paying off any balance you carry on a credit card from one month to the next. The return you get is the interest you no longer have to pay on that debt.

"Of course, you're really not receiving a return," notes the accounting firm of Ernst & Young in its Financial Planning Reporter newsletter.

"But the bottom-line effect is the same. You get further ahead, in this case, by not paying interest instead of by collecting it."

Risk is nonexistent since you don't stake your money on anything that can fail to pay off because the business went sour, the market crashed, or the team didn't cover the point spread.

Unless you are dealing with a debt that carries some prepayment penalty, debt repayment is also a delightfully cost-free way to invest your money. When you pay off a credit card balance, there is no brokerage commission, management fee, appraisal, assay charge or vigorous to worry about.

True, some credit cards do carry annual fees. But after you have paid off the balance and don't have to concern yourself with interest rates any more, you can look to trade in any card you now hold for one that's available without a fee.

Viewed as an investment, debt repayment can have a downside in what economists call opportunity costs, or the benefits you give up by not putting the money to work someplace else.

Indeed, debt can be a useful tool for many purposes in your personal money management. So any decision to pay off, or not to pay off, your debts involves a judgment call taking all reasonable alternatives into account.

But in the case of credit card debt particularly, with its high interest costs, the return you get from debt repayment is hard to beat.

"Few alternatives can match the after-tax 'return' available from paying off this type of debt, with credit card rates running as high as 21 percent," notes Ernst & Young.

Uneasy about depleting your cash to pay down credit-card debt? Look at the credit line on the card as a backup element of your emergency reserve.

And since it's usually the most costly to use, it makes sense to tap that credit line last, after all other elements have been exhausted. This thinking makes extra sense these days, since consumer interest — on debt that isn't secured by a home mortgage or traceable to business or investment expenses — isn't tax-deductible, the way it used to be.

Mortgage, business or investment borrowing works best if you can leverage the money, putting it into something like a house or a business venture with a lot of equity-building possibilities.

Paying down that sort of debt does nothing to increase your return on the investment in question, while it reduces your supply of working capital or the cash you may need to meet emergencies.

But on most consumer purchases financed with credit cards — television sets, clothing, restaurant meals and so forth — there is no investment return to consider.

If you eliminate consumer debt, in fact, you relieve your budget of the burden of interest payments — and thus put yourself in the position of ultimately having more spending power at the store than in the days when you paid with plastic money you didn't have.



John Challenger poses beside a folk art cabinet with carved figurines of businessmen in his Chicago office. In his primary occupation, Challenger serves as executive vice president of a company in Chicago that helps people find jobs. But a side project — releasing tallies of corporate layoff announcements — has earned Challenger notoriety as an oft-quoted source of gloom-and-doom pronouncements about American employment.

Chicagoan tracks corporate layoffs

Challenger's reports are increasingly reported in media but have drawn criticism.

By Eric R. Quinones
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Another company announces a big layoff, and John Challenger heads for the phone. The media will be calling.

Job cuts and layoffs are a favorite subject of news shows and newspaper stories, but the spotlight has become brighter recently as huge employers including AT&T, Lockheed Martin and 3M announced plans to eliminate thousands of positions. Challenger has been caught in the glare, for a pretty simple reason: He's counting 'em.

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"It is surprising how much attention that's gotten," Challenger said.

Challenger's father, James, co-founded Challenger Gray & Christmas Inc. in 1962 to provide outplacement, which means it is hired by companies to find jobs for employees that have been laid off. The firm also works as a consultant to companies that are planning staff cuts.

In 1993, noting a rise in corporate cutbacks, Challenger Gray started publicly releasing monthly and annual reports based on its compilations of layoff announcements.

Employees sift through about 70 newspapers and several computer services daily looking for mentions of layoffs, which are included in the reports only after being verified by the companies, Challenger said. The reports include rankings by state, region and industry.

The reports caught the media's attention, and they've been mentioned

with increasing frequency in major newspapers including The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal.

They've also been criticized. Detractors say that because the reports are based solely on announcements — and Challenger Gray doesn't follow through to tally the actual layoffs — they don't provide a comprehensive view of the national employment picture.

Challenger counters that the reports, which mainly include cuts by publicly-traded companies and occasionally contain government jobs, have never been touted as all-inclusive.

"It's tough out there right now," he said. "Everyone has to ... plan for periods of job loss and the emotional disruption and often dislocation that (they) can create. It's a major issue that the country is facing."

The idea of helping people through those tough periods is what brought Challenger into the family business.

A Harvard graduate, he joined Challenger Gray in the early 1980s after working a few years in sales and marketing for ITT Corp. Now a young-looking 40 years old, he works alongside his father, brother and brother-in-law.

Dealing with both displaced workers

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— John Challenger

"We're not getting every cut. There's a lot of private companies, a lot of cuts that never see the light of day that we would never know about," he said. "What I do think we're getting is a consistent picture that you can look at (for) what's happening out there in terms of downsizing and unemployment."

Challenger also has an answer for those who suggest he uses the layoff count merely as a publicity tool. "What I'm saying is let's look at the issue and ... help those people," he said.

While the Challenger reports have stood as a major source for big-picture layoff numbers during the last few years, they do have competition. The Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics recently resuscitated its layoff reports, which were discontinued in 1992 because of budget constraints.

Challenger said he regards the government reports not as a competitor, but as a companion in his mission to make the public more aware that the nature of the workplace and job security is changing.

and downsizing companies, Challenger sees both sides of the workplace and offers alternatively discouraging and optimistic viewpoints.

When the company was founded more than 30 years ago, the notion that people would spend their entire working lives with one employer was beginning to change, Challenger said.

"It's been under siege, really, in the last five or six years with all the layoffs that have happened," he said.

And more layoffs are expected, especially in industries such as banking, telecommunications and utilities that are being deregulated and face fierce competition, he said.

But, Challenger added, there are a lot of jobs being created, and the average time it takes to find a new job has become a little shorter lately — about three months in last year's final quarter.

"At some point, these layoffs are going to stop ... as companies see that there's a competitive advantage to be had from having loyal, committed, long-term employees," Challenger said. "But we're not there yet."

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Bonds comes out swinging at Seattle catcher

Associated Press

Barry Bonds came out swinging in his first game in a week.

Bonds, sidelined for six days because of a bruised left wrist, threw a punch at Seattle catcher John Marzano after being hit by a pitch from former teammate Salomon Torres in Sunday's exhibition game.

The incident caused the benches and bullpens for San Francisco and the Mariners to empty in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Bonds was brushed back by Torres in the sixth inning. Bonds stared at Torres, who had come into the game an inning earlier.

On the next pitch, Bonds was hit in the right shoulder by Torres' pitch. Bonds pointed his bat at Torres and started walking toward the mound. Marzano gave Bonds a bearhug and the two grappled for several seconds in front of the plate.

Bonds then took a swing at Marzano with his left hand but did not connect.

"I was telling him to relax, and he kept pushing and pushing. And he took a swing at me," Marzano said. "I backed off, he almost got me. It's from living in Philadelphia and watching 'Rocky' all the time."

"The ball got away from Solly. He kept going out there, and I have to protect my pitcher," Marzano said. "I don't care who it is, I'm not going to let him get out there."

Bonds refused to discuss the incident. "I don't know why he got so upset," Torres said. "I didn't mean to hit him. Everybody could see I was wild."

"I've got to come inside, man," said Torres, who pitched for the Giants from 1993 until being traded to Seattle last spring. "If he can't live with that, it's too bad. Because it's part of the game."

Yankees

Yankees second baseman Tony Fernandez fractured his right elbow in an exhibition game against Houston, and it was uncertain when he'd be able to play again.

"I don't want to put a time frame on it, but it's not a two- or three-week deal," team physician Dr. Stuart Hershon said. "A fracture would normally take a minimum of six weeks to heal and that's before you actively start to exercise it."

Fernandez hurt himself while diving for a grounder by Houston's James Mouton in the fourth inning.

"When I landed, the ball was right next to me," Fernandez said. "I touched it, but couldn't grab it. I tried again and that's when I knew something was wrong."

Yankees manager Joe Torre said Pat Kelly is the first choice to take over at second. Kelly, however, has missed most of the spring with tendinitis in his right shoulder.

If Kelly is not ready for opening day, Mariano Duncan will get the job.

White Sox

Chicago manager Terry Bevington revealed his projected pitching rotation, and it included one mild surprise.

Alex Fernandez and Wilson Alvarez are 1-2. But Bevington said Kevin Tapani would be the No. 3 starter instead of Jason Bere, who will now be fourth.

Bevington insisted there was no shuffling. "That's just the way it's been set up from day one," said Bevington. "There was no change made. It breaks up style a little bit better and that's the thing you look for in a rotation is breaking up styles of how guys pitch and things like that."

Fernandez will open next Sunday night in Seattle against the Mariners and Randy Johnson.

Pirates

Pittsburgh manager Jim Leyland missed Sunday's 8-1 exhibition win over Texas to take his 4-year-old son to a doctor. Patrick Leyland hurt his leg when fell Thursday at Leyland's apartment outside Bradenton, Fla.

Evidence strong against Morris in marijuana case

DALLAS (AP) — The evidence against Pittsburgh Steelers' running back Byron "Bam" Morris who faces a felony marijuana charge is strong, a prosecutor told The Dallas Morning News.

Rockwall County District Attorney Ray Sumrow said Morris and his friend knew the six pounds of marijuana was in the trunk of Morris' 1995 black Mercedes-Benz on Friday morning when they were pulled over outside the town of Rockwall, 25 miles northeast of Dallas, and arrested.

Although both men denied the marijuana was theirs, one of them admitted owning the blue nylon gym bag containing the drug, the district attorney said.

He would not say whether the bag belonged to Morris, 24, or his friend, Rodney Reynolds, 26.

"I believe the evidence will show that both of them had knowledge of it," Sumrow said. "The penitentiary is full of people who 'don't know how it got there.'"

The newspaper reported that a defense attorney who has spoken to Morris said the Pittsburgh Steelers' fullback "will be exonerated." The attorney didn't want his name used because Morris hasn't formally hired him.

Police said the marijuana was discovered during a routine traffic stop after Morris gave the officer permission to search the car.

Morris, who grew up in the East Texas town of Cooper, and Reynolds, also of Cooper, were

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each arraigned on a third-degree felony charge Friday afternoon and released on \$25,000 bail.

If convicted, the men each could face a sentence of up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. But each would be eligible for up to 10 years probation, at the jury's discretion, because neither apparently has a previous felony conviction, Sumrow said.

The district attorney predicted a grand jury will indict the pair in 30 to 60 days.

Authorities believe the marijuana was for the men's personal use, Sumrow said. There's no evidence they planned to sell or distribute the drug, he said.

A third-degree felony charge covers possession of between 5 and 50 pounds of marijuana. Less than five pounds is considered a state felony, carrying up to two years in a community corrections center.

If Bam Morris' name was on most everyone's lips two months ago when the Steelers were defeated by the Dallas Cowboys in Super Bowl XXX, he is again the talk of Cooper, 70 miles northeast of Dallas. Some emphasized that he hasn't been convicted.

"Everyone's just kind of sad. I think, for Bam, sad about what happened," said Karla Bradford, who works at the town drug store.

AWOL Ceballos returns to Lakers without giving explanation

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Cedric Ceballos ended his unexcused absence and returned to the Los Angeles Lakers on Sunday, offering an explanation but no details on why he spent four days in Arizona without notifying the team.

"I had some very personal and family problems to deal with. I apologize," he said. "It just got to a point where it was just a little too much for me. I just needed time."

Ceballos remained suspended

for Sunday night's game against Charlotte. He will come off the suspended list Monday and join the Lakers for a six-game road trip beginning Tuesday at Orlando.

Ceballos, noticeably subdued, did not elaborate on the family matter, nor did he explain why he failed to telephone the team or why he went water-skiing while dealing with the family matter.

"There was no reason for that at all," Ceballos said. "I should have let the organization know what

was going on and how I was."

He did not have a chance to talk with his teammates before they took the court against Charlotte, but he said, "I think they will understand."

"He will learn you simply don't do things like this. It's simply unacceptable," Lakers vice president Jerry West said. "It's nice to hear from him that this was not a basketball matter."

Ceballos denied his AWOL jaunt had anything to do with his

reduced playing time since Johnson came out of retirement on Jan. 29. Johnson started his second straight game Sunday in place of Ceballos.

"I've always been happy with my role," Ceballos said. "You bring a Hall of Fame player back, everybody's going to adjust. Those adjustments were made and they're fine with me."

Lakers coach Del Harris denied he has any conflicts with Ceballos.

GORDON: Second straight Darlington win

(From 1B)

slipped past Marcis.

"All of sudden, boom, opportunity just goes into your mind," Gordon said. "You see something like that and you think, 'There it is. Now take advantage.'"

Gordon did, passing Jarrett on lap 287 and leading the rest of the way.

It was the second straight Darlington victory for Gordon, who now has posted finishes of first, third and first after starting the season with runs of 42nd and 40th.

"This was a real tough place for us when we first started racing," said Gordon, who has 11 career victories, including last September's Southern 500 on the 1.368-mile Darlington oval. "Winning twice in a row at this place is pretty unbelievable."

Gordon led six times for 189 laps. But Jarrett, who started the season with a victory in the Daytona 500 and has led the points since, began closing on the leader in the final 50 laps.

Most of the lead cars made their final scheduled pit stop on lap 219, during the last of 11 caution periods. The track then stayed green the rest of the way, raising a big question about who had enough gas to get to the end and who didn't.

"We were pretty much gambling (Jarrett) was going to run out (of gas), but we decided we'd put on the heat on as much as we could," Gordon said.

Referring to his own crew, Gordon said "They didn't tell me we needed gas, so I didn't worry about it. But they were probably crossing their fingers in the pits."

Jarrett ran out of gas two laps

from the end, ducking in for a splash and go in teammate Ernie Irvan's pit on the backstretch. NASCAR later penalized him a lap for getting assistance after the white flag from a crew other than his own. That dropped him from eighth to 15th.

Asked why he fought Gordon so hard if he knew he had to pit for gas, Jarrett said: "We came here to win the race. We would have been kicking ourselves from now until the end of the year, not knowing if we could have made it or not."

Gordon, who won \$97,310, averaged 124.793 mph. He crossed the finish line 1.4-seconds — about five car-lengths — ahead of runner-up Bobby Labonte.

Ricky Craven, last year's Rookie of the Year, matched his career best finish with a third, followed by

Rusty Wallace and Terry Labonte, who both coasted across the finish line after running out of gas.

Dale Earnhardt was a factor and finished a lap down in 14th. He remained second in the standings and actually gained three points on Jarrett to now trail by 47.

As expected, the treacherous one-lane track — the oldest superspeedway in NASCAR racing, took a heavy toll, with 56 laps of caution and nearly everyone in the 41-car lineup showing at least some sheet metal damage from hitting a wall or another car.

But no serious accidents or injuries were reported.

SPURS: Person misses first six shots

(From 1B)

Star break.

"In the second half I play a lot of power forward, spread the defense, give David Robinson a chance to operate more one-on-one," Person said. "We've got shooters on the weak side in Sean Elliott and Vinny Del Negro. The guys trust one another and the chemistry is great."

"It's all about getting to know one another," said Robinson, who had his 50th double-double of the season, topping the Spurs with 22 points and 13 rebounds. "I love this team. It has everything you want mentally and physically."

Person missed his first six shots against his former team before connecting for the first of two straight 3s with 10:03 to play, giving the Spurs an 81-75 lead. His second made it 84-75 with 9:36 remaining, and his third put the Spurs ahead 91-77 with 7:38 to go.

Indiana never drew closer than the final 12-point margin.

The Pacers, who had leading scorer Reggie Miller ejected with his second technical in the third period, faded while making only one of their first eight shots in the final period. Two free throws by Rik Smits produced Indiana's only points in the San Antonio run, which ended on an Avery Johnson basket that made the score 93-77. The Pacers went more than 5 minutes without a field goal during the run.

Coach Larry Brown had no problem with Miller's actions.

"He's trying to win the game," Brown said. "I like to see him get emotional. That didn't lose the game for us. I don't fault him. We have other guys who can step up, but we didn't get it done because of the team we were playing. They're playing at a very high level."

"It was very selfish on my part and I apologized (to his teammates) after the game," Miller said. "I'm sorry it happened. It's very unfortunate."

Smits topped the Pacers with 16 points as Indiana shot 38 percent from the field.

San Antonio, which had lost three straight to Indiana, had six players in double figures, including Johnson with 15.

Miller, averaging 20.9 points, was called for an offensive foul and


received his second technical for slamming the ball to the court in protest with 8:53 remaining in the third period and the Pacers trailing 56-50.

The loss was the seventh in 10 games for Indiana, with the only victories coming in games against expansion teams Toronto and Vancouver.

Indiana battled back from a 9-point first-half deficit before Miller's ejection. The Spurs had built a 40-31 advantage in the second quarter when Indiana made only three of its first 15 shots. The Pacers cut the deficit to two points

twice late in the period and trailed 48-45 at the break.

NOTES: Indiana's Duane Ferrell came off the injured list to play for the first time since tearing a muscle in his right calf Feb. 18. He missed 16 games. Eddie Johnson, who missed the previous four games with a sprained left knee, replaced him on the injured list. ... Will Perdue made the most of his playing time in the first half, scoring 10 points and grabbing seven rebounds in 10 minutes for the Spurs. He finished with 13 points. ... The officials called 54 personals and five technicals.



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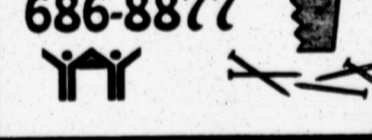
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WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The Midland Lee Baseball Booster Club meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the high school library. Call 694-8765 for more info...

The Midland High Softball Booster Club will meet the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the conference room A at the high school...

The Midland Lee Softball Booster Club will meet the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Lee cafeteria. Call Mike Primeaux at 699-6142 for more info...

The Midland High Baseball Booster Club will meet March 21 at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A at MHS...

The March 19 meeting of the Midland High Soccer Booster Club will be rescheduled. Meetings April 8 and April 22 are still scheduled as planned. April 15 will be the MHS Spirit Fair. Call Yoyo Ketter at 683-7827 for more info...

Swimming...

Classes are going on at the COM Aquatics Center. Children are grouped by age and ability with a maximum of four students per instructor. For more info, please call Marian at 684-7755...

Bowling...

Join the fun of Color Pin Bowl at Midland Park Lanes every Saturday at 7 p.m. Call and make your reservations at 689-9725 or 520-2695. It also has room left for active seniors 55 and over for bowling on Mondays at 10 a.m. Call Jackie Waters at 689-9725 for more info...

Basketball...

The Texas Association of Basketball Coaches will sponsor shootouts across the state including one in Odessa April 5 and one for girls in Monahans April 24. Unsigned senior and underclassmen along with unsigned junior college players may compete. Contact Mike at (214) 254-3657 [Fax: (214) 254-3015] for more details...

The West Texas Association of the Amateur Athletic Union/Basketball Congress International will have its annual tournament May 3-4 in Lubbock. Games will be played at Coronado, Mtnterrey and Lubbock High schools. For more information, call Jerry Avery at (806) 795-8719 or (806) 0033...

Baseball...

There will be a two-day Little League Baseball Umpire clinic March 23 at the Lee Youth Center (rules) at 2 p.m. and March 24 at Mid-Cities Park (mechanics) at 1

p.m. Cost is \$10. Call John Arthur at 684-6664 (day) or 694-1346 (evening)...

Big League (ages 16-18) baseball sign ups are currently going on at Stadium Sports. League play will begin after the end of the high school season. Call Randy Latshaw at 694-2107 for more info...

Softball...

Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association is in process of recruiting umpires for upcoming Midland Softball Association spring and summer sessions. Call Howard King 684-7595 before April 1. The organization is also sponsoring a Class A and C men's and women's slow pitch tournament March 22-24 at the Bill Williams Complex. Entry deadline is March 20. For more info, call Bennita Clark at 683-8741 or Howard King at 684-7595...

The Midland Central, Alamo and Northeast YMCA's are taking registration for youth softball programs for kindergarten through sixth grades. For more info call 682-2551...

The Odessa High Choir's annual Men's Softball Tournament for Class C-Under on March 30-31 at the UTPB Complex in Odessa. Entry fee is \$110. Entry deadline is March 28. Call Fred Vestal at 550-8121 or Suzanne Medlen at 366-0346...

The Midland Softball Association's annual Umpire's Tournament is March 22-24 at the Bill Williams Softball Complex for Men Class A and C, and Women. Entry fee is \$110. Deadline is March 19. Call 683-8741 for more info...

Women's Spring Training Softball Tournament '96 will be held March 30 in Crane. Entry fee is \$100 per team by March 28, limited to first 12 teams. Benefits Dads Against Drugs. Call Ellis a 558-7416 or Fred at 558-3680 for more info...

Tennis...

The Midland College Tennis Center will conduct the final session of its Junior Tennis Progression Program, for pre-kindergarten through Junior development, April 22-May 22, deadline April 12. For more info call Lance Armstrong, Jon Lanier or Luis Valdez at 687-4046 or Luis at 683-5360...

The West Texas USTA Senior Open Circuit is in Midland March 30-31 at Midland College. Entry fee is \$16 singles and \$30 per team doubles. Deadline is March 22. Events are M&W 45-up, L3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5 singles and doubles, mixed doubles. Call 687-4046 for more info...

The Midland College Tennis

Center is sponsoring a Junior Progression Program for tennis players from pre-kindergarten to 6 and up. For more info, call 683-5360 or 687-4046...

The West Texas USTA Senior Open Circuit will host a USTA-sanctioned tournament March 30-31 at the Midland College Tennis Center. Entry fee is \$16 for singles and \$30 for doubles. For more info, call David Hester at (806) 744-7839...

A Junior Traveling Team is being formed by the Midland College Tennis Center for events in June and July. For more info, call 683-5360 or 687-4046...

Midland College will host Tennis Across America Midland Style, including a free tennis clinic for players ages 4-12, April 26 at Chaparral Center. The clinic will start at 6 p.m. and run until 6:45 p.m. and a demonstration of tennis fundamentals from players of all ages will follow at 7 p.m. Fee for the event is any old racquet to donate to the "Reach Out Tennis Program." There will also be giveaways and door prizes. Call 687-4046 or 520-3043 for more info...

The Reach Out Tennis Program is sponsoring a free "Tennis Across America Day" clinic May 11 to help kick off the start of the program this spring. Players ages 4-11 and their parents can sign up for one or all of the three clinics: 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Lee Freshman; 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m., Washington Park; 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m., Midland Freshman. Racquets will be provided. Call 520-3043 or 683-5360 for more info...

Fishing & Hunting...

CAST, West Region, will hold the following bass tournaments: March 24, Colorado City; April 21, O.H. Ivie; May 19, Brady; June 16, Sweetwater; July 28, Proctor. CAST Classic is Oct. 4-6 at Ivie. Call Tommy Busbee at 687-2522...

Golf...

McCamey Country Club will hold the following tournaments. April 20, 4-lady 18-hole select shot, \$35 per person; May 18-19, Charlie Shepard Memorial, 2-man low ball, \$120 per team; June 1, Parent-Child select shot, \$10 per person; June 22-23, June-Fest, two-man (4-9 hole format), \$120 per team. Call 1-915-652-8904 after 10 a.m. for info...

Hogan Park golf course will be hosting a two-person scramble on April 13 to begin at 11:45 a.m. Entry fee is \$30 per person plus greens fees and a cart. Entry deadline is April 10. For more information, call the Hogan Park

pro shop at 685-7360...

Midland West Rotary Club will host its eighth annual scholarship tournament May 3 at Hogan Park golf course. It is a four-person scramble with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Entry fee is \$50. For more information, call Raymond Nicholas at 682-0958...

Golf fan gift idea...The Shell Houston Open, the GTE Byron Nelson in Dallas and the MasterCard/Colonial in Fort Worth are on consecutive weeks this year for the first time since 1983 and the tournaments are offering a commemorative gift package for \$495. The package includes, among others, a numbered Wilson 8802 blade putter, especially styled with a gun metal head and a "Texas Wedge" inscription and two Season Gallery passes at all three events. Proceeds go to the non-profit Texas Golf Hall of Fame in The Woodlands. Call Interstate Awards at 1-800-231-1027 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for more info...

Andrews County Golf Course is hosting a Three-man Scramble on April 27-28. Entry fee is \$55 per person. Shotgun starts at 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. To enter or for more info, call 524-1462...

Bicycling...

The Permian Basin Bicycling Association monthly meeting will be March 21 at 7 p.m. at the Coors Meeting Room. Presentations will be made by the West Texas Chapter of the MS150 followed by a Texas Bicycle Coalition meeting. Call 694-0640 for more info...

Track and Field...

St. John's Episcopal School in Odessa is sponsoring the West Texas Christian Track Meet May 11 at Ratliff Stadium open to all area home school and private school students in first through sixth grades. (Public school students not eligible. Students must be age 12 or younger by May 11, 1996). Opening ceremonies are at 7:45 a.m., events begin at 8 a.m. Events include running long jump, softball throw, 50 meters 100, 200, 400 and 800 and relays at 400 and 1,600 meters. Medals will be awarded to first in each event, ribbons to second through eighth. Entry fee is \$5 per person by April 19. For more info, call 563-9333...

Soccer...

Manu Sanon Intermediate and Advance Soccer Camp is taking early registration for session in June 3-7, 10-17 and July 8-12. For more info call Sanon at 685-1018...

Trainers concerned about Dubai World Cup conditions

■ Cigar among horses that will compete for Wednesday's \$4 million prize.

By Thomas Wagner
Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Everyone knew that Cigar, America's 1995 Horse of the Year, would face many challenges when he traveled to Dubai in search of his 14th straight victory.

But no one thought they would include a waterlogged racetrack in a nation famous for its parched deserts.

For some reason, the United Arab Emirates already has had its worst rainy season since it began keeping records in 1968. And the dry season isn't even supposed to begin until next month.

That has left the trainers of the 11 thoroughbred horses who will compete in Wednesday's \$4 million Dubai World Cup concerned about how wet Nad Al Sheba race course will be.

"Yesterday, the course was still a bit muddy and uneven, and I think the track managers aren't used to this kind of rainfall here," Cigar's trainer, Bill Mott, said Sunday. "But it should be in better shape by race day, if it doesn't rain again."

In a nation that normally only receives 3.4 inches of rain during its rainy season, four times that amount already has fallen, including six inches in March alone.

On Friday, nearly an inch of rain fell, soaking the track in Dubai, and on March 12th, 3 1/2 came down, flooding everything from the international airport to the city's streets.

Ian Ross, an official meteorologist in Dubai, forecast clear skies for the World Cup race on Wednesday night, but only if a thunderstorm sitting northwest of Dubai moves away.

On Sunday, horses trained at Nad Al Sheba in the morning, and Cigar, who had never raced at night, worked out under the lights, doing a half mile in 49 1-5. Then, late Sunday night, Dubai was soaked by another downpour that was so heavy it briefly leaked through the glass roof of a cafe in the Hilton Hotel.

Cigar, the winner of 13 straight races, is the top attraction at the

World Cup, which will be the richest race ever. The winner takes home \$2.4 million and second place \$800,000.

But in addition to running at night, Cigar will be racing for the first time over the sandy surface of Nad Al Sheba race track, which is said to be similar to the track at Belmont Park.

A bruise on one of his feet prevented Cigar from racing in the Santa Anita Handicap in February, and he missed 11 days of training. But Mott said on Sunday that Cigar is fully recovered and has been working out well since he reached Dubai last week.

The United States is one of the few countries that allow thoroughbreds to use drugs, so Cigar also had to stop taking Lasix, the anti-bleeding medication, before arriving in Dubai.

But Mott told reporters that would have no effect on Cigar's performance Wednesday, and neither would the 20 hours it took him to fly to Dubai from the United States.

"It's not an ideal situation, but then again sometimes we don't live in an ideal world and we have to make adjustments," Mott said. "We're going to do our best and I hope that Cigar can show that he's the horse that he is."

Eleven were entered for the race on Sunday, with Cigar drawing the No. 8 post position. He will be ridden by Jerry Bailey.

Also in the field from the United States will be No. 2 L'Carriere, runnerup to Cigar in the Breeders' Cup Classic, and No. 4 Soul of the Matter. The field also includes four horses owned by the Maktoum family of Dubai — No. 5 Halling, No. 3 Larrocha, No. 6 Tamayaz and No. 9 Torrential.

The rest of the field is comprised of No. 10 Needle Gun and No. 11 Pentire, both of Britain; No. 7 Danewin of Australia, and Lively Mount of Japan, who drew the rail.

Although betting is illegal in this Gulf nation, Ladbrokes, the London-based bookmakers, traveled to Dubai to set the odds back in Europe. It made Cigar the favorite at 5-4, followed by Halling at 7-2, Pentire 4-1 and Tamayaz at 7-1.

The World Cup will be telecast to places such as the United States, Canada, Europe, Hong Kong, Australia and New Zealand, where many people are expected to bet on the race.



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HUMOR ON THE SIDE

Humor, Canada style

What do you get when you cross Lassie with a canteloupe? A melon-collie baby.

Why did Cleopatra always say no? Because she was Queen of de Nile.

What did the Buddhist say to the pizza maker? Make me one with everything.

What is British Columbia's favorite wine? "I wanna go to Hawaii!"

What did the three-legged dog say as he entered the bar? "I'm lookin for the man who shot my paw!"

— Canadian Broadcasting Company

T-Shirt sayings

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The Future Isn't What It Used to Be

Stupid criminal jokes

Two men in Kentucky tried to pull the front off a cash machine by running a chain from the machine to the bumper of their pickup truck. Instead of pulling the front panel off the machine, they pulled the bumper off their truck. Scared, they fled the scene. With the chain still attached to the machine. With the bumper still attached to the chain. With their license plate still attached to the bumper.

A man walked into a convenience store, put a \$20 bill on the counter and asked for change. When the clerk opened the cash register, the man pulled a gun and asked for all the cash in the register. The man took the cash from the clerk and fled, leaving the \$20 bill on the counter. The total amount of cash he was handed from the cash register? \$15.

In church bulletins

"For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs."

"A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow."

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice."

The service will close with "Little Drops of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly and the rest of the congregation will join in."

Questions women ask

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2. Compared to what?
3. A little extra weight looks good on you.
4. I've seen fatter.
5. Could you repeat the question?

Bill's World

Pat Buchanan says talk of him being Bob Dole's running mate is "grossly premature." And probably always will be.

Even though Dole has looked up the GOP nomination, Buchanan is still running. Yes, but doesn't the second-place winner at least get the Jeopardy home video game?

"Nothing's gonna stop us now," says Dole. Except, of course, for the attitude that nothing's gonna stop him now.

Dole says he hopes Ross Perot will support him and not run himself. Or that at least he'll Perot-ratinate until after it's too late to get on the ballot.

Kate Kavin is suing two tabloid newspapers for libel. Sometimes these publications could more accurately be called stabloids.

A new study shows people who use car phones have more accidents. Similarly, people who have teeth have more cavities.

MONDAY MORNING
Dave Barry

Helping Hands

Bobby Slaughter

Occupation: Senior service technician for Energas Company

Age: 43

Hobbies, interests: Golf, riding motorcycles, fishing, camping

Education: Graduate of Kermit High School

Volunteer Work: Served as loaned executive for United Way during the 1995-96 campaign; was Energas Company's chairman for their Christmas in April project in 1995; organized Energas employees to assist an elderly woman whose yard was badly in need of attention; organized employees to participate in the Meals-On-Wheels program; am past president of Kermit Volunteer Fire Department.

The Most Satisfying Aspect of Volunteer Work is: "Helping those in need and seeing the difference that it makes in their lives."

"Suggestions for 'Helping Hand' subjects can be mailed to Monday Morning, News Department, The Midland Reporter-Telegram, or faxed to 682-3793. Please include a brief reason what qualifications and attributes your volunteer candidate has, along with that person's daytime and evening phone numbers.



Slaughter

Making a difference

Winter Texan uses experience to fight poverty in Rio Grande Valley

By Mary Lee Grant
The Monitor (McAllen)

MISSION — The Garza family sleeps in a cramped 12-foot trailer.

A battered mattress hides the outdoor toilet. They shower outside behind blue sheets, spraying themselves down with a green garden hose. The stove is outside, but they have no table on which to eat. Chickens and goats run free.

The handicapped boys in this family of five cannot walk straight and have never spoken. Still, from time to time, tentative smiles light their faces.

It is the type of sad situation with which Bertha Whyte, 80, is all too familiar.

Far from whiling away her days playing euchre, Whyte — who lives half the year near Toronto and half at Bentsen Palm RV Park in Mission — is determined to fight poverty in the Rio Grande Valley.

"I have the knowledge and the experience," Whyte, a former missionary to Africa, said.

Dressed in shorts, a pale pink blouse and a fringed straw hat on which the word "MEXICO" is spelled

out in red letters, she tromps up to the Garza property with friendly determination.

"A few years ago, I would have had this place fixed up by myself," she said, glancing wistfully at the lumber scattered about the property that she hopes will become a house soon. "But now I can't do that."

Whyte is doing all she can to help the Garza family. The father of the family, Leo Garza, 42, recently had a heart attack and is unable to work. They are unable to afford medical treatment for him or for their boys, Leo Jr., 5, and Noah, 2.

Whyte is working to at least get a diagnosis on the boys, who have misshapen feet which she believes they inherited from their father, also mildly crippled. If the boys need an operation or braces, though, there is no money. The family does not understand why neither child has spoken.

The three Garza girls, Margarita, 15, Naomi, 13, and Juanita, 9, somehow manage to live with beauty and grace despite the squalor surrounding them.

Please see VALLEY/2C



AP Laserphoto

Bertha Whyte, 80, uses her knowledge and experience to help the Garza family of Mission and to fight poverty in the Rio Grande Valley.

A safe haven



Doris Richardson, left, director of Freewill Foster Homes, plays with 4-month-old Joshua Niblette who is being held by his grandmother and foster mother, Judy Pope.

Story by Tonie Miller-Uzzel

Photo by Curt Wilcott

For 10 years, Freewill Foster Home has been providing foster care to abused and neglected children to help give the children some form of stability.

"This facility was born out of a need of the Department of Human Services to place children in temporary care," said home director Doris Richardson.

Freewill Foster Home is a temporary child care facility for abused, neglected or abandoned children who had to be removed from their homes.

These services of home care are provided for the children until they are

Freewill Foster Home is a temporary child care facility for abused, neglected or abandoned children.

permitted to return to their homes or be offered for adoption. The Department of Human Services refers children for placement in the home.

Ms. Richardson said there is no waiting period unless the home is at its capacity.

"Children are taken from their homes because someone found them in a situation that wasn't suitable for them," Ms. Richardson said.

Those children may be taken from their home environment by the Department of Human Services or even the Police Department, Ms. Richardson said.

Often the children just need a place for no longer than 72 hours.

In these cases, the children must be placed in a licensed facility.

"We do the best for them whether they have been abused physically or

Please see HAVEN/2C

Texas girl wins gold medal in Olympics art competition

DALLAS (AP) — Here's a challenge: Invent and illustrate a peaceful sport for future Olympics competitors.

Twelve-year-old Katie Ornelas of Dallas thought of having two swimmers tied together at the ankles, each trying to pull the other to one side of the pool.

"It's not a game of 'Let's see who can beat up the other person,'" said Katie, one of five students in the United States to win a gold medal for her artwork, titled "Swimming Tug of War."

"I wanted to come up with a game that wasn't really violent," Katie said. "And I wanted it to have something to do with swimming, which I like."

Judges in the international 1996 "Visa Olympics of the Imagination" competition for 11- to 13-year-olds said they chose Katie's

Please see GOLD/2C

Thank You Notes ...

Seeing the obituary notice in the paper (March 13) of the passing of Dr. Clarence Mast has given me pause for reflection, and an opportunity to say something nice about doctors I have known.

Dr. Mast delivered both of my daughters into this world (1953 and 1955). The first time found my wife recovering from an illness, and Dr. Mast spent the entire night at the hospital, next door to Lula to be prepared for anything. Even I got more sleep than him.

During my two daughters' young years, Dr. John Foster served as their pediatrician. Now, after many years, Dr. Foster has taken care of my grandchildren on their occasional visits to Midland. What a legacy.

In the earliest years of Memorial Christian Church, Dr. Charles Younger was a member of the youth group that I led. In more recent years he has taken care of my aches and pains. Drs. Richard Klempner, Nick Shroff, Michael Miller and Joseph Suckarieh have kept me among the living, and I enjoy good health today. I especially, but Midland in general, owe a great debt of gratitude to these fine physicians. All who knew Dr. Mast lament his passing; but 10,000 "children" are testimony to his greatness.

Mr. Mayor, we need to declare a "Physicians Day."

Garner L. Wilde
Midland

Our father moved to Midland in December of 1995 because he had a terminal illness. My family called from Dallas and were able to get an appointment with Dr. David Snyder of Texas Oncology. He became our father's doctor and referred him to Dr. Michael Dragus and Dr. Guillermo Brachetta. Then, Dr. Snyder referred us to Hospice of Midland. They became our angels from God. We would like to thank everyone for their kindness and compassion to a stranger in Midland. To our pastor John F. Campbell and New Jerusalem Baptist Church members: We love you all. May God have a special blessing for each one of you.

The family of Charles Whitten, Jr

'I don't want to be like Harry Anderson on 'Night Court,' but I don't want to come off as the 'Great and Powerful Oz' either.'

— U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall

Federal judge's relaxed style enlivens courtroom

By Tom Chaney
Wichita Falls Times Record News

WICHITA FALLS — The black, flowing robes of a U.S. district judge lend Joe Kendall the air of a grand inquisitor when he sweeps into the courtroom. As he makes his way to the bench, everyone in the room stands — a show of respect for the position he holds and the power he wields.

Whenever the scene is repeated, it intensifies the formal and sometimes intimidating atmosphere of one of the country's highest courts. It's a setting that evokes the impulse to whisper normally reserved for libraries or cathedrals — and Kendall feels the weight of it as much as those in the courtroom do.

"You come in, everybody's in a suit and tie under a 40-foot-high ceiling and then in walks

this guy in a black robe who sits way up high above everyone else," he said.

But things aren't always as they appear in Joe Kendall's courtroom. His relaxed, easy-going demeanor and wry sense of humor diffuse the formality of federal court without diminishing the public's respect for it. "I don't want to be like Harry Anderson on 'Night Court,'" but I don't want to come off as the 'Great and Powerful Oz' either," he said.

Statements like that are the hallmark of Kendall's courtroom style. After listening to two days of eyebrow-arching evidence in a local civil rights trial, he said in an exasperated drawl: "I've been to three goat-ropings at the county fair, and I don't ever think I've ever seen a deal like this one."

And, in response to hearing some of the arguments at the same trial: "The only time

I've ever seen or heard something like this is on one of those movies like 'Return to Macon County,' one of those kind of deals."

But Kendall is quick to point out that his sense of humor doesn't undermine the gravity of a federal courtroom. He just likes to put juries and litigants at ease. "I don't want to be bored, and I don't want the jury to be bored," he said.

Beneath the black robe is a working-class kid who grew up in the Dallas suburb of Pleasant Grove, served for 5 1/2 years as a Dallas police officer, then worked as Dallas County prosecutor, where he never lost a felony jury trial. After running his own private practice for four years, he won election as a state judge.

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DAVE BARRY

V-chip could be answer to prayers of millions of Americans

The V-chip. A helpful tool for concerned parents? A threat to the First Amendment? An excuse for sentences without verbs?

These are some of the questions raised by the recently passed federal law that will require new television sets to contain a little computer thing called a V-chip (the "V" stands for "some word that begins with 'V'").

I bet I know what your reaction was when you heard about the V-chip. You said: "If the government is going to force TV manufacturers to do something, why not force them to get rid of all those confusing controls and go back to having just two big, easy-to-operate knobs, one for the volume and one for the channel, the way it was on



Barry

the icebox-sized black-and-white RCA Victor TV that my family had when I was a boy growing up in the 1950s in Armonk, N.Y., watching Ed Sullivan present accordion-playing bears?"

That was my reaction, too. But the V-chip is not designed to make your television easier to operate. The V-chip is a sincere effort by Congress to enable concerned American — Americans exactly like you, only less intelligent — to imagine that Congress has actually done something about TV violence and smut.

Violence and smut are, of course, everywhere on the airwaves. You cannot turn on your TV without seeing them, although sometimes you have to hunt around. But it's there, all right, even during the daytime — a constant, sleazy stream of near-naked bodies, their taut flesh glistening with sweat as they thrust forward, then back, then forward, again and again, until finally, in an explosive climactic outpouring, they reveal the cost of whatever miracle home exercise contraption they are selling at that particular instant. Naturally, it renders all the OTHER home-exercise contraptions, including

whichever one they were selling LAST week, totally obsolete. And, of course, if we buy the new one, we will — with almost no effort! It's fun! — look EXACTLY like the perfect-bodied people in the commercial. They say so themselves!

PERFECT-BODIED MAN: Kandi, how long have you been using the incredible Squee-Zer-Ciser with the revolutionary new Iso-Flex Modular Torsion Units, which look to the untrained eye like rubber bands, but are actually scientific?

PERFECT-BODIED WOMAN: About a week, Brad! Before using the Squee-Zer-Ciser for only three minutes per day, I was so fat that the fire department routinely rescued people from burning buildings by having them jump onto my butt! Now I'm dating Antonio Banderas!

I'll tell you what: If Congress really wants to help American TV viewers, it should require that every exercise-contraption commercial end with this announcement:

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Speaking of President Clinton: He also supports the V-chip, which as some of you may recall, is the topic of this column. Here's how it will work:

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2) ... millions of young people will try to tune into the programs containing the most violence and smut, however...

3) ... the V-chip inside the TV will constantly monitor the incoming signals, and the instant it detects anything

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4) ... it turns out that eels have naked breasts, in which case the V-chip will show commercials for competing long-distance telephone companies until the young people are driven, screaming, from the house.

Clearly, the V-chip is a good idea — such a good idea, in fact, that we in the newspaper industry have voluntarily decided to adopt it. That's right; There's a tiny V-chip installed in the page you're reading right now! So if I try to write a smutty phrase such as "XXXX," or "XXXX-XXXX," or "get a load of the XXXX on that XXXX," the offensive parts are automatically deleted. The same goes for violence: Whole entire stories on Bosnia will be missing. That's how concerned we are about this XXXX issue.

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HAVEN: Freewill home provides foster care

(From 1C)

sexually or whatever the situation is," she added.

Some of the children have simply been abandoned or neglected to the point of not being taken care of.

Depending upon ages and situations, the center has to be careful who is placed in the home at the same time, Ms. Richardson said.

Currently, the facility is operated for children ages 2-17 with accommodations for six children at a time.

A married couple serve as house parents.

Ms. Richardson said that in many instances, parents must comply with special training to get their children back.

Because the foster home is on a temporary basis only, as soon as a problem is cleared up to where the state feels safe letting the children return home, they are released.

Children are usually placed at the center for less than two years, she said.

During the first 10 years, the foster home has housed 37 children at least once, and some have been placed several times.

In some occasions, the agencies feel it is in the best interest of the child to terminate the parents' rights and proceed with adoption.

One child was placed with grandparents and another was placed with a family; another child was adopted by a foster parent; two little boys, who are brothers, were placed with a family in a neighboring city; and two sisters were placed separately and are doing really well, Ms. Richardson said.

said.

It saddens Ms. Richardson that she is losing touch with the children. Yet, she is happy to see the children get a chance at life.

"But those are some of the best things about it," Ms. Richardson said about the foster home.

"We provide a haven of some place they can go to have some kind of family life to live," she said.

"Originally, community support, state and professional services — contributed through the Department of Human Services — kept the facility in operation.

"Since 1989, its main local financial support has come through the United Way," Ms. Richardson said.

Freewill Foster Home plans to expand its facilities to care for eight additional children. Plans include securing property to enlarge and enhance the facility.

Freewill, as a United Way agency, will then be able to continue providing excellent care for children who need its services, she said.

"With the help of the community and grants, this expansion will be possible for the next 10 years of service," Ms. Richardson said.

"Without the public's support we couldn't go on. I just need to thank everyone for their contributions," she said.

VALLEY: Woman fights poverty, helps family

(From 1C)

Juanita plays with the baby chicks, and shows her father a school project on the apple.

"The apple is a delicious fruit," she reads to him in Spanish, her small dark head leaning against his waist as he looks at her project in proud silence.

Margarita, 15, tosses her long black hair, squeals and runs at the thought of having her picture taken. Naomi, 13, stands by in silence, taking in the scene.

"It has been very hard for us," said Maria Garza, the mother of the family. "Many times, I have felt like just running away."

"But she is saving us," she said of Whyte. "She is like an angel."

"She is a gift from God," Leo Garza said.

"I am trying to build," he said, pointing at the trenches he has dug around the house. "She is helping me."

Whyte said the family survives solely on food stamps.

"They don't know how to manage their food stamps. And they do

not have the proper equipment to cook a healthy meal. So they just eat junk food," Whyte said.

Whyte is hoping to set up classes to teach the poor in the area to better manage their food stamps, and to eat healthier meals. She is lobbying for a homeless shelter in Hidalgo County, a facility which she says the county sorely lacks.

She also plans a project in which families who live in poor colonias can learn subsistence farming.

"The soil is rich here," she said. "This is agricultural country. Many of those who have an acre of land could survive on what they grow. All they need is the skills and the knowledge."

She said that, as a "Saskatchewan farm gal, born and raised in the dirty '30s with four babies and starting out from absolute scratch," she learned how to get by on very little.

Her work with the poor began when she and her husband, Robert, now 88, bought a 100-acre farm with a 100-year-old house and barn on it. She started a daily vacation Bible school and made a vow that she would never turn anyone from her door.

"I had no idea how serious this was," she said. "At once, families began to come to us, not knowing of our vow or of one another, but with great problems. By faith, 1,400 children plus adults and unwed mothers were housed and fed."

Following her work in Canada, she said she heard the voice of God telling her to go to Africa, and that God spoke to her in the night, telling her, "Get up and go alone." Her husband, she said, received the message, "Send her."

A month later, she was in Nigeria with only \$150. She knew no one, and cooked over an open fire. Soon, she had started a ministry, teaching the local people better methods of farming and more modern ways of caring for their children and the sick.

Her son followed her to Africa, and built a furniture factory to train 70 boys in making upholstered furniture. Her family was the only medical help available. They drove the dying 50 miles to the nearest hospital, she said.

Now, she is trying to bring the skills she learned in years of ministry and teaching to her winter home in the Rio Grande Valley.

All she needs is help. She said she needs a toilet, tub and sink to build a bathroom; a variety of building materials; and willing hands to help with improvements to the Garza's trailer.

"We could use anything anyone has to give for the Garza family," she said. "Money, labor, materials."

For information on how to help, call Whyte at 519-8278.

COURTROOM: Judge's style enlivens proceedings

(From 1C)

In 1992, just 20 years after being a police officer, Kendall, then 38, was nominated by President Bush for the lifetime job of U.S. district judge.

Kendall is the federal judge for the Northern District of Texas, an area that runs from the Panhandle to north of the Dallas-Fort Worth area and includes Wichita Falls. He has presided over several highly publicized local cases in the past two years. In one, Kendall awarded a \$2 million settlement to a Travis County woman after the civil trial of Archer County Sheriff P.L. Pippin, who was accused of raping the woman while she was under investigation for shooting her ex-husband during a domestic argument.

He also presided over the case of a Wichita Falls man accused of kidnapping his wife from Midwestern State University campus and driving her to Lawton, Okla., where he allegedly raped her. William Douglas Lankford's trial ended in January with a hung jury. A second trial has been scheduled for May 13.

KENDALL ALSO MAY wind up deciding whose kids go to which schools in Wichita Falls when he hears a 25-year-old civil rights desegregation suit. A local citizens committee must first complete its analysis of whether the quality of public education here varies from campus to campus and decide what must be done to correct any problems. The committee's deadline is March 28.

Kendall wants to get the case off the federal docket, where it has languished unresolved for more than two decades. His approach to the issue reflects an uncomplicated judicial philosophy. "If it is broke we are going to fix it, and if it ain't broke, we're going to get out of it," he said.

When he's not umpiring federal cases, the 42-year-old listens to the blues — Stevie Ray Vaughn, Eric Clapton, Robert Cray and "some country" such as Garth Brooks. Baby boomer fare — such as the picture of Buddy Holly's crashed airplane — adorns the wall of his Dallas office. Beneath the caption reads "The Day the Music Died." He even looks a bit like a famous musician — Paul McCartney with a few extra pounds.

Kendall is something of an iconoclast. He brings the simple approach of a street cop to one of the highest, most respected and prestigious jobs in the country. That hasn't inflated his ego. "It's a big deal because you have tremendous power to affect people's lives," he said. "But I try not to take myself too seriously."

LIKE A LOT of other teen-agers, Kendall didn't know what he wanted to do after he graduated from high school. The Dallas Police Department was offering federal assistance to pay recruits' tuition. "I had no other way to go to college," he said. Once he put on a badge and a blue shirt, he found out he liked it. "When you're 21, playing cops and robbers has a certain appeal to it."

Other aspects were less appealing. When he answered a call near the projects on the city's tough south side, he was greeted by a swarm of 22-caliber bullets whizzing past his head. "I couldn't tell where the shots were coming from so I started digging a hole in the sidewalk," he recalled. Despite ducking gunshots, Kendall said his six years on the streets were his favorite job.

It also prepared him for sitting on the bench. Police officers routinely deal with people who are being less than truthful. Having talked to people on the streets gives him clear insight into what is said in the courtroom. "Because of that, I'm in a better position to evaluate the credibility of everyone involved in a criminal trial," Kendall said.

Several times he has stopped witness's testimony to clarify for himself and for the jury a convoluted series of events or a contradiction in testimony. He swivels his chair around and goes eyeball to eyeball with witnesses, often stopping to glance up at the ceiling while he frames a question. "When a witness is on the stand or evidence is entered, that's where the rubber meets the road," Kendall said.

He's always polite, but the shrewd discernment of a cop comes through when he narrows his eyes and it's obvious that he is analyzing every word and gesture. "If Judge Kendall asks you a question, you'd better not try to evade him," said Steve Briley, a Wichita Falls attorney who has argued cases in front of Kendall. "He has an excellent BS detector."

KENDALL ATTRIBUTES THAT to his work in almost every facet of the justice system. "I've arrested them, defended them, prosecuted them and sentenced them," he said. "There's evil people in the world and there are good people who've done a bad thing —

the trick is to know the difference."

Not everyone would say he knows the difference. His last job before he was appointed to the federal bench was as a state judge for the 195th district in Dallas, where he presided over almost 8,000 cases in five years. The most controversial of those was a case involving 12 current and former students from two Dallas high schools who admitted to a string of 21 armed robberies. All the defendants were black, mostly from middle-class families. One was a football hero with a scholarship offer from the University of Tennessee. Kendall gave stiff sentences to all but two.

Ten of the defendants received sentences ranging from five to 16 years each for simple robbery and aggravated robbery charges. One defendant was sent to a military-style boot camp. Another who turned himself in to police got probation and 1,000 hours of community service. "If only one person sees what happens to you and thus is deterred from endangering others and from causing the pain each of you have caused, then I will be glad," Kendall said at the time.

Legal observers and defendants' family members were shocked. Some of those involved in the trial said the national media coverage had "stampeded" Kendall into the stiff sentences to "appease a fearful citizenry," according to The Dallas Morning News. "I'm going to be real interested to see if the aggravated robbery rate of Dallas County goes down as a result of this," said an attorney for one of the defendants. Three years later, Kendall called the cases his "albatross."

ON THE SCALE of power and awe, there's God and then there's a federal judge. The limits of Divine power may be infinite, but the boundaries of judicial might end at the front door. "I go home to a wife and kids who know me very well," Kendall said. "So when I hit that front door my status drops considerably. I may be politely asked to change a dirty diaper."

When asked about his goals in life, he said he doesn't crave a seat on the Supreme Court or harbor any political aspirations. His ambitions are much closer to home. "I just want to be a successful husband and the best father I can to my kids."

GOLD: Girl wins medal in contest

(From 1C)

among thousands of entries because of its artistic merit and its adherence to the contest's theme.

The award, sponsored by Visa International and NationsBank, entitles the sixth-grader and a guest to a free trip to the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, where the winning artwork will be displayed in a special gallery. The winners were announced last Thursday at an ice cream social at Planet Hollywood, a Dallas restaurant.

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Shuttle Atlantis drops off passenger at space station

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — NASA astronaut Shannon Lucid became a full-fledged member of Russia's space station Mir on Sunday, beginning her five-month stay with a flurry of hugs, flashing cameras and chocolate Easter bunnies.

Her switch from the Atlantis to Mir crew was announced by Mission Control 11 hours after the shuttle pulled into the station.

"So if you guys have to pull out of Dodge (before Thursday), she'll wave at you as you depart," Mission Control told the five remaining astronauts on Atlantis.

Lucid is the first American woman to live on Mir, and her mission marks the beginning of a permanent U.S. presence in space for the next two years, quite possibly well into the next century.

"It's been one of many people's dreams, I think, to have an outpost in space where we can always go to and conduct research and learn more about living in space, and this is the beginning of that," said Frank Culbertson, director of NASA's shuttle-Mir program.

"And as we go farther and farther

out, if we begin exploring the planets, that will certainly be a permanent presence and this will be a part of that."

Five more Americans are supposed to live on Mir. By the time the last one leaves in 1998, the international space station should be built and housing U.S.-Russian crews.

The eight people on the 522,847-pound Atlantis-Mir complex celebrated Saturday night's smooth docking — Atlantis' commander Kevin Chilton was only one second and one inch off the mark — with a gift exchange and, later, dinner on Mir.

Russian cosmonauts Yuri Onufrienko and Yuri Usachev laughed when Chilton handed each of them a chocolate Easter bunny.

"As you know, soon there will be Easter," Chilton explained in halting Russian, "and traditionally in America for this holiday we eat chocolate Easter bunnies — don't ask why."

As soon as the festivities were over, the Atlantis astronauts began hauling more than 5,000 pounds of supplies to the Russian



MIR Space Station commander Yuri Onufrienko, left, talks to controllers on Earth as he prepares to formally welcome the shuttle Atlantis Sunday.

station, including water. This shuffling of equipment will occupy most of their time during the five days the spacecraft are linked.

As for Lucid, a 53-year-old biochemist and mother of three grown children, she began settling in for what should be the longest U.S. stay in space.

NASA officials expect her to be

busier than the only other American to live on Mir, Dr. Norman Thagard, whose science equipment did not arrive until the end of his nearly four-month stay last year.

Culbertson said it may take a while for Lucid to feel at home and "get into the swing of things" with her two Russian crewmates.

Scientists discover how to trick prostate cancer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Scientists have found a way to trick prostate cancer cells, a possible step toward using gene therapy to shut them down.

It could pay off with a way to treat cancer cells that have escaped from the prostate and settled elsewhere and no longer depend on male hormones.

Those are the ones that kill, and there's no effective treatment for them yet, said Dr. John Petros of the Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta.

His approach takes advantage of the way prostate cancer cells respond to a standard treatment: surgical or chemical castration to shut off production of male hormones called androgens. Doctors do that because prostate cancer initially feeds on androgens.

That treatment is effective only until the cancer returns in a form

that does not need androgens, Petros said.

However, the cancer cells still produce a bumper crop of proteins called androgen receptors, which latch onto hormone molecules, Petros said.

That's where his approach comes in. The idea is to take a gene or gene fragment that can shut off the cancer process in those cells or kill them, tether that gene to a molecule of an androgen hormone, and send the combination into the patient.

When one of the hormone parts of the combination contacts an androgen receptor, the cancer cell reacts by dragging the whole thing into its nucleus — right where the therapeutic gene should go, Petros said.

The idea has worked in preliminary experiments with prostate cancer cells in the laboratory.

Petros said in an interview before describing the results Sunday at a seminar sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

So far, the experiments have shown that a gene can be delivered to prostate cancer cells, enter the cells, switch on and make the cells produce a particular protein, he said.

Experiments so far have not used a therapeutic gene, but rather one whose activity can be easily detected to show that the delivery system works, he said.

Other scientists are trying to find the right gene to use in the process, one that might replace a malfunctioning gene or shut down one that promotes cancer, he said.

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Tobacco firm tried to buy into nicotine patch, report says

NEW YORK (AP) — Brown & Williamson executives urged the company to buy a nicotine patch maker so it could profit from its customers' attempts to quit smoking, "60 Minutes" reported Sunday.

The CBS news show said it learned of the proposal from documents from British American Tobacco PLC, a London-based company that owns Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. The Louisville, Ky.-based B&W is the nation's third-largest tobacco company.

While some of the unidentified executives were urging the company to buy a patch company, at least one warned against making such a move.

"If we did anything which suggests we were simply in the nicotine delivery business, we would run a serious risk of facing FDA jurisdiction," the executive wrote in a memo to the company's chief executive officer.

Nicotine patches, used to help people gradually quit smoking, are regulated by the Food and Drug Administration.

The executive also wrote that the implications of owning a nicotine patch business posed a "potential major threat to our business." Those threats were the possibility of FDA regulation and the likelihood of lawsuits. "60 Minutes" reported.

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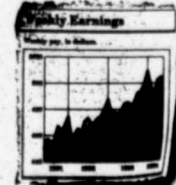
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Republican party's abortion debate raises election questions

ISELIN, N.J. (AP) — If the Republicans maintain their hard line on abortion, they will risk losing Michele Jabin's vote. If they don't, they will risk losing Dave Plemmons' vigor.

Such is the dilemma of Republican presidential campaigns. The party is usually clever at mending its rifts, but abortion can make the Big Tent rumble and shake.

The issue waits in the wings for several stages of the campaign — as Sen. Bob Dole chooses a running mate, the party platform is drawn up and Pat Buchanan's role at the August national convention is weighed.

Most Republican voters appear not to share the party's uncompromising anti-abortion stand as expressed in its platforms for 20 years.

In surveys of GOP primary voters this season, sentiment has run 54-40 against a constitutional abor-

tion ban in the platform. Polled majorities in 25 of 29 states have rejected the idea, although sometimes narrowly.

"I don't think women can take a step backwards," asserts Jabin, mother of two teenage daughters and a New Jersey Republican who differs little with her party except on abortion. "It's a very strong issue with me."

So it is, from the other side, with Plemmons, a local Right to Life leader in Springfield, Mo., who exemplifies the enthusiasm and organization anti-abortion activists bring to the party.

Moving too far to appeal to the majority who do not see abortion as a commanding concern would alienate the sizeable minority for whom there is little or nothing more important.

"What Bob Dole has to decide is whether Bob Dole wants the energy (and) our spirit, or lackluster

card-punching," Plemmons said.

"He cannot afford to take for granted those people who have delivered for the Republican party ever since Reagan took on the social conservative mantle."

When citizens attending a political focus group in New Jersey considered abortion, they were confused about Dole. "He's pro-choice," ventured one. "I thought he was against," began another.

Some politicians might envy Dole that ambiguity, for the nation itself is nuanced on abortion.

But forces will work to frame him as for or against: On Monday, an abortion-rights group plans a news conference to try to paint him as an anti-abortion absolutist.

Dole's voting record is solidly against abortion rights on questions specific to the procedure. But he supported two Supreme Court justices opposed by the anti-abor-

tion movement and has rarely placed the issue at the top of the Senate agenda.

Dole has said he would not disqualify a running mate solely on the basis of his or her abortion views.

Although he's flubbed the question several times, he favors a constitutional ban with exceptions for rape, incest and the life of the mother — exceptions not specified in the 1992 GOP platform.

The early betting is he won't try to change the platform language.

"I think it's almost certain at this point that Dole will keep the platform plank as it was," said Norm Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute.

That might "keep the issue from becoming either a symbol of division in the Republican party or a symbol of extremism."

That assumes Buchanan is

denied the chance or is talked out of the inclination to rattle the meeting with his strict anti-abortion views. And that Republicans who favor abortion rights have no more success than usual in stripping the plank.

At the 1992 convention in Houston, abortion-rights Republicans handed out pink arm bands, the

anti-abortion faction distributed red cowboy hats and, with bitterness, a floor fight on the plank was avoided.

In any event, platforms are routinely bypassed by presidential candidates bidding for support broader than that offered by the activists who write them.

Revised \$100 bill to enter circulation this week

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new 100-dollar bill with a bigger, off-center picture of Benjamin Franklin and several innovations to thwart counterfeiters goes into circulation around the world Monday.

So far, \$80 billion worth has been printed, equal to about a third of all old 100-dollar bills in use.

"They won't be everywhere right away — it will only be a trickle at first," said Bob Moore, a Federal Reserve spokesman. Some of the new bills should start showing up in financial capitals by Monday afternoon, he said.

The bills, expected to be widely available next month, represent the first significant change in the appearance of U.S. currency since 1929. Redesign of other denominations is to follow.

All orders from commercial banks for 100-dollar bills will be filled by the new bills starting Monday, but old notes "will not be recalled or devalued," according to the Treasury.

Packed in book-size "bricks" worth \$400,000 each, the new notes are issued only to branches of the Federal Reserve system, the government's central bank. The branches pass

them on to commercial banks, including three that distribute abroad: Union Bank of Switzerland, Bank of America and Republic New York Corp.

The new bills have the same green and black color as the old ones, but one of the new safety features is a large figure "100" in the lower right-hand corner. Color-shifting ink makes it appear green when viewed straight and black when seen from an angle. The paper also includes a watermark.

The words "United States of America" are printed in microscopic letters on Franklin's coat.

Fine lines, hard to reproduce even by the computerized technology used in state-of-the-art counterfeiting, appear behind Franklin's head and above the picture of Independence Hall in Philadelphia that covers most of the reverse side.

The Treasury says there are other security devices it does not want to talk about, to avoid giving tips to the counterfeiters.

"The technology is expected to continue to improve into the next century," the Treasury said in explaining the need for new bills.

"As the price of personal computer technology continues to drop, the availability and use of this technology to counterfeit currency and other security documents will increase."

The bills are expected to get more notice abroad than in the United States, where smaller denominations rule for all but the biggest cash transactions. Even U.S.-based counterfeiters tend to favor the 20-dollar bill, while those abroad prefer the bigger bill.

The General Accounting Office, which makes reports to Congress, has warned about a new high-quality counterfeit operation, dubbed "superdollar," reportedly based in Iran and Syria. It questioned whether the Treasury has deployed sufficient resources to detect the new fake version of the old 100-dollar bill.

Russia has an especially big demand for the new bills, since dollar cash is popular as a hedge against the huge inflation of rubles. The Russian central bank estimates that \$12 billion to \$13 billion in American currency already circulates in the country, making it the biggest user of U.S. currency abroad.

Recycled-tire roadway leads to environmental contamination

ILWACO, Wash. (AP) — What at first seemed like a brilliant way of getting rid of mountains of old tires has now given new meaning to the old saying about what paves the road to hell.

Two highways repaired with chunks of rubber are smoking and oozing a toxic, oily goo that is threatening nearby marshes on the Columbia River.

Digging the mess out will cost more than \$1 million.

The state used the rubber from a million recycled tires in place of rock or gravel to provide 7,000 cubic feet of fill when it rebuilt a 150-foot stretch of state Route 100 here in October.

The road runs atop an embankment above Baker Bay, a pretty inlet at the mouth of the Columbia River, tucked into the little curlicue at the state's southwest tip.

The first sign of trouble came in

New study shows tea, fruit may help prevent strokes

CHICAGO (AP) — Instead of tea and crumpets, try tea and apples — it could reduce your risk of stroke, a new European study suggests.

Long-term consumption of black tea — the kind that most Americans and Europeans drink — and of other foods containing chemicals called flavonoids was associated with a much lower risk of stroke in a study of 552 Dutch men.

Flavonoids are vitaminlike compounds that naturally occur in tea and in fruits and vegetables. They make blood cells called platelets less prone to clotting, and they also act as antioxidants, countering the artery-damaging potential of highly reactive free radical chemicals.

In the study, men with a high flavonoid intake had a 73 percent lower risk of stroke during 15 years of follow-up compared to men with a low intake of flavonoids, researchers reported in Monday's issue of the Archives of Internal Medicine, published by the American Medical Association. Forty-two of the 552 men suffered strokes.

The men in the study got about 70 percent of their flavonoids from drinking black tea. About 10 percent came from eating apples, researchers said.

While the contribution of apples was too small to measure, men who drank more than 4.7 cups of tea a day had a 69 percent reduced risk of stroke compared with men who drank less than 2.6 cups a day, said the researchers of the National Institute of Public Health and Environmental Protection in Bilthoven, the Netherlands.

Their study is the first to show a protective effect of flavonoid intake on stroke, said the authors, led by Dr. Sirving O. Keli.

Previous studies have linked flavonoids to protection against heart attacks, they noted.

A researcher with the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in Bethesda, Md., who was not involved in the study, said it was well done but needs support from other research.

December when asphalt pavement laid over the fill began to crack, split and give off wisps of noxious smoke, with temperatures up to 160 degrees.

Some of that buried rubber had started burning, apparently through natural processes, similar to what heats up a compost pile. And as the rubber heats up, it releases a goo that oozes to the surface and flows onto the mud flats below, dangerously close to a salt-water marsh and freshwater wetlands.

It smells like creosote, with a burned-plastic undertone.

And the underground combus-

tion is generating toxins such as benzene, a known carcinogen, said Coast Guard Lt. Rob Myles.

Workers at the site must wear protective masks.

In southeastern Washington, a 350-foot stretch of a Garfield County road has been emitting smoke — and even flames — since January at the site of another repair job late last year that used chipped tires.

Both roads have been closed. The removal of the tires may begin as early as this week.

"They're going to go in and take the part that's burning out," said Dana Humphrey at the University of Maine.

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DEATHS

Bobby Lange

Services for Bobby Lange will be 3:30 p.m., March 26, in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bob Poffertfield of West Kentucky Street Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Lange

He died March 23. He was born Sept. 10, 1917, in Mathis. He was in the Air Force from 1943-1946. After his discharge, he began working for Mobil Oil and transferred from Brownwood to Midland in 1951. In 1981, he retired from Mobil. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

He is survived by two sons, Gary Dan Lange of Brownwood and Skyler Lange of Midland; a daughter, Barbara Adkins of College Station; two sisters, Lois Heritier and Norma Lee Bence, both of Exeter, Calif.; nine grandchil-

dren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and many nieces and nephews.

Barbara Porter

Services for Barbara Porter are pending with Ellis Funeral Home. She died March 23, in a Midland hospital.

Robert E. Steward

Services for Robert E. Steward will be at 2 p.m. March 25, in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield of West Kentucky Street Baptist Church officiating. Graveside services will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died March 23, at his home. Pallbearers will be Garland Marshall, Jim Ragsdale, Shane Steward, Joe Carr, Mitchell Creel and Mark Creel.

Janice Crouch

Services for Janice Crouch are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died March 24, in a Midland hospital.

Lorane Melton

Graveside services for Lorane Melton, 83, mother of Midlander Theodore Roger Melton Jr., Borger will be at 2 p.m., March 26, at Oakland Cemetery in Navasoto. Arrangements are under the direction of Lindley-Robertson-Holt Funeral Home in Borger.

She died, March 23, in a Spearman nursing home.

She was a homemaker and a Spearman resident for two years. She was a member of First Baptist Church in McCamey and Kingsville and was a Sunday school teacher for many years and was active in WMU.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore Roger Melton in 1992; her parents; two brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by a daughter, Marianne Dixon of Borger; a son, Theodore Roger Melton Jr. of Midland; two sisters, Vivian Carleston of Giddings and Hattie Lois McGee of Bryan; a brother, A.L. Allen of Waco; five grandchildren and

three great-grandchildren.

Alva Carnes Reed

Services for Mrs. Alva Carnes Reed, 79, of Midland will be at 2 p.m., March 26, at Second Baptist Church Chapel with the John Free officiating. Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Mrs. Reed died Saturday, March 23, in Midland after a lengthy illness.

She was born April 22, 1916, in Young County.

She moved to Midland from Lamesa in 1974. She married O.S. "Pete" Carnes on Oct. 26, 1935. He preceded her in death in 1955. She married Giles Reed in January 1964 in Lamesa. He preceded her in death in 1987. She was a graduate of McCarty High School and was a member of Second Baptist Church since 1935.

She is survived by a son, Ed Carnes of Midland; a sister, Mildred McAmis of Lamesa; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mother may have killed her family

STAFFORD (AP) — Autopsies and other preliminary evidence indicate that a 28-year-old Stafford woman shot and killed her three children and husband before setting their house on fire and then shooting herself twice, authorities say.

Stafford Detective Paul Germany said all of the evidence collected in the slayings so far indicates that Nirmala Devi Katta, 28, known as Neemi by her neighbors, shot her family with a .38-caliber pistol and then used gasoline to set the house on fire early Friday.

After setting the home ablaze, she then shot herself twice in the chest, Germany said the first shot was not lethal and entered and exited her body without striking any vital organs.

Dead at the scene on Venice Lane in the Vacarro Manor subdivision were Ashok Katta, 37, his wife; and their children, Jessica, 3, Jonathan, 4, and Anil Kumar, 6. All had suffered multiple gunshot wounds except the 4-year-old, who was shot once in the chest.

"I would have to theorize that probably the father was the first victim, then the children. I couldn't tell you in which order. Based on information from the medical examiner's office, the mother was still alive when the fire was set," Germany said.

Germany said investigators believe that Mrs. Katta carried out the attacks because of domestic problems.

"She may have shot him because of anger. As far as the children, some people do these things because they don't want to leave them behind. It's hard to say. It's hard to get in somebody's mind," he said.

Investigators said the family was found dead in the master bedroom after patrolling police officers smelled smoke and traced the odor to the home.

Officers broke into the house and found the bodies. After the blaze was extinguished, investigators discovered a pistol in the hallway just outside the master bedroom.

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POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department Saturday

Burglary: Someone broke in a home at 705 Beckley Drive, reported Lori Dawson at 3:47 p.m.

Vandalism: A window was broken on a storage room at 303 W. Florida Ave., reported Roger Robles at 6:28 p.m.

Indecency with a child: Officers were called to the emergency room for a report of indecency with a child. It was reported at 9:19 p.m.

Sunday
Vehicle recovered: A van was found in a ravine at 6200 Chicaw still running after striking a small pole. The vehicle was unoccupied and had been stole from Performance Honda. It was recovered at 6:46 a.m.

Vehicle fire: A vehicle was found on fire in the impound yard

at Action Wrecker, 1109 S. Midland Drive, at 7:02 a.m. The fire started in the back seat of a vehicle impounded about 3:30 a.m. Six vehicles were partially damaged or completely destroyed, according to police report. Initial report indicated all the vehicles look like those impounded by police.

Burglary: Two speakers and speaker boxes were stolen from a vehicle at 3222 Mariana Ave., reported Rodney Watson at 7:19 a.m.

Burglary: A cellular phone and radar detector were stolen from a vehicle at 3113 Humble Ave., reported Michael Moak at 8:35 a.m. A rock was thrown through a window.

Stolen vehicle: A purple 1978 Oldsmobile Cutlass two-door vehicle was stolen in the early morning hours from 1401 W. Washington Ave., reported Israel Perez.

Burglary: A detachable stereo face and compact disc magazine were stolen from the trunk of a car at 5007 Heather, reported Jennifer Deeds at 10:30 a.m.

Burglary: One half of a radio phone was stolen from a vehicle at 3505 Meadowridge Lane, reported Dan Dodd at 11:33 a.m. A driver side window was broken out.

Burglary: A tuba was stolen from a vehicle at Lee High School, 3500 Neely Ave., reported Paul Sikes at 1:36 p.m.

Vandalism: Tires were slashed at 4510 Cimmaron Ave., reported Anita Springer at 2:22 p.m.

Burglary: A stereo was stolen from a vehicle at 1900 W. Kentucky Ave., reported Jaime Martinez at 2:06 p.m.

Burglary: A radio, a portable compact disc player, 25 compact discs and a case were stolen from

a vehicle at 1900 W. Kentucky Ave., reported Jaime Martinez at 2:06 p.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office Saturday

Disturbance: Deputies responded to a call of a girl being forced into a car with several teen-age boys on South County Road 1210 around 10:34 p.m.

Vandalism: Vandalism to a vehicle was reported at 2914 S. County Road 1210, reported Arculana Dominguez.

Sunday
Sexual assault: A woman was transported to the emergency room after notifying deputies she was sexually assaulted. The incident was reported at 1:24 a.m. in the 13000 block of West U.S. Highway 80. Reports indicated the suspect was arrested two blocks away.

DEAR ABBY

Husband's golf game turns up way out of bounds

DEAR ABBY: My husband is having an affair. When I told him I knew about it, we had a big fight. They are still seeing each other every chance they get. She is married and has two kids. I know her name and I know where she works.



VanBuren

My husband was on vacation the week after Thanksgiving. He left the house at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday to play golf (he said). I had a feeling something was fishy, so I followed him and saw them together.

I called his girlfriend's office and was told she wouldn't be in until 3 o'clock. They did the same thing on Thursday. He returned home later in the afternoon on both days.

He gets calls at night and on Saturdays. Right after the calls, he always leaves for a couple of hours.

If I answer the phone, the caller hangs up — and my husband gets furious at me. (He won't let me answer the phone anymore.)

My questions are: Should I con-

front them together? Or should I just tell her husband? I can't spend the rest of my life like this. — ANONYMOUS IN INDIANA

DEAR ANONYMOUS: Neither of the above. Since your husband knows that you are aware of what is going on and has made no effort to change his behavior, you must now decide whether you would be better off WITH or WITHOUT him.

DEAR ABBY: Our father died several years ago. Since that time, our mother remarried. After she remarried, she and her new husband decided that they wanted to be buried next to each other, which is not a problem.

What is a problem is this: My sister and I bought and paid for a double headstone for our parents. It was beautiful, with brass nameplates for each of them and a removable brass vase. Our mother and her new husband liked it so much that they decided to remove Dad's brass plate, moved the headstone to their plot and had her new husband's brass plate put on.

My sister and I are very upset about this, as we were the ones who picked the headstone for our parents, and we have asked our mother to at least replace the one that was taken. This has caused quite

a family problem. Should we have said nothing and just bought another headstone for our father's grave, or were we right to request that they do it? — DISMAYED IN DETROIT

DEAR DISMAYED: For your mother and her new husband to have moved the headstone from your father's grave and left nothing in its place was presumptuous and insensitive. Since they didn't pay for it, they should either return or replace it. But if they are unwilling to do it, then you must. You have my sympathy on both the loss of your father and the actions of your mother.

DEAR ABBY: When I read the letter in your column on the subject of brides and grooms sharing the responsibility of writing the thank-you notes, I had a good chuckle remembering.

When our son married, they received many gifts. Our new daughter-in-law thought he should share the note-writing. He said he would do that if she would help him get started so he would know what to write.

His first note read: "Thank you for the bedspread. It is very nice and we can use it, as we have two bedrooms." She told him that sounded fine.

His next note read: "Thank you for the crockpot. It is very nice and we can use it, as we have two bedrooms." — L.K. IN TEXAS

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A woman was taken to the emergency room Sunday night after wrapping her car around a utility pole when a vehicle apparently made an unexpected U-turn in front of her, according to police on the scene.

The condition and identity of the woman were not available at press time.

The accident occurred around 9:30 p.m. in the 1800 block of West Front Street.

Officers on the scene said a station wagon was heading westbound at a high rate of speed when the driver made a U-turn in the road.

The injured woman was driving a two-door vehicle eastbound when the car turned in front of her causing her to take evasive action, resulting in her striking a utility pole on the driver's side, just behind the driver's seat, officers said.

One officer at the scene said the woman was fortunate her car didn't hit the pole 6 to 8 inches forward on her driver's side door or she could have been in much worse shape.

He did not believe the woman's injuries were life threatening. She was conscious when she was removed from the car.

The woman, who had a small dog with her, had to be removed from the vehicle by firefighters through her passenger-side door.

The dog apparently suffered a blow to the head, but seemed all right, officers said. The battalion chief took the dog with him until the woman's husband could retrieve him.

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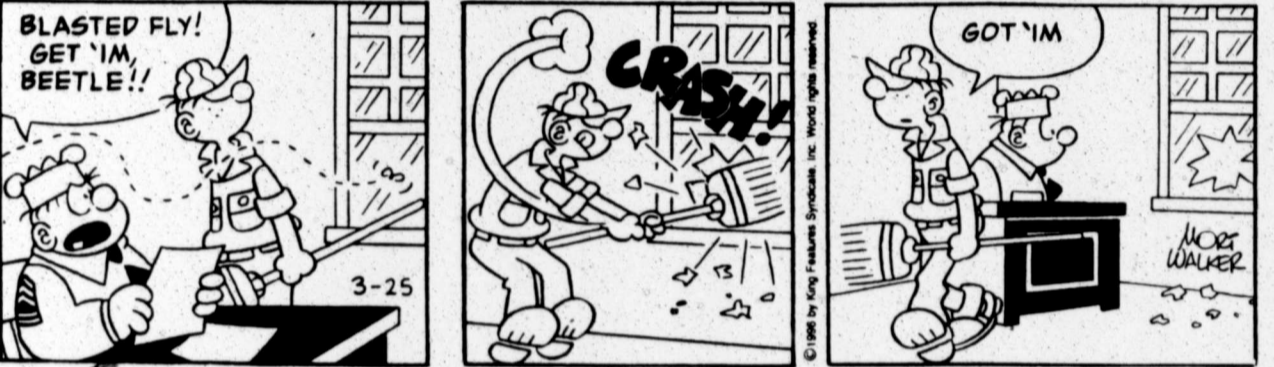
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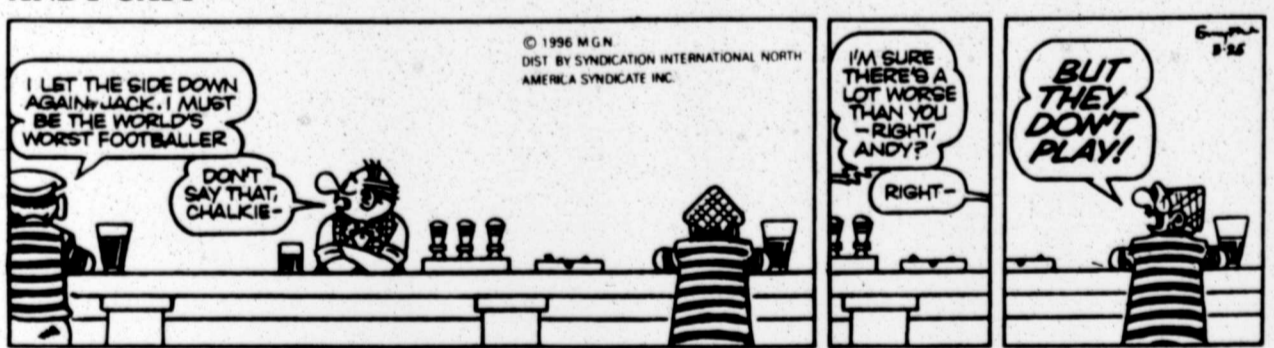
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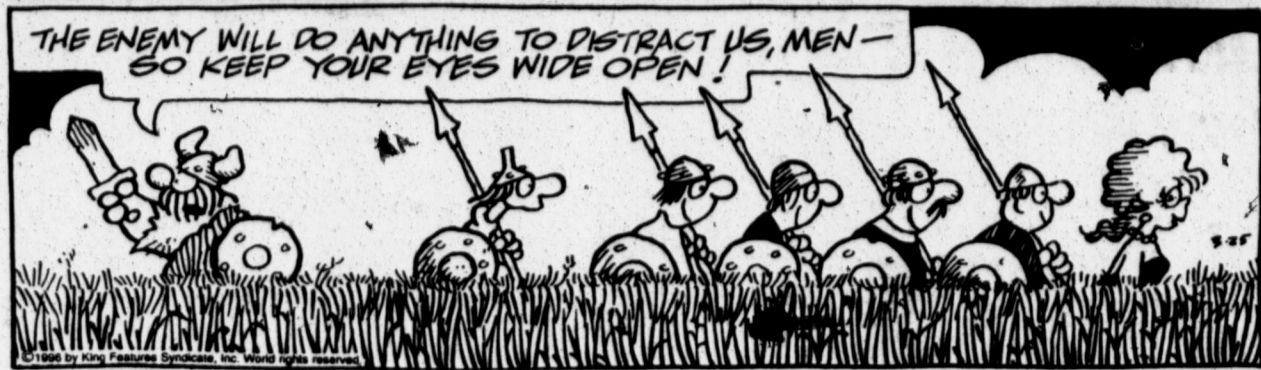
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Donating time and effort to a charity campaign or community project will prove very fulfilling.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A good day for financial moves of almost any kind. The purchase or sale of real estate should go well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A new beginning makes you feel more optimistic about the future. A small gift from an old friend holds great significance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be kind, but refuse to let others impose

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Work will help you recover from a personal disappointment.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your best foot forward at work. Go ahead and express admiration for someone's achievement.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have more charisma than you think. Talk to new acquaintances with quiet confidence.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A sarcastic remark could turn off a potential ally. Avoid sounding bitter.

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What do you bid now? A - Do not discount slam possibilities in diamonds, perhaps even a grand slam!

Q.2 - North-South vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠8 7 3 ♠A 10 7 5 3 ♠7 ♠8 4 3 2

Partner opens the bidding with a demand bid of two spades. What do you respond?

A - If you made a negative response, you must brush up on your card valuation.

Q.3 - East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠10 7 6 3 ♠Q 8 5 2 ♠A 9 4 3 ♠5

The bidding has proceeded: NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass 3♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now? A - Partner may simply be trying for game or making the first move in a slam probe.

Q.4 - Both vulnerable, as South

you hold:

♠A J 8 ♠J 6 3 ♠Q J 8 4 ♠K J 6

Partner opens the bidding with one spade. What do you respond?

A - You have game-going values in spades, but with three-card support rule out any immediate spade raise.

Q.5 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠7 5 2 ♠10 8 6 ♠A K J 4 ♠K Q 3

The bidding has proceeded: NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1♠ 1♠ ?

What do you respond? A - What a horrible hand to describe. You have a flat 13 points with all your strength concentrated in the minors.

Q.6 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠A Q J 8 7 4 ♠K ♠A 10 7 3 2 ♠5

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with three clubs. What action do you take? A - At the table, South bid three spades.

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PEOPLE

Joan Lunden blames media for abrupt end to budding romance with Costner

NEW YORK — "Good Morning America" hostess Joan Lunden blames the media for the abrupt end of her budding romance with Kevin Costner.

"I think Kevin and I would have dated longer had it not been for the unbelievable press focus on us," Lunden said in the March 30 TV Guide.

The attention, combined with the demands of Costner's "Waterworld" promotional tour, were enough to douse any romantic sparks last summer.

"All the press made me very self-protective in subsequent dating," Lunden said. "I became very concerned about every move I made for fear that it would be reported."

Lunden says Costner went all out for their first date.

"He got this yacht and we sailed around New York Harbor and had dinner," said Lunden, a divorced mother of three.

"It was quite romantic and quite beautiful," she said. "When he first walked on the boat and smiled at me as only he can smile and said, 'Boy, I've waited so long to meet you,' I almost fell over."

DENVER — Woody Harrelson is offering to pick up the tab for Colorado's first test crop of hemp if state legislators let farmers grow it.

Harrelson of "Cheers" television fame is an investor in a hemp clothing company and import firm. He wrote a letter to state legislators urging passage of the bill.

"Industrial hemp has never and could never be used for drug trafficking," he wrote. "You could smoke a pound and not get high."

On Friday, a state Senate committee approved the bill, saying it would give Colorado "an enormous economic edge." Vermont and Missouri are considering similar legislation.

Colorado's bill would set up a pilot program to allow 40 acres of industrial hemp to be grown in 1996. In 1997 up to 120 acres could be planted.

Opponents say the hemp plants, used to make rope, cloth and other products, would not be easily distinguished from smokeable marijuana plants, which contain high levels of the drug THC.

Tejano music, was a big winner at an awards ceremony honoring Tejano's best.

The late Grammy winner won six times Saturday at the 1996 Tejano Music Awards, including female entertainer of the year. Emilio Navaira also won six awards.

SECAUCUS, N.J. — Lloyd Bridges received a lifetime achievement award from Beneath the Sea.

The star of 1957-61 television series "Sea Hunt," Bridges introduced millions to the underwater ocean world and helped popularize scuba diving in its infancy.

The 83-year-old actor, whose sons Beau and Jeff are both movie stars, gratefully accepted the award Saturday from the scuba diving trade group Beneath the Sea and spoke out for ocean conservation.

Bridges said he could already see signs of serious ocean pollution in the late 1950s, so when he was approached about renewing the hit series for a fifth season he declined.

"I'd seen what was happening and it seemed ridiculous for me to play cops and robbers underwater," when the show's sponsor was itself a polluter, he said, without naming the sponsor.

NEW YORK — "ER" star George Clooney is suffering from butterflies about swapping hospital greens for tighties when he takes over as the next Batman.

And with good reason. Clooney has big crime-fighting boots to fill, taking over after Michael Keaton and Val Kilmer both scored hits in the title role.

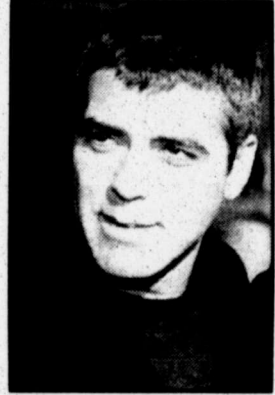
"My God, it's the biggest franchise ever! Nothing can compare," Clooney said in the March 30 TV Guide.

In "Batman and Robin," Clooney battles Arnold Schwarzenegger as the villainous Dr. Freeze, and Uma Thurman as Poison Ivy. Helping protect Gotham City will be Alicia Silverstone as Batgirl and Chris O'Donnell as Robin.

Clooney also is filming "One Fine Day" with Michelle Pfeiffer, but he insisted he will not drop his role as Dr. Doug Ross on the smash NBC series.



Woody Harrelson offers to pick up tab for test crop of hemp.



George Clooney has butterflies about taking over as Batman.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

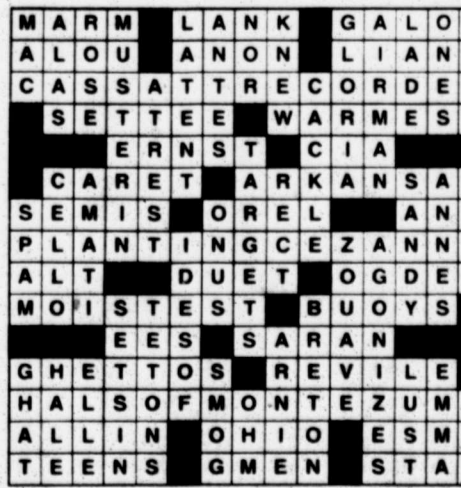
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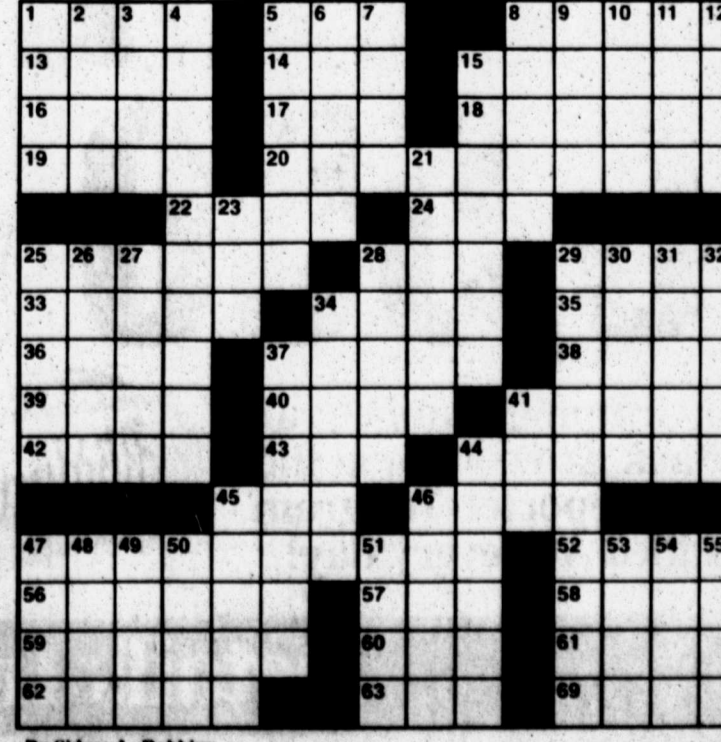
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Herbal remedies, folkways maintain popularity along border areas

By Mary Lee Grant
The McAllen Monitor

MCALLEN — In the growing city of Weslaco, several Sliih Tzu dogs with tiny claws click across the cement floor of the Yerberia Yanez.

A goose in the yard honks raucously, occasionally sticking his head through the back door.

A sign by the cash register informs customers: no checks, no refunds.

Nothing seems particularly unusual about the shop until the owner, Roy Yanez, casually admits he is a "brujo," or warlock.

"I work both black and white magic," he said. A cigarette dances from the very tips of his lips.

"Mainly white." The mustachioed 49-year-old shows no surface signs that he has dealings with the devil. But he said he frequently steps outside and meets with the devil to ask his advice before prescribing an herb. He is perfectly serious when he says he has the ability to metamorphose and fly off to do evil errands far away.

Owners of "yerberias" range from those, like Yanez, who claim supernatural powers, to unbelievers simply out to turn a quick buck on the superstitions of others. Many say they are "curanderos," or healers, who use a combination of folk remedies and religion.

Increasingly, traditional medicine and magic are meeting up with the modern world in the Rio Grande Valley. In an ironic cultural twist, superstition mixes with Catholicism and other religions.

Yerberias can be found in almost every Valley town, small and large. The stores stock a variety of wares that blend traditional Mexican folk healing with magic and modern marketing.

They also display African influences, including the occasional replacement of Catholic saints with African gods, introduced into Mexico when Spanish conquerors and their slaves intermingled with indigenous tribes.

Among the most popular items in stock are those purported to heal age-old ills — lack of love, lack of power and lack of money.

Yerberias increasingly have become big business. One store in Alamo sports a drive-through window for customers on the go. A San Antonio herb store

sends out a mail order catalogue, slick as any L.L. Beene or Victoria's Secret page-turner. Even major grocery store chains, like H.E.B., sell a line of religious and lucky lottery candles.

The booming business in magical candles designed to attract

wealth has brought unexpected prosperity to yerberias along the Mexican border since the peso crashed in December 1994.

The candles, some of them money green, promise good luck, lottery and bingo winnings and good fortune in all financial affairs.

Police woman's conference gets under way

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of women becoming police officers is growing, in Houston and elsewhere.

Although female officers say they're treated the same as their male colleagues, they still face problems.

And on Monday and Tuesday, 350 women from the Houston Police Department will meet for the 3rd Annual Women in Policing Conference.

"Although we are all blue, men and women are different," said Houston Sgt. Jeannine Maughmer, who works in the department's juvenile division. "We are trying to do things in this conference that we don't get in the academy."

The theme for this year's conference, which includes officers and civilian managers, is "Beyond our Differences."

Women in the police force face many of the same problems as working women everywhere — child care, health care, maternity leave, domestic violence and low self-esteem. These problems can be exacerbated by the built-in stress of police work, Sgt. Maughmer said.

Conference topics range from "Maintaining your Femininity" to "Professional Etiquette" and "Building Relationships."

The discussions will give officers a chance to share their problems and discuss ways to improve job performance.

The femininity issue, for example, is an important one for women struggling to learn how to act around mostly male co-workers, said Sgt. Maughmer, who was one of the first women on patrol in HPD.

She said many women think

they must act like a man, walk like a man and be "tough" like a man. These women, she said, risk not being themselves.

"You can still be a female and not compromise your ability to do the job," she said.

Her advice to fellow female officers is to have a sense of humor.

Houston police Officer T.L. Harris responded to a nonemergency call recently at a halfway house where two women were supposedly fighting. Nothing serious, just one woman slapping the other in the face.

But within minutes of her arrival, four more police cars raced into the driveway. They heard the call and came to help.

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they said, because Harris is a woman — the "T" stands for Treenesia.

Women also face problems with suspects. Officer Harris said she once was talking to a suspect who wouldn't take her seriously until she got tough.

"He thought because I was a female, he could squash me," she said.

The 500 female police officers in Houston make up roughly 11 percent of Houston Police Department.

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The tournament will be a handicapped four person scramble with participants making their own teams. The entry fee will be \$500.00 for each foursome. Lunch will be served to all participants and on course refreshments will also be provided. An awards banquet will be held after the tournament and numerous door prizes will be given away.

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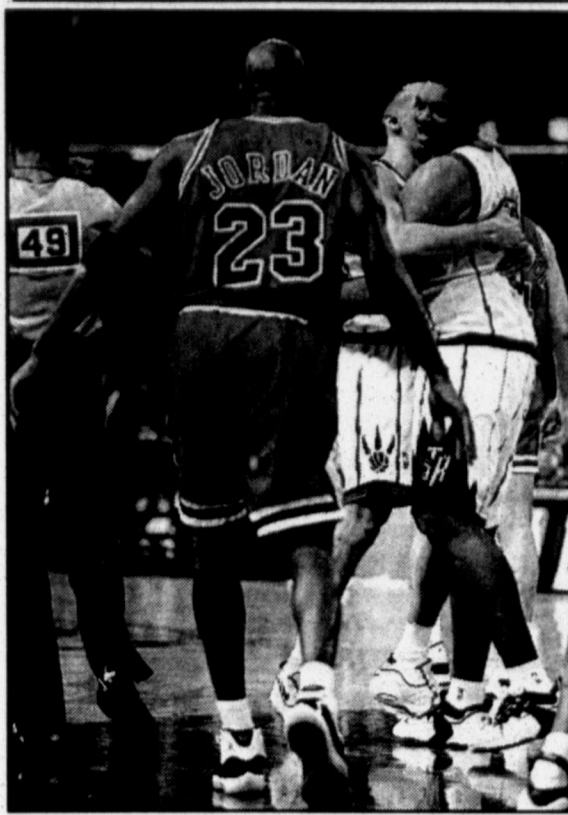
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Toronto's Doug Christie (background, left) hugs teammate Oliver Miller as Chicago's Michael Jordan walks off the court following the Raptors' 109-108 stunning win over the Bulls.

Raptors stab Bulls 109-108

Associated Press

TORONTO — The Toronto Raptors pulled off one of the most unlikely upsets of the NBA Sunday, beating Chicago 109-108 when the Bulls couldn't free Michael Jordan for the last shot. Steve Kerr took it instead, from two feet behind the 3-point arc, and it hit the front of the rim and bounced away.

The Raptors hugged and high-fived, sending the NBA's biggest crowd this year, 36,131, home happy.

It was just the eighth loss of the season for the Bulls, who are still on pace to win an NBA-record 70 games. It also was Chicago's closest game of the year. Their other losses were by at least four points, and they haven't won a one-point game.

Damon Stoudamire scored a career-high 30 points, and his six 3-pointers by the rookie record of 125 set by Dennis Scott in 1989-90. Jordan, who scored Chicago's final 14 points, had 36 and Toni Kukoc added 23. Kerr came off the bench to score 17 for the Bulls, whose six-game winning streak came to an end.

Knicks 85, Mavericks 79
DALLAS — Patrick Ewing scored 17 of his 36 points in the third quarter and hit three critical shots late in the fourth period as New York Knicks beat Dallas, extending the Mavericks' season-long losing streak to 10 games.

Ewing also hauled down 15 rebounds as the Knicks built a 15-point lead and withstood a Dallas rally that cut the lead to 79-77 with 5:09 to play. Ewing scored two quick baskets, and the Mavs, who were led by Popeye Jones' 17 points and 17 rebounds, couldn't recover.

John Starks had 19 points for the Knicks and Derek Harper 13. Jason Kidd had 16 points, 10 assists and 9 rebounds for the Mavs. The Knicks, who trailed by nine points midway in the first quarter, stunned the Mavs with an 11-0 run to end the first half, capped by Ewing's 18-foot shot at the buzzer.

Nets 84, Bucks 80
MILWAUKEE — Milwaukee tied a franchise record with their 11th straight loss, committing two costly fouls in the final 21.3 seconds of a loss to New Jersey.

The Bucks' last 11-game losing streak came in December, 1992 — Mike Dunleavy's first year as coach. Milwaukee also lost 11 straight the previous season and in 1974-75.

Heat 111, Celtics 95
BOSTON — Alonzo Mourning had 27 points and 16 rebounds and Miami won at Boston for the first time in over two years.

Rex Chapman, Walt Williams, and Chris Gatling added 20 points apiece for the Heat and Tim Hardaway had 14 assists. The Heat had a double-digit lead throughout the fourth quarter.

SuperSonics 112, Knicks 110
SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gary Payton capped a career-high 38-point performance with a steal and layup with one second remaining, giving Seattle a win over Sacramento.

Payton just missed a triple-double with 11 rebounds and nine assists and the SuperSonics overcame an 11-point deficit in the final 3 1/2 minutes for their 27th victory in 31 games.

Suns 103, Clippers 92
PHOENIX — Kevin Johnson had 33 points and 15 assists and Phoenix avoided the indignity of being swept by the Clippers in the season series with a victory over Los Angeles.

Charles Barkley added 21 points and 14 rebounds as the Suns hit the .500 mark (34-34) for the 10th time. The Clippers beat the Suns in their first three meetings this season.

Cavaliers 90, Grizzlies 85
CLEVELAND — Danny Ferry scored 13 fourth-quarter points as Cleveland held off a rally and beat Vancouver, sending the Grizzlies to their 18th consecutive loss.

The Grizzlies' losing streak is one away from their season-worst skid of 19 in a row, which lasted from Nov. 7 to Dec. 13.

Ferry finished with 22 points and Michael Cage grabbed 14 rebounds for the Cavaliers.

Bullets 92, Nuggets 90
LANDOVER, Md. — Brent Price hit a driving, one-handed bank shot with 0.7 seconds left, giving Washington a victory over Denver.

Gheorge Muresan scored 11 of his game-high 22 points in the fourth quarter and pulled down 10 rebounds as the Bullets snapped a two-game losing streak. Juwan Howard had 20 points and Calbert Cheaney added 15 as the Bullets beat the Nuggets for the first time in five games.

Dale Ellis led the Nuggets with 16 points off the bench. Antonio McDyess had 15 points and LaPhonso Ellis 14. The Nuggets never led, but Ellis' putback with 3.1 seconds left gave them a 90-90 tie before Price hit the game-winner.

Hornets 103, Lakers 94
INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Larry Johnson had 24 points and 13 rebounds as Charlotte beat Los Angeles to give Allan Bristow his 200th NBA coaching victory.

Magic Johnson had 28 points and eight rebounds for the Lakers, who lost their second in a row for the first time since Jan. 2. Glen Rice had 21 points and Kenny Anderson had 19 points and 10 assists for Charlotte, which remained a half-game behind Miami for the eighth and final playoff spot in the East.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROJECT PLANNING DOCUMENTS
The City of Midland proposes to construct an expansion and add improvements to their Water Pollution Control Plant. Existing plant capacity of 15 million gallons of sewerage per day will be expanded to treat 21 million gallons per day. A new primary sewerage pumping station and four new clarifiers will be constructed. The remainder of the plant will be remodeled and modernized. The purpose of the project is to accommodate growth of the City and to meet Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission permit requirements. The total estimated cost of the project is fourteen million, seven hundred thousand dollars. An application for financial assistance for the project has been filed with the Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231 Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-3231. An Environmental Assessment and Engineering Feasibility Report on the project has been prepared and will be available for public review at the City Hall, Room 340, 300 North Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701 between the hours of 9:00 and 12:00 A.M. and 1:30 and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday for 30 days following the date of this notice. Written comments on the proposed project may be sent to Mr. Kenneth Jones at City Hall, or to the Water Development Board.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Local Employee Committee for the State Employee Charitable Campaign will begin accepting applications beginning on March 22, 1996 from health and human service organizations desiring to participate in the 1996 Odessa/Midland State Employee Charitable Campaign. Agencies desiring to apply should contact 915-332-0941 for an admission application. All applications must be received by the Local Employee Committee at the Local Campaign Manager office, 128 East Second, Odessa, TX 79761, no later than 5:00 pm, April 15, 1996.

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Rodney Wilson, W.M. Al Talbot, Sec.

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EXPERIENCED, enthusiastic, chair side assistant needed for busy restorative and cosmetic practice. Please send resume to: Andrew Kauffman DDS, P.O. Box 8307, Midland, TX 79708.

FULL-TIME position for Medical Receptionist. Previous experience in physicians office required. Benefits. Send resumes to: Box F-35, c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland Texas, 79702.

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336 Adult Care Providers

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CHILD CARE- Mother of 3 will provide a Fun, Clean & Safe environment. Fannin school district. 687-1909.

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★ GOOD SNOW Cone or Storage Building. 10' x 10', air conditioner, weather head attached, security lights, on skids. Asking \$2,500. 520-2428.

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SCOOTER'S Farm & Ranch Supply. Long time established business dealing in saddles, tack and horse supplies. Located on Rankin Hwy. 3 miles south of I-20. Selling the business, inventory and real estate. For details call Carl Armstead at Omega Properties, 685-3459.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

(2) TORO 21" commercial mowers. Toro 5 hp vacuum blower, tiller 5 hp. 694-3779, 2806 W. Ohio.

ONE ONLY Carmel style hot tub. Display model. 40% off. Call 563-1807.

SYLVANIA CONSOLE TV, 26 inch, \$75. 686-1971 After 6 pm.

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AMANA Refrigerator side by side. 2 window A/C, bedroom suite. 687-0840.

COIN COLLECTORS. Philadelphia error pennies, Flying Liberty, doubled reverse, die cracks, filled letters, etc. Over 500 coins. \$10 each. 366-5080.

TANNING lotions, below retail, all brands. 520-9149.

CARPET- Mohawk Leading Lady, Matinee taupe color, 150 sq. yards, 1 1/2 years old. 697-5771.

RIDING/ MOWERS golf clubs, heaters, stoves, appliances, washer/ dryers, recliners, furniture, couches, bar stools, Volkswagens. 570-4851.

DOLLS from your childhood also new at excellent prices. 550-2626.

ABOVE GROUND Pools with free sand filter, maintenance kit and start up chemicals. Call 563-1807.

CLOTHES RACKS- hangers- store fixtures- accessories. Rainbow trade center. 1503 W. Industrial Ave. 570-4408.

20" GIRLS BIKE, queen size headboard, outdoor furniture/ 4 chairs and glass top table. 699-5693.

ONE ONLY Carmel style hot tub. Display model. 40% off. Call 563-1807.

430 Household Goods

ONE ONLY 24' x 4' round above ground pool. Installation available. Call 563-1807.

LIKE NEW muted striped queen size sleeper sofa \$250; small dinette with 2 chairs \$50; antique cedar chest \$100. 699-6979.

★ A & B APPLIANCES. Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves. Free Delivery. 90 day warranty. 550-6540.

ELECTRIC RANGE- Whirlpool stove, white with black front, glass door, 6 months old, \$300. 699-2344.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

CENTURY 7 ft. dining table with 6 matching Century high back gold chairs. \$2,200. Days 683-8774.

FOR SALE: Ivory colored youth bed, \$150. oyster colored upholstered chair \$50, gold and white twin canopy bed, \$75. V-Tech video rider, \$50. All in good condition. 697-7176 or 694-2817.

40% OFF all discontinued model hot tubs. Limited availability. Call 563-1807.

MAYTAG washer and dryer. Good condition. \$150. Call 570-8323 after 5 pm.

YOUTH BEDROOM Suite Young-Hinkle. Oak with brass hardware in great condition. 13 pieces: Loft bunk beds, 2 desks, 2 chairs, 4 chests, 2 hutches, 1 bookcase. Purchased new for \$6,000. Will take \$1,500. 694-5569.

BUYING-SELLING-TRADING all types of nice used furniture, antiques, TV's, VCR's, glass display, tools and miscellaneous. 1503 W. Industrial Ave. 10-5. Tuesday-Sunday. 686-9635, Gary.

DESK, credenza, filing cabinet, chair. \$350. 4 oak bar stools, \$35 each. Oak baby bed, \$35. console TV \$100. All very good condition. 697-0641.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

DREXEL KING Bed, \$300. Custom king spread, \$300. Thomsenville twin beds, \$300 each. New twin covered & dust ruffle, \$100. Wicker settee, \$125. Mahogany twin table, \$125.

8 1/2" x 11 1/2" Wool rug, \$700. Pictures, lamps, table skirts. 694-8159.

FORMAL DINING Room Table, 6 chairs. Best offer. Call 550-0383.

WROUGHT IRON Glass top table/ 4 chairs, Computer desk, Twin size comforter/ matching curtains. 520-2541

OAK DINING set, Lighted china, excellent condition, \$1000 or best offer. 684-4731.

BEAUTIFUL Polski oak dining table with 6 chairs. Excellent condition. \$625. 689-7923.

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IMMACULATE King size water bed suite. Like new mauve living room suite. 689-2340 or leave message.

DREXEL Queen size bed unit, 2 armchairs, light board. Paid \$3,500 new. Will take \$1,200. Excellent condition. Matching writing table, 2 speakers. \$200. 570-9072.

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, free frame mattress and box set. Free frame or delivery. 550-5123.

2 SIDE BY Side refrigerators, in excellent condition, 1 with water & icemaker. Kenmore dryer, works good. 683-2575.

440 Firewood

TURF SPECIALTIES FIREWOOD. 2427 E. Hwy. 80. Many varieties available. Delivered or do it yourself. Call 684-7166 or 570-7166.

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1 YEAR old Bird dog. German short haired English Pointer cross. Call 689-6813.

FREE HOUSE- 2 bedroom. You move it or tear it down for materials. Call 682-1026.

600 Pets & Supplies

DOBERMAN Puppies 5 weeks old. \$75. Cash only. Call 570-8927.

WIRE FOX Terrier puppies. AKC. Males. Born 2/19/96. Parents on premises. (915) 573-8341, leave message.

12 x 20 DOUBLE door storage building. Delivery available. Call 563-1807.

NEED HOME for neglected sisters. (2 Boston Terrier mix), spayed, shots current. 697-1192.

DOG TRAINING in your home. Obedience and problem corrections. 520-3175.

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AKC registered female Boxer, ears cropped and standing. Asking \$300. 570-4168 or 570-5232.

SMALL Rat Terrier, all shots, \$125 cash. 694-6517.

AKC Chihuahuas, AKC Yorkshire Terriers. Shots, vet checked. J & L Kennels, 334-8946 appointment only.

VIZSLA PUPS, 7 weeks old, ready to get Excellent bloodline from seller owned sire & dam. \$500. (214) 771-1546.

1 YEAR old Sorrel stallion colt. Strong bloodlines, has papers. Call 687-6707.

GOLF CLUBS- Irons and woods. Cobra, Founders, Callaway and Ping. Call 697-9620.

LIFESTYLE 1300 Pulsemonitor Treadmill. Cost \$600. Sell \$200. Aerobic Fitness Cycle Airgometer. Excercise, Cost \$300. Sell \$150. Call 699-1555.

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NORDIC FLEX GOLF, multiple exercises. New \$1,000, asking \$500. Call 697-2525.

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460 Antiques & Art

ANTIQUA FURNITURE FOR LESS Unit #3, Advantage Storage, 5000 N. Lamesa and Solomon Lane. Open Fridays-Saturdays, 10-5.

OAK CHINA CABINET. Ceria 1890. Taylor made, lighted mirrored with glass shelves. \$2,150. Call 684-6119.

THE Cats Meow Antique Mall, 408 Andrews Highway, Midland - Saturday, 10 - 6. We buy and sell antiques. (915) 687-2004.

VISIT THE Doll House- Antiques Etc. Plaza Center, Wadley & Garfield. 682-9257.

MIDLAND ESTATE SALES AND AUCTION SERVICE. Call Judy Keith 689-3536 or Danna Keith 683-9234.

FINAL MARK DOWN! 15-85% OFF! Concepts in Antiques Etc. Sales ends March 31st.

BUFFET, hall trees bed, small & large wardrobes, tables, chairs, old quilts, clocks, area rugs, baskets, rabbits, eggs, etc. All music boxes 20% off. AM & FM Antiques & Gifts, 1025 N. Dixie, Odessa, 332-7490.

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SANTA FE APARTMENTS 1 bedroom, 1st months rent FREE/ 2 bedrooms \$99, both \$75 deposit. 10% Senior Citizens Discount. 694-1349

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Garage Sale Ad Package \$20

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★ 2 Days
★ ★★ Stand Out Emblem
★ Garage Sale Kit (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. \$4 Value!)

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311 Medical Help Wanted

CNA's & CARE ATTENDANTS. Must have reliable transportation and must be dependable. Come by Interim Health Care, 5050 E. University, Suite 4, Odessa. Monday thru Friday 8-5 or please call 550-7593.

LICENSED Dental Hygienist to fill in for maternity leave- July through August. Send resume to Box D-28, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

DENTAL ASSISTING- Local dentist now accepting applications for Dental Assisting School. Classes limited. Call 683-5042.

LVN's, Medication Aide & Certified Nursing Aide. State Certified. Full-time. Great opportunity for caring, dedicated people. All shifts. Must be dedicated to long term care. Apply in person: Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage. 683-5403.

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REGISTERED NURSE

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. is seeking a Registered Nurse for a full time QA position. A minimum of 1-2 years homehealth experience preferred. Must have current licensure as a Registered Nurse in the state of Texas. Excellent Pay! Benefits. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 5336, Midland, Texas 79704. Attn: Lon Wingate, E.O.E.

RRT, CRTT Marketing Representative. Need marketing representative specializing in respiratory therapy with strong communications skills for national company in the Midland/Odessa area. Full-time. Must have strong communication skills. Competitive Salary. Contact Dave Woodell, 800-254-0644. Resume to StoneCreek, 1017 Elm St., #103, Carrollton, TX 75006, or fax to (214) 446-2779.

LVN NEEDED. 26 hours per week (every Thursday & every other Saturday & Sunday- 13 hour shifts) for busy clinic. Send resume to: First Care, 2310 W. Ohio, Midland, TX 79701.

312 Professional Help Wanted

SOCIAL WORKER- part time. MSW preferred. Contact Billie Phillips, Director of Nursing, West Texas Dialysis, (915) 267-2903.

CUSTOMER SERVICE Representative for a growing company. Good benefits, competitive salary. Must be people oriented with excellent communication skills. Experience in real estate, mortgage banking or land title work a must. Call South Plains Mortgage Company at 520-4150.

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