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City accepts Messer's bid for property

By DONALD M. COOPER **Brand Editor**

After a few false starts, the Hereford City Commission has agreed to sell 25.4 acres from the Jake Diel property.

The tract, located near the junction of Progressive Road and 15th Street, had been on the commission agenda more than once, with the commissioners tabling the matter on occasion.

At the June 1 workshop session, the commissioners discussed the sale of the Diel Industrial Park property, with Mayor Bob Josserand noting the city earlier had offered the tract for sale in two or more parcels.

The original bid was rejected and the commissioners had agreed to offer the property as one parcel.

At the regular meeting on June 1, the commissioners voted to advertise for bids on the property, which was to be sold in one parcel. The commissioners accepted the high bid of \$36,593.53 from Johnny

Messer Trucking. The company proposes to expand its current trucking operation and

build a truck wash and detail center. Messer also will ask to connect to city water and sewer service for the property. Three other bids were received for the property. They were from Top

of Texas Inc. (\$20,000.21), C&W Equipment Co. (\$26,000); and M&M Express (\$25,273). The commissioners also approved the extension of water and sewer service to property west of P.B.I. and across Sugar Road from the estate

of Elsie Miner. The property is for sale, with the heirs asking for the extension to improve its value. Water and sewer lines already are close to the property.

In other business, the commissioners: - Approved a resolution establishing the process for filing a grievance connected with the construction of improvements funded through a Community Development Block Grant. The resolution is required as part of the grant

Adopted an ordinance establishing an interlocal agreement for the licensing of electrical contractors.

City Manager Chester Nolen said area cities have had problems with electrical contractors who were not licensed to work locally, although they had accepted jobs. The Panhandle Regional Electrical Licensing Agency was established through the cooperation of the major cities in the region to handle the testing and licensing of electricians. Each city will collect its own fees;

The commission also approved an amendment to the city code to provide for acceptance of electrical licenses issued by the regional agency;

- Approved a request from the Hereford Economic Development Corp. HEDC granted Caviness Packing \$50,000 to help with the construction of a wastewater pipeline, which will enable the company to comply with Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission regulations;

 Tabled an HEDC request for approval of an amendment to the agreement with American Modular Buildings, which will allow HEDC to continue its financial assistance if the company employs six or more instead of 10 or more workers. The commissioners wanted more information from the company; and

 Appointed Brian McCaw to a four-year term on the city's Building Code Board of Adjustments and Appeals. The term will expire June 2002.



Preparing to destroy worn flags

Andrew Artho (center) and David Quiroz (right), members of Scout Troop 50, prepare to burn worn and unserviceable United States flags during a ceremony held Friday evening at the American Legion Post. Artho collected and was responsible for the proper disposal of 164 such flags as his Eagle Scout project. Also pictured are Scout leader Arnold Artho (holding flags) and Randy Evers.

Photo by Becky Camp

U.S.-CHINA

Lott holds criticism until Clinton's back home

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senate and that Congress may have to commitments to the island. "repair the damage that has been done.

press ahead with its investigation into organizations technology transfers and campaign contributions.

China for another year would be will further isolate Taiwan. upheld by Congress.

forceful enough with Chinese leaders chairman, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., in other areas, including nuclear and other leaders to consider whether proliferation and the issue of the Senate should adopt a resolution technology transfers.

Majority Leader Trent Lott asserted what he said on Taiwan," Lott said. done." today that President Clinton's adding his voice to that of other comments on Taiwan during his conservatives who have suggested China trip were counterproductive Clinton's comments altered U.S.

At issue: Clinton's statement in Shanghai last week laying out what The Mississippi Republican, who is called the U.S.-China "three no's" held off criticizing Clinton while he policy: no support for an independent was in China, said the Senate would Taiwan, no recognition for a separate act this month on a package of bills Taiwanese government, no backing designed to penalize China and would of Taiwan's entry into international

Although other U.S officials have made identical statements in the past, He gave Clinton good marks for Clinton's public reiteration of the his comments on human rights while three no's was the first by a U.S. in China. Lott also suggested that president. Some leaders in Taiwan Clinton's decision to extend called the remarks a concession to most-favored-nation trade benefits to Clinton's Chinese hosts, and said it

Lott said he would confer with the Lott said the president was not Senate Foreign Relations Committee restating U.S. policy on Taiwan "to

of the Senate.

praise to Clinton's general performance during the nine-day visit. But policy." Lott and other critics of his China policy promised to keep up the pressure for a series of bills progressing through Congress that condemn various Chinese policies

Even so, some Republicans suggested the fact that Clinton had discussed human rights and other divisive issues publicly while in China may have strengthened his hand in dealing with Congress.

For one thing, it probably helped him pick up support for extending most-favored-nation trade status to China, suggested Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., one of Congress' most outspoken critics of the administration's China policy.

"I think there's going to be a abortions.

"He was counterproductive on repair the damage that has been fuzzy feeling for a while, but none of the underlying realities have "Congress has acted in the past to changed," Hutchinson said in an give direction on Taiwan," Lott said interview. "I think there will be no at a news conference held on the floor long-lasting impact as far as changing the relationship between our Republican leaders gave grudging governments until there are fundamental changes in human rights

> Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., chairman of the House committee looking into whether U.S. satellite exports to China were influenced by campaign contributions, said, "To the extent that the president addressed human rights, it was very well received by the country and the Congress.

> Even so, Cox added that he doubts Clinton's trip will have any long-lasting impact on the way Congress votes on China.

Legislation sponsored by Cox and opposed by the administration would ban travel to the United States by Chinese officials involved in forced

Clinton orders crackdown on firms denying coverage

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton today stepped up pressure on health insurance companies to abide by a new law that bars them from denying coverage based on pre-existing illnesses or conditions

The president directed the Office of Personnel Management to inform insurers covering federal employees that they must meet all the requirements of the 1996 Kennedy-Kassebaum health insurance

Clinton wants to make clear to insurance companies that they must certify they are complying with Kennedy-Kassebaum if they intend to do business with the federal government. Clinton's order affects 350 health plans offered to federal employees and their

The president acted out of concern over reports that some insurance companies were denying health benefits to people with pre-existing conditions when they changed jobs.

Under the law, co-sponsored by Sen. Edward M.

Kennedy, D-Mass., and former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum Baker, R-Kan., people moving from one job to another are supposed to be promptly eligible for coverage through the new employer if it provides health benefits to employ-

As part of the president's initiative, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners agreed to inform the federal government of any violations found

Glenn Pomeroy, the association president and North Dakota insurance commissioner, told The New York Times: "We are pleased to work with the administration in a partnership to make sure that everyone entitled to the protections of the Kassebaum-Kennedy law gets them.

Federal and state officials said they could not immediately identify companies that had violated the 1996 law, the Times reported in today's editions. But state officials said they would probably discover violations when they investigated complaints or conducted routine examinations of insurers' practices.

NEWS in brief

Floridians view devastation from fires

PALM COAST, Fla. (AP) - David and Martha Stump braced for the worst when they fled their four-bedroom home as flames moved closer to their wooded neighborhood.

So when they returned on Monday, after a three-day evacuation of Flagler County was lifted, they weren't surprised to find their house leveled to a pile of ashes scattered among the burned and twisted metal of their freezer, refrigerator and washer. A birdbath adorned with a praying figurine was the only thing left standing in their scorched yard.

We figured when we left because the fire was so close that it would be gone," said Mrs. Stump, 65, as she and her 71-year-old husband took pictures of the chared property.

The Stumps were mong the unluckiest of the more than 40,000 Flagler County residents who returned to their homes. Most found woods and fields charred but their homes unscathed. Even the weather seemed to cooperate Monday - if began to rain over

central Florida. More thunderstorms were possible this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday.

All of Flagler County was ordered evacuated Friday for fear that four fires would merge and burn all the way to the Atlantic Ocean. By Monday morning, firefighters had managed to contain the blazes, though the threat of flare-ups remained.

Other parts of Florida weren't faring so well. Forestry officials turned their attention to Bay County in the Panhandle, where three fires caused by lightning strikes had burned together into a 600-acre blaze. In Collier County, fire destroyed a home.

Retired general's behavior deemed inappropriate

WASHINGTON (AP) - A retired two-star Army general "engaged in a pattern of inappropriate behavior" with the wives of four subordinates while he was the top American military officer at a NATO base in Turkey, an internal Pentagon investigation concludes.

Maj. Gen. David Hale also sanctioned the misuse of government funds for travel and made "false and misleading statements" to investigators and Pentagon officials, said the report by Defense Department Inspector General Eleanor Hill.

A copy of the 49-page report was obtained Monday by The Associated The allegations involve a period from 1996 to 1997 while Hale was

stationed in Turkey as the deputy commanding general for NATO land forces in southeastern Europe.

The Army announced last week that it was opening a criminal investigation of Hale, 53, who retired earlier this year after serving only four months as the Army's deputy inspector general.

He has not been available for comment. The inspector general's report, however, said Hale "strongly denied all the allegations of inappropriate

Heat wave continues in Texas

By The Associated Press

Heat is expected to continue ratcheting up thermometers across most of Texas after a brief holiday weekend respite.

The widespread showers and thunderstorms that helped cool much of the state earlier have all but disappeared, allowing the heat to return in force.

Morning temperatures today ranged from 70 degrees at Dalhart to 88 degrees at Dallas-Love Field. Winds were generally out of the south at 5 to 15 mph.

Monday was the hottest July 6 on record in four Texas cities. Del Rio's mercury mark topped the list with 106, breaking a record of 104 set in 1994. Amarillo, Brownsville and San Antonio also had record highs in excess of 100.

The North Texas forecast was for mostly clear and sunny through Wednesday, with a heat advisory in effect for most of the area. Highs should range from 100 to 106, with lows from the mid 70s to near 80.

West Texas can expect partly cloudy skies and isolated thunderstorms possible through Wednesday. Highs should be near 100 with lows mostly in the 70s. The Rio Grande Valley, however, is expected to reach

The South Texas outlook was for mostly clear skies as a result of a high pressure system. Highs should be in the upper 90s and lower 100s, with lows in the 70s and 80s.

when workers move from one job to another.

by state officials.

Fallout continues from CNN story

By The Associated Press

CNN's top executive said he tried to resign in the wake of the network's retracted story about U.S. military use of nerve gas against Vietnam War defectors, but was rebuffed by network founder Ted Turner, published reports said today.

Two producers have been fired and one resigned when CNN last week admitted to mistakes in its report, which was heavily criticized by the military.

Tom Johnson, CNN's chief executive, told staff members in a conference call Monday that he twice submitted his resignation but was rejected.

Rick Kaplan, president of CNN/USA, said he had

considered quitting but decided not to. Johnson also said he is considering further action against Peter Arnett, the veteran war correspondent who was reprimanded for the June 7 report.

Accounts of Johnson's comments were published today in The Washington Post, New York Daily News and The Wall Street Journal.

Also today, CNN was expected to appoint Rick Davis, an executive in charge of the network's Washington news shows, to a new position as ombudsman to watch that journalistic standards are

The two producers fired for reporting on the secret 1970 "Tailwind" mission defended their work Monday on CNN's "Crossfire" program, saying executives retracted the story because "they couldn't take the

Johnson and other executives talked about the fallout to staff members in conference calls on Monday. Some CNN employees pointedly wondered why producers lost their jobs because of the story but top executives survived, according to The Washington Post.

Kaplan, who joined CNN last summer from ABC, said he considered quitting but decided he had not played a significant enough role in the story's editing, the Post said.

HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

"Birthday" T-shirts offered

Junior Historians are taking orders for and delivering the official "100th Birthday" T-shirts. Employees in numerous businesses are wearing the T-shirts on Fridays to help promote the August 1-8 celebration.

Classes or groups having reunions are invited to order the shirts with "HHS Class of 19??" printed on them.

Call Diedra Drake, 364-3213, or Carolyn Waters, 364-0596, to place orders.

Better Breathers Club meeting

Hereford EMS, Joe Hamby, will speak to the attendees of the Hereford Better Breathers' Club, 4 p.m. Thursday in the new cardio-pulmonary rehab unit at Hereford Regional Medical Center. His topic will include when to call for emergency services and what information will be needed.

The meeting is sponsored by HRMC, National Home health Care and the American Lung Association as a public service to individuals, families, and health care workers who deal chronic breathing problems.

For more information or to reserve a space contact Frank SanMiguel at 364-4422 or Mary Beckman at 364-2141.

Mostly cloudy

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the upper 60s, northeast to east wind 5-15 mph.

Wednesday, becoming partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms, high around 90, east wind 10-15 mph. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the upper 60s.

Extended forecast

Thursday, partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms late. High around 90.

Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy with a chance of late afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms, lows in the upper 60s, highs in the upper 90s.

Monday recap

High, 101; low, 69; no precipitation.

Judge begins questioning would-be jurors

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas (AP) -The judge in the capital murder trial of former Air Force Academy cadet David Graham began questioning potential jurors individually this morning about how publicity on the case may have affected them.

Judge Don Leonard excused five who said they already had formed an opinion about the case. At mid-morning Leonard had questioned 12 of the 30 people summoned for interviews this morning.

'Some of you, or maybe most of you, have heard about this case." Leonard told prospective jurors as they assembled throughout the day Monday. "It is critically important Prosecutors allege Miss Zamora

Because of extensive news media coverage, particularly in North Texas, the judge moved Graham's trial from Fort Worth in Tarrant County to this town 30 miles northeast of San Antonio.

Graham's ex-fiancee, Diane Zamora, who had been a Naval Academy cadet, was convicted of capital murder in February in Fort Worth and is serving a life sentence.

Both Graham and Miss Zamora were charged with killing 16-year-old Adrianne Jones, a high school classmate with whom Graham allegedly had a brief romantic fling.

that you set aside what you may have became jealous and ordered Graham to kill the girl.

> Graham, 20, sat attentively and showed an occasional smile in court Monday. As he was introduced to the jury pool, Graham, wearing a dark blue suit and sporting a short haircut, stood up straight and appeared confident beside his three lawyers.

At the request of the victim's family, prosecutors did not seek the death penalty against Graham or Miss Zamora. The other possible punishment for a capital murder conviction is life in prison.

"The real story here will be if David Graham gets off lighter than capital murder," said prosecutor Mike Parrish.

Defense attorney Dan Cogdell, noting the judge's gag order, declined Monday to answer questions from reporters about his defense strategy.

He acknowledged the trial will be a tough one for the defense.

"Any time there's a case with a confession and a case when the co-defendant has been convicted on the front page of every newspaper in the country, it'd be folly not to think it's a difficult case," Cogdell said. "How difficult? Time will tell."

Cogdell said he hasn't decided if Graham will testify.

"I wish he would," Parrish said of the possibility. "I think it would benefit the state.

Perhaps the most damaging piece of evidence against Graham is a confession he spent two hours typing while detained in a military lockup in Colorado nine months after the Dec. 4, 1995, slaying.

According to the statement, Miss Zamora hid in the back of her parents' car while Graham, her high school sweetheart, drove Miss Jones to an isolated lake. Then Miss Zamora hit Miss Jones in the head with a dumbbell weight and Graham allegedly shot Miss Jones.

The two weren't arrested until the following September after they'd both left Texas to attend the military academies.

On Monday, Judge Leonard asked nearly 200 potential jurors as a group whether they knew any of the figures in the case and whether they had criminal charges against them or other circumstances preventing jury

A total of 20 were excused Monday, leaving 161 people in the

The judge is questioning the jury pool himself through Thursday. The defense and prosecution attorneys will question prospective jurors early



Holiday fires

Hereford firefighters had a relatively peaceful Fourth of July holiday with only two fires touched off by fireworks. Officials said the media helped keep the number of fires down by announcing restrictions due to dry conditions.

<u>THE ASSOCIATED PRESS</u> News in brief

Police dig for bones of woman missing since 1948

DENTON (AP) - The long-forgotten case of a college student who vanished 50 years ago has been reopened after a tip from an elderly man who claims to have known the woman's killers.

Police excavated the earthen dam of a stock tank east of downtown Denton on Monday, sifting dirt for the remains of Virginia Carpenter.

The 21-year-old woman was last seen on June 1, 1948, after arriving in town to begin summer school at Texas State College for Women, now Texas Women's University.

Police were never able to crack the case. No suspects were ever named. Denton County Sheriff Weldon Lucas said the informant, now in his 70s, came forward about two months ago to say he knew who killed Ms. Carpenter and where she was buried.

Former executive loses \$150,000 in loan, investment scam

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Former auto executive John DeLorean was a victim of an investment con artist with a high pressure, too-good-to-be-true sales pitch that combined no-risk, high return investments with multi-million dollar loans that would pay for themselves - for a limited time only, so

Federal prosecutors announced Monday that James D. Vicars had agreed to plead guilty to one count of wire fraud for posing as the ersatz "executive trustee" of Global Missions, Inc., of Euless, Texas, with hundreds of millions of dollars ready for lending.

But DeLorean and another businessman never received the loans they were after, since neither Vicars nor his business had any assets to lend. Instead, the two men were dragged through years of paperwork and preliminaries, handing over thousands of dollars in deposits and fees they have yet to recover.

Back in 1993, DeLorean hoped to refinance the mortgage on his farm in Bedminster, N.J. - but over the next two years, prosecutors say he gave Vicars \$151,512 trying to close the loan before catching onto the scam.

That's \$151,512 that the financially-strapped DeLorean won't be able to pay his many attorneys and creditors. Just two months ago, the U.S. Supreme Court cleared the way for his attorney, Mayer Morganroth, to collect more than \$4.7 million in legal fees.

capital murder charges in the dragging death of a black man. The three could face the death penalty; no trial date has been set.

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a.m. Monday in St. Anthony's Medlin of Waxahachie; her father, were under the direction of Rix Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gallagher died Friday at St.

She was born Oct. 4, 1940, in

include the following:

Elsewhere

DRAGGING DEATH: A grand jury has indicted three white men on

Obituaries

Gallagher, 57, of Hereford were 10 Pearson of Hobbs and John Michael

Catholic church with Msgr. Orville G.S. Wheeler of Hereford; grand-Blum officiating. Burial was in St. mother Blanche Moseley of Hereford Anthony's Cemetery. Arrangements and three grandchildren,

MANUELA AGUIRRE

Funeral services for Manuela Aguirre, 90, of Brady, were Monday at the Wilkerson Memorial Chapel of Brady. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery.

Survivors include six sons, including Paul Aguirre of Hereford, and several grandchildren.

Air Force planning \$2.75

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - It will take the U.S. Air Force 12 years and \$2.75 million to clean up contaminated soil at Brooks Air Force Base, an official says.

Jason Gorden, restoration program manager for the 1,310-acre base that employs 4,379 people, said Monday that additional funds will be needed to extract chemical vapors and polluted groundwater from wells on the base.

The plan also does not include specific treatment for fuels and solvents that have been moved off-base through a layer of shallow underground water.

degradation of those chemicals, he said.

Officials instead plan to allow natural

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Two border guards, shot, killed

SAN BENITO, Texas (AP) - Two another shooting.

were stopped later. Officers wounded immediately available. one gunman and another fled and was barricading himself from authorities, officials said. The initial incident occurred

around 5:30 a.m. in Rio Hondo, a Harlingen suburb. Cameron County Sheriff's Department officers chased the suspects' white pickup truck, but they lost sight of the vehicle and called for help, said San Benito police patrolman Albert Aguirre.

Two Border Patrol agents from the McAllen Sector were the first to reach the truck and pull it over, Aguirre said, adding that a Cameron County deputy arrived soon after.

An exchange of gunfire killed a SWAT team were at the scene. The Border Patrol agents were shot to female Border Patrol agent and a Edinburg unit has an armored vehicle. death and a sheriff's deputy was male contengue, said agency for last time a Border Patrol agent injured this morning in a gunbattle spokeswoman Letty Garza in with suspects who were fleeing from McAllen. The deputy was wounded and taken to Valley Baptist hospital The suspects took off again and in Harlingen. Identities were not

A second pursuit ensued, ending about 10 miles southeast in San Benito.

"The only thing we have is they were chased out of town, there was another confrontation and the suspect was wounded," Aguirre said.

The wounded suspect was taken to Valley Regional Medical Center in Harlingen. The second suspect holed up in a residential area about 20 miles north of the U.S-Mexico

Agents from the Border Patrol, the Department of Public Safety, Cameron County and the Edinburg

was killed the line of duty in Texas was January 1996, when Jefferson Barr, 33, was shot near Eagle Pass, about 250 northwest from San Benito. Details of the initial shootout were still sketchy, officers said.



AUSTIN (AP) - One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$25 million. It was sold in Dallas.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 10-14-16-34-39-42.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-4-8 AUSTIN (AP) - The winning

Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 4-15-23-27-30 AUSTIN (AP) - The winning

Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-1-2

Any ideas or suggestions? If it's news to you, then it's news to us. If you have any suggestions for new or feature stories, just give us a call at The Brand:

PATSY ANN GALLAGHER July 3, 1998

Funeral services for Patsy Ann

Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

Hereford and was a lifelong resident. she was a homemaker. She attended St. Anthony's Catholic Church. She married Pat Gallagher on Dec. 26,

Survivors include her husband, Pat Gallagher: two sons, Gary Gallagher of Clovis and Steve Gallagher of Hereford; one daughter, Jamie Burns

of Hereford; two sisters, Gerry Lynn Sigman of San Antonio and Mary Rosel of Austin; two brothers, Tony

The family requests memorials be made to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice of Amarillo or the St. Anthony's Endowment Fund.

July 4, 1998

-- A 29-year-old man was arrested

Emergency services

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests -- A 30-year-old man was arrested -- A theft was reported in the 100 in the 200 block of Avenue C. and charged with driving while intoxicat-

-- A 32-year-old man was arrested at Whittier and George and charged

with driving while intoxicated. -- A 19-year-old man was arrested in the 900 block of East First and charged with possession of marijuana.

-- A 29-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Norton and charged with domestic assault. -- A 51-year-old man was arrested

at Mable and Avenue K and charged with reckless driving. -- A 31-year-old man was arrested

in the 200 block of Lee for outstanding traffic warrants. -- A 21-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of 15th for outstand-

ing traffic warrants. -- A 37-year-old man was arrested in the 800 block of Knight and

charged with disorderly conduct. -- A 40-year-old man was arrested at Seventh and Mckinley and charged with public intoxication.

-- A 27-year-old man was arrested on 15th and Avenue H on outstanding traffic warrants

arrested and charged with assaulting

her husband and a police officer. -- A 45-year old man was arrested 300 block of Avenue H. and charged with driving a motor vehicle without a license.

services personnel for July 4-6, 1998, DPS warrants. .Incidents

-- An assault was reported at 13th' and Avenue K.

block of Avenue A. -- A criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of East Park.

-- Domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of West -- A runaway was reported in the

-A criminal trespass was reported 385 in Castro County. in the 100 block of La Villa Dr. -- A bicycle, valued at \$100, was

reported stolen from the 500 block of

200 block of Union.

Avenue J. -- A burglary of a residence was reported in the 200 block of Avenue

-- A burglary of a residence was reported in 600 block of Irving.

-- A woman reported her son-inlaw used a baseball bat to bash in the front windshield of her car. Criminal mischief charges are expected to be

-- A man was reported as exposing himself in the 1100 block of West Park Avenue. -- A man reported his ex-wife was

harassing him. -- A suspicious person was -- A 19-year-old woman was reported in the 400 block of East

> -- a loud party was reported in the -- A prowler was reported inthe

500 block of Avenue G. -- A woman reported her exin the 100 block of South 25 Mile boyfriend was harassing her in the

Activities reported by emergency Avenue and charged with outstanding 1500 block of East First Street. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

-- A 20-year-old man was arrested for violation of probation on a theft by check charge. A 33-year-old man was arrested

Incidents

-- A burglary was reported. -- A runaway was reported. FIRE DEPARTMENT July 3, 1998

for violation of probation.

-- 2:09 p.m. Firefighters responded to a controlled burn 10 miles south on -- 3:03 p.m. Firefighters responded to wreck rescue in the labor camp.

-- 9:18 p.m. Firefighters responded

to a smoke scare at 137 Ironwood. July 4, 1998 -- 10:19 p.m. Firefighters responded to 212 Sixth to cut a child

out of a bicycle. -- 10:33 p.m. Firefighters responded to a CRP grassfire at Road M and 16. The fire was touched off by lightning.

July 5, 1998 -- 12:01 a.m. Firefighters responded to Road E and 12 for a controlled burn that got out of

-- 4:03 p.m. Firefighters responded to the 200 block of Avenue J for a vreck rescue. July 6, 1998

-- 5:06 p.m. Firefighters responded to a grassfire, set off by fireworks, six miles south on 385.

-- 5:33 p.m. Firefighters responded to a grassfire, set off by fireworks, in the 200 block of Kingwood.

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Lifestyles

Cultural center director campaigns to sell Latino arts to Austin voters

Austin American-Statesman AUSTIN - Tomas Salas remembers how, as a 17-year-old aspiring actor, he listened to older Hispanic artists and activists lament the lack of space to showcase the growing Latino arts community.

Salas is no longer merely an observer. At 40, he directs the fledgling Mexican American Cultural Center, which has two tiny rooms at the complex it shares with Austin's public works department at 600 River

The City Council has yet to set a ballot for the September bond election, which could include as much as \$11 million to build the center, also known as the MACC. But even so. Salas and other Hispanic artists are gearing up to sell the idea to

said. "But the community didn't give up, and now we are seeing the fruits of our labor.

Since December, the MACC has hosted weekend workshops, a full-length traditional Latino Christmas production and rehearsals for some local performance groups. This month, the cultural center will host a two-day Tejano Arts and Music Festival, which will kick off a campaign to publicize the MACC citywide.

With the unified backing of the city's Latino artists and a booming economy, the center's supporters say they hope to heal wounds in the minority and environmental communities stemming from the 1992 bond election, when a proposal to build the cultural center failed.

While inclusion of the MACC on a September ballot seems likely, it is "It's been a long time," Salas not a done deal. In June a citizens'

committee recommended \$334.7 million in projects, including the MACC. In current dollars, the \$334.7 million bond issue would cost the owner of the average Austin home, with a value of \$115,658, at least \$174 over the next five years.

The committee will propose a ballot to the City Council on July 15, and the council is free to make

The cultural center's plan _ a variation of the 1992 proposal includes two stages, a floating amphitheater on Town Lake, 18 classrooms and a visual arts studio with gallery and studio space.

As the Austin arts community has grown, performance and gallery space has become increasingly scarce, said Carlos Pineda, art school director at the Dougherty Art Center. Many

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Band performs

Gerald and Debbie Lindsey's North Winds Band entertained the residents of Hereford Care Center and family members during the annual July 4th family night cookout.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: You recently printed a letter from someone who was concerned about an overweight relative. You said, "Cutting remarks aren't helpful." I beg to differ. At a party a few years ago, an old friend, "Pete," looked at me and said, "Pal, you're getting fat." I told him my weight was just right for a guy of my height, which is a little under 5 feet 10 inches. He then bet me I weighed over 200 pounds. Again, I laughed and bet him a dinner he was wrong.

By this time, everyone at the party had become involved. Pete went upstairs and brought down a bathroom scale. When I got on it and saw 220 pounds, my reaction was typical of many overweight people. Denial. I told Pete his scale was off.

down another scale. That one read

When my wife and I returned home, I immediately weighed myself on her scale. It showed 223. That did it. I promptly went on a diet and exercise program and lost 55 pounds in five months. I didn't join a weight loss group or go to a spa. I did it on my own. For the last four years, I've kept my weight between 170 and 175 pounds, and I will be forever grateful to Pete for telling me I was fat. I have paid him the dinner we bet, but I feel in Minnesota

He went back upstairs and brought energy, but he aware that weight has a sneaky way of creeping back and is much harder to lose the second time. So keep an eye on it, pal.

Dear Ann Landers: Several months ago, a family from our area lost three children in a mobile home fire caused by a clogged clothes-dryer vent hose. A few weeks ago, another local family was burned out of its home, and the pets were killed, in a fire caused -- again -- by a clothes dryer with a clogged vent hose.

After hearing about this, my husband went out and checked the I owe him much more. -- Somewhere dryer vent on the exterior of our house, and although he had cleaned Dear Minnesota: Congratulations it last year, it had significant on dropping those 55 pounds. I'm accumulation, mostly bits of tissues sure you look better and have more, that our son forgot to remove from his pockets. I always clean the lint filter on top of our dryer after each load, but that doesn't prevent the vent hose from building up lint and debris.

Ann, please get this word out to your millions of readers. Tell them takes only a few minutes to check the clothes-dryer vent hoses. Whether they rent or own their home, apartment or trailer, the responsibility is theirs to protect the ones they love from this preventable fire danger. --S.M. in Port Jervis, N.Y.

Dear Port Jervis: Here's your letter and my thanks for sending it. You can be sure many people who have never checked their clothesdryer vent hoses will do it today because you wrote. I love the way my readers look after one another.

Dear Ann L. nders: I read the letter in your column from the elderly

husband and wife who were planning their wills and wanted to compensate the child who might wind up taking care of them. This was creating a lot. of problems, and you suggested they hire live-in help rather than expect

any of their children to take them in. Live-in help can be enormously expensive, especially if a trained professional is needed, and those folks should look into a long-term care insurance policy. These newer policies no longer require that you move into a nursing home before receiving benefits. In fact, you can dip into this insurance money to pay for home health care if you need assistance with the basic activities of

Please suggest this to your readers as another option. -- Terry Savage, investment adviser and columnist,

Dear Terry: As usual your advice is solid. Thank you, friend, for suggesting a practical alternative. It

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The other suggestion is, if they will have a copy of the newspaper obituary on file in their records. In jacket he knows exactly when he addition to basic information, such as the name of the deceased, they may be asked the approximate year of service.

a family who has entrusted their Archbold, Ohio loved one's remains to us for an eternity, go to all possible lengths to East Texas Cemeterian

It will help tremendously, and you are kind to write. Genealogists will sure appreciate this gem of a hint. We called a few cemeteries in our

area to see if they keep the obituar- the hangers. ies; one said they did and the other didn't. If you're doing genealogy and need date of birth, you may be able to check the deceased record file.
We also spoke to one funeral home

and they said they do keep obituaries, but some funeral homes have a policy not to disclose any information. So, you may want to call first to check. - Heloise

TIMESAVER

Dear Readers: Here's a way to save time when a button pops off, especially on a busy morning. Take a few minutes to prethread six to 12 perpetual care cemetery, which will, sewing needles with different colors in most cases, maintain an office of thread. Keep them handy for a quick fix; on a hectic morning, it will

WORN JACKET

Dear Heloise: My husband only wears a suit on Sunday, for church. He can never remember which jacket know the funeral home which he wore the previous week, so he handled the service, it, too, often leaves the dated bulletin in the inside pocket. Each time he wears the wore it last. - Mrs. Jennifer Wakefield, Kokomo, Ind.

HAPPY PLANTS Dear Heloise: When I clean my Those of us who are true fish bowl, I save the water to water cemeterians will, in order to assist my plants. They love it! - F.G.,

FAST FACTS

Dear Heloise: I have to say the fulfill a request of this type. Hope handiest gadgets of all are old-fash-this helped in some way. — North ioned spring clothespins. I use them in every room of my home and keep them in every drawer in the house.

 Kitchen — for opened bags of chips and cookies. Bedroom — keeps my clothes on

Keeps hats on the metal hatrack.

 Bathroom — keeps those cottonball bags and everything else tightly closed and tidy.

Best of all, they are inexpensive! Carol Weaver, Millbrook, Ala.

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Earl Brookhart, owner of Picture Perfect, displays a framed print he donated for the auction to be held in conjunction with King's Manor annual barbecue to be held Saturday. Festivities will begin at 6 p.m. with horse shoe and washer pitching, the barbecue at 6:30 and auction at 7. A showing of both old and new quilts will begin Thursday. Tickets for the barbecue are \$10 each and are available from members of King's Manor Founders Board or by calling the Manor office at 364-0661.

ARTS-

(From Page 3)

The SOS initiative passed by a nearly 2-to-1 majority; the MACC and the Carver museum were defeated, 53 percent to 47 percent. Cries of racism abounded. But now some Eastsiders say it is time to let the past go.

"I don't know who to blame anymore," Vasquez-Revilla said. "It is time to move on."

While SOS Executive Director Brigid Shea says she's glad to hear that wounds are healing, hurt feelings within her organization have made her more cautious.

"We still support the whole idea of idea of a cultural center," she said, recalling the hundreds of phone calls made by SOS volunteers in 1992 on behalf of the MACC, the Carver Museum and the SOS ordinance. "But we want to be cautious not to put ourselves in the position of being blamed again if something goes wrong."

Shea and MACC supporters agree that the way propositions are grouped on the ballot remains important. Supporters have lobbied the citizens' committee and the City Council, with little vocal resistance, to group the cultural center with the parks projects to ensure history does not repeat itself.

"If they had have been grouped with the other projects, the MACC and the Carver would have passed," Shea said.

Despite the 1992 loss, the MACC is alive, even as the Latino arts community awaits the blessing of Austin voters.

The City Council permanently set aside the River Street site in December, formalizing the center's claim to the property and keeping it away from developers

developers.

Currently, city public works trucks rumble in and out of the warehouses at the shared MACC site. City officials

say it will be two years before public works can be completely moved. If the bonds pass, the city expects to start construction on the center in four years.

The MACC Task Force has reorganized from a City Council-sponsored committee to a private, nonprofit corporation called the Center for Mexican-American Cultural Arts. It must raise \$5 million to match the city bond money, and the group has a city contract to manage the MACC. groups practice and perform in school

classrooms, makeshift warehouses or restaurants for lack of a stage.

"So many times, the arts are passed off as fluff or elitist," Pineda said. "But if it were not for the arts we would not know our own history, and that goes for every society throughout history."

The failure of the 1992 bond proposition was a stinging blow to Austin's minority communities.

Proposition 12, which would have allocated \$10.5 million for the MACC and the George Washington Carver Museum, was the only major proposition that failed in a \$170 million bond package that year. It was also the only proposition that had strong ties to East Austin's minority groups.

"We took it as a real insult," said Cathy Vasquez-Revilla, who was a planning commissioner during the 1992 election. Austin was just coming out of an economic downturn, and she knew a bond election would be a tough sell, especially for the MACC.

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"But to be the only thing that didn't pass - that really hurt," she

Notes of community meetings show discussions about the cultural center dating back to 1971, but East Austin activists did not approach the City Council with the idea until 1978. After intermittent progress in the 1980s, Vasquez-Revilla was

influential in reviving the MACC and several other languishing East Austin parks and library projects for the 1992 election.

MACC supporters, then and now, say that three months was not enough time to generate support.

To build a citywide coalition, the MACC supporters teamed up with the Save Our Springs Alliance, which also had a ballot initiative to regulate development over watersheds.

The agency expects to announce its major corporate sponsors at the Tejano Arts and Music Festival.

"We realized we had to get this puppy on-line, because we weren't getting anywhere just waiting," said Roen Salinas, who chairs the board of the cultural center and directs a local dance troupe.

With the city indicating for almost a year that a bond election would be held in the fall of 1998, the Latino arts community has spent the time preparing.

Previously accustomed to competing with each other for money and space, the Latino Arts Consortium of Austin has united behind the MACC. Many of the 19 arts organizations represented by the consortium have cleared their performance schedules to prepare for the festival and to concentrate on publicizing the MACC before the election.

Salinas and other MACC supporters will not even discuss the possibility of another defeat.

"It's not an option," Salinas said.
"This is the hopes and dreams of the Latino community. It's not just an asset for our community, but to all of Austin."

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Today in History

personal invitation of Soviet leader

Yuri V. Andropov. In 1987, Lt. Col. Oliver North

began his long-awaited testimony at

the Iran-Contra hearing, telling

Congress that he had "never carried out a single act, not one," without

Mexico's ruling party, Carlos Salinas de Gortari, claimed a "national

victory" one day after presidential elections that opponents charged were riddled by fraud.

Five years ago: The Group of

Seven nations, on the first day of their

economic summit in Tokyo, unveiled

a long-sought agreement on world

One year ago: Three days after landing on Mars, the Pathfinder

spacecraft yielded what scientists said was unmistakable photographic evidence that colossal floods scoured

the Red Planet's now-barren

Ten years ago: The candidate of

authorization.

a visit to the Soviet Union at the landscape more than a billion years

Today's Birthdays: Composer Gian Carlo Menotti is 87. Blues musician Pinetop Perkins is 85.

Fashion designer Pierre Cardin is 76.

Musician-conductor Doc Severingen is 71. Country singer Charlie Louvin is 71. Historian-author David McCullough is 65. Rock star Ringo

Starr is 58. Singer-musician Warren Entner (The Grass Roots) is 54. Actor

Joe Spano is 52. Country singer Linda Williams is 51. Actress Shelley

Duvall is 49. Actress Roz Ryan is 47. Rock musician Mark White (Spin Doctors) is 36. Rhythm-and-blues

musician Ricky Kinchen (Mint Condition) is 32. Actress Cree Summer ("A Different World") is

28. Olympic silver medal figure skater Michelle Kwan is 18.

is not that things are broken. The

tragedy is that they are not mended again." - Alan Paton, South African

Thought for Today: "The tragedy

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, July 7, the
188th day of 1998. There are 177
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Today's Highlight in History:
One hundred years ago, on July 7,
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Hawaii.

On this date:

In 1754, King's College in New York City opened. The school was later renamed Columbia College.

In 1846, U.S. annexation of California was proclaimed at Monterey after the surrender of a Mexican garrison.

In 1865, four people were hanged in Washington, D.C., for conspiring with John Wilkes Booth to assassinate President Lincoln.

In 1930, construction began on Boulder Dam. It was later renamed Hoover Dam.

Hoover Dam.
In 1946, Italian-born Mother
Frances Xavier Cabrini was
canonized as the first American saint.

In 1948, six female reservists became the first women to be sworn into the regular U.S. Navy.

In 1958, President Eisenhower signed the Alaska statehood bill.

In 1981, President Reagan announced he was nominating Arizona Judge Sandra Day O'Connor to become the first female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

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Gonzalez hacking away at **RBI** mark

By TERRY WALLACE Associated Press Writer ARLINGTON -- One of Juan Gonzalez's biggest rewards for reaching 100 RBI before the All-Star break was a standing ovation from the normally reserved Texas Rangers fans.

He got one Sunday night, when he launched a two-run homer onto the center-field slope at The Ballpark in Arlington to tally his 101st RBI going into the break. It was his second two-run homer of the game, both coming off of Randy Johnson in an 8-4 win over the Seattle Mariners.

This was one of the best moments of my career," said the normally shy outfielder as he beamed a nonstop smile after the

The 27-year-old All-Star right-fielder is only the second player in major-league history to drive in more than 100 runs before

JUAN'S CHASE

THE RECORD: Hack Wilson, Chicago Cubs, 190 **RBI** in 1930. **CLOSEST:** Lou Gehrig, NY Yankees, 184 RBI in 1931. JUAN AT ALL-STAR BREAK: 101 RBI. JUAN'S CURRENT PACE: 88 RBI.

the break, and the first since Detroit slugger Hank Greenberg drove in 103 before the 1935

But it's only a stepping stone to one of the game's most enduring records: Hack Wilson's majorleague record 190 RBI for the Chicago Cubs in 1930.

At his current pace, he would drive in 188 RBI this season, just short of Wilson's mark. But then, Wilson had fewer than 100 RBI going into the midsummer break.

Still, Gonzalez knows all of the variables that could intrude on the second half. The previously injury-prone slugger's goal remains to play in all 162 of the Rangers' regular-season games. The rest, he says, will take care of itself.

"You never know," he said of the Wilson record. "Records aren't easy. The key is to stay healthy.'

So weighty are his injury concerns that he decided to skip the home-run derby during Monday's All-Star workout in Denver.

The assault on Roger Maris' record of 61 home runs exudes glamor. Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals has 37, the Mariners' Ken Griffey Jr. has 35, and the

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IT'S GOING TO CLOVIS



Cody Sargent of Hereford gets ready to-launch a drive off the tee at No.2 Friday during the first round of the 1998 Original Coors Open Partnership at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Nieman, Salinas win '98 Open Partnership

From staff reports

Craig Nieman and James Salinas teamed up to shoot a 21-under par three-round total of 192 to win the 1998 Original Coors Open Partnership at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Nieman and Salinas shot a final-round 67 to win the Championship Flight by nine strokes over Cory Newton and Paul Hubbard.

The two teams had been tied after the first round Friday, which was formatted low-ball. Both teams shot rounds of 67 to earn a share of a three-way tie for first with the team of Mark Vega and Ramiro

It was the second round, formatted as a scramble, where Nieman and Salinas put some distance between them and the field. The pair fired a 13-under 58 Saturday. Newton and Hubbard fell eight strokes back, recording a 5-under 66.

The team of Jerry Stevens and Linda Stevens finished third with a 70-65-68--203.

In the First Flight, Butch White and Tom Cassels shot a closing round of 69, beating by three strokes the teams of Bob Sims and Chick Russell, and Mark Thomason and Kenny Wilcox. The two teams had been tied for first following Saturday's round, each with an even-par 142, but each soared Sunday to a

N.D. Kelso and Wendell Burdine won the Second

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1998 Original Coors at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course Hereford Final Results Championship Flight

1. Nieman/Salinas	67-58-67192
2. Newton/Hubbard	67-66-68201
3. Stevens/Stevens	70-65-68203
Wega/Rodriguez	67-65-72204
Henderson/Reinar	1 69-68-72207
6. Sutton/Gear	70-67-71208
7. Riley/Riley	68-68-74210
8. Kelso/Kelso	69-69-77215
First Fli	ght
1. White/Cassells	74-69-69212
T2. Sims/Russell	72-70-73215
T2. Thomason/Wilco	x 73-69-73215
4. Loper/Renfro	75-72-72219
5. Easley/Langen	72-70-79221
6. Welps/Welps	74-74-77225
7. McGinty/McGinty	73-67-NSNS
Second F	light
1. Kelso/Burdine	77-66-77220

76-78-79--233 Stevens/Stevens 78-73-83--234 7. Griffith/Griffith 77-71-89--237 Third Flight Sanders/Stevens 79-72-76--227 Straufus/Klingswrth80-74-76--230 . Sargent/McNutt . Hollowell/Valdez 79-75-84--238

77-71-78--226

76-77-76--229

76-75-81--232

Sandoval/Acton

Clements/Fuston

Shaw/Kapala

Mitts/Mitts

82-70-89--241 5. Spanel/Corbell 87-82-78--247 Brown/Vardeman 83-83-82--248 Nikkel/Nikkel 81-80-89--250 3. Cumpton/Haney



Photo by Julius Bodner

Cody Hodges (22) battles for rebounding position with Jose Calderon of Borger during a high school game in February. Hodges scored 29 points for the Texas Trojans in their first two games of pool play.

Trojans split first two pool games in Detroit

From staff reports DETROIT -- The Texas Trojans are 1-1 after their first two games of pool play at the National AAU Boys Championships in the 15 & Under

division. The Trojans are made up of players from several Panhandle

communities including Hereford. The Trojans won their first game Sunday, dropping their second game

Monday in overtime. The Trojans put three players in double figures in their first-game 69-42 win over the Atlanta Celtics led by

Jimmy Woodring's 19 points. the Trojans. Dominique Perkins had today.

11 points for the Trojans and grabbed 10 rebounds and also blocked six

The Trojans jumped out to a 17-7 advantage after the first quarter, extending their lead to 35-16 at halftime.

Monday, Arkansas outlasted the Trojans 80-75 despite the Trojans having four players reach double figures. Woodring again led the Trojans with 19 points. Cody Hodges and Slade Hodges each added 15 points for the Trojans.

The Trojans will face a team from Cody Hodges added 14 points for Bloomington, Ind., at 4:30 p.m.

Pak wins title on 20th extra hole at Open

KOHLER, Wis. (AP) -- Se Ri Pak finally showed some emotion when she became the youngest U.S. Women's Open champion in history.

The 20-year-old from South Korea pumped her fists and jumped into her father's arms Monday after her 18-foot birdie on the 20th extra hole finally put away amateur Jenny Chuasiriporn.

It was the longest Women's Open in history and it ended with the youngest champion in 53 editions of the biggest event in women's golf.

Pak, so impervious to pressure through 92 holes, finally cracked -a smile, that is. She beamed as her 6. father, Joon-Chul, raced across the green to hug her.

'I'm really happy," Pak said after the first sudden death in the history of this tournament. "She is a really great player. I didn't give up, I just kept playing my game."

Pak, who took off her shoes and hit out of the water on the 18th hole, had remained stoic and businesslike even as Chuasiriporn, whose passionate and expressive play is reminiscent of Nancy Lopez, grabbed a four-stroke lead through the first five holes.

The twosome was tied at 2-over 73 after 18 holes at Blackwolf Run.

Chuasiriporn, who sank a riveting 40-foot putt on the final hole Sunday to force a playoff, barely missed a 10-foot putt for par on the same hole Monday that would have made her the first amateur champion since 1967.

"That's how it goes," Chuasiriporn, also 20, said. "This is a great experience for me, more than I ever

expected going into this." Pak, who won the LPGA Championship in May, became the first rookie to win two majors since Juli Inkster captured the Nabisco Dinah Shore and du Maurier Ltd. Classic in 1984.

U.S. **WOMEN'S OPEN**

Pak, who didn't take the lead until the 14th hole, overcame the early four-stroke deficit thanks to a triple-bogey by Chuasiriporn on No.

"Four shots wasn't enough for me," Chuasiriporn said. "I knew I had to make it more. I was trying to keep my momentum going, but Blackwolf Run got me. It happens. I expected some good breaks and

some bad breaks. I got a bad one." Chuasiriporn, entering her senior year at Duke, was trying to become only the second amateur to win in 53 editions of the Women's Open, joining Catherine LaCoste, who won it at 22 in 1967. On Sunday, Pak was awarded the first-place prize of \$267,500 because amateurs are

ineligible to collect prize money. Before Pak, LaCoste was the youngest woman to win an Open. The last woman to win consecutive majors was Meg Mallon in 1991.

The last playoff in the Open was in 1992, when Patty Sheehan defeated Inkster by two strokes at Oakmont,

The sudden death playoff came after high drama on No. 18, where both golfers bogeyed the par-4, 421-yard hole.

Pak's tee shots were true all day until she hooked one toward the lake on 18, the ball landing in the rough

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MLB ALL-STAR GAME Homers aplenty in game forecast

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DENVER (AP) -- Kevin Costher had no trouble reaching the seats at Coors Field. John Elway parked one in the right-field stands during batting practice, country singer Tim McGraw went deep to

So, what's going to stop Mark McGwire, Ken Griffey Jr., Juan Gonzalez and the real sluggers from knocking a ball into Wyoning when they bring a longball stitude to the All-Star altitude?

"I think I have a vision of a high-scoring game," AL starter David Wells of the New York

Yankees said Monday, "but hopefully not when I'm in there."

Just in case, he's got a strategy for pitching in Denver -- "Duck!"

Clearly, home runs are in the

"I think I have a vision of a high-scoring game, but hopefully not when I'm in there."

-- David Wells

forecast for Tuesday night's game. In the year that Roger Maris' record of 61 is in danger, fans are no doubt hoping to see a repeat of the 1971 game when future Hall of

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1998 ALL-STAR ROSTERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE STARTERS

Catcher--Ivan Rodriguez, Texas. First Base--Jim Thome, Cleveland. Second Base-Roberto Alomar,

Third Base-Cal Ripken, Baltimore. Shortstop--Alex Rodriguez, Seattle. Outfield--Ken Griffey, Jr., Seattle; Juan Gonzalez, Texas; Kenny Lofton, Cleveland.

RESERVES Catcher--Sandy Alomar, Jr.,

Cleveland. Infielders—Scott Broelus, New York; Ray Durham, Chicago; Damion Easley,
Detroit; Derek Jeter, New York; Dean
Palmer, Kansas Gity; Rafael Palmeiro,
Baltimore; Ornar Vizquel, Cleveland.
Outfielders-Darin Erstad, Anaheim;
Ben Grieve, Oaldand; Paul O'Neill, New

York; Bernie Williams, New York.

PITCHERS

Rolando Arrojo, Tampa Bay; Roger
Clemens, Totonto; Bartolo Colon,
Cleveland; Tom Gordon, Boston; Pedro Martinez, Boston; Troy Percival, Anaheim; Brad Radke, Minnesota; Aaron Sele, Texas; David Wells, New York; John Wetteland, Texas.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STARTERS

Catcher--Mike Piazza, New York. First Base--Mark McGwire, St. Second Base--Craig Biggio,

Houston Third Base--Chipper Jones, Atlanta. Shortstop--Walt Weiss, Atlanta. Outfield--Tony Gwynn, San Diego;

Barry Bonds, San Francisco; Larry

Walker, Colorado. RESERVES Catchers--Jason Kendall, Pitts-

burgh; Javy Lopez, Atlanta. Infielders--Vinny Castilla, Colorado; Andres Galarraga, Atlanta; Edgar Renteria, Florida; Fernando Vina,

Outfielders--Moises Alou, Houston; Dante Bichette, Colorado; Gary Sheffield, Los Angeles; Sammy Sosa, Chicago; Greg Vaughn, San Diego: Devon White, Arizona.

PITCHERS Andy Ashby, San Diego; Kevin Brown, San Diego; Tom Glavine, Atlanta; Trevor Hoffman, San Diego; Greg Maddux, Atlanta; Robb Nen, San Francisco; Rick Reed, New York; Curt Schilling, Philadelphia; Jeff Shaw, Cincinnati; Ugueth Urbina, Montreal.

Oates focuses on starting pitching for 2nd half

Rangers started April with a roar but spent all of June in one long whimper.

The good news for manager Johnny Oates is that the first half of the 1998 season is over. He can only hope the Rangers' pitching woes and shaky defense are gone, too.

"I think the break is coming at a good time for us," Oates said as Texas entered the All-Star break at 48-39, 1 1/2 games behind Anaheim in the American League West.

"Sometimes fatigue in this game

get frustrated. Sometimes when you're in that tunnel, you can't see light at the other end. But you know the light is out there.

Oates must find some more starting pitching in the second half or that light might turn out to be a locomotive.

Texas started the season 18-8 and looked like an improved version of the team that won the franchise's first divisional title in 1996.

But cracks were already appearing

bigger as the Rangers went from holding a six-game lead over Anaheim on May 27 to trailing by 3 1/2 games on July 1.

The most obvious problem was a wafer-thin pitching staff. Although Rick Helling and Aaron Sele surpassed expectations, three others -- Darren Oliver, John Burkett and Bobby Witt -- were ineffective.

The Rangers dumped Witt last month and tried a pair of Class AAA pitchers, Matt Perisho and Todd Van

ARLINGTON (AP) -- The Texas is mental and you need a break. You in the foundation, and they only got Poppel. Both initially bombed, but shown some promise.

Where Oates will look to solidify the rotation in the second half is anyone's guess. There's not much available on the trade market.

In the perfect world, Oliver (4-6) and Burkett (4-9) would turn their seasons around and Van Poppel would continue to progress, giving Texas something to go with Sele (12-5) and Helling (11-4).

Van Poppel, an Arlington-raised come around," Oates said after the for leadoff hitter Tom Goodwin and major-league retread, has since Rangers closed the first half by winning two of three against Seattle.

"It's such an important part of the game. When you get good starting pitching, the offense seems to be more in the game, the defense is certainly sharper and you don't wear out your bullpen. We need to get back

Said Burkett: "We can't give up. I keep believing in myself. I think I still have it."

"I think our pitching is starting to In addition to a prolonged slump an injury to second baseman Mark McLemore, problems for Texas included an offense that led the league in runs and hits but disap-

peared all too often. And there was a shaky defense that prompted Gates to put the team through infield practice recently during a string of 30 errors in 29 games. It didn't seem to help much. but Oates says he's confident the defensive struggles are over.

Homers

Famers Reggie Jackson, Hank Aaron, Johnny Bench, Roberto Clemente, Frank Robinson and Harmon Killebrew all connected at Tiger Stadium.

"It's a great hitter's ballpark," said McGwire, leading the big leagues with 37 homers.

Even though more home runs were hit at Coors than any other park in 1996 and 1997, there are plenty of other ways to score.

You have to realize that Coors Field has a gigantic outfield where balls will fall in," McGwire said. "Normal singles in most ballparks will be doubles if you have speed."

No wonder Omar Vizquel, the only non-pitcher on the AL squad without a homer, volunteered to take Griffey's place in Monday's home-run derby.

'I hear anyone can hit one here," the Cleveland shortstop

Griffey, the top vote-getter in fan balloting for All-Star starters, was booed at the park for backing out of the contest. McGwire was cheered loudly.

Pitching at Coors presents all sorts of problems.

"Slider don't slide as much, curve don't curve as much," NL starter Greg Maddux of Atlanta

Maddux, a four-time Cy Young winner, knows from first-hand experience. In three starts at Coors, he's allowed 14 earned runs in 18 1-3 innings.

"I think probably one of the biggest things is the outfielders have to play a little bit deeper and you always give up the extra base on a base hit," he said. "Instead of runners at first and second, it's always first and third.'

Which is fine with NL batting champion Tony Gwynn.

"I think most people expect to see some home runs, some hitting, some high-powered offense," the

with a three-round total of 7-over

220, six shots ahead of Jim

won the Third Flight with a 14-

over 227. Rodney Straufus and

Jerry Killingsworth were second

with a three-round total of 230,

and Cody Sargent and Harold

McNutt combined for a 25-over

238 after soaring to an 84 Sunday.

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San Diego outfielder said. "But there might not be. This game is really based on pitching. If the pitchers are throwing the ball good, it could be 2-1, 3-2.

"If they're getting the ball up, that's going to be the key. If they get the ball up in this ballpark, you don't have to hit it good to get it out. You don't have to hit it good to get a base hit," he said. "I think a lot of people will be watching

The NL leads the series 40-27-1, and the highest-scoring game came in 1954 when the AL won 11-9. There have been at least two homers in each of the last seven

Remember what happened the last time all the attention was on offense at the All-Star game. It was 1987, the year of the lively ball and home runs by the bunch.

That season, with Mike Schmidt and Andre Dawson and a rookie named McGwire playing, the game was scoreless until the 13th inning.

Then again, watching McGwire and his buddies swing Monday it looks like it might be a busy night for the scoreboard operator.

And a fun night for those who get to watch. Like Chicago Cubs outfielder Sammy Sosa, who has 33 home runs but is sidelined by a bad shoulder.

"The way that Griffey swings, that's something that's natural,' Sosa said. "Almost the same with Mark."

'Myself, I'm crazy. I'm swinging the bat all the way," he said. "If I'm not swinging the bat hard, I think I've been cheating my-

Maddux, Wells to

start All-Star Game

DENVER (AP) -- Greg Maddux,

described by many as baseball's

perfect pitcher, will start for the

National League in Tuesday's

All-Star game against David Wells.

a 1.54 ERA for the Atlanta Braves,

Maddux, who leads the NL with

Wells is 11-2 with a 3.75 ERA for

Gonzalez

Chicago Cubs' Sammy Sosa has

That leaves the Wilson chase exclusively to Gonzalez, whom Rangers manager Johnny Oates has described as "an RBI ma-

"It's hard to believe Juan has 101 RBIs," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said after Sunday night's loss. "It used to be a barometer for a very successful full season."

To see just how unapproachable the record is, look at Greenberg's 1935 season. The 103 midterm RBI ended in a season total of 170. Lou Gehrig, the "Iron Horse" of the New York Yankees, came closest with a 1931 season total of

The Rangers are happy to take RBI in lieu of homers. Gonzalez, with 26 homers, is no slouch at clearing the fences as well as the bases. But consider that Mc-Gwire's home run production hasn't made a winner out of the Cardinals, nor has Griffey's lifted

the Mariners out of the AL West cellar. Sosa's Chicago Cubs and Gonzalez's Rangers are both nine games above .500, but the Cubs trail the Houston Astros by five games in the NL Central. The Rangers trail Anaheim by 1 1/2

When Gonzalez went without an RBI for six games in a row last week, the Rangers lost each game as Gonzalez had few base runners to drive in.

But the Rangers won the last two games before the break against the Mariners when the Texas offense snapped out of its collective funk. Gonzalez drove in one run in the first of those games and four in the second.

"Every once in a while you have a special night that comes around," Oates said Sunday night. "There aren't too many guys who've driven in 100 runs by the All-Star break, so it was a special night for Juan."

Open

on a steep slope. Her caddie, Jeff leaving Chuasiriporn with a chance Cable, had to help her so that she didn't slip into the water as she took a look.

Taking off her spikes and socks, Pak stepped into the calf-deep water, took an A-wedge and pitched the ball into the rough on the other side of the fairway.

"I didn't know how I was going to get of there," Pak said. "I just played my game."

After offering her wedge to her caddie to help pull her back ashore, green, about 15 feet from the hole.

Chuasiriporn's chip for a birdie from the rough was way too hard and ended up 10 feet past the hole. Pak's putt for par was short,

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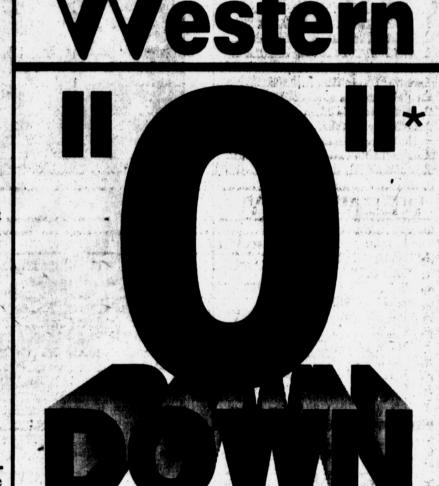
to win it all with a 10-foot putt. But the ball went past by less than an inch, and her tap-in sent the twosome back to the 564-yard, par-3 10th hole for sudden death.

There, they each parred with tap-in

And it was off to the 374-yard par-4 No. 11, where Chuasiriporn missed a 20-foot birdie putt, then watched Pak sink an 18-footer for the win of the tournament's 92nd note.

"It was difficult to watch." Pak hit a 148-yard shot onto the Chuasiriporn said. "I really had a to make that.

> "I made a good run for it, but I knew it wasn't going to happen. "Right after I missed, I was feeling it slip away."

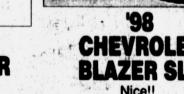




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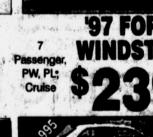
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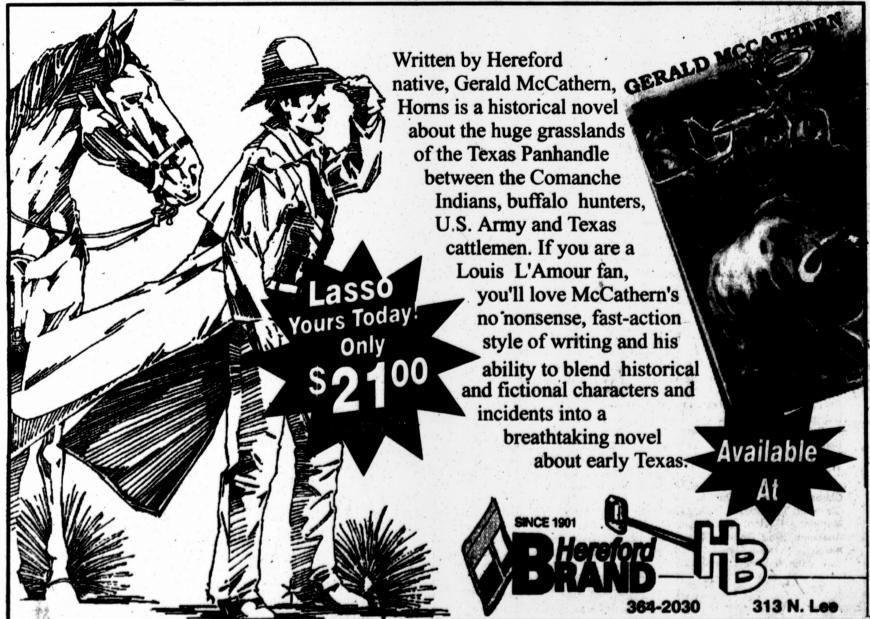








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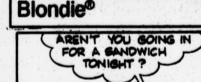
















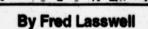
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Clinton was the first president to make the statement, though Secretary

Taiwanese leaders did not get the in the past. wrong idea, the State Department said Monday.

last week of what is known as the policy will continue to be a one-China "three no's" - no U.S. support for an policy." independent Taiwan, no recognition

WASHINGTON (AP) - Rattled for a separate Taiwan government province to be absorbed when Taiwanese officials have fresh and no support for Taiwan's entry assurances that President Chinton did into international organizations -

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The U.S. relationship with Taiwan will not change, Albright said on Clinton's recitation in Shanghai CNN. But she also stressed "our

China views Taiwan as a renegade

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conditions are right. Some in Taiwan hope for independence, others for at least separate treatment, including possibly a seal in the United Nations

of in other international bodies.
Clinton ruled that out with the 'three no's.

At the same time, the president did not negotiate Taiwan's status with Chinese leaders and no communique was issued because one might have left the impression the president reached some understanding with the Communist government on Taiwan's future, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said.

For instance, Rubin said U.S. arms

sales to Taiwan would be continued. We will continue to pursue what we think is a policy that advances the interests of people on both sides of the Taiwan Straits, and that is encouraging a peaceful resolution of this issue," he said.

Also trying to allay concerns in Taipei and in Congress, White House national security spokesman P. J. Crowley told reporters: "Nothing that the president said in China changes our relationship with Taiwan."

Clinton, meanwhile, in a brief statement at the White House, said his trip advanced America's interest "in a secure, stable and increasingly open China" while also furthering "honest, unprecedentedly open discussion with both Chinese leaders

and the Chinese people.' Richard Bush, the top U.S. liaison official to Taiwan, was sent to Taipei to talk to President Lee Teng-hui and to try to allay concerns.

Lee told Bush the United States should not consult Beijing when discussing Taiwan's future.

"In the future, your country should negotiate directly with us about any matters involving Taiwan," a Taiwan presidential office statement quoted Lee as saying. "You don't have to and should not hold bilateral talks with the Chinese communists" about

Even as administration officials tried to placate Taiwanese leaders and their domestic supporters, they stopped short of giving assurances only Taipei would be consulted.

Albright, meanwhile, defended Clinton's not meeting with political dissidents during his nine days in



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Mames in the News

ZHANG YUAN

SPOLETO, Italy (AP) - His play was forbidden in China, and Zhang Yuan almost didn't get to see it performed in Italy, either.

But Beijing relented, and the Chinese film director made it to the summer arts festival where his "East Palace, West Palace" is being staged.

"I don't even know why (I got my passport back)," Zhang was quoted as saying in Monday's Corriere della Sera, a Milan daily.

Zhang missed the opening last week of the play, which deals with homosexual life in Beijing, after he was initially barred from leaving China to travel to Spoleto's "Festival of the Two Worlds."

Zhang wasn't allowed to leave China when his film of "East Palace, West Palace" was presented at the Cannes Film Festival in 1997.

MICHAEL JACKSON

ROMULUS, Mich. (AP) - Michael Jackson returned to his musical roots. The former Motown star arrived Monday in Detroit, blowing kisses and flashing the peace sign as he stepped off a plane.

He was to announce a family entertainment venture and unveil a video this evening in a free video concert at Detroit's Chene Park. A visit with patients at Children's Hospital of Michigan and a benefit for the Charles Wright Museum of African American History are on his agenda later in the week.

Jackson said Monday that he and entrepreneur Don Barden are working on a project to provide family-oriented entertainment. Details were to be announced today.

"It's a new door we're going to open - technology, innovation, we want to pioneer," Jackson said, adding that the partnership would also delve into hotel resorts, casinos and theme parks.

"There's no limit really," he said.

JULIAN LLOYD WEBBER ZHORA LLOYD WEBBER

LONDON (AP) - Cellist Julian Lloyd Webber and his wife, Zohra, are striking a discordant note, separating after nine years of marriage.

In a brief joint statement, the brother of composer Andrew Lloyd Webber and his second wife said Monday they have been living apart "for some months.

'The separation is amicable and no other parties are involved," the statement said. The Lloyd Webbers were married in 1989 and have a 6-year-old

In an interview two months ago, Lloyd Webber said his work on unrecorded compositions by his father William had put strain on his marriage.

Zohra has found my working so obsessively on my father's music very difficult," he said.

A leading soloist who plays all over the world, Lloyd Webber once said his relationship with his valuable Stradivarius cello was "like a marriage."

HAMMOND, Ind. (AP) - Northwest Indiana's most famous prisoner will be a star of a new local museum, but officials are making sure John Dillinger's deeds are put in their proper perspective.

Dillinger shot a Lake County police officer to death in 1934, was jailed and escaped by making a fake gun. Dillinger was later shot to death by FBI agents in nearby Chicago on July 22, 1934.

Now he and 39 Lake County officers killed in the line of duty are to be remembered in a museum in the Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau's new welcome center. The museum's jail-door entrance will include 39 bricks bearing each officer's name.

Local law enforcement officials balked at the idea of glorifying Dillinger after the convention bureau purchased \$417,500 worth of Dillinger artifacts.

'We wanted to make sure the Dillinger collection is showcased with a crime-doesn't-pay theme," said Speros Batistatos, president of the convention bureau. "What better way to remind people that this is about a criminal that did not lead a life to be proud of.'

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON Capital Report

HOMESTEAD IS WHERE THE HEART IS

homas Jefferson told a friend shortly before his death in 1826 that: "I believe the States can best govern our home concerns..." I'm not sure he had bankruptcy laws in mind when he said that, but with Congress proposing to reform federal bankruptcy laws in a way that could endanger the Texas "homestead exemption," I'm beginning to wonder.

There's no doubt we need bankruptcy reform. Congress should close loopholes in the law that allow irresponsible individuals to slide out from under what they lawfully owe. Too many people are taking advantage of current laws. Many debtors have failed to make good on their promises to creditors to repay debt by filing for bankruptcy. This raises costs for everyone, as businesses raise their prices to account for bad debts.

As Congress considers what do to about this, though, I will be working with my Texas colleagues from both parties to ensure that the Texas homestead exemption is not ignored.

The homestead exemption protects a family's home even if everything else is lost to bankruptcy. Specifically, the law protects a Texan's primary residence located on 200 acres of rural land or one acre in the city. While several states have copied it, the idea was born in Texas. This basic protection grew out of the United States Panic of 1837 and subsequent depression in which many families lost their homes and farms through foreclosures. Business stagnated. Money was scarce. No one could obtain credit.

The idea had three purposes: to protect families, the basic unit of society; to give debtors a second chance after bankruptcy rather than force their families into becoming a public burden; and to preserve the individual freedoms that are critical to democracy.

So important to those early Texans was the homestead exemption that, upon joining the Union in 1845, the new state preserved it in its Constitution. Congress has the authority under the U.S. Constitution to establish "uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States."

bankruptcy proceedings among the states. In the past, reforms were carefully crafted to avoid undoing state law. But the bankruptcy reform bill now before Congress goes too far by trying to set one homestead exemption on all 50 states. Texas' elected representatives, who are closer to the situation than federal officials, are well aware of the problem of bankruptcy abuse. But at the same time they

Federal lawmakers have used this authority more than once to streamline

appreciate something legislators from other states cannot: the history and values of our state. The proposal in the Senate puts a \$100,000 cap on the amount that can be claimed under the homestead exemption. The Texas Constitution bases its exemption on acreage and not value, to protect against inflated property values. Our state law ensures that families will still have a home even if their property has grown in value over time and would otherwise be lost. I will work to see that protection is included in the federal law.

The homestead exemption is critical to Texas' small farmers and ranchers. If Congress changes the law, I want to make sure the protections written into the Texas Constitution are preserved to the maximum extent

scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) - As Linda Tripp returned for a third day of testimony in the Monica Lewinsky investigation, the Maryland state's attorney today opened a grand jury probe into whether her secret tape recordings of the former White House intern violated state law.

Maryland State Prosecutor Stephen Montanarelli said a grand jury there would look into whether Mrs. Tripp violated the state's wiretapping law by making the tape-recordings without Ms. Lewinsky's knowledge or permission.

Montanarelli said he placed the matter before a grand jury in Howard County, Md., where Tripp lives and where the state prosecutor said "the alleged tape recordings took place."

Montanarelli said there was no reason to continue to defer to Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr's investigation since Mrs. Tripp has now testified to the federal grand jury assisting Starr's investigation.

At a federal courthouse here, meantime, Mrs. Tripp returned for another appearance, presumably to provide the grand jury a detailed account of her contact with Ms. Lewinsky.

Though polls show that most Americans have an unfavorable view of Mrs. Tripp, her spokesman, Philip Coughter, said, "We don't think she needs to turn around her image. ... The truth will reconstitute Linda's image." Her son, Ryan, accompanied her to the courthouse.

Coughter says he doesn't know whether this grand jury appearance will be her last in the investigation of possible perjury, obstruction and witness tampering.

Charles Bakaly, a spokesman for prosecutor Kenneth Starr, said over the weekend that the grand jury has been asking a lot of questions and that Starr is moving the probe along as quickly as possible.

Mrs. Tripp spent last Tuesday and Thursday testifying in daylong grand jury sessions. The probe was triggered by Mrs. Tripp's 20 hours of secretly recorded phone calls with Ms. Lewinsky in which the former intern confided an alleged sexual relationship with President Clinton.

Starr is looking into whether Clinton or presidential confidant Vernon Jordan, who tried to arrange a job for Ms. Lewinsky and found a lawyer for her, tried to persuade the former White House intern to lie in the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit against the president.

Americans have an unfavorable view of both Mrs. Tripp and Ms. Lewinsky, according to a CNN-Time poll released Thursday.

It said 52 percent have an unfavorable view of Mrs. Tripp, while only 12 percent have a favorable view and 36 percent were unfamiliar with her.

The poll, based on a survey of 1,024 adults June 30 and July 1, also said 69 percent had an unfavorable view of Ms. Lewinsky and only 12 percent a favorable view.

Senate eyes \$250,000 cap on liability

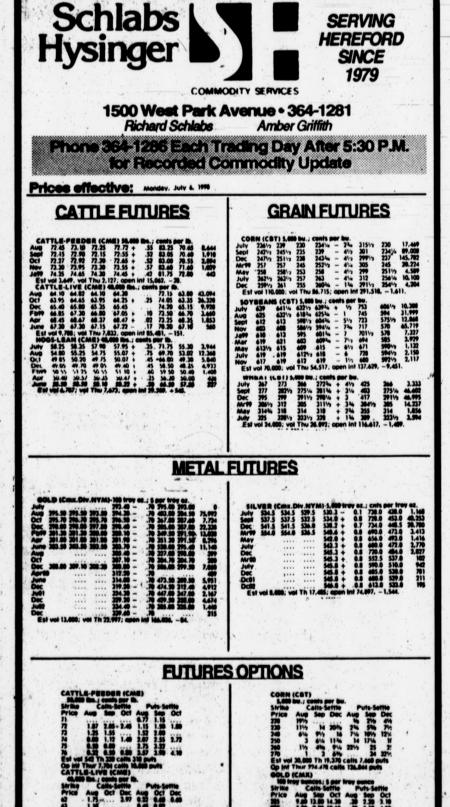
WASHINGTON (AP) - Legislation placing a \$250,000 limit on punitive damage awards against small businesses accused of making faulty products reached the Senate floor today.

The Senate, on a 71-24 voted, ended the procedural maneuvering that had stalled debate on the bill, which would establish a uniform national standard for punitive damages.

Under the compromise aimed at avoiding a presidential veto. judgments against small businesses would be limited to twice the amount of compensatory damages - damages for pain and suffering - or \$250,000, whichever is smaller. It would apply only to businesses with more than 25 employees and annual revenues of less than \$5 million.

The compromise also would limit the liability of product sellers, holding them liable only for their own intentional wrongdoing and not any wrongdoing done by the manufactur-

Sens. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., and Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., planned to offer compromise language they said would win support from the Clinton administration.



NEWS in brief

Irish Protestants attack police

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) - Determined to overturn police restrictions on their march, Protestants attacked police overnight in Belfast with bullets, rocks, gasoline bombs and grenades in the most serious street violence since April's peace agreement.

The second night of rioting late Monday and early today followed repeated appeals from leaders of the Orange Order, Northern Ireland's conservative Protestant brotherhood, for people to demonstrate peacefully against limits placed on Sunday's annual march through the main Catholic section of Portadown, 30 miles southwest of Belfast.

Britain's minister responsible for governing Northern Ireland, Mo Mowlam, urged Orangemen "to recognize that there are sinister elements who are using their protest to attack the security forces."

Animal abuser sentenced to 12 years in prison

JANESVILLE, Wis. (AP) - A man who admitted beating five cats to death was sentenced to 12 years in prison, even though prosecutors recommended a four-year sentence.

About 200 animal-rights activists who packed the court cheered Monday's sentencing of Barry Herbeck, 37, of Janesville, who got the maximum term from Rock County Circuit Judge Richard Werner.

In May, Herbeck pleaded no contest to charges that he killed the cats. As part of a plea deal, a charge that Herbeck killed a puppy was dismissed. Herbeck told investigators he took in cats and killed them to relieve anger built up from being abused as a child.

Roy Rogers, 'King of the Cowboys,' dead at 86

LOS ANGELES (AP) - With a final deep sigh, beloved singing cowboy Roy Rogers died quietly at his home, leaving behind a legacy of songs and movies from the golden era of Hollywood Westerns. He was 86.

'Well, Lord, it's been a rough ride," Rogers told his nurse at 2 a.m. Monday. The legendary cowboy with the white hat died about two hours later, his son, Roy "Dusty" Rogers Jr. said.

'We as a family want everybody to celebrate his life because he's got a new hat and a new pair of boots and he and Trigger and Bullet are riding again," the younger Rogers said.

Dale Evans, Rogers' wife and singing partner for a half-century, was at home at the time of his death. "What a blessing to have shared my life together with him for almost 51 years," Miss Evans said in a statement.

"Eloise" author dies at 94

NEW YORK (AP) - Kay Thompson, whose "Eloise" books charmed young readers with a 6-year-old girl's adventures at New York's Plaza Hotel, has died. She was believed to be 94.

Miss Thompson died Thursday, said her attorney, Arthur E. Abelman. He wasn't sure if she died at Lenox Hill Hospital or at her Manhattan apartment, where she lived with her goddaughter, Liza Minnelli.

Miss Thompson was a singer on radio and then a musical arranger and composer in Hollywood before turning to nightclubs and, then, books. Among the films she contributed to were "The Ziegfeld Follies," 1944, directed by Vincente Minnelli, and "The Harvey Girls," 1946, which starred Judy Garland. It was that acquaintance that led to Miss Thompson's lifelong

friendship with their daughter, Ms. Minnelli. Slow pace for jury selection in landmark tobacco case

MIAMI (AP) - A clear bias against smokers emerged as nine potential jurors were excused from the nation's first-class action lawsuit filed by smokers against the tobacco industry.

Several of the jury candidates dismissed Monday said smokers get what they deserve if they get sick and shouldn't have the right to sue cigarette

Tobacco attorneys asked to remove potential jurors who have smoking-related diseases or are children of dead smokers because they might be among the estimated 500,000 Floridians represented in the \$200 billion lawsuit.

Circuit Judge Robert Kaye agreed with a tobacco request to excuse an ex-smoker who said he quit because smoking "was unhealthy and it'll kill you" and acknowledged he probably favored the smokers.

Journalist pleads guilty to child porn charges

GREENBELT, Md. (AP) - A journalist who claims he collected Internet child pornography to research a story said he pleaded guilty only beca a judge refused to let him use the First Amendment as a defense.

Larry Matthews was to have gone on trial today on child pornography charges. Instead, he pleaded guilty Monday to one count of receiving pornographic images on his computer and one count of transmitting child pornography.

Each count brings up to 15 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. Matthews, a 30-year veteran journalist who is a producer for National Public Radio, had planned to argue that he has a First Amendment right to view such materials as part of legitimate research.

Fighting reported near Pec as diplomats tour Kosovo PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) - Serb police battling ethnic Albanian insurgents near one of Kosovo's largest cities have gained ground against

the rebels. Serb sources reported today. The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the fighting

near the southwestern city of Pec appeared to continue today. But with phone lines cut and the main road sealed off by Serb police for security reasons, the report could not be verified.

The fighting flared Monday, with the ethnic-Albanian-run Kosovo Information Center reporting one person killed and three wounded by heavy shelling of Lodja village, near Pec.

U.S. confident commitments to North Korea will be met WASHINGTON (AP) - The State Department says it is confident an international consortium will find a way to meet heavy fuel oil commitments to North Korea.

"We wanted other nations to help on this," Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said Monday night on CNN's "Larry King Live."

But she acknowledged they have failed to come through, and said: "We are going back to Congress to get some funds. It would be a disaster to let this fall apart."

General strike hits **Puerto Rico**

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) -Horns blaring, strikers blocked the main highway to San Juan's international airport with cars and trucks today, the first volley in what threatens to be Puerto Rico's biggest strike in decades.

Riot police who had set up barricades to protect the airport were taken by surprise by the blockade, which began at dawn. Protected by a police escort, tourists had to walk 1 { miles to the airport terminal. Many were loaded down with bags and sweating in the tropical heat.

Union leaders expect up to a half million of Puerto Rico's 3.8 million people to join a 48-hour general strike that started today. The strike was called to protest the sale of the state telephone company. Most joining it are government employees, including utility and health workers.

In preparation for the strike, shopkeepers barred windows with steel shutters, riot police guarded ports and power plants and residents stocked up on water and

"You'd think we were preparing for a hurricane," one shopper said, her arms crammed with candles and water bottles.

Today's blockade by hundreds of vehicles of the six-lane Baldorioty de Castro cut off the sole highway to the east of San Juan, including Luis Munoz Marin International Airport and the towns of Carolina, Loiza, Rio Grande and the port of Fajardo.

American Airlines said it canceled a 7:30 a.m. flight to Miami because only 59 of its 138 passengers were able to get to the airport. Arriving passengers were able to leave the airport by another

The strike was called to support 6,400 telephone workers who stopped working June 18 and are accused of slashing telephone lines, leaving more than 250,000 islanders without long-distance

Netanyahu sees West Bank pact

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told members of his governing coalition today that he expects agreement soon on a long overdue West Bank troop withdrawal, and Cabinet ministers said the deal was likely within days or weeks.

"This is the moment of truth," Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai said. "I'm talking in terms of a few days."

Even a top adviser to the prime minister, David Bar-Illan, noted there have been similar predictions in the past. Bar-Illan said Netanyahu still hoped to achieve a deal before the Knesset session ends Aug. 2, and that discussions were under way "all the time" with the U.S. administration.

"It does look a little better now than it did a few days ago," he said, confirming that Netanyahu had predicted agreement soon.

The United States is pushing Netanyahu to accept a U.S. plan for an Israeli withdrawal from 13 percent of the West Bank.

Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan, meanwhile, joined the call for Netanyahu to hold early elections. Eitan opposes any West Bank withdrawal and has said he will challenge Netanyahu in the next elections, scheduled for 2000.

GM official says both sides talking, but still far apart

tions to end two crippling strikes at General Motors Corp. parts plants have intensified, both sides appear far from a settlement, a top GM

executive said today.

only report that the meetings with the local union as well as at high levels be in jeopardy if the strike continues. are more serious in nature. But to date, no end is in sight," said Donald C. Hackworth, who heads GM's North American car group.

Negotiations resumed today at the plants in Flint, Mich. In addition to separate talks at both plants, there did not elaborate. have been high-level meetings Knechtel and United Auto Workers Vice President Richard Shoemaker.

"That's always a good sign," Norm McComb, first vice president of UAW Local 659, said today. "But they're not letting out a lot of information.'

on settling the strike before the end cars and promoting their service

DETROIT (AP) - While negotia- of GM's two-week summer vacation shutdown next Monday.

Hackworth, in a recorded statement to GM employees, indicated that GM was still preparing for a prolonged walkout. He repeated "After 33 days of the strike, I can the company's warning that some vehicle models and investments could

> "The financial impact of this strike is far-reaching," he said. He noted that the company was near completion of a "rationalization plan" reassessing which vehicles or plants the company wants to keep. He

Hackworth also said health between GM labor chief Gerald A. insurance for nonstriking UAW workers idled because of strike-related parts shortages will continue "for at least another week," raising the possibility that GM may still cut medical benefits to save cash.

GM dealers, meanwhile, were The increased level of negotia- watching their new-car lots get tions, combined with a lack of public thinner as the first of the two strikes attacks in the past week, have led to entered its second month Monday. speculation that both sides were intent Many are turning to late-model used

departments to make up for what could be a big hit to their business.

Auction houses reported brisk business in the past month, and prices for used cars at the wholesale level

"I expect that by the beginning or middle of August, we'll be out of the new-car business," said sales manager Gary Schroeder of Hansen Motor Co., a Chevrolet dealer in Roseburg, Ore.

Even if the strikes were to end this week, GM's idled assembly plants would not be able to resume operation by Monday's end of the vacation shutdown.

The strikes by about 9,200 workers are over staffing levels, work rules and health and safety issues at the Flint Metal Center, a stamping plant, and the Delphi Flint East plant, which makes instrument clusters, spark plugs and other engine components.

More than 161,000 GM workers at assembly and parts plants throughout North America remained





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2 Border Patrol agents slain

SAN BENITO, Texas (AP) - Two Border Patrol agents were shot and killed today, allegedly by a man who then barricaded himself in an isolated ranch house.

The agents were pursuing at least one suspect in an earlier shooting near Rio Hondo, a few miles to the north, that left two people dead and one critically injured.

Letty Garza, spokeswoman for the McAllen Sector of the Border Patrol, confirmed that two agents, one of them a woman, were killed. Their names were not released.

"At this point, we're still trying to gather information," Ms. Garza said. "The chief patrol officer is on his way to the scene.'

Agents from the Border Patrol, the Department of Public Safety, Cameron County and a SWAT team from Edinburg were at the ranch where at least one suspect was

believed to be inside. San Benito is a few miles from Harlingen, near the southern tip of

