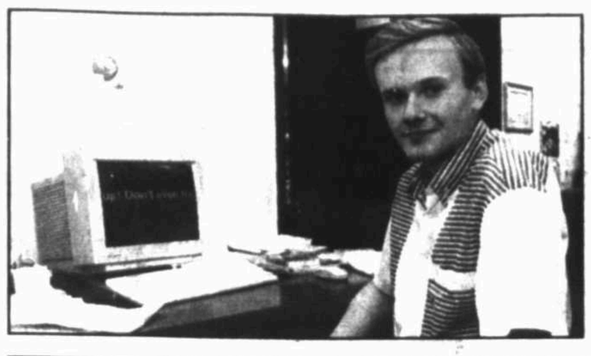

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Both parties urge Clinton to confess

■ If president is guilty of sexual misconduct and admits it soon, impeachment could be avoided, say key party members.

By Jim Abrams
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A senior Republican urged President Clinton on Sunday to reveal his relationship with Monica Lewinsky, saying he thought Congress would forgive the president if his story turns out to be a matter of sexual misconduct. Key Democrats agreed and said the sooner the better.

"If he comes forth and tells it and does it in the right way and there aren't a lot of other factors to cause the Congress to say this man is unfit for the presidency and should be impeached, then I think the president would have a reasonable chance of getting through this," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

"I don't know anybody at the top of the system who really wants to see the president hurt in this matter," said Hatch, who is chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

A similar message was coming from Clinton's Democratic allies in the wake of revelations last week that there may be physical evidence of a relationship between the president and Ms. Lewinsky, including a stained dress she has turned over to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

As Clinton returned home from a weekend in New York, his senior advisers at the White House recognized that the growing sentiment for some sort of conciliatory statement, even among Starr supporters like Hatch, presented new opportunities.

"We're cognizant of a number of outside voices, both Republican and Democrat, urging some sort of public statement," said one senior adviser, speaking only on condition of anonymity. The adviser said it was too early to assess what Clinton's next move might be.

In Milwaukee at a meeting of the nation's governors, there was agreement that Americans, who have generally been critical of the uproar surrounding the Lewinsky affair, are starting to pay more attention.

"It's a sideshow, but a serious sideshow," said Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, co-chairman of the Democratic National Committee. "There's a higher level of interest than ever before."

Clinton has denied, both in public statements and in testimony in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case against him, having had a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky. He will be asked

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S. Korea floods

Rescue workers use ropes to bring a stranded female camper across the raging stream swollen by torrential rains in the Chiri Mountains south of Seoul Saturday. Disaster officers reported 34 people were killed and 70 more are missing in flash floods, landslides and other rain-related incidents.

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Offshore offense

HOUSTON — Offshore oil workers say assaults are not common on offshore platforms, but when they occur, they leave a victim few options. "You can either jump over the side or deal with it," one unidentified worker told the Houston Chronicle in Sunday editions.

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Xena Albright

KAPOLEI, Hawaii — At the outset of a 10-day Pacific and Asian trip, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was asked whether she had role models. She thought hard and came up with the name of Dean Acheson, noting her predecessor from the 1950s had to struggle hard to "recreate a system after a war." By trip's end, a relaxed Albright saw herself differently: She was Xena, Warrior Princess.

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Utah polygamy

SALT LAKE CITY — The early Mormons' practice of plural marriage, renounced by the church in 1890, has persisted among religious splinter groups. But an accusation of child abuse against a prominent member of a wealthy polygamist clan has brought that wink-and-a-nod tolerance into question and caught the Republican governor in the middle.

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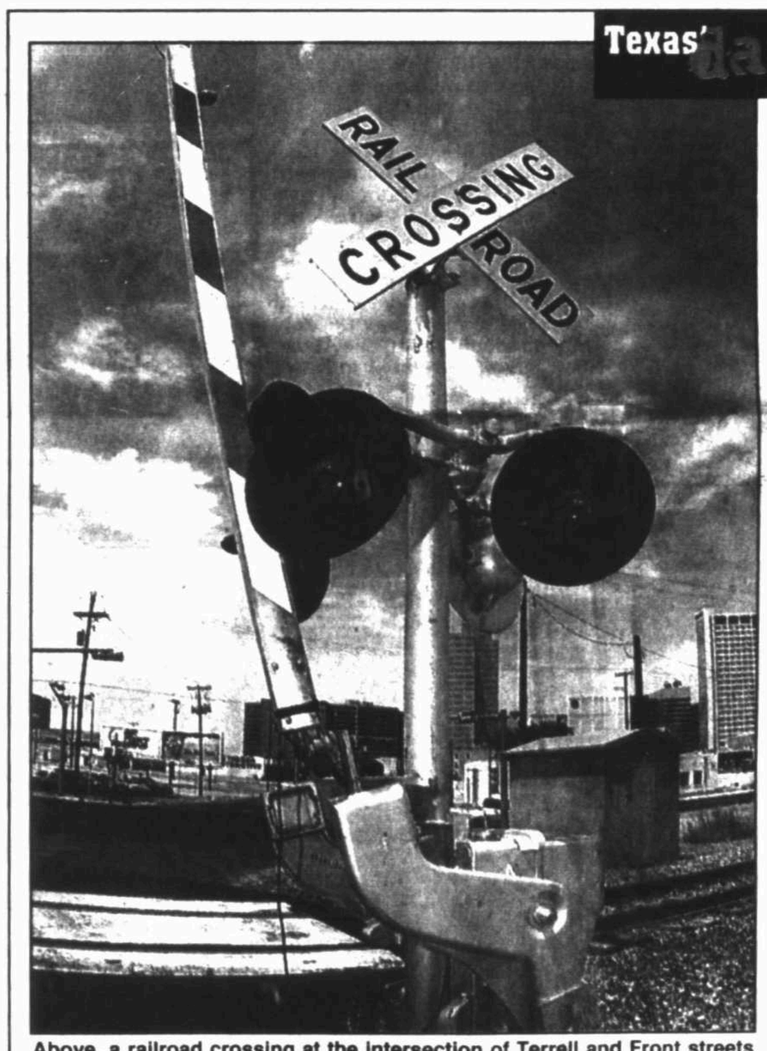
Texas' dangerous crossings

Train-vehicle deaths, injuries prompt public awareness campaign



Above, a railroad crossing at the intersection of Terrell and Front streets in Midland. At right, a view of the tracks. Texas has led the nation for the past 5 years in the number of vehicle-train collisions.

Texas leads the nation in many categories, but there is one distinction the state would no doubt like to eliminate.

The state leads the nation in the number of vehicle-train collisions, deaths and injuries and has for at least the last five years. Preliminary statistics from the Federal Railroad Administration indicate there were 406 highway-train collisions resulting in 52 deaths — a decline of 14.8 percent from 61 deaths in 1996 — and 179 injuries — up 2.2 percent over 1996, when there were 175 people injured.

"These are preventable accidents," said Bebe Allen in Austin, state coordinator of Texas Operation Lifesaver. "Those 52 people had families, they had an impact on the community. And those 179 injuries were serious, some were paralyzed. These vehicle-train collisions pale in comparison with the number of DWI accidents, but it's still serious."

She said Texas leads the nation because of its large size, its large popula. on — meaning more drivers — and high number of railroad crossings throughout the state.

Operation Lifesaver, begun in 1972 in Idaho, has just entered the last year of its public awareness campaign, with newspaper and television public service announcements featuring the phrase "Texas Highways or Dieways: The Choice Is Yours."

Participants in the program include federal, state and local government agencies, highway safety and transportation organizations and the nation's railroads. In its first year, the program reduced train-vehicle fatalities by 43 percent.

Ms. Allen said that with train traffic across the state expected to increase 25 percent in the near future, public awareness of

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Story by Mella McEwen Photo by Curt Wilcott

Neighborhood block parties designed to 'Take a Bite out of Crime' locally

By Rick López
Staff Writer

Midlander Chuck Collier doesn't need a badge and handgun to fight crime. Instead, he relies on his natural senses to spot prowlers and report suspicious activity to proper authorities.

"I feel like we, the community, are the eyes and ears of the police department," Collier said.

Collier and others who live in his west Midland neighborhood have observed National Night Out for at least a dozen years.

A small cluster of people hosted their first block party 12 years ago. They invited an officer over to their house for a snack and together they discussed crime in their area and how they can help eradicate it.

Now, their National Night Out block parties have drawn attention from the Midland Police Department and Mayor Bobby Burns. About 45 people participate each time, Collier said.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime prevention awareness, generate participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and relationships between law enforce-

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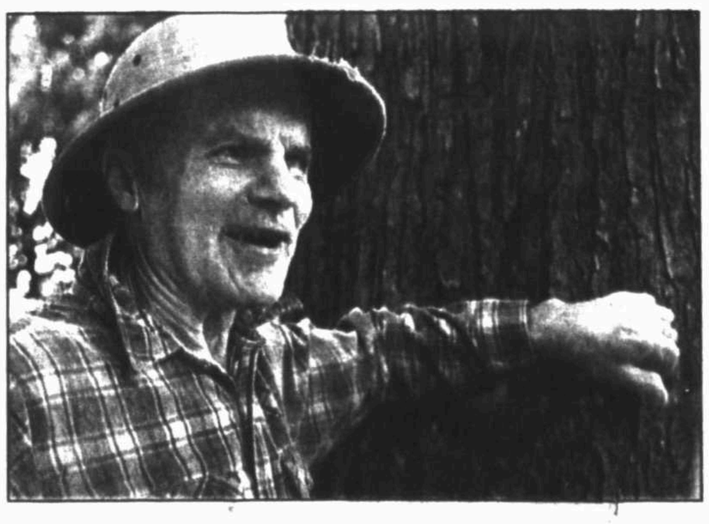
Chuck Collier, right, talks with his new neighbor Jaci Lawler. Lawler and her family recently moved to Midland and Collier is telling about their Neighborhood Watch Program and Tuesday's block party for Midland Night Out.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram



Earl Shaffer leans against a tree during a break from hiking the Appalachian Trail Friday in Boiling Springs, Pa. Shaffer, 79, was the first person to hike the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine in one uninterrupted trip in the summer of 1948. He expects to reach Maine, the end of the 2,160-mile hike, in early October.

AP Photo

First hiker to walk Appalachian Trail repeats event 50 years later

By Jennifer Brown
Associated Press

PINE GROVE, Pa. — Earl Shaffer stopped to catch his breath. He adjusted the canvas straps of his 25-pound backpack and looked up at the canopy of pines surrounding the Appalachian Trail he had followed for the past 82 days.

Only 1,080 miles to go.

"I'm amazed I've made it this far," said Shaffer, who 50 years ago became the first to hike the 2,160-mile trail from Georgia to Maine in one uninterrupted trip.

At the age of 79, he's trying to do it a third time. Alone.

"Some people say I'm a legend. I don't know. I just keep going," said Shaffer, who lives five miles from the trail in York Springs, Pa.

This time along the trail, inclines seem steeper and more frequent, and he often rests on uphill sections. On the other hand, he said, the woods are more lush and the trail is cleared and marked better than on his first trek.

Shaffer reached the halfway

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Serbs close in on separatists despite pledge to end attacks

AP Photo

Serb police fire their weapons during house-to-house fighting with members of the ethnic Albanian Kosovo Liberation Army in the village of Prilep, Kosovo, Yugoslavia, some 80 km (50 miles) southwest of Pristina Sunday. New fighting raged in the province despite promises last week by Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic that his latest offensive against the KLA was over. The offensive delivered a strong blow against independence-seeking Albanian rebels.

LIKOVAC, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serb forces staged a sweeping push against weakened Albanian separatists Sunday, shelling rebel positions and burning villages just days after President Slobodan Milosevic promised U.S. and European envoys that his brutal attacks had stopped.

The three-front operation seemed designed to drive ethnic Albanian civilians permanently from areas once controlled by the Kosovo Liberation Army and to isolate them in the Drenica region, the hotbed of Albanian resistance. Many refugees fled to Likovac, a desolate hilltop village in the region's heart where high-ranking KLA commanders do business.

As Serbs closed in, the scene in Likovac was like a Wild West outpost, full of guns, intrigue and tension. Rebels whispered in the cafe or strode across the dirt square, most of them wearing the usual KLA attire: camouflage, beret and automatic rifle.

Against all odds and evidence, KLA leaders insisted their war for an independent Kosovo province was not over.

"The KLA is not being damaged by Serb attacks but on the contrary is being strengthened," Commander Shaban Shala said, sitting in the cafe. "We are holding territory and getting more."

Even as he spoke, Serb police were burning villages about five miles away. Shellfire booms echoed across the rolling valley below Likovac throughout the weekend, louder and closer with each hit as the Serb offensive reached its eighth day.

For five months, Milosevic has been repelling the KLA's push for independence in Kosovo, a province in the Serb republic that makes up most of Yugoslavia. Kosovo's ethnic Albanians, who outnumber Serbs in the province 9-to-1, have been living under the Milosevic regime since he yanked their autonomy in 1989.

Recent fighting has driven tens of thousands of ethnic Albanians from their homes, despite appeals from humanitarian organizations and U.S. envoy Christopher Hill that Serbs stop targeting civilians.

Over and over, refugees on the road to Likovac gave the same description of how Serb police methodically destroyed their villages — shooting to drive people out, looting houses, emptying gallon jugs of gasoline and setting the houses on fire.

"The burned everything," said Hamdi Doci, fleeing with his wife and four children.

Back in the cafe, one KLA fighter was despondent that rebels were unable to protect the villages. "We have good hearts," he said. "But we are under armed and we cannot defend" the people.

While the Serbs have tanks, heavy artillery and rocket launchers, the KLA only has automatic rifles, said the fighter. He refused to give his name for fear of angering a KLA leadership secretive about the structure, number and power of its ranks.

The Serb operation started after rebels tried to take the town of Orahovac. Since then, their defeat has been sweeping: Last week, Serbs drove the KLA from two strategic roads and two strongholds.

In the current fighting, Kosovo officials said eight Albanians were killed in Drenica; Serb officials claimed two police dead on another front, Prilep near the Albanian border.

For weeks, U.S. envoy Hill has been trying to persuade the KLA to unite with ethnic Albanian politicians in talks with Serbs on the future of Kosovo. Politicians say they will accept autonomy as a first step, but the KLA has insisted it will accept nothing less than immediate independence.

One KLA faction says it is fighting for a "Greater Albania" which would entail redrawing borders to absorb Albanian-majority parts of Macedonia and Montenegro.

Hill was brought to the rebel's fenced, brick offices in Likovac last week by ethnic Albanian politicians with close KLA ties. Since the meeting with KLA leaders, the rebels have been weighing whether to join politicians in a coalition that would form the basis for a negotiating team with the Serbs.

Kosovo politicians say the KLA should give its approval this week. Some KLA fighters said an announcement would come "soon" but none indicated they were anywhere near sacrificing their independence goal.

After this weekend, the KLA may not have a choice. A leading ethnic Albanian politician said the KLA missed its chance to really negotiate and is too weak to do anything but enter talks. The politician spoke on condition of anonymity.

Ugandan women, children shuttle back, forth into Gulu looking for safe place to escape from rebels

GULU, Uganda (AP) — Every day at dusk, hundreds of women, bent by the weight of possessions and children strapped to their backs, trudge the dusty roads from their villages into Gulu.

They are looking for a safe place to sleep without worrying about attacks by rebel fighters from the Lord's Resistance Army led by Joseph Kony.

Every sunrise, they trudge back for another day's labor at home.

"This is the kind of life we have been leading," said Makurata Ocan, a 56-year-old grandmother who shuttles back and forth with her four grandchildren from Pece, a village a mile outside Gulu.

"Kony's people have been attacking our villages and abducting children. We are moving like nomads in our own country," she said.

The rebels lately have been avoiding combat with soldiers of President Yoweri Museveni's government and instead attacking villages and schools to loot for supplies.

"Museveni cannot defeat Kony because he is so strong," Ocan said. "They (the rebels) send spies to the villages, spies who are our own children who later attack us."

Human rights groups say rebels have abducted at least 10,000 children and youths to use as fighters, bearers or sex slaves.

Fearing similar fates, hundreds of children have left the region near the border with Sudan, often seeking refuge with international aid agencies like World Vision, which operates a trauma center near Gulu.

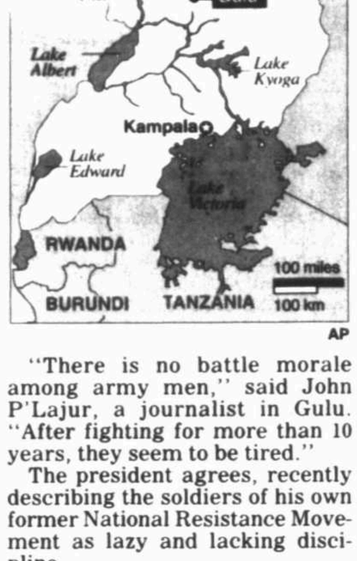
Gulu is the largest town in northern Uganda, 225 miles north of the capital, Kampala.

Betty Alim, 41, and her three young daughters walk 3 1/2 miles each evening from their village, Oswan, into town. Her husband and three grown sons stay behind to guard the livestock.

"We are like a separated family because I cannot sit with my husband by the fire during the night. Even as we move, I fear the rebels may pounce on us," she said.

More than 300,000 people have fled their homes in the northern districts of Gulu, Kigtum and Lira since the Lord's Resistance Army began its rebellion 12 years ago.

Whether in camps for the displaced or in their homes, people complain the army does little to protect them. Many say the government should hold peace talks with Kony's movement and two smaller rebel groups.



AP

"There is no battle morale among army men," said John P'Lajur, a journalist in Gulu. "After fighting for more than 10 years, they seem to be tired."

The president agrees, recently describing the soldiers of his own former National Resistance Movement as lazy and lacking discipline.

Museveni, a former rebel who came to power in 1986 after a five-year bush war, long insisted publicly that only military might could end the insurgency.

Then in late July, Museveni announced he was prepared to accept a cease-fire and begin peace negotiations, if northern rebels stayed in their bases.

A 1994 truce with some factions of the Lord's Resistance Army lasted only a short time before fighting resumed.

Before Museveni's announcement, there had been reports that Kony's rebels sent a letter to the government with children the rebels had abducted. The letter purportedly said the group was willing to hold talks on the condition it be given control of the northern third of Uganda.

The Lord's Resistance Army later issued a statement denying it had sent such a letter. It said it did not want to divide Uganda — it wanted to rule the whole country.

Various parties have been seeking ways to draw the government and rebels into serious negotiations.

Religious leaders met in Gulu in June to discuss the issue.

That meeting was followed by an unprecedented and unpublicized meeting between government officials and eight Kony representatives in Nairobi, Kenya. The Gulu district officer, Lt. Col. Walter Ochora, told a regional newspaper the meeting was fruitful, but gave no details.

The people of northern Uganda fear that if progress isn't made toward peace soon, they could lose their only remaining safe haven.

"The best thing for the government is to sit down and talk to the rebels," said an opposition politician, Andrew Adimola. "Gulu is surrounded and can be attacked anytime."

Secretary of state sees herself as Xena, Warrior Princess

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Albright, spending Sunday in Hawaii before returning to Washington, tells audiences that when she became secretary of state "I had to have all my partisan instincts surgically removed." But her love for performing appears to remain intact.

A year ago, she bowled over the ministers of the Association of Southeast Asia nations when she performed a musical skit as Evita. Last week, at the 1998 annual ASEAN meeting in Manila, she topped that. The duet of Albright and Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov performed as star-crossed lovers in a skit based loosely on "West Side Story."

But now, it turns out Albright has aspirations for the screen as well as the stage.

At a joint news conference on Saturday with New Zealand Prime Minister Jenny Shipley in Auckland, Albright said, "I've never been to New Zealand before. But one of my role models, Xena the warrior princess, comes from here."

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Kashmir villagers bear brunt of Indian, Pakistani fighting

CHINARI, Pakistan (AP) — A Pakistani farmer waited until darkness provided some cover from Indian gunners across the border, then picked his way along the narrow mountain paths to safety.

Syed Mushtaq Hussain's mother and cousin, hit by shell fragments Saturday, were waiting for him in his village on the Kashmiri front line.

"We cannot bring them here because there is no transport," Hussain said Sunday in Chinari, his words rushed with fear. "I've just come to get medicine and bandages."

Villagers on both sides of Kashmir have borne the brunt of days of fighting that India and Pakistan accuse each other of starting and Pakistan claims was aimed at undermining last week's peace talks.

Pakistani military sources, speaking on customary condition of anonymity, said 48 villagers have been killed since Wednesday by Indian shells or bullets. Indian army officials counter that 34 Indians, most of them civilians, have been killed by Pakistani forces.

Military officials said firing subsided after a two-hour bombardment early Sunday morning of Chokoti, a village of mud-and-brick houses scattered through a valley at the border about five miles from Chinari. No one was hurt because most of the 20,000 farmers and herders had fled, leaving behind crumbled homes and businesses and blackened corn fields.

India and Pakistan have fought two wars over Kashmir, the divided Himalayan territory claimed by both, since each gained independence from Britain in 1947. Spurts of artillery and mortar fire across Kashmir are common, though the exchanges that began last week were unusually heavy.

"The Indians are bombing the civilians, they're not targeting the army positions," Hussain, the farmer, said.

Many villages lie in a no-man's land between Indian and Pakistani artillery. Pakistani officials say India is trying to terrorize villagers so they won't shelter and feed Muslim militants who sneak across the border to join a separatist uprising in Indian-held Kashmir, the only Muslim-majority province in predominately Hindu India.

India accuses Pakistan, primarily an Islamic nation, of arming and training the militants, but Pakistani officials say they provide only moral support. Last week, Muslim militants were accused of killing 20 Hindu villagers in three attacks.

The attacks may have prompted the days of firing. Pakistani officials claim, however, that India was trying to undermine peace talks their prime minister held with his Indian counterpart last week. The talks, seen as particularly urgent because both nations tested nuclear weapons in May, were declared a failure on Friday.

Returning to Pakistan on Sunday, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif accused India of bringing the region to the brink of war and called on the international community to pressure New Delhi to desist.

Whatever the cause, the latest firing has had a devastating effect. Scores of Pakistani families walked away from border villages Sunday, driving herds of buffalo or goats ahead of them and carrying a few belongings in suitcases or in cloth bundles on their heads.

Displaced families overwhelmed Chinari, 30 miles northwest of Muzaffarabad, capital of Pakistani-held Kashmir.

Salima, who uses one name only, said her house was destroyed and her family's cattle were killed in the bombardment. Her 6-year-old daughter, hit in the shoulder by a bullet, was being treated in Chinari's small hospital, while the rest of the family took shelter in a school.

Chinari residents opened their homes to strangers or collected money to buy food for them. Some survivors had fled with nothing, saying Indian shelling set ablaze entire villages.

American plans 4th attempt to circle world in balloon

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Here he goes again: American adventurer Steve Fossett is getting set for his fourth attempt to circle the world in a balloon, one of the last unachieved feats of aviation.

The 54-year-old Chicago stockbroker will probably leave Thursday from Mendoza, launching his Solo Spirit balloon from a soccer field in the foothills of the Andes.

Solo Spirit meteorologist Bob Rice had originally reported promising conditions for a Monday departure. But during a news conference Sunday in St. Louis, where the team operations center is located, he said increasingly poor weather conditions would likely push back Fossett's launch.

"We don't expect a good wind pattern for at least three or four days," Rice said. "We'll have nothing to work with until probably Thursday. That's the way it works with weather."

A wealthy adventurer, Fossett has swum the English Channel, climbed some of the world's highest mountains and competed in the Ironman Triathlon. Though success in his balloon quest has been elusive, failure is not on his radar.

"You have to believe that you are going to succeed with this flight because a water landing would be very dangerous," Fossett told The Associated Press. "I'm using the same capsule I've used for seven balloon flights, and it's seaworthy."

Most of Fossett's charted course will take him over southern oceans.

Two balloonists from Kansas had planned to travel a southern route in 1988, also starting in Mendoza, 600 miles west of Buenos Aires. But bad weather kept them on the ground. John Petrehn and Rowland Smith eventually aborted their round-the-world plans after $100,000 worth of helium leaked from a balloon while it was being inflated.

Competition is intense to achieve RTW — ballooning parlance for a flight "Round the World."

"If I do not succeed on this flight, there will be seven competitors in the Northern Hemisphere in December and January," Fossett said.

"The Southern Hemisphere is the right place to do an around-the-world flight. It's far too complicated in the Northern Hemisphere with all those countries to cross, each with a military and political concern."

Fossett's first attempt to circle Earth lasted just 36 hours, cut short in January 1996 by winter storms. A year later, he set the distance record: a 10,361-mile, six-day journey from St. Louis to Sultanpar, India. He landed after running short of fuel while awaiting Libyan clearance.

On Jan. 5, 1998, Fossett landed 5,802 miles away from St. Louis, in a wheat field near Krasnodar, southern Russia.

In his latest attempt, Fossett plans to head east from Argentina over the South Atlantic and brush just below the tip of South Africa — a west-to-east route that harnesses favorable winds in the Southern Hemisphere winter.

Fossett would attempt to fly over Australia and New Zealand before a long leg eastward across the Pacific into South America. Circling the globe on that route could take 18 days and cover 20,000 miles.

Solo Spirit, shaped like a giant silver light bulb half a football field high, has both helium and hot air chambers. The 4-foot-by-6 1/2-foot capsule has a bench to sleep on, advanced communications gear, a life raft and enough food to await sea rescue, if need be.

Temperatures outside will plunge below freezing as the balloon and its unpressurized capsule are carried along anywhere from a crawl to more than 100 mph, often at altitudes above 20,000 feet.

Equipped with an oxygen mask, Fossett will be lucky to sleep four hours each night, awakened by alarms whenever Solo Spirit loses altitude.

Fossett began his life of adventure as a mountain-climbing 11-year-old. He since has competed in auto, bicycle and sled dog races. In 1996, Fossett set a speed record for solo sailing across the Pacific: 20 days and 9 hours from Yokohama, Japan, to San Francisco.

"If I am successful at this balloon flight it will be my opportunity to communicate the spirit of adventure to many people ... to take on challenges," he said. "They don't have to be grand adventures on the scale of my balloon fights, but there are many interesting things to do."

Death toll from S. Korea floods rises to 34; at least 70 missing

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Flash floods that swept over hundreds of sleeping campers in South Korea killed 14 more people, bringing the death toll on Sunday to 34, relief officials said.

Heavy rains and raging currents hampered the search for 70 people missing in the Chiri Mountains, a popular hiking and camping site 135 miles south of Seoul, officials said.

Rescue officer Lee Jong-kun, 46, died in a hospital and another rescuer remained in critical condition after jumping into the water to save a man trapped in a car.

The bodies of two small children were pulled up early Sunday by police and soldiers searching downstream with flood lights.

Disaster officials feared the casualty figures could rise as families reported more missing people. On Saturday, officials reported at least 20 had died.

"Because the streams are so rapid and studded with razor-sharp rocks, we believe nearly all those missing are dead," said a disaster official, speaking on customary condition of anonymity.

Family members gathered at makeshift relief centers in mountain valleys awaiting word on their missing relatives. The hopes of

many seemed to fall as torrential rains poured down again Sunday morning in the thickly wooded mountains.

"The flood overwhelmed our tent in the twinkling of an eye. I held on to a tree branch. But my two boys, I could not find them. What should I do? How can I find them?" a father, identified only by his surname Kim, told MBC-TV in a quavering voice.

A rain front moving east from China dumped up to 12 inches of rain early Saturday in southern Korea. Lighter rain continued in the region throughout Saturday and into Sunday.

The hardest hit was the Chiri mountains, where a record 5.6 inches of rain poured down in less than one hour. Campers compared the experience to "the heaven dumping rain with buckets."

Weather forecasters had failed to predict the heavy rain, and the sudden rise in the gushing streams caught hundreds of vacationers camping along the scenic gorges.

"The weather forecasters said the monsoon was over and we went on vacation. Only if they warned us of the rain one hour earlier," Choi Jong-il, 39, told the national news agency Yonhap. He lost his wife and two children to the floods.

The downpours also submerged homes and farmland, washed away roads and triggered landslides. Disaster officials estimated tentative property damage at $12 million.

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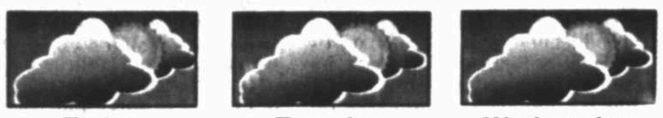
Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 100	High 96	High 92
Low 70	Low 69	Low 68

Midlanders today likely will endure another blistering 100-degree temperature, which would be the year's 49th day of temperatures in the 100-degree range this spring and summer.

Meteorologists at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport are forecasting a partly cloudy sky today, a peak temperature of about 100 degrees, and southerly winds at 10 to 20 mph.

The overnight low temperature is to be near 70.

The record high temperature for Aug. 2 is 106 in 1944, and the date's overnight record low is 61 in 1973. The record high temperature for Aug. 3 is 106 in 1953, and the date's overnight record low is 60 in 1971.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	2.13 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	100
Low	72
Normal high	95
Normal low	69

Pollen count

Trees: n/a Weeds: n/a
Grass: n/a Molds: n/a
Dust: n/a
Courtesy: Allergy Alliance of the Permian Basin

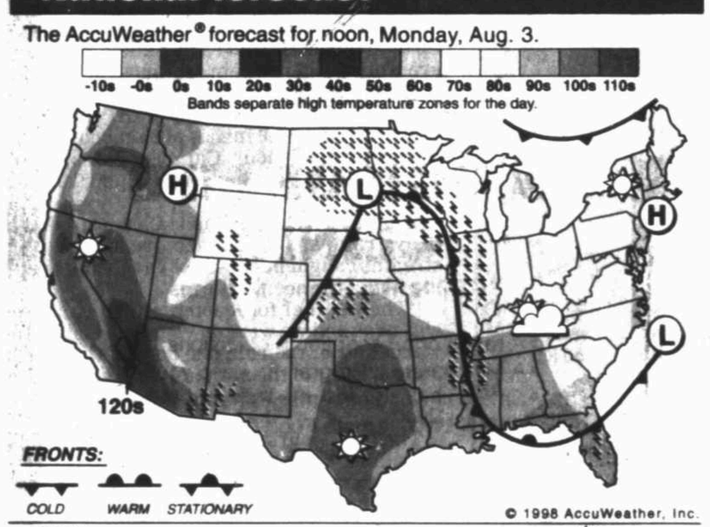
UV reading

M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Skin Cancer Prevention Project
UV readings for August 2:
11 a.m. - n/a
1 p.m. - n/a
3 p.m. -n/a

Sunrise ... 7:05 a.m.
Sunset ... 8:44 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Aug. 3.



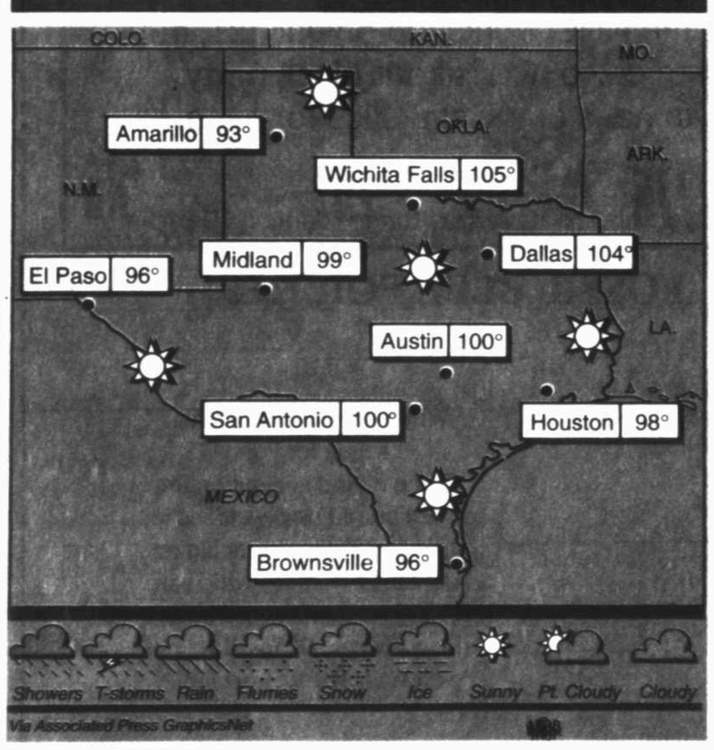
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:35 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Allentown,Pa.	84	62	clr	
Charleston,W.Va.	82	56	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	83	69	cdy	
Cheyenne	76	56	cdy	
Colorado Springs	79	53	cdy	
Columbia,S.C.	86	68	clr	
Columbus,Ga.	89	72	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	85	60	cdy	
Concord,N.H.	83	48	cdy	
Des Moines	73	65	.38	cdy
Duluth	79	61	m	
Elkins	80	46	clr	
Erie	80	55	cdy	
Eugene	91	49	clr	
Evansville	85	60	cdy	
Fargo	78	70	m	
Flagstaff	82	53	clr	
Flint	86	49	cdy	
Grand Rapids	85	56	cdy	
Greensboro,N.C.	81	61	cdy	
Harrisburg	81	57	clr	
Hartford Spgfld	84	52	clr	
Helena	70	61	cdy	
Huntsville	86	72	cdy	
Jackson,Miss.	91	76	.12	clr
Jacksonville	83	75	.13	m
Juneau	67	42	cdy	
Knoxville	84	69	clr	
Lake Charles	101	79	cdy	
Lansing	85	47	cdy	
Lexington	84	62	cdy	
Little Rock	96	72	cdy	
Louisville	86	64	cdy	
Macon	87	67	cdy	
Madison	83	56	cdy	
Medford	100	61	clr	
Mobile	90	77	cdy	
Montgomery	89	73	cdy	
Newark	83	62	clr	
Norfolk,Va.	80	71	cdy	
North Platte	83	66	.08	cdy
Omaha	75	68	.07	cdy
Orlando	93	76	m	
Paducah	86	59	m	
Peoria	82	60	m	
Pocatello	85	61	clr	
Providence	83	57	clr	
Pueblo	91	55	cdy	
Rapid City	81	59	.09	m
Reno	94	58	clr	
Roanoke	84	60	clr	
Rochester	80	53	clr	
Rockford	82	58	m	
San Jose	93	60	clr	
Savannah	86	70	cdy	
Sioux City	74	70	.22	m
Sioux Falls	71	69	.64	m
South Bend	85	55	cdy	
Spokane	89	59	clr	
Springfield,Ill.	81	60	m	
Springfield,Mo.	87	67	cdy	
Syracuse	81	52	clr	
Tallahassee	89	76	cdy	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	89	74	m	
Toledo	82	51	cdy	
Topeka	82	70	.33	cdy
Tupelo	88	72	clr	
Washington,D.C.	84	63	clr	
W.Palm Beach	89	76	.57	m
Wichita	90	73	cdy	
Wilkes-Barre	81	50	clr	
Wilmington,Del.	82	55	clr	
Yakima	94	56	clr	
Youngstown	83	48	cdy	
Yuma	111	86	clr	

State forecast



Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT.

	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	103	79	
Amarillo	94	72	0.01
Arlington	107	72	
Austin Mueller	103	75	
Beaumont	99	76	
Brownsville	98	76	
College Station	105	73	
Corpus Christi	99	76	
Corsicana	105	76	
Dallas	106	78	
Del Rio	103	80	
Denton	108	71	
El Paso	94	70	0.03
Fort Stockton	99	75	
Fort Worth	107	82	
Galveston	96	80	
Hondo	102	72	
Houston Hobby	101	77	
Houston Intrctnl	104	73	
Huntsville	106	77	
Kingsville	102	76	
Laredo	100	79	
Longview	106	77	
Lufkin	108	72	
Marfa	91	61	
McAllen	102	78	
Navy Corpus	95	80	
Paris	106	79	
San Angelo	102	73	
San Antonio	101	77	
Terrell	107	75	
Tyler	107	79	
Victoria	103	75	
Waco	106	77	
Wichita Falls	107	76	
Wink	101	75	

PROBE: Stephanopoulos says Clinton should come clean

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again on Aug. 17, when he must testify for Starr.

Ms. Lewinsky, 25, also has denied having sex with the president, but last week received immunity from prosecution and reportedly will acknowledge a sexual relationship when she appears before Starr's grand jury.

Former White House senior adviser George Stephanopoulos said if Clinton had a sexual relationship with the former White House intern, it's time to come clean.

"Democrats believe the best thing for him to do right now is to go forward and tell the story," Stephanopoulos said.

"I would make peace with my wife and I'd stand up and say, 'Here's the deal,'" Time magazine quoted Senate Judiciary Committee member Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., as saying. "Even though it might make Starr's case, no Congress would ever impeach him."

Hatch, speaking on NBC's "Meet the Press," said that if the president had a sexual affair with Ms. Lewinsky, did not commit more serious crimes such as obstruction of justice or suborning perjury and tells the truth about it, "it could certainly result in a non-impeachment."

Hatch said that if there aren't additional allegations of serious wrongdoing, "I'll certainly be there to try to help him if he will" tell the truth.

Starr eventually must present Congress with a report concerning the Lewinsky affair, the Whitewater land deal in Arkansas and other investigations concerning Clinton or the White House. The House then must decide whether to send articles of impeachment to the Senate, which could vote on removing him from office.

Stephanopoulos, appearing on ABC's "This Week With Sam Donaldson and Cokie Roberts," noted that "there's a lot of evidence out there" and it was "unlikely" that the president would continue to deny a sexual relationship.

If he does tell "the whole story," he said, "it will cut the legs out of Ken Starr's inquiry and there is no way that it will go forward in Congress." If he doesn't, "then the rest of his presidency will be crippled by impeachment proceedings."

Hatch said that with this session of Congress winding down and still no Starr report in sight, it was unlikely Congress would act this year.

But Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., a House Judiciary Committee member who has actively pushed for impeachment hearings, said those proceedings should take place regardless of whether the president changes his story and apologizes.

"Our job as members of the Congress is not to accept something on its face and say that's politically palatable," he told "Fox News Sunday."

Meanwhile, new information emerged about a conversation between Linda Tripp and White House presidential confidant Bruce Lindsey. It was Mrs. Tripp's secretly taped conversations that spurred the Lewinsky investigation.

Her lawyer, Joseph Murtha, said that in 1994, when Mrs. Tripp moved from the White House to a Pentagon job and was a potential witness in other controversies such as Clinton aide Vincent Foster's death, Lindsey advised her to keep quiet.

"In a non-menacing fashion, Mr. Lindsey told Linda that if she didn't keep quiet that she would be destroyed," Murtha said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

But Murtha added that Mrs. Tripp did not take the statement as a threat.

William Murphy, a lawyer for Lindsey, said, "Any implication that Bruce Lindsey threatened to destroy anyone, including Mrs. Tripp, is false."

Murtha and another Tripp lawyer, Anthony Zaccagnini, also denied reports that Mrs. Tripp once had considered stealing Ms. Lewinsky's dress. They said Ms. Lewinsky showed the dress to Mrs. Tripp on three occasions. Mrs. Tripp "did see something that appeared to be a stain; what that stain is Linda doesn't know," Zaccagnini told ABC.

RAILS: Trespassing deaths are increasing nationwide

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the need for caution is even more important.

She said that as the awareness campaign enters its final 12 months, education will focus on two areas.

The first is reducing the number of trespassing deaths along railroad tracks.

For some reason, she said, those numbers are rising both in Texas and in the United States.

"People bicycle or walk along railroad tracks; they fish or hunt on or along the tracks," she said. "And many don't realize it's illegal to be on the tracks. They feel safer walking or biking on the tracks."

Preliminary 1997 (the most recent available) statistics indicate that Texas had 34 railroad trespasser fatalities, the third highest in the nation. In 1996 the state had 60 fatalities and 89 injuries.

Railroad facts

- Texas has 12,444 public and 6,301 private highway-rail grade crossings for a total of 18,745 crossings, the most in the nation.
- Texas ranks first in the nation in the number of miles of rail line — 12,275 miles.
- A motorist is 40 times more likely to die in a crash involving a train than in other highway collisions.
- The majority of grade crossing crashes occur at train speeds of less than 30 mph.
- Nearly 40 percent of collisions at public crossings occur where active warning devices — gates and lights — are in use.

Source: Federal Railroad Administration, Association of American Railroads.

Ms. Allen said her organization is also working to participate in driver in-service programs for the state's school bus drivers.

"We had two bus-train crashes within seven months of each other — one in December 1997 and the other in March 1998," she said. "Before that, we had gone 10 years without a train-bus collision. No one was killed in those two accidents, but it sent up red flags."

The Texas Legislature has passed legislation requiring black-and-white railroad crossing warning signs to be treated as yield signs, and the National Transportation Safety Board has recommended to the U.S. Secretary of Transportation that stop signs be placed at every railroad crossing in the country within two years.

"The opposition to that in the past has been that people worried cars would be rear-ended at the crossings. Bus drivers stop at all crossings, but there's a danger cars would follow too close and not control their speed. The NTSB finally said 'enough, this is how it's going to be,'" Ms. Allen said.

Officials have found, in questioning survivors of vehicle-train collisions, that the main reason drivers drove through a railroad crossing wasn't to try and beat the train but "most people said they just didn't see the train," Ms. Allen said. "They just weren't aware the train was approaching; they weren't paying attention. We're very cautious when we approach a highway intersection; why don't we take even more caution at railroad crossings?"

TRAIL: About 1,500 people attempt feat every year

(From 1A)

point near Pine Grove, Pa., in July and will be heading into New York state this week. He is worried about reaching Mount Katahdin, Maine, by Oct. 15 — when the mountain closes.

Unlike younger hikers in lightweight gear, he wears long trousers, a flannel shirt and an old pith helmet with mosquito net.

The trail was proposed in 1921 and completed in 1937. Back then, nobody envisioned hiking the entire distance, but Shaffer did it in 1948, finishing in four months, four hours, and drawing national attention to the by-then-neglected footpath.

His hike and the book of poems he wrote during the journey, "Walking with Spring," drew attention to the trail and encouraged a generation of volunteers to clear and mark the path.

"So, how does it feel to go with Neil Armstrong to the moon?" Christopher Boyer of Round Hill, Va., asked two people who walked with Shaffer for a day. Boyer is a thru-hiker, trail walker slang for people following Shaffer's example and hiking the trail end to end.

At the halfway point in Pine Grove Furnace State Park on July 22, Shaffer was surrounded by admiring thru-hikers as he downed a tub of cherry jubilee ice cream, following the thru-hiker's tradition of eating a half-gallon of ice cream at the halfway mark.

He has stayed in shelters about half the time, but he's just as comfortable laying a mat down along the trail. If it rains, he pulls a tarp over himself and his pack.

The trail now winds through mostly public land in 14 states. Each year, about 1,500 people attempt to duplicate Shaffer's feat, beginning in late spring at Springer Mountain, Ga., and ending at Mount Katahdin.

AP/Amy Kranz

Only about one in 10 make it, according to the Appalachian Trail Conference.

Shaffer undertook his first hike on the Appalachian Trail to shake off the demons after World War II, which he spent in the Pacific. His best friend from childhood was killed at Iwo Jima.

"After the war, I couldn't settle down to do anything. So I started walking," Shaffer said.

The trail covered easier terrain in 1948, Shaffer remembered, sometimes passing through towns or along country roads. Now it crosses mountain tops and ridges, ascending challenging and rocky ground.

"It's like an obstacle course," he said.

Shaffer thru-hiked a second time in 1965, walking south from Mount Katahdin and finishing in 99 days.

"Katahdin is the most beautiful," Shaffer said. "From the top you can see everything. You can look at it from so many different ways, and it looks different every time."

This year's hike is his swan song, he acknowledges. "I've been torturing myself sometimes on this one," he said.

His left shoulder aches. He has fallen down twice, once earning a black eye.

"People ask me what it is to make me go off and do something like this," he said. "It's the beauty."

PARTY: More than 28 million expected to participate

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ment and the community.

Participants celebrate by hosting a variety of activities like block parties, cook outs and pot luck dinners. For the first time ever, Midland and Odessa will join forces in observing the event in the same night. This year's theme is "Give Crimes and Drugs a Going Away Party."

On Tuesday, Collier is helping coordinate a block party at 3304 Dengar Ave.

Drawing a crowd to the parties is the hardest part, he said. Officers are usually willing to attend them, but spreading the word is not as easy. This year, Collier and others will hand deliver fliers to all the homes in their area. Like many others people holding a block party that day, block captains will fix a small snack for participants.

Speakers who can answer questions about current events are also a crowd favorite. Last year, a member of the Midland Police Department's gang unit was there to answer questions about the local gang activity, Collier said.

"We've had the K-9 Unit come to some of our other parities. One year, the fire department brought one of their fire trucks and ambulances and let the kids inspect it and look inside it," Collier said.

Their block also takes an extra step in crime prevention. Not only do the Neighborhood Watch volunteers take turns being watch dogs, but they ask area residents if they want to participate in a project they've started during recent years.

Block captains are keeping an information system that lists the names of their neighbors, where they can be reached in case of an emergency and where they work. It's proved to be useful in cases when a water heater breaks and neighbors needed to contact the home owner. It also comes in handy if a burglar poses as a friend of a resident or claims to know the family, Collier said.

"In one incident, some neighbors were out of town and they forgot to tell us that a friend was taking care of their animals," he said. After calling the residents and making sure the woman was the person she identified herself as being, "everything was great," Collier said.

According to the police department, more than 28 million people across the United States are expected to participate in the Aug. 4 event.

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Forget the next window: Cities ban drive-thrus

By Allen Breed
Associated Press

CARRBORO, N.C. — Grady Sturdivant is a small-town guy. His Friendly Barber Shop on Main Street looks pretty much the way it must have when he opened it in 1961. The silver-haired Sturdivant wears an old-fashioned white smock with his name embroidered on it. He still dispenses hot lather and uses a straight razor to shave your neck. All for $9.

But Carrboro, a former textile mill town, is now a trendy community in the booming Research Triangle, and it's taking the small-town thing a bit too far, the 64-year-old barber says.

"I think it's a very stupid thing to do," he says. The "thing" is the town council's recent vote to ban new drive-through businesses downtown. The reasoning behind the June 9 vote: To preserve Carrboro's "village" feel.

"That's kid talk," Sturdivant says between snips. "I mean, that's talking about stuff you dream about back 50 years ago or something. You can't stop progress."

But if the drive-through — or "drive-thru," as it's often spelled — represents the path to progress, Carrboro's not the only town looking to change lanes.

In 1996, Sierra Madre, Calif., officials put the kibosh on new drive-through restaurants to cut down on noise, light and traffic. This spring, the swallows returned to San Juan Capistrano, but any plans for new drive-ups in the historic California mission town went south.

Now, Atlanta City Councilman Lee Morris is proposing to halt McDonald's march to the sea. He explains his reasons for a proposal to stop issuing drive-through permits: Less pollution from idling cars and more exercise for customers, who'd have to get out of their cars for their "Super-size" fries.

To Ron Fennel, senior vice president of the Georgia Hospitality & Travel Association, the proposal is nigh unto blasphemy.

"It is an American tradition," Fennel says of the drive-through. "This is Americana."

It's also big bucks.

According to the National Restaurant Association, about a third of the $103 billion spent on fast food last year came from drive-up customers. At the thousands of McDonald's restaurants that have drive-throughs, about half of sales go through the window, company spokeswoman Julie Cleary says.

The pick-up window has become an indispensable part of the banking and dry cleaning industries. Even marriages and funerals are being done on the run.

"You have a cellular phone, the mobile fax — you can take your whole office with you and do everything out of your car," says Pat Caffery, chairman of the convention and visitors board in San Bernardino, Calif., home of the first McDonald's drive-in.

AP Photo

Automobiles idle as they wait in line at a bank drive-through in Atlanta on Thursday. An Atlanta city councilman, Lee Morris, is proposing an ordinance to ban new drive-throughs in order to reduce the city's air pollution.

"This has become part of our culture," he says. "I don't think there's any going back."

Some don't want to go back — they just want to stand still a while.

Beset by rampant development and under federal pressure to improve air quality, cities are looking for ways to put on the brakes. And the drive-through is a pretty easy target.

Too easy, complains Bill Sieber. "I think this is an arbitrary attack on convenience," he says.

Sieber is president of E.F. Bavis & Associates, a suburban Cincinnati company that makes nothing but drive-through equipment. One of its products, the Vittleveyor, makes it possible for fast-food restaurants to serve more than one lane of drive-through traffic at a time.

Towns like Carrboro and Sierra Madre, he says, are bucking a consumer trend that fueled his company's 28 percent growth last year. Some retailers — CVS and Rite-Aid pharmacies, for instance — no longer build stores without drive-throughs, he says.

Do cars at drive-through windows pollute more than those parked and restarted in lots? The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says studies are inconclusive.

But in Carrboro, the issue was preserving aesthetic atmosphere as much as environmental.

A bedroom community for the neighboring college town of Chapel Hill, Carrboro is a place where the bicycle is at home. White lines along the main roads mark the two-wheeler's right of way, and signs everywhere remind drivers to "Share the Road."

Scott Smith, manager of The Clean Machine, a bike shop directly across the street from Wendy's — one of a handful of businesses whose pick-up windows were grandfathered in — is pragmatic about the drive-through ban.

Personally, he likes to walk over to grab his burger. "But you've got a mom with four kids bolted in baby seats," he says, "it might be a little more convenient for her to sit out in the drive-through."

John Shelton Reed, a sociologist at the University of North Carolina, lives in the drive-through free-zone of Chapel Hill, "which I appreciate, since I live about unwrapping distance from Hardee's."

Reed puts the Carrboro ordinance in the same league with the much-derided rule in nearby Wilson against keeping stuffed furniture on your front porch — another American tradition.

"It's interfering with a cherished freedom," he says, "presumably for the greater good."

U.S. prison population tops 1.2 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's adult prison population grew to more than 1.2 million in 1997, its slow but steady rise fueled by inmates serving longer terms for violent crimes while a constant stream of criminals entered prison doors, the Justice Department reported Sunday.

The 5.2 percent growth to 1,244,554 federal and state prison inmates by year's end was slightly below the 7 percent annual average growth during the 1990s, the department's Bureau of Justice Statistics said. That was a net gain of 61,186 inmates during the year — very close to the annual average of 63,900 since 1990, when prison inmates numbered only 774,000.

And more than half a million other men and women were serving shorter sentences or awaiting trials in jails during 1997, the bureau said.

If this growth continues, the combined prison and jail population will top 2 million by 2000, even though crime has been dropping since 1994, according to an estimate from The Sentencing Project, a private group that advocates alternatives to imprisonment.

Already, the United States trails only Russia in the share of its citizens behind bars. The total U.S. incarceration rate of 645 people per 100,000 is six times to 10 times higher than most industrial nations, the project said.

With stable admissions, "the prison population growth in the 1990s has been primarily driven by the increasing lengths of stay — fewer inmates leaving,' said bureau statistician Allen J. Beck, co-author of the report.

"The increased time served, particularly for violent crimes, is a product of tougher parole boards and such measures as longer minimum sentences and truth-in-sentencing laws that require that more of each sentence be served behind bars," Beck said in an interview. Such laws have proliferated at the state and federal level during the 1990s.

In 1985, the average inmate had served 20 months upon release, but by 1996 that figure had risen to 25 months, Beck said. The estimated time to be served by inmates now entering prison also is rising.

"And contrary to popular belief, the greatest source of growth in state prisons is in violent offenders not drug violators," Beck said.

Violent offenders in state prisons — which together house 10 times as many prisoners as the federal system — grew by 179,500, or 50 percent, between 1990 and 1996.

A rise in revoked probation and parole has been a major factor in keeping admissions stable even though violent crime has declined during the 1990s, Beck said. By 1996, 30 percent of all prison entrants were put there for parole violations. Another BJS survey found that 20 percent of inmates whose parole or probation was revoked had not been charged with new crimes, Beck said, but rather had violated conditions of parole.

Between 1990 and 1996, adult arrests for murder and rape were both down 19 percent, robbery arrests were down 17 percent, and burglary, larceny and auto theft arrest also dropped. But drug abuse arrests rose by 28 percent, and aggravated assault arrests were up 8 percent over the six years.

In other findings, the bureau said:

- The number of female prisoners grew by 6.2 percent during 1997 to a year-end total of 79,624 in state and federal prisons.
- At year's end, state prisons held 1,131,581 inmates and federal prisons held 112,973. California with 157,547 inmates and Texas with 140,729 together accounted for more than a quarter of all state prison inmates.
- Among the states, Texas had the highest incarceration rate, 717 inmates per 100,000 residents, followed by Louisiana at 672 and Oklahoma at 617.

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Hospital tax cut would benefit taxpayers

Midland County Hospital District's board of directors is considering reducing the district's tax rate. While that is not an ordinary development for a taxing entity in Midland County, we're certainly glad that the hospital district's directors are thinking of taking the step of reducing the tax burden.

In addition, the hospital administration is considering keeping hospital room rates the same as current rates. That would be another commendable move.

The hospital district has been operating in sound financial condition for a period of years, indicated by the fact that this is the sixth consecutive year the district has not increased the tax rate, according to Larry Sans, vice president and chief financial officer for Memorial Hospital and Medical Center.

It makes sense for the hospital district to reduce tax rates if the district's income is sufficient to cover the cost of its expenses.

So it makes sense for the hospital district to reduce tax rates if the district's income is sufficient to cover the cost of its expenses. In today's economy, it is much more common for branches of government to have to raise taxes, as well as increasing their costs for goods and services.

But it's not all roses out on the streets today. Business is getting tougher and some are closing their doors for good. Some American families are having trouble making ends meet. Tax increases make it tougher on the ordinary, taxpaying citizen. If a governmental entity can give its taxpayers a break through reduction of the tax rate, that's tremendous!

We encourage the hospital district's board to pass this tax savings along to its taxpayers. No doubt they can use the extra money right now in other ways.

Today in History

Today is Monday, Aug. 3, the 215th day of 1998. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Aug. 3, 1948, Whittaker Chambers, a former Communist, publicly accused former State Department official Alger Hiss of having been part of a Communist underground, a charge Hiss denied.

On this date:

In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain, on a voyage that took him to the present-day Americas.

In 1914, Germany declared war on France.

In 1923, Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as the 30th president of the United States, following the death of Warren G. Harding.

In 1936, the State Department urged Americans in Spain to leave because of that country's civil war.

In 1943, Gen. George S. Patton slapped a private at an army hospital in Sicily, accusing him of cowardice. Pattor was later ordered by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to apologize for this and a second, similar episode.

In 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed.

In 1958, the nuclear-powere submarine Nautilus became the first vessel to cross the North Pole under water.

In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Reagan that they would be fired.

In 1987, the Iran-Contra congressional hearings ended, with none of the 29 witnesses tying President Reagan directly to the diversion of arms-sales profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

In 1994, Stephen G. Breyer was sworn in as the Supreme Court's newest justice in a private ceremony at Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist's Vermont summer home.

Ten years ago: The Soviet Union released Mathias Rust, the young West German pilot who had landed a light plane in Moscow's Red Square in May 1987.

Five years ago: The Senate voted 96-3 to confirm Supreme Court nominee Ruth Bader Ginsburg. The body of basketball star Michael Jordan's father, James Jordan, was found in a South Carolina creek, 11 days after he was slain; his remains were not identified until Aug. 13.

JACK ANDERSON

Underground center would make tourists 2nd class citizens

Back in 1989, our law-enforcement sources provided a terrifying tip: Security at federal buildings had not kept up with recent advances in firearms technology. As a result, almost anyone could sneak a gun into the U.S. Capitol, these sources said.

Following up on the tip, we made an appointment with then-Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., who was going to talk to us about potential security problems at the Capitol.

Anderson

But we also wanted to check the security apparatus ourselves, so we devised a "field test" that unfortunately involved breaking the law. The results were disappointing.

To our meeting with Dole we took with us a plastic Glock handgun, which we disassembled and stashed in a briefcase. The bullets were kept separate in a coat pocket. Without delay, the Capitol police waived us through the metal detectors that guard the people's house.

When we presented Dole with the gun, the senator was anything but amused.

This decade-old stunt came to mind this week as we mourn the passing of two brave Capitol officers, John Gibson and Jacob Chestnut, who lost their lives protecting the thousands of people who walk the Capitol corridors each day.

Although security at the Capitol hasn't changed much in the years since our experiment, we probably underestimated the commitment and valor of the men and women who guard the entranceways to the Capitol and surrounding office buildings. The real lesson in last Friday's tragedy is that the police did their jobs when they were most needed.

One other thing also jumps out: The Capitol, despite the ever-present threat of terrorism, is still one of the safest places in the country, if not the world. Which is why we're skeptical about the predictable clamor in Congress to "do something" in the wake of the shootings.

In a city where the murder rate has been among America's highest for a decade now, the Capitol is an oasis of peace. Before last month's incident, shots had not been fired in the Capitol since 1954, when Puerto Rican nationals opened fire in the visitors' gallery and wounded several members.

More recently, a bomb exploded in 1983 just off the Senate chamber — which caused no deaths or injuries but prompted the installation of metal detectors at all Capitol entrances.

There's no doubt that the metal detectors were a necessary step. And if the deaths of Officer Chestnut and Detective Gibson prompt officials to tinker with the security a bit, that's a good thing too. In fact, the Capitol police already have added personnel in the wake of the shootings, to guard against copycat crimes that often arise after such horrible, well-publicized events.

But members of Congress ought to resist the temptation to use this horrible crime as an excuse to spend $125 million on themselves. That's what a proposed underground visitors' center under discussion would cost. Republicans say they want to use private funding to pay for half of the project, but that still leaves more than $60 million — plus overruns — coming out of taxpayer pockets.

Plans for a visitors' center have been kicking around since 1995, when blueprints were first revealed. Its purpose would be twofold: to provide a central location for people to learn about the history and traditions of Congress, and to establish a single checkpoint for all tourists entering the Capitol.

Yet the visitors' center also would damage one of the finest features of the people's house: its accessibility. By herding tourists through a visitors' center, politicians would create two distinct classes of people on the Hill — those who "belong" (members, staffers, journalists) and those who are just gawking (everyone else).

As things stand now, everyone from Newt Gingrich to Joe and Jane from Topeka come into the Capitol the same way, passing through the same metal detectors. It's what sets the people's house apart from the White House, which is an armed fortress by comparison. Under the new plan, anyone holding a laminated pass, like reporters and staffers, would still be allowed to walk through any entrance. Tourists would quickly become second-class citizens.

It's still early in the deliberations, meaning everything is still up for debate. Some House Republicans are queasy about the thought of spending so much money on themselves, especially in an election year.

Members of Congress ought to think long and hard before they rush to judgment on a visitor's center. For every little bit of added security means a tiny loss of freedom for everyone else. They need to remember that no amount of security is going to prevent a determined terrorist from wreaking deadly havoc.

And they ought to realize that the best way to honor the memory of the two slain officers may be to do nothing at all.

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"THESE LISTS ARE GETTING OLD REAL FAST!"

CHARLEY REESE

EPA lied about secondhand smoke

The federal court's ruling against the Environmental Protection Agency on the subject of secondhand tobacco smoke being a cause of cancer is devastating. It says what should be obvious: The EPA, under its present administration, is as dishonest as a bank robber.

The EPA's claim that secondhand smoke was a significant cause of lung cancer was exposed by a number of journalists at the time it was issued. Now, a federal judge, after considering expert testimony and reviewing the records, has confirmed its phoniness.

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Here is what the EPA did:

1. It started with a conclusion.

2. It cherry-picked the studies it would include in its analysis.

3. When even the cherry-picked studies failed to show a statistically significant correlation, it changed its methodology from the standard 95 percent to 90 percent.

4. Even by the bogus 90 percent standard, the cherry-picked studies showed only a very small risk.

5. It hid from the public information it was supposed to make available.

6. It lied about why it changed the standard.

Now, regardless of how you feel about smoking (and "feel," not "think," is correct word on this subject), you should be concerned at the corruption of science and what amounts to public fraud.

Why don't people trust the government? Because it lies to them. And when its lies are exposed, it lies some more. This has been the standard procedure of the Clinton administration: lies, exposed lies, more lies.

It used to be said that politics should stop at the water's edge, meaning that foreign policy should not be distorted by partisan infighting. Well, that's long ago gone by the boards.

And it certainly ought to be said that politics stops at the scientists door. Well, forget that; science is as politicized in America as it was in the Soviet Union and Nazi Germany. And Clinton's EPA is a prime example.

EPA administrator Carol Browner ought to be fired over this fraud about secondhand smoke. She won't be, of course. Expecting the Clinton administration to care about honesty is like expecting Al Capone to care about people drinking too much.

I don't trust any information that comes out of the Clinton administration no matter what department originates it. I don't trust labor statistics, economic statistics, promises, claims about the environment, nothing. If ever an administration has earned the distrust of the American people, it's this one.

And that's the real political crisis in America today. We Americans ought to be able to trust our own government. We can easily live with policy differences so long as they are debated on the basis that everyone is honestly seeking the truth.

But when government resorts to lies and propaganda rather than facts and persuasion, then you really enter onto dangerous ground. A free society presupposes that everyone is seeking the common good, even if by different paths. It presupposes that people may be mistaken, but they will not lie. But when government shows, by resorting to lies and propaganda, that the only recourse left is obedience, then you really no longer have a free society.

The question was tobacco, but the principle is much more important: honest government, respect for and desire to find the truth. Browner's EPA flunks on both points.

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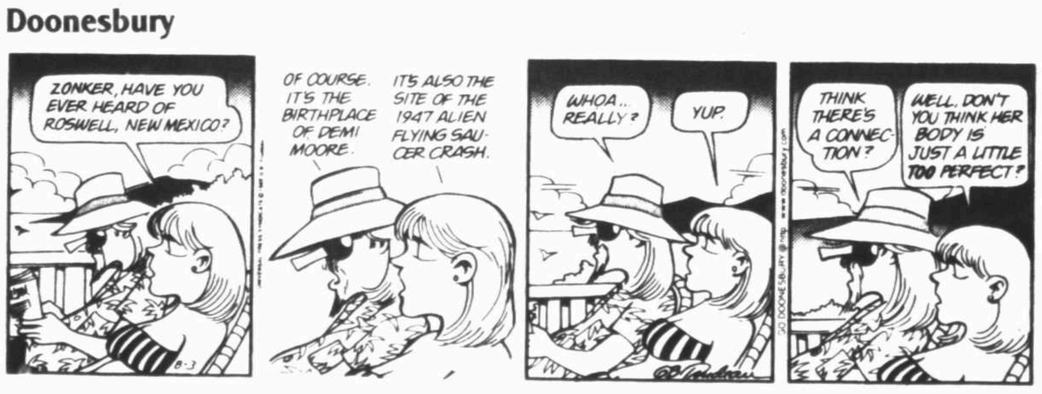

SUZANNE FIELDS

Book gives spirited account of blacks who forged frontiers

When the African-American Civil War Memorial was unveiled in Washington, it paid homage to the 185,000 black soldiers who fought for the Union.

"Many of these men gave their lives to preserve this country," said Lt. Gen. Joe Ballard, the first black chief of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and keynote speaker. "We Americans speak often of our commitment to freedom. But for the men we salute today, the fight for freedom was a very personal one."

He's right about that. The Civil War was about preserving the Union, but black Union soldiers knew how profoundly that preservation would affect their everyday lives as freed slaves. That's why it took more than a little chutzpah for Emerson Emory, a black man who was the official representative of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, to want to sidetrack the dedication ceremony by paying tribute to blacks who fought for the Confederacy.

Fields

While some blacks fought with their masters, they were more likely to accompany them as cooks, mule drivers, cleaners and entertainers. The Confederate Congress didn't pass a resolution permitting black combatants until 1865, eight days before the end of the war.

You don't have to be a student of Civil War history to know that incentives for blacks to fight for the Confederacy were few, but one battle makes that point dramatically.

The battle of Honey Springs on July 17, 1863, took place in Indian Territory and is vividly described by historian Quintard Taylor in a new book "In Search of the Racial Frontier: African Americans in the American West, 1528-1990." He tells how 500 black men from the 1st Kansas Colored Infantry fought beside Cherokee Indians and dismounted white Colorado cavalry units, holding the "crucial center" of the Union line against 6,000 Confederates (mostly from Texas.) After the battle the triumphant black soldiers surveyed the field and discovered among the abandoned Confederate supplies familiar shackles that would have been used to chain captured black soldiers.

It's not surprising that Texas, a slave-holding state, held on to its racist sentiments after the war. The sheriff of De Witt County shot a black man for whistling "Yankee Doodle," but it's less well known that Indian tribes held more than 7,000 black slaves before the war and their prejudice did not disappear with the Emancipation Proclamation.

Professor Taylor, who documents these facts does not write merely to criticize the past, though he does do that. The historian, who teaches history at the University of Oregon, contributes a lively and spirited account, rich in anecdote, of blacks who triumphed over hardship and forged new frontiers. He thus joins a generation of scholars determined to document black experiences that never made it into the history books.

Hollywood ought to love his descriptions of ranchers, herders and drovers, those "rowdy, rugged black cowboys" that the classic western rarely acknowledged. They trailed the longhorns from central Texas to railheads in Abilene, Dodge City, Denver, Cheyenne, and northern pastures in Montana, sleeping on the ground in all kinds of weather with a saddle for a pillow and a gun under their heads.

Occasionally their stories sound like a skit for the old "Saturday Night Live," starring black comedian Garrett Morris in high boots and tall hat. In the dubious distinction department, you'll find a black cook who shot up Abilene, celebrating the end of a trail run, thus becoming the first person to occupy a new city jail cell. He was the first to escape from it, too.

Fortunately, Mr. Taylor's history of blacks in the West eschews the chauvinism or superficial appeals to self-esteem that often afflict revisionist black studies. His conclusion is fitting in that it embodies a verbal memorial to black history, found in the words of the poet Langston Hughes:

Make, of my past, a road to the light
Out of the darkness, the ignorance, the night.

Suzanne Fields' column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

JFK autopsy files include testimony of destroyed notes, missing photos

WASHINGTON (AP) — Records of the 1963 autopsy performed on John F. Kennedy are incomplete, and the doctors who conducted it undermined the integrity of their work by trying to protect "the privacy and the sensibilities of the president's family," a government review board says.

In a modern-day look at issues that have given rise to decades of speculation, the Assassination Records Review Board says it is able to finally answer the question about what Navy doctor James Humes did with notes taken during the autopsy and his first draft of the autopsy report.

Previously, Humes, of the Bethesda Naval Center and one of three autopsy doctors, confirmed that he tossed autopsy papers — some stained with Kennedy's blood — into the fireplace at his home while writing the report. But it was unclear exactly what he had burned.

"Under oath, Dr. Humes, finally acknowledged under persistent questioning — in testimony that differs from what he told the Warren Commission — that he had destroyed both his notes taken at the autopsy and the first draft of the autopsy report," the board said.

Humes' 248-page testimony is among more than 3,000 pages of medical documents released by the board last week.The records also include an affidavit from a witness who claims another autopsy doctor's notes disappeared. And in testimony to the board, photographer John T. Stringer questioned whether the pictures he took at a "supplemental autopsy" of Kennedy's brain are the ones preserved at the National Archives.

The board was created by Congress in 1992 to accumulate and release all records about the Nov. 22, 1963 assassination, in recognition that speculation about an assassination conspiracy would grow as long as some records were hidden from the public.

"Although the professionals who participated in the creation and the handling of the medical evidence may well have had the best of intentions in not publicly disclosing information — protecting the privacy and the sensibilities of the president's family — the legacy of such secrecy ultimately has caused distrust and suspicion," the board said in a statement.

"There have been shortcomings that have led many to question not only the completeness of the autopsy records of President Kennedy, but the lack of a prompt and complete analysis of the records by the Warren Commission."

Among the shortcomings was confusion about what exactly Humes burned and why. Humes told the board that some years ago he visited a museum where a guide pointed out what were alleged to be bloodstains on the chair Abraham Lincoln was seated on when he was killed.

"I thought this was the most macabre thing I ever saw in my life," Humes testified. So when he noticed Kennedy's bloodstains on the autopsy papers, "I said, 'Nobody's going to ever get these documents. I'm not going to keep them, and nobody else is ever going to get them.'"

Humes added: "There's been a lot of flak about this, that they're all part of a big conspiracy. Ludicrous."

Testimony from another autopsy doctor, J. Thornton Boswell, also revealed the consequences of a desire to respect the Kennedy family's wishes — in this case the decision to keep secret the fact that Kennedy had Addison's disease, a rare chronic illness that was the subject of much rumor during his lifetime.

In conducting the autopsy, the doctors found no traces of the adrenal glands, which produce the hormones necessary to prevent the sometimes-fatal disease.

While the world mourned the death of a young president, Kennedy's White House physician, George Burkley, was concerned that the doctors not disclose the president's long-secret condition.

Boswell testified that as he recalled it, Humes had promised Burkley "that we would not discuss the adrenals until all the then-living members of the Kennedy family were dead."

The doctors' willingness to honor Burkley's request is a perfect example of why the public does not have confidence in the autopsy findings, said author Gerald Posner. His 1993 book, "Case Closed," accepts the findings of the lone-gunman conclusion of the Warren Commission.

In an affidavit, Leonard D. Saslaw, a biochemist who worked at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Bethesda, Md., said that at lunch in the week following the assassination he overheard one of the autopsy doctors, Pierre Finck, "complain that he had been unable to locate the handwritten notes that he had taken during the autopsy."

Finck told the board he couldn't recall the lunchroom conversation.

But Saslaw stated that in the lunchroom, "Dr. Finck elaborated to his companions, with considerable irritation, that immediately after washing up following the autopsy, he looked for his notes, and could not find them anywhere.

Child abuse accusation puts tolerance to test

By Mike Carter
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Carrying out his sworn duty to uphold the Utah Constitution is becoming a public relations hot potato for Gov. Mike Leavitt.

The sticking point is Article III, which mandates religious tolerance but adds this caveat: "Polygamous or plural marriages are forever prohibited."

The early Mormons' practice of plural marriage, renounced by the church in 1890, has persisted among religious splinter groups and hasn't been prosecuted in more than 45 years. Today, there are an estimated 30,000 polygamists in the West.

But an accusation of child abuse against a prominent member of a wealthy polygamist clan has brought that wink-and-a-nod tolerance into question and caught the Republican governor in the middle.

The issue is a political, religious and cultural mine field in a state where 70 percent of the governor's constituents are Mormon.

Leavitt, a descendant of Mormon polygamists, appeared to stumble when asked about the child abuse case at a July 23 news conference. Refusing to flatly condemn polygamy, he suggested that it may be protected as a religious freedom, despite a century of case law to the contrary.

"It's clear to me in this state and many others, they have chosen not to aggressively prosecute it," he said. "I assume there is a legal reason for that. I think it goes well beyond tradition."

"What needs to be cracked down on, if there is to be such a crackdown, is any abuses of peoples' civil and human rights," he said.

Leavitt's comments brought condemnation from a fledgling organization of women who have fled polygamy. Members of Tapestry of Polygamy say the practice of men having more than one wife is inherently abusive.

"As it is practiced, it degrades women," said Roweena Erickson, a former polygamist wife and a board member of the self-help group.

"Many women in these relationships struggle with isolation, emotional abuse and poverty," she said.

Tapestry's stand was countered last week by the newly formed Women's Religious Liberties Union, which called on Leavitt and the Utah Legislature to repeal the ban on plural marriage.

On Friday, the governor backpedaled from his religious freedom statement, although he stresses that he does not condone polygamy.

Polygamy within The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints began in secret among its leaders — founder Joseph Smith had 33 wives — but was openly practiced after the Mormons fled to the future site of Utah to escape persecution.

Congress passed tough anti-bigamy laws and the church, under threat of having its assets confiscated, abandoned the practice in 1890. Then Congress insisted the anti-polygamy clause be included in the Utah Constitution when statehood was granted in 1896.

Modern polygamists continue to observe Mormon doctrine and are convinced the church was wrong to abandon plural marriage. The church disagrees; polygamists are summarily excommunicated.

The felony child abuse case involves John Daniel Kingston, a prominent member of a polygamist clan that reportedly has as many as 1,000 members and business holdings worth up to $150 million.

Kingston, 43, is accused of whipping his 16-year-old daughter with a belt after she rebelled against an arranged marriage to his brother. Police say the girl, her uncle's 15th wife, told them all she wanted to do was finish high school. Kingston has pleaded innocent.

On Friday, the governor said that after speaking with prosecutors, he had concluded polygamy isn't pursued in court not because of religious freedom but because — as with fornication, sodomy and adultery — it is difficult to do so.

He cited three reasons: lack of proof, since most polygamous marriages take place in private and are not documented; case law preventing children from being removed from a polygamous home; and higher priorities for law enforcement.

There may be another reason. The last time the law was enforced, when state and federal agents raided a polygamist community in 1952, it became a public relations debacle. Photographs of crying children being dragged from parents' arms and husbands being jailed turned public opinion against the authorities.

The prosecutor in the abuse case against Kingston, Box Elder County Attorney Jon Bunderson, is pragmatic about enforcing the anti-polygamy clause.

AP Photo

Utah Gov. Michael Leavitt holds the state flag as he and his wife, Jacalyn, wave during the Days of '47 parade celebrating the arrival of the Mormons to the valley Friday. When Leavitt took office, he swore to uphold the Utah Constitution. But in the sixth year of his tenure, that's suddenly proving difficult when it comes to the practice of polygamy.

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Records show Texas hasn't spent $100 million set aside for housing

DALLAS (AP) — Texas housing officials might have to return millions of dollars to the federal government after a report found the state has failed to spend more than $100 million in aid intended to help poor families find homes, The Dallas Morning News reported in Sunday's editions.

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs has spent only about half the money it has received from the federal Home Investment Partnership program since 1992, the newspaper reported.

That's the second-worst record among the states, behind Connecticut.

Federal officials warned state leaders in January that if they did not spend significantly more money, Texas would have to return the unspent funds.

"The expenditure rate is unacceptable," U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development officials said in their recent report.

State Rep. Harryette Ehrhardt, D-Dallas, said the state's inaction "means human misery for families throughout Texas."

"There is a housing crisis in this state, and yet the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs is not spending money meant to help poor people get decent housing," said Ms. Ehrhardt, who sits on the House panel that oversees the housing department.

Texas had not spent $80 million of its $184 million in federal housing money as of June 30, according to a HUD study. That figure did not include another $35 million given to Texas three months ago, said Joanne Johnson, a HUD spokeswoman in Washington.

Beola Jones of Taylor, who has lived in the same home for a half-century, could use some of that money. The 89-year-old widow and great-grandmother may have to move because her house needs several thousand dollars in repairs she can't afford.

"This house means so much to me," Ms. Jones said. "It's the first thing that my husband and I bought. It's the place where we raised our kids. I don't want to lose it."

Ms. Ehrhardt said decent housing is especially crucial this summer. Dallas residents have suffered through a month straight of 100-degree temperatures, and the heat has claimed the lives of 99 people statewide. Many of those victims lived in substandard houses with inadequate or no air conditioning, and many were elderly.

Larry Paul Manley, executive director of the state housing department, blamed nonprofit groups for failing to distribute the funds to poor families. The money is meant to help homeowners refurbish their houses and provides down-payment assistance and financing for apartment construction, among other things.

"The money essentially flies out of here," he said. "The for-profit recipients are spending the money. The not-for-profits are the ones having trouble getting the money out the door."

But HUD investigators said in a January 1998 report that the nonprofit with the worst record is the Texas State Affordable Housing Corp., which Manley's agency oversees. The report said that in 1997, the housing department had awarded $4.16 million in repair money to the corporation. It had spent $120,389, the January report said.

Manley, who also serves as president of the Affordable Housing Corp., blamed its problems on low-income housing advocacy groups.

He was particularly critical of John Henneberger, longtime head of the Texas Low-Income Housing Information Service.

"The unspent money is my fault?" Henneberger said with a laugh. He said Manley is responsible for the inaction.

Ms. Ehrhardt said Gov. George W. Bush ultimately is responsible for the problem because he appointed Manley to run the housing agency.

Convicted hit man Harrelson seeks new trial

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Convicted hitman Charles Harrelson will get another crack at freedom when he appears in a federal courtroom Monday.

Harrelson, who received two life sentences for the contract killing of a federal judge in San Antonio nearly 20 years ago, is asking for a new trial. And this time, he has a legal dream team on his side.

Lawyers Bill May of Corpus Christi, David Michael of San Francisco and Alan Dershowitz — a Harvard law professor who represented O.J. Simpson — will ask U.S. District Court Judge Fred Biery to throw out his convictions. They'll argue Harrelson was railroaded by prosecutor misconduct and ineffective defense lawyers.

"He did not get a fair trial," Michael told the San Antonio Express-News in Sunday's editions. "Absolutely. Without a doubt.

"It's like George Orwell said, 'It's the obvious that has to be continually restated.'"

Based on his pre-hearing affadavit, Harrelson will argue on Monday — as he has all along — that he was 270 miles away in Dallas when U.S. District Judge John H. Wood Jr. received a fatal rifle blast to the back.

Another part of Harrelson's strategy apparently is to discredit a key witness who testified against him 16 years ago.

The courtroom drama is set to play out in Denver, near the Florence, Colo., Administrative Maximum Penitentiary, where the 59-year-old Harrelson has been held since trying to break out of an Atlanta federal prison in 1995.

The penitentiary, know as "Supermax" for its high security, also is home to Unabomber Ted Kaczynski; Soviet spy Christopher "Falcon" Boyce; World Trade Center bomber Ramzi Yousef; gang leader Luis Felipe, head of New York's Latin Kings; and Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

Harrelson's saga has all the drama of a film that could star his son, actor Woody Harrelson.

The actor, who was 7 years old when his father was convicted in 1968 of his first contract murder in South Texas, told Barbara Walters in a televised interview last year that his father didn't receive a fair trial in Wood's murder. "I'm not saying my father is a saint, but I think he's innocent of that, yeah," the actor said on the eve of his Academy Award nomination for "The People vs. Larry Flynt."

The younger Harrelson won't say whether he's paying legal fees for his father, who described himself as "destitute" and "totally impecunious" in a 1996 Dallas Morning News interview.

Drug dealers hired Charles Harrelson to assassinate Wood the morning of May 29, 1979, as the jurist left his Alamo Heights townhouse.

The murder was a watershed in America's War on Drugs. Wood, known as "Maximum John" for his tough sentences of drug traffickers, was the first federal judge to be killed this century.

An investigation into Wood's death was bigger and more expensive than the investigation in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Two trains derail on day of record heat in N. Texas

DALLAS (AP) — A record high temperature of 106 was blamed for "sun kinks" — warped stretches of railroad track — that caused two unrelated Union Pacific train derailments in North Texas.

The blistering heat also was a factor in a fatal house fire in Fort Worth. Johnny Parker, believed to be in his 60s, died from burns after a fire that authorities believe started in an overworked air conditioner.

High temperatures hampered efforts Saturday to fight grass and brush fires that scorched hundreds of acres in the region, destroyed a mobile home and forced the evacuation of about 100 people from rural Parker County west of Fort Worth.

Saturday's high in Dallas eclipsed the Aug. 1 record of 104 set five years ago. On Sunday, the temperature was 100 degrees at noon and expected to top out at 106, extending the area's string of triple-digit days to 28. Ninety-nine deaths statewide have been blamed on heat-related causes, including 25 in Dallas County.

On the other hand, the overnight temperature in Dallas fell below 80 degrees Sunday for the first time since July 19, bottoming out at 77 degrees, said National Weather Service meteorologist Jesse Moore. "It's barely noticeable, but you could notice a difference this morning," he said.

'The tracks are expanding all over the state. Once they expand they shift a little bit and come out of their beds under these heavy coal trains.'

— Joe Milligan, Hill County sheriff's deputy

Heat-warped railroad tracks in Watauga, about 8 miles north of Fort Worth, derailed 13 cars — nine carrying aluminum ingots and four empty, Union Pacific spokesman Mark Davis said Sunday. There were no injuries in the derailment of the 112-car train bound from San Antonio to Wyoming.

"The cause is what we call a sun kink," Davis said. "A sun kink is when sudden change in temperature or extreme heat expands the rail and moves it out of alignment."

Earlier Saturday, a Houston-bound 126-car train carrying coal from Wyoming ran off the tracks near Hillsboro, about 60 miles south of Dallas. Twelve cars derailed and there were no injuries.

Davis said the cause of that accident is under investigation. But Hill County sheriff's Deputy Joe Milligan said he was told heat was the problem.

"The tracks are expanding all over the state," Milligan said. "Once they expand they shift a little bit and come out of their beds under these heavy coal trains."

Both lines were set to reopen Sunday afternoon, Davis said.

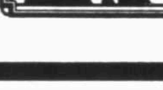
Union Pacific has stepped up preventive measures to combat sun kinks because of the extreme heat in the southern United States, he said.

Train speeds have been reduced by 10 mph. And, since mid-June, the company has been monitoring the track daily, he said. In Texas, there are added patrols out to examine track conditions by riding in a pickup truck-like vehicle that has railroad wheels attached.

"Any time the train crews notice any rough areas, we immediately notify a train dispatcher," Davis said. "Unfortunately, sometimes these sun kinks occur despite our best efforts."

Fort Worth Fire Capt. Jim Sowder told The Dallas Morning News that investigators believe the fire that killed Parker was caused by wiring or another electrical component in his air conditioner.

"Any time you're running an air-conditioning system as long and as hard as we are nowadays with this heat, weaknesses are going to show up," he said.



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9. Shopping for scarves
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7. The physics of chair-throwing on "Jerry Springer"
6. English accents: why they sound that way
5. Comparative blinking
4. Counting backwards from 10 to 1 (with department head David Letterman)
3. Melon balling
2. The ethnobiosocioanthropsycho-pharmacolinguistics of fudge
1. Lee Majors

Viagra Plus

With Viagra such a hit, the manufacturer is bringing forth a whole line of drugs oriented towards improving the performance of men in today's society....

DIRECTRA - a dose of this drug given to men before leaving on car trips caused 72 percent of them to stop and ask directions when they got lost, compared to a control group of 0.2 percent.

PROJECTRA - Men given this experimental new drug were far more likely to actually finish a household repair project before starting a new one.

CHILDAGRA - Men taking this drug reported a sudden, overwhelming urge to perform more child-care tasks - especially cleaning up spills and 'little accidents.'

COMPLIMENTRA - In clinical trials, 82 percent of middle-aged men administered this drug noticed that their wives had a new hairstyle. Currently being tested to see if its effects extend to noticing new clothing.

BUYAGRA - Married and otherwise attached men reported a sudden urge to buy their sweeties expensive jewelry and gifts after talking this drug for only two days. Still to be seen: whether the drug can be continued for a period longer than your favorites store's return limit.

NEGA-VIAGRA - Has the exact opposite effect of Viagra. Currently undergoing clinical trials on sitting U.S. presidents.

NEGA-SPORTAGRA - This drug had the strange effect of making men want to turn off televised sports and actually converse with other family members.

PRYAGRA - About to fail its clinical trial, this drug gave men in the test group an irresistible urge to dig into the personal affairs of other people.
Note: Apparent over-dose turned three test subjects into 'special prosecutors.'

LIAGRA - This drug causes men to be less than truthful when being asked about their affairs. Will be available in Regular, Grand Jury and Presidential Strength versions.

Ham suit

HOUSTON (AP) — A British executive has filed a lawsuit against the city of Houston and an unknown food vendor at Bush Intercontinental Airport because he slipped on the remains of a ham sandwich.

Brian Philpott alleges in the lawsuit that as he walked off a plane on July 31, 1996, he stepped on the crushed remains of a ham sandwich and broke his knee when he fell.

The lawsuit, filed Tuesday, seeks unspecified damages from the city, which owns and operates the airport, and the "unknown food outlet operator(s)" who left the sandwich on the uncarpeted floor.

"The condition of the sandwich indicated that it had been on the floor for a substantial period of time," the suit said. "In addition, there was a cleaning person adjacent to the scene of the fall who had not attempted to clean the floor or to post warnings of the dangerous conditions."

The lawyer who filed the case said today Philpott sustained a compound fracture of the leg and the knee that required surgery. "We've filed the lawsuit, which is now being served on the city of Houston," said Marc Whitehead of Houston. "At that point, we will begin the discovery process and we will receive a trial setting.

"After that, the case could settle. But it might not, and could end up going to trial," he said.

"It sounds kind of humorous, but he (Philpott) had a very serious injury," Whitehead said. His client suffered at least three fractures to his knee and has incurred at least $80,000 in medical expenses and lost wages, Whitehead said.

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JIMMY PATTERSON

Arkansas students receive 'outside' help

Tyler Underwood, left, and Mason Wells, both 11, rake leaves along a trail where the new amphitheater is being built for Charleston Elementary School in Charleston, Ark. Thanks to some help from the city, the Franklin County Soil Conservation District and volunteers, Charleston will be boasting a new 'outdoor classroom' at the start of the school year. AP Laserphoto

By Tina Taber
Associated Press

CHARLESTON, Ark. — At a time when most classrooms are going high tech, installing computers and going on-line, Charleston Schools are taking a different approach. They're sending students back to the basics — nature.

Thanks to some help from the city of Charleston, the Franklin County Soil Conservation District and community volunteers, Charleston will be boasting a new "outdoor classroom" at the start of the school year.

Teachers, students and volunteers built an open amphitheater with seating for 60 and a stage, blazed trails and started to work on a bridge in attempts to get the classroom ready for numerous school projects, sixth-grade teacher Gloria Edwards said.

The outdoor classroom is located on 30 acres adjacent to Charleston City Lake leased to the school for "however long they want it" for $1 by Charleston, said Carl Underwood, principal of Charleston Elementary School.

"We are going to do so many things out here. We will be doing studies on climatology, hydrology, weather, soil, decomposition and lots of other things," said Ms. Edwards, who spearheaded the effort to get the classroom. "All grades are going to be able to utilize the classroom by working it into one of their units, whether it's read-

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At $317,000 for a phone call, talk's not cheap in town

By M. Scot Skinner
Associated Press

ARIVACA, Ariz. — Maggie Wilson was told she could get phone service when she moved a year ago to this tiny ranching community southwest of Tucson.

Wilson, in fact, was assigned a telephone number and given an installation date. The former Green Valley resident also received a telephone directory and a nice letter thanking her for choosing US West.

Then she got the bill: $317,289.24.

"I was told that they couldn't deny service to anyone, but they denied the hell out of me with that bill," she said recently, still steaming as she stood in the town's 120-year-old schoolhouse.

Many of Wilson's neighbors have phone service. But the cost of installing new phone lines is being passed on to consumers.

In a state that has long had phones at the top of Mount Lemmon and at the bottom of the Grand Canyon, thousands cannot get basic, affordable phone service.

Extending phone lines to isolated areas has always been expensive. But with the advent of competition and deregulation, which began in the mid-1980s, phone companies look at their bottom line and see no reason to throw money down the rural rat hole.

And so, more and more, the folks in the sticks are getting stuck with the bill.

It wasn't always this way. For decades the nation was committed to "universal service," a concept that meant everyone should have access to affordable phone service.

This was accomplished through a multilayered system of federal subsidies, a system that was largely dismantled by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The landmark legislation required continued support for customers in high-cost rural areas, but it didn't establish a framework for doing so.

Meanwhile, the Federal Communications Commission is more than a year behind schedule in coming up with a new subsidy system. Small phone companies, faced with such confusion and uncertainty over subsidies, are reluctant to borrow money for construction costs. What if the eventual subsidy is not large enough to pay off the loan?

The sweeping communications act was intended to increase competition and lower costs.

Neither has happened, said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

"We're going to have to have more hearings on this and force some better resolution," he said. "There has been a failure to inject true competition into the marketplace."

In a stern letter to the FCC in June, Arizona's senior senator called the Telecommunications Act a "spectacular failure, and — more importantly — a raw deal for consumers."

As the national debate heats up, negotiations between US West and Arivaca continue.

Months after making the $317,000 offer to Wilson and 35 of her neighbors, the phone company made another pitch. If 24 signed up for service at once, US West would hook them up for $2,400 each.

That didn't go over well with Wilson, who, like many others in Arivaca, lives mostly on Social Security income.

"Nobody around here has that kind of money," the 69-year-old said.

Bradley Knaub appeared to speak for many in Arivaca when he said:

"What they are trying to do is charge us for equipment, although the equipment will be their property, not ours. It's like Exxon charging us to build a gas station so that they can charge us for gas."

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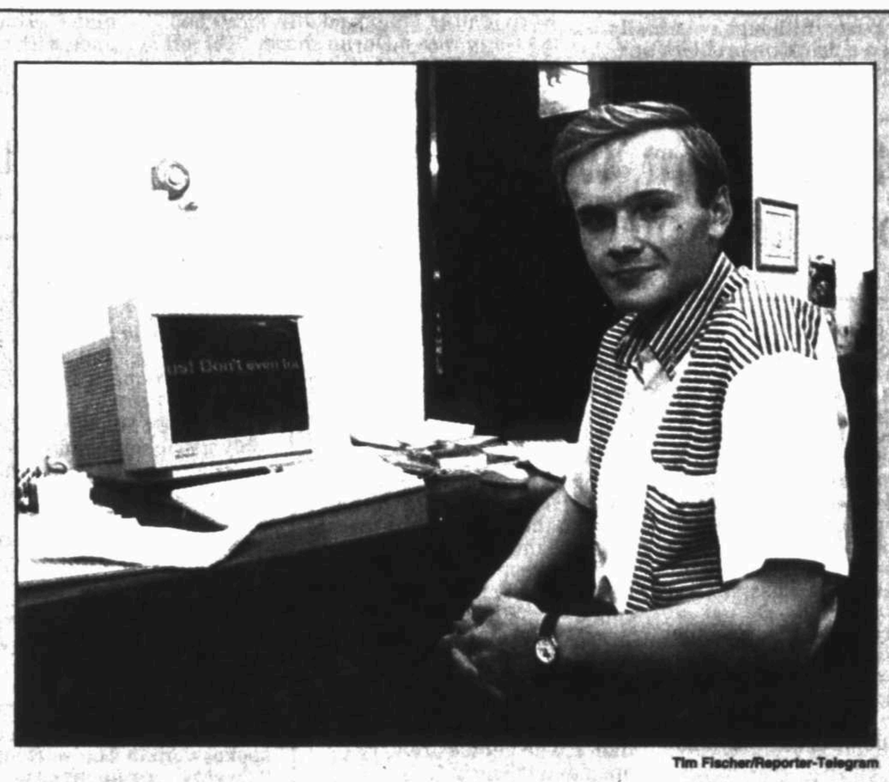

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Alexander Ilyin, a 20-year-old business major from the Univesity of Irkutsk in Russia, is a foreign exchange student and intern at Teraco Inc., in Midland.

Exchange student, workers learn much about each other's cultures

By Amy Brasher
Staff Writer

One college student has traveled from the thick, green forests and rugged plateaus of Russia to the dry, flat land of West Texas for an experience he hopes will help his country.

Alexander Ilyin, a 20-year-old business major from Irkutsk, Russia, is visiting Midland for one month as a foreign exchange student and intern. Since the beginning of July, Ilyin has worked full time for Teraco Inc., a Midland manufacturing company, where he is working on marketing projects and conducting marketing research.

"This is really helping me out because I can see how a company works and how Americans do business," he said.

Teraco employees educate Ilyin in different areas on "what we do at Teraco," said Jim McCarty, vice president of sales.

Ilyin said the people at Teraco have been "very warm and helpful (and) very interested in me."

Ilyin maintains a heavy schedule while studying the major facets of the company. He said he "especially enjoys the areas of marketing and strategic management."

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Shane Barnett, left, and Jason Beach, part of a 20-member "hotshot" Category 1 firefighting team. AP Laserphoto

Roaming firefighters put out ever-burning flames

By John Keith
Las Cruces Sun-News

RUIDOSO, N.M. — A quick trip to Minnesota, then on to Colorado. The Gila National Forest one week, Angel Fire the next.

Anywhere, anytime.

Life stays quick for The Hotshots, an elite firefighting team that's based here from early spring until late fall, when forest fires become belligerent.

By plane, truck, helicopter — you name it — Hotshot teams are quickly dispatched to any national forest in America when a major fire erupts.

"They transported us to a fire in Idaho by boat once," recalls Bob LaMay, superintendent of this unit, one of seven in New

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JIMMY PATTERSON

Minor injuries lead to major panics at great distances

... So where were we?

Oh yeah: When we last met, I was mentioning how a couple of weeks ago, we had made the bold decision to leave The Boy at his Nana and PawPaw's house for a long, grueling week. Brave souls, Mom and Dad, to actually WANT to watch him for that long.

Patterson

In case you have worried yourself sick over the last seven days, allow me to offer you this assurance: everything turned out fine.

Well, sort of.

I guess it was about 10 Friday morning when the phone at my desk rang. It was Dad.

"Has The Boy had a tetanus shot lately?" Dad asked.

When I heard the question, I knew there was a problem. I knew The Boy hadn't just woke from a deep sleep Frida · morning and begged to be taken to a strange doctor in a far away city so he could have a long, shiny needle shoved into his rear end.

"What's wrong?"

"Nothing's wrong," Dad assured.

"Whadda ya mean nothing's wrong? Something HAS to be wrong. You don't just call asking about a tetanus shot if everything's okay."

"It was an accident," Dad assured. "The Boy, his sister and their Aunt Claudia were at the zoo and —"

"Oh no, he's been mauled by a tiger! ? Please tell me it's not that! ?"

"It's not that," Dad said.

"You're just saying that because you know it's what I want to hear."

"Now, just simmer down a few minutes and listen to me: The Boy was at the gorilla cage and —"

"He's been ape-napped and he needs his tetanus shots. Oh my God —"

"Your sister feels really horrible about the whole thing."

"I knew it! I just knew she still held a grudge about that hot day in September 1967 when I jumped off of my blue Huffy and took a swing at her because she was teasing me about kissing that girl when I was just 7 years old. Some people can never forget ANYTHING. What is wrong with her anyway?"

"No, it's not that at all," Dad said. "The Boy was climbing up a chain link fence so he could get a better look at the baby gorilla and his foot slipped and he poked himself in the lip and the first aid person said he may need a tetanus shot."

After realizing I had overreacted, I hung up and began trying to hunt down The Boy's shot record. Then I called Mrs. P. This wouldn't be easy. (She's real bad about getting carried away.)

"Honey, Dad called."

"Oh my God what's wrong?" (See what I mean?)

"There was just a little mishap." I went on to explain what Dad had told me had happened.

The phone rang five minutes later after her coworkers had peeled her off the floor and stuck smelling salts in her face. After she regained consciousness, she called me back.

"Okay, now I'm calm," she assured me. "Let me see if I have this straight: The Boy fell into the gorilla's cage. He has a hole in his mouth the size of a small meteor, he will be scarred forever, and the trauma team says he needs surgery today or when he grows up he'll have a scar in his chin bigger than Kirk Douglas's dimple."

She cried again and hung up the phone. Fifteen minutes later, my wife's boss called.

"I just heard. I'm so sorry. Is there anything I can do?"

"Heard what?" I asked.

"The Boy."

"Oh, he'll be fine," I shrugged.

"How can you be so calm? How can you just sit by and do nothing after your son has been kidnapped by five gorillas and taken away on a spaceship to live with people who worship Kirk Douglas and travel from planet to planet on meteors? What kind of father are you anyway?"

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DAVE BARRY

The studies are done and the facts are in: we're fat

Today I have an extremely important topic to discuss with you, but before I decide what it is, I need to "set the record straight" on something:

Barry

In a recent column, I made a statement that turned out to be inaccurate. Yes. Although the error was corrected by a few alert editors, many newspapers, tragically, did not catch it.

My statement was that Gleem toothpaste used to have an ingredient called "Gardol," which created an Invisible Protective Shield that deflected baseballs. This is simply not true. It was actually COLGATE toothpaste that had Gardol. I am not sure what Gleem had in the way of a cavity-fighter. I know it wasn't Bucky Beaver, because he was affiliated with Ipana toothpaste, although eventually he developed a drinking problem and wound up working in porno cartoons.

I'm thinking maybe Gleem had that obnoxious little tooth who was always getting tied to the railroad tracks by Mister Tooth Decay. But I don't want to speculate on this until I have all the facts.

Why am I so concerned about accuracy? Because American journalism — which had already sunk to the same level of public trust as Charles Manson — recently had a series of embarrassing incidents in which writers for respected magazines and newspapers simply made up quotations and sources. The most prominent example was The Washington Post, which on June 24 was forced to print a front-page statement admitting that there is not, nor has there ever been, any "Marion Barry."

In an effort to find out what's behind this disturbing trend of reporters inventing sources, I interviewed the president of The American Association of Journalists, Warren P. Cormorant Jr.

"Why do journalists make up sources and quotations?" Cormorant asked rhetorically, as he leaned back in his worn leather chair and idly scratched his scalp with a Dorito shard. "I'll tell you why. Because when we interview real people, they talk too fast for us to write it down, plus they never say anything interesting. I know for a fact that Kenneth Starr is a hermaphrodite."

Be that as it may, my point is that this column is dedicated to giving you, as accurately as possible, the information that you need to lead an informed, productive and happy life, which is why today I am pleased to report that, according to guidelines recently adopted by the federal government regarding body weight, the odds are that you, personally, are a big wad of fat.

Perhaps you are wondering why the federal government, an institution that encompasses not only Newt Gingrich, but also both of President Clinton's thighs, is setting standards for body weight. The answer can be found in the U.S. Constitution, which states that the primary function of the government is, quote, "to constantly think up rules and guidelines that no real person can understand, let alone follow." The shining federal example is of course the Internal Revenue Service, which has done such a fine job that as of 1997, only nine U.S citizens were in full compliance with all tax regulations, and six of those people perished while undergoing the IRS's new "Jungle Challenge" auditing program.

So anyway, several years ago, the National Institutes of Health was alarmed to discover that, under the federal body-weight guidelines, only one-third of all Americans were classified as overweight. This meant that a shocking TWO-THIRDS of Americans were within federal weight guidelines, which is a flagrant violation of federal guidelines regarding federal guidelines. And so the NIH convened a panel of experts — in the Washington, D.C., area, convening a panel of experts is easier than getting a pizza delivered — and they came up with a new, much stricter, set of guidelines, under which, to quote the NIH report, "basically every U.S. citizen, living or dead, is classified as overweight except the woman who plays Monica on 'Friends.'"

These guidelines are based on something called the "Body Mass Index," which is calculated — really — by dividing body weight in kilograms by height in meters squared. This makes for a perfect federal guideline, because nobody in the United States knows what either a "meter" or a "kilogram" is. The whole reason why we fought the Cold War was so we wouldn't have to learn the metric system. Most of us could never in a million years figure out our own Body Mass Index, so it's only a matter of time before the Internal Revenue Service requires us to include it on our tax returns.

But the point is that if you're an American, you're overweight. The question is: Who is responsible? I interviewed the U.S. Surgeon General about this, and he or she told me: "I blame food. It's everywhere! Some mornings I wake up and there are Snickers bars in bed with me! I'm taking up smoking."

You may rest assured that we here in journalism will keep you updated on this important story until we get bored with it later today. Meanwhile, we ask that you help "keep us on our toes" by reporting any inaccuracies you find in this column, or anywhere else, to the publisher of this newspaper, Citizen Kane. Who by the way could stand to lose a few kilograms.

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ILYIN: Student, workers learn about each other's cultures

From 1B

He plans on taking all of this experience and education back to Russia with him.

"I think that the demand for specialists in this field in Russia is very high. I have found the United States is more technologically advanced. Russia also needs specialists to get people out of crisis," he said.

Ilyin added that he would like to work in a marketing department for a Russian company.

McCarty said Ilyin "has been an asset to the company. He's fluent in reading, writing and speaking English. We have learned a lot from Alex as far as how business is done in Russia."

For instance, Ilyin said business negotiations in the United States are less formal than they are in Russia.

McCarty is discussing with Ilyin the possibility of working together sometime in the future to further expand Teraco's international market. "We hope to do business with Russia. The Russian economy is growing. If there is an opportunity, we're ready," he said.

This is Ilyin's first trip to the United States. He said the people and the customs are "pretty much the same as in Russia." However, the hot weather has definitely taken some getting used to, he said.

"The first shock when I came to Midland was the landscape. In Russia everything is green. We have many forests and hills. It's different, but I like it. The people are very open and friendly."

Ilyin is one of 10 Russian foreign exchange students from the University of Irkutsk visiting the United States. He will be return to Russia in August.

HELP: Students to learn hydrology from water sources

(From 1B)

ing or math or science. And the high school is showing some interest in the area, too."

As well as being an extended classroom, the area, which will be left primarily in its natural state, will also be available to community groups or individuals wanting to get close to nature.

"The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will probably use it some, and ... at our public meeting, a member of the (Charleston) Garden Club expressed interest in using the area," Ms. Edwards said.

In order to make the area more educational for students of all age groups various, different habitats will be developed.

Wildflowers that will attract butterflies will be planted next to the amphitheater; a brush pile has been started; bird houses are being put up; and wildlife plots are being planted.

"If you plant the food, they will come," Ms. Edwards said. "We should be able to do a lot of wildlife studies here as well as live specimen studies at the lake."

Along with diverse wildlife studies, students will have the opportunity to study hydrology from three separate sources of water.

A nearby low-lying area holds water for a good part of the year, Ms. Edwards said, providing a chance to study standing water, while the spillway offers a study of running water and the lake provides a third study.

In order to make the spillway water study more accessible, a bridge is being constructed over the 12-foot area with a 40-foot, flatbed trailer, which was donated to the school, Ms. Edwards said.

"I think the amazing thing about this whole area, besides what it will mean to the schools, is how the whole community is coming together to work on it," said Stanley Wells, who volunteered to work on the amphitheater.

CALL: About 5,000 throughout state can't get services at all

(From 1B)

Not exactly, counters US West spokeswoman Louise Rebholz. "Twenty-four hundred dollars a person is not bad," she said. "It represents the actual cost of what it would cost us to serve them. You don't see anybody else out there trying to offer service."

True enough, said David Motycka of the Arizona Corporation Commission's utilities division.

What's more, the folks in Arivaca are the lucky ones, he said. About 5,000 people throughout the state can't get phone service at all — no matter what they're willing to pay.

"They can't even get a quote. Nobody wants to serve them," Motycka said.

More than 2,000 people are in the same situation as the Arivaca residents, Motycka said. "They can get service, they just can't afford the construction costs," he said.

Well, you might say, that's what they get for moving to the sticks. The exorbitant phone charges are just one of the prices paid for scenic beauty and peaceful living.

John Hayes, general manager of Table Top Telephone Company, disagrees with that notion.

"Telecommunications is an essential part of being American," he said. "And people forget that there is education to be concerned about in the rural areas. If you can't communicate, you can't educate, and if you can't communicate and educate, you don't have a productive society."

Small telephone companies like Table Top cannot compete unless subsidies are in place, said Hayes. His company serves 4,400 rural customers in Arizona communities such as Ajo, Aguila, Seligman, Bagdad and Sanders.

Lane Williams, president of the Idaho-based Midvale Telephone Exchange, concurred with his counterpart. Midvale serves about 1,900 customers, including about 350 in rural areas near Benson.

Unless the price of labor, equipment and supplies go down, or unless there is a subsidy system, people in rural areas are not going to be able to get affordable phone service, he said.

Katie Lusby and others in Arivaca complained that US West can't even communicate with itself. Why else would the company initially tell her she could get phone service for the regular installation fee, then turn around and demand thousands of dollars?

"If they can't handle a business any better than that, then they shouldn't be in business," she said.

US West's Rebholz said the company is trying harder to avoid giving false information to would-be customers. "But sometimes until you go out there, you don't know that the last phone line is used up," she said.

"It's a balancing act," Rebholz said. "People want to enjoy the benefits of the rural lifestyle but they are just not near services."

The isolation can be dangerous without a phone.

Andy Hardy, 70, cannot call the doctor from home when his wife's blood pressure goes off the charts. Unable to get a phone at home, he has to leave his wife alone and drive five miles to Arivaca's only two pay phones, and even those aren't much help, he said.

"You know you can't get a doctor on the phone. You always have to leave a number and have him call you. But the pay phone won't accept incoming calls," Hardy said.

The Arizona Corporation Commission is painfully aware of the rural phone woes, said ACC Chairman James M. Irvin.

"It's one of our top priorities. If you want a telephone, you should have the opportunity to have one," he said.

Irvin recently spoke before the FCC about the "enormous problem" of rural phone service. He suggested that the FCC take another look at the federal universal service fund, he said. Currently, those federal dollars given to states can only be used to help pay phone bills in rural areas. The money cannot be used for new construction costs.

The FCC plans to study the issue for up to six months before making a decision, according to Maureen Scott, an attorney with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Until then, Maggie Wilson and her neighbors can't do much except watch, wait and agitate.

"We have to stay mad and stay on them," she said.

HOTSHOTS: Daring group has battled over a dozen fires already this year

(From 1B)

Mexico and one of 67 nationally. "The easiest way into the Idaho fire was down the Snake River. That was a rare case."

LaMay and his team have fought fires all over the United States. "Sometimes we'll be out three weeks at a time, come home for two days then go back out again," he says.

This daring group stays loose and ready. They have battled 12 blazes already this year — including one in Minnesota, another in Colorado — and the fire season is only half over.

If they travel far, The Hotshots drive to Albuquerque where they are flown to their destination. LaMay's unit was heavily involved in dousing the blazes that recently threatened Angel Fire. "We worked 40 hours straight in that one," said a laughing Shane Barnett, a 25-year-old team member who lives in Ruidoso year round.

"Working 25 to 30 hours at a time is pretty common," says LaMay. He worked 32 days straight battling fires in Yellowstone National Park in 1988.

"That's when it gets dangerous," LaMay says. "You get tired and it's easy to make mistakes. ... After going eight or nine days without sleep you have to constantly rethink what it is you're supposed to be doing."

When he's fighting fire, LaMay mostly fears rolling rocks and falling debris. "Instant weather changes can cause fires to blow up," he says. "That's scary. You'd better always know in your own mind where your escape route is."

Two women — Heather Carlson and Shonda Lowe — belong to this 20-member Hotshot team. They are "as tough as the men," says P.J. Pierson, fire management officer.

Firefighting is seasonal work. LaMay's team arrives in Ruidoso ready for duty in March and usually gets dismissed in late September. "We get no vacation during the summer," he says.

Some members of LaMay's team work during the off-season, some don't.

Eric Miller, who's been fighting fires for two years, coaches the high school wrestling team in John Day, Oregon during the winter. He was a former state champ.

Miller always is eager to return to Ruidoso each spring. "Firefighting gets your adrenaline going," he says. "I like the hard work. The travel."

Lowe, who lives in Taos, continues to travel during her months off. "Last year I went to Australia," she said. "Firefighting is hard work. Why not enjoy the time off?"

LaMay says every member of The Hotshots undergoes a complete physical exam and 80 hours of training when they arrive for duty in March.

Training routines include fire safety measures, walking 3 miles in 45 minutes carrying 45-pound packs, map and compass orientation and helicopter safety.

"Most of our folks run three miles every morning during the season," LaMay said. "They're in good physical shape."

When they are not traveling, the Hotshots work from 8-to-5 each day in Lincoln National Forest, close to Ruidoso. "We spend a lot of time clearing underbrush and thinning around the edges of town," LaMay said. "Anything to keep the fire danger down."

They also conduct prescribed burning — usually 2 to 3,000 acres per year in the forest — build trails, construct buildings, "just about everything," he says.

Grandmother and three teens relive 1904

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Jamie Achee wants to believe things were simpler in 1904 — simpler than touch tone dialing, automated banking and neighborhood supermarkets.

So she swept her granddaughter into an elaborate, one-week game of make believe — frilly, high-necked dresses; no telephones; no TV.

It's the third year that Mrs. Achee, 52, and her granddaughter Maegan Bolin, 12, have sampled the hardships of generations past — generations neither knew firsthand.

The two, along with two other teen-age friends this year, playacted the characters of widow Mary Parkington, her orphaned granddaughters Samantha and Molly and their governess Emily from the "American Girl Collection," a series of children's books.

"Maegan said, 'I wish we could go back and live like they did in 1904,'" said Mrs. Achee, her hair up in a bun. "I hate to say I'm obsessed, I just relate to Mary Parkington. Everything was so simple then."

Her suburban home, a yearlong link to the past, is filled with old pictures, antique furniture, claw footed tubs, even a wall mounted phone.

Sitting among giggling girls while watching over the day's sewing lesson, Mrs. Achee points out errors in stitching made by tiny hands unfamiliar with needle and thread.

In between giggles, the girls look down at the potholders they are sewing or at each other in their print and striped dresses. There are no shorts, T-shirts or sneakers here. Sometimes the girls politely ask Nana Mary for help, but they do not speak out of turn or raise their voices.

Mrs. Achee knows a week's worth of hardship, along with prim and proper behavior, only goes so far. Sure, women could not vote, and outside jobs were frowned upon, but families were closer, she said. To her, the lesson of equality and progress lies somewhere in between.

"I understand the American Dream, but is it worth it?" asked Mrs. Achee, wearing a shin-high black skirt and a white blouse with a brooch at the collar. "Women have stepped out of their homes but when they return, they are still responsible for their children's well-being."

By the rules of the week, players stay in character, leaving pesky modern comforts back in 1998. They wear their costumes to the store; the games they play, like croquet, echo 1904.

One person shocked by Mrs. Achee's get-up asked if the grandmother was on drugs. But Maegan even defends the exercise.

"All of them have never tried this and say, 'Why are they doing this?'" Maegan said. "Maybe they should try it."

She, and her friends, Rachel Pate and Brittany Anglin, all 12, are just the right age to enjoy the rigors of play-acting among parasols and bonnets, Mrs. Achee said.

The only rub seemed to be cleaning clothes via washboard. Wash days turned into sudsy water fights — not bad considering baths are a once-a-week luxury.

They did cut some corners, though.

Ceiling fans and central air became necessities in mid-90 degree heat. Mrs. Achee still went to the supermarkets for food instead of her garden. She even checked her caller identification to make sure she didn't miss anything important.

"I appreciate how people had to work so hard to live," said Rachel, who during the week accidentally slipped a dish into the automatic washer before remembering to stay in character.

Maegan's little brother couldn't handle the slow pace without TV or videogames, Mrs. Achee said.

"It takes discipline," she said."

Presidential motorcade grinds to a halt for Christie Brinkley

SAG HARBOR, N.Y. (AP) — Christie Brinkley can still stop traffic — even if it's the presidential motorcade.

The supermodel walked outside her home Saturday to join others waving at President Clinton while he passed through the area.

"The president was waving at everybody, and then he saw Christie. You could see him mouth to his driver, 'Stop, it's Christie,'" said Brinkley's husband, architect Peter Cook.

Clinton, who is on a three-day fund-raising trip on Long Island's East End, hopped out of the car and greeted Brinkley, 43, and her family, Cook said.

They exchanged pleasantries in the middle of the street, including how Clinton's golf game went earlier in the day.

"He looked relaxed. He looked like he got a little sun," Cook said.

Clinton left when the crowd started to swell — but not before posing for pictures with Brinkley and 1-month-old Sailor Lee Brinkley Cook.

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Microsoft describes a successful year, talks of more to come

By John Markoff
N.Y. Times News Service

SEATTLE — Confident Microsoft executives Thursday outlined for industry analysts a string of successes suggesting momentum throughout the computer industry in markets as diverse as home computers, business desktop machines, engineering work stations and the giant computers that connect entire corporations and serve up World Wide Web sites on the Internet.

To maintain this momentum, the company said it planned to increase research and development spending to $3 billion a year from $2.5 billion in the fiscal year that ended on June 30, and to pump almost $200 million a year more into technical and customer support.

As Microsoft officials here were laying out some of the most impressive results recorded by a major American corporation this year, in Washington the Senate Judiciary Committee was hearing complaints from executives of several competing software companies that Microsoft uses predatory marketing practices to squelch competition.

Among those testifying was Robert Glaser, a former Microsoft employee who is now chairman of Real Networks, a Seattle-based maker of software that enables users to receive live audio and video on their Web browsers.

Glaser told senators that Microsoft had developed a new version of its media player for the Windows 98 operating system that undermines his software.

A Microsoft lawyer, Brad Smith, said any problem Glaser had encountered was unintended, adding that "we'll keep working with them" to resolve it.

However, at a time when the company's business practices are under attack by the Justice Department, several congressional committees and 20 states and the District of Columbia, and under investigation by European governments, Microsoft executives gave no indication of abandoning the aggressive strategies that have made it one of the world's most successful and feared corporations.

In fact, while citing increasing market share against its strongest rivals, including Sun Microsystems, Novell and Oracle in applications as diverse as operating systems, data bases and Internet commerce software, the company sought to play down any possibility that the Justice Department's antitrust suit would have a negative effect on its profit.

Indeed, Jeff Raikes, its sales chief, suggested that Justice Department investigators had misinterpreted a corporate sense of humor as a strategic intention to eradicate competition.

To demonstrate this corporate humor, Raikes played a music video that the company had produced to motivate its sales force. In the video, a spoof on the movie "Men In Black," Raikes plays the role of a rap singer wearing wrap-around dark glasses.

His lyrics include, "We're the first, last and best line of defense against the worst scum in the industry," and, referring to Lawrence Ellison, the chairman of Oracle, "Ellison is a loser."

In particular, Microsoft officials expressed satisfaction with advances in their share of several markets and with sales of Windows 98, which they said was on track to match the first three months' sales of Windows 95, the best-selling software ever.

"That has surprised a lot of people, including myself to some extent," Raikes said.

There were other areas where the company acknowledged it had made less progress than it expected. Novell had proved to be a tougher competitor than was expected in the network service market.

But Microsoft executives asserted that they had taken five to eight percentage points of market share away from Novell in the last year, and Raikes said he would be disappointed if Microsoft's market share did not grow an equal amount next year.

As he does every year, Microsoft's chief financial officer predicted that the company's growth would decline substantially in the coming year because many of its products are mature and are reaching the saturation point in the market. He also expressed fear about the Asian troubles, adding, "In fact, there is evidence it's getting worse."

Each year Microsoft appears to zero in on one company for attack, and analysts who attended Thursday's meeting said the next focus would be on the corporate data base business that Oracle now dominates.

Ellison was in Washington on Thursday, testifying against Microsoft's business practices.

GAMBLING: Lotteries, 'rotisserie' sports league not covered by bans

(From 4B)

would force Internet service providers in the United States to use filtering software to block customer access to cybergambling, Kyl said.

Internet gambling already is considered illegal under a 1961 federal law that bars interstate gambling over telephone wires. While that has deterred U.S. operators from establishing online betting, it has not stopped offshore companies from setting up global online casinos in exotic locales such as the Caribbean and Central America.

Under Kyl's provision, gamblers face fines up to $500 and jail terms of up to three months; individuals running gambling sites could be imprisoned for four years and fined $20,000 or three times the amount of bets accepted.

However, the ban would not apply to:

■ State lotteries and off-track betting that employ "closed-loop, subscriber-based" computer systems unavailable to the general public.

■ Sites for popular sports "rotisserie" leagues, in which consumers pick professional athletes and bet on their statistics, as long as fees are not used to pay off bets.

The Senate, meanwhile, rejected Native American groups' appeal that they be exempted from the Internet rule because their casinos and gambling operations are sanctioned under a separate federal law. Kyl said that would create a mammoth loophole.

Kyl's provision has been hotly disputed for more than a year, stuck in a political tug-of-war between opposing interest groups.

Backers of the bill range from consumer advocate Ralph Nader and the four major sports leagues to law-enforcement officials, the Christian Coalition and regulated gambling operations. All of them contend that unfettered access to gambling contributes to bankruptcy, crime, family breakups and, in some cases, suicide.

"Online gambling is a predatory attack on main street America. With a click of a mouse, you could lose your house," said Tom Grey, executive director of the National Coalition Against Gambling Expansion in Hanover, Ill. "People are wagering, and losing — $2,000 an evening in front of their PCs, instead of watching TV."

Licensed U.S. casinos, such as the Las Vegas Mirage, say they oppose cyberwagers because they are not subject to strict controls over ownership or fairness of the games. For example, no one makes sure that virtual slot machines occasionally pay off.

Other supporters of the ban agree. "Legalized online gambling is legalized stealing," Christian Coalition spokesman Arne Owens said.

Opponents, however, argue that the bill is toothless and will do little to dissuade online gambling ventures.

"What's being proposed here is outright prohibition without any attempt at regulation," said Sue Schneider, chairwoman of the Interactive Gaming Council, a group promoting online gambling.

Internet providers, who would bear the brunt of implementing blocks against gambling sites, also protested the legislation. "We adamantly oppose the idea of turning ISPs into online traffic cops," said Justin Newton, public policy director of the ISP Consortium, a Minneapolis-based organization that represents 300 Internet service providers worldwide. "It is technologically impossible to track all the content that travels over our online services."

Industry sources said enforcement of the legislation could be equally troublesome.

A spokesman for the California attorney general's office in Sacramento acknowledged it would be difficult to pinpoint individuals gambling online.

And Sebastian Sinclair, an analyst with Christiansen Cummings Associates, a New York gambling consulting firm, said the governments of Antigua, the Dominican Republic and other offshore gambling hotbeds have shown no willingness to extradite individuals to the United States.

In fact, many in the online gambling industry said the legislation will do little to damper the proliferation of virtual casinos. The industry has mushroomed from a dozen companies a year ago to about 140 today.

"If people want to gamble, they gamble. You can't wiretap and monitor everyone's personal computer," said David Herschman, CEO of Virtual Vegas in San Francisco, which skirts the gambling laws with a game-show format that rewards consumers with cash and prizes. "There is no way to enforce it."

TECHNOLOGY: FreeDrive makes multiple Web site viewings possible

(From 4B)

ing, the beginning of keeping our information online.

FreeDrive makes it possible for multiple people to view your files, thus encouraging the formation of separate virtual communities. You can give your password to friends and colleagues, then they can then log on to your virtual hard drive and view what you are working on. On the FreeDrive site, this is called "carpooling."

"Since we've only been up for a month, people are still in the self-education phase and not really using their storage for very much," Rhodes said. "We have, however, seen the 'carpooling' function use quadruple in the past week (from 5,000 to 20,000 users)."

The interest of the "carpoolers," along with the initial sign-on of 5,000 users, shows that people are truly interested in storing their information online and in the original concept of network computing.

"We'd like to build a community of 'drivers' that will learn and grow together," Rhodes said. "A community that will help change the Web."

Of course, this site hasn't been set up for charity. Nextec sees a definite marketability to its site. "Multiple Drivers," where other users can alter and add to material on your FreeDrive, costs an extra $4.95 a month. Extra megabytes of storage also cost money and the site will have banner ads.

Despite its capitalistic leanings, FreeDrive has hit on a great idea. If we start storing our data, pictures and documents on the Net, then the Internet becomes more of a home for us. Once it's a home, we will start treating the Internet as what it was meant to be: a communication tool for the exchange of ideas and content.

"People are starting to look at the Internet as more of a tool than they did before, as an expansion of their own PC," Rhodes said. "FreeDrive is a practical application that these people will use and will definitely expand people's belief and confidence in what the Internet is." Send questions, comments, ideas, products, graft and fan mail to Gregory Kallenberg at gkallenbergstatesman.com or write him at P.O. Box 670, Austin 78767. WARES

It's summertime, and you have the kids at home. By now you've probably done it all: Schlitterbahn, Sea World, the Austin Museum of Art and the Capitol. Now, you're all at home, making peanut butter, banana and ham sandwiches and looking for something to do. You don't want to turn on the television because you don't want your child dressing like Ginger Spice or talking like Judge Judy. Why not buy your kid a couple of Broderbund games and let them expand their minds while having fun? "Kid Pix" and the new, improved "Where in the World is Carmen San diego?" will fulfill both of those desires. "Kid Pix" is a drawing program which will keep your 3- to 12-year-old occupied for hours. And "Carmen San Diego," a mystery entertainment game for 9-year-olds and up, has been improved to include Internet links and teach your child foreign languages. Available for the Mac and PC for $39.95.

NETSCAPE: Many companies may not like new browser

(From 4B)

organizations. The index finds a listing for Delta, and the company's Web address. The information is relayed to your browser, and up pops the site.

Netscape didn't invent this idea. Visit http://www.realnames.com for a similar service. But Netscape is the first to build it right into the browser. It's the best effort so far to liberate us from the tyranny of typing dot-com. But there's more. Click a button marked "What's Related." Netcenter whips up a list of 10 other Web sites with similar content, and flashes it on your screen. If you change your mind about flying Delta, a couple of clicks takes you to the Southwest Airlines site instead.

You never even know you've paid a visit to Netcenter—it all happens behind the scenes. But say you want generic information on a particular topic, like cars. When you type in the word "automobiles," up pops Netcenter, with a listing of popular automotive Web sites, and some strategically placed advertisements. It's the ads that bring in the money, and by routing your eyes past them, the browser will fatten up Netscape's cash flow.

Not everybody likes this idea. Type a generic word in today's browsers, and the browser simply adds a "www" in front and a ".com" in back. If you type "automobiles", you wind up at a car-buff site called Automobiles.com. Knowing this, lots of companies own generic-sounding Web addresses. But with the new Netscape browser, type "automobile" and you go to a Netcenter page with information on cars instead. This could hurt traffic at many other Web sites. Several businesses are already complaining about this, and Netscape is working on ways to mollify the companies, perhaps by giving their sites a prominent space on Netcenter.

There's definitely a hint of desperation in Netscape's new strategy. Here's a company that once thought to dominate the Internet software business, reduced to scrabbling after the fickle eyeballs of Web surfers. Oh, well. You do what you have to do, and on the whole, Netscape is doing it rather well.

(You can send Hiawatha Bray electronic mail at bray@globe.com)

RYAN: Boards encompass many current events from film to school shootings

(From 4B)

other online services.

"Everytime on AOL we get real and deal with the struggle of everyday life, there is just an outpouring of emotion on the boards," he says.

While many of the messages are personal reactions to the movie and heated debates about Matt Damon's acting ability, the most interesting and moving posts are a spontaneous dialogue between those old enough to recall the war in vivid detail and those who are young enough to regard it as ancient history.

Comments range from those of vets recalling their wartime memories to amazed teens who now see "grandpa's war" in a new light.

"Whether you loved the movie, hated the movie, found it overdone, inaccurate, too gory, etc., "Saving Private Ryan" did exactly what a good movie should do ...i t created a dialogue," wrote one AOL member marvelling at the number of messages.

The "Saving Private Ryan" message boards aren't the only place where AOL members have gone en masse to express their opinions and feelings. AOL has set up areas to talk about the Florida forrest fires and Jonesboro, Ark., high school shootings and met with an outpouring of emotional and heartfelt response. The combination of AOL's screen names which protect the identity of the user (members are warned not to post their names, addresses or any other specific personal information) and the online service's technology that makes chats and message boards easier to manipulate than those on the Web are part of what makes AOL something akin to a national watering hole.

"I'm embarrassed that it takes a movie to make us realize what it took to get this country where it is," wrote one AOL member. "Sure we learned about the wars in history class, but I don't think it ever soaked in."

"It brought back memories one tried to supress for 50 years," wrote another veteran.

"Being a Vietnam vet and the son of a WWII vet who was in the invasion of Normandy, I can say I finally understand how and why my father became the man he is," one AOL member writes. "When I asked him about the invasion, he said he left his soul on the beach. After seeing 'Saving Private Ryan,' I know now what he meant. I served in Vietnam and did see some action, but nothing compared to the carnage and destruction of Normandy."

Kornbluth believes the "Saving Private Ryan" area is what America Online is all about. "To me we are an online 'service,'" he said. "The service aspect is hugely important to me and crucial to what we do. After you check the stocks and look at your e-mail, there is one other thing to do — to share and feel."

The boards are monitored, not censored. A teenager who doubted the film's authenticity and touted Adolph Hitler as a great man, received many responses — some gentle and some passionate — disagreeing with him. One member replied. "Millions fought and died 50 years ago so that you can voice that kind of opinion."

But perhaps the best example of how high emotions are running on this topic come from a Vietnam vet who responded to a message from a teenage girl: "You said, 'I have so much respect for veterans from the past wars, I only wish I could tell them all and hug them and thank them.' Young lady, you just did. As a Vietnam vet I thank you for your thoughts and believe me, your hugs felt good."

ALBUM: Images can be copied from site

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Users can navigate into specific titles or topics through search functions. Plug-in audio (RealAudio) and video (QuickTime) software will be needed to view the hundreds of multimedia features.

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ATLANTA — Sometimes I take after my namesake, my Great Uncle Bill, a man who had only a nodding acquaintance with reality and who delighted in worrying about improbable things.

For instance, he worried himself sick about meteorites and avoided going outside during the peak of meteor showers. On the other hand, he spent most of his working life in the logging fields of the Pacific Northwest, during a place and a time when the term "widow maker" was coined for cutting a tree down in a careless fashion.

Maybe you're like me and my Uncle Bill when it comes to computers and the Internet, spending more time worrying about the meteorites of computing and not enough time about the widow makers. Let's talk today about what's worth worrying about and what isn't.

We'll start with some things that lots of people worry about but probably shouldn't.

Topping my list are viruses. I don't mean that viruses are a myth. They're real. But unless you spend a great deal of time exchanging software with friends and downloading programs from the Internet, viruses don't present a great threat. And, even for folks in these high-risk categories, an up-to-date anti-virus program will usually catch the infected programs that come your way.

Next on my list are folks who avoid buying something over the Internet because they fear a hacker will steal their credit card information. Many of these are the same folks who feel perfectly comfortable handing their credit card to the perfect — and sometimes not-so-perfect — strangers who wait on them at the store and in restaurants. It's the same with e-mail. Sure, it's possible to break into an e-mail account (we'll talk about ways to protect yourself in a bit), but most of us have outdoor unlocked mailboxes for the checks and personal letters that arrive every day.

But, as the Internet grows and as computers become more popular, there are things that you should worry about. Let's talk some about what those legitimate worries are and how to protect yourself.

At the very top of my list of things to worry about is the pure certainty that — sooner or later — your hard disk will die. It's a mechanical device and, if it had a tattoo, the tattoo would say: "Born to die." Since the hard disk probably contains important e-mail and e-mail addresses, and data about family finances and business projects, you should learn how to back up your data.

Once upon a time, when hard disks were smaller, floppy disks could be used to make copies of your critical information. But as hard disks have grown, most of us need a tape backup system (you'll find plenty of them for $200 or less) or a Zip drive (even cheaper). You needn't worry about backing up Windows or most of your programs. You can simply reinstall them using the original disks (CDs in most cases). But you should regularly back up the data you create.

Next on my list of potential problems is the way most people treat passwords. Many of us have to juggle three or four passwords nowadays — we're logging on to an Internet service at home, to the computer system at work, and perhaps to three or four password-protected Web sites. Being human, we like to keep things simple. So many people make passwords easy by using the name of a child, or a spouse, or their own telephone number. I strongly encourage you to use a password that contains both letters and numbers. Then avoid telling anyone — in person or online — what that password is.

Finally, and this is the best advice you'll ever get about computers and computing: Avoid following the advice of untried experts. Nowadays, there are dozens of computer experts at work, at your church and among your closest friends. Mostly these are nice people who mean well but who feel compelled to either tell you how to adjust your computer for maximum performance or fix it when it is broken. Many of the saddest stories I hear are from people who decided to tune up their computer based on help from this kind of expert.

In most cases, they ended up with a computer that was fixed so completely that it didn't work at all.

Local User Groups

- The Macintosh Permian User Group meets the 4th Thursday of every month (except Nov. & Dec.). MacPUG has it's own web domain at http://www.macpug.org.
- The Permian Basin User Group, an open platform user group, meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at Barnes & Noble.
- The MMUA meets the third Tuesday of every month, 7:30 p.m., at the Permian Basin Graduate Center, 221 No. Main, in Midland.

THE I-WAY EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

Technology famous for breaking promises

By Gregory Kallenberg
N.Y. Times News Service

AUSTIN — Technology is famous for breaking its promises.

Two years ago "the next big thing" was network computers: They would would cost less than $500 and have no hard drive. Instead, the network computer would keep all of its information on the Internet. To retrieve a document or game, you had to be online.

Twenty-four months later, the idea lies in the technology graveyard, along with virtual reality glasses and long distance over the Internet. With computer prices so low (you can buy a great refurbished computer for about $600) there is no need for the network computer. This is unfortunate because network computing was such a good idea. If we kept our data online, maybe we would be more concerned about the information that was on the Internet. With network computing, maybe we wouldn't put up with spamming and kiddie porn sites. With network computing, the Internet would be a better place.

Nextec (www.nextec.net) is a company that still believes in the idea of network computing and in what the concept can do for the Web. On June 11, the company — which is responsible for the 100 million-hit-a-month RotoNews (www.rotonews.com) fantasy sport site — posted FreeDrive (www.FreeDrive.com), a site where you can store any information you might otherwise keep on your computer for free. Just by signing on, you receive a password-protected 7.5 megabytes of storage (the equivalent of about five floppy disks) to hold pictures, files or to back up your hard drive. To date, the site has accumulated 5,000 users (with no advertising).

"FreeDrive is your own personal Web hard drive, a virtual drive that resides on the Internet," said Michael Rhodes, president and CEO of Nextec.

But the idea of the FreeDrive goes far beyond being a virtual hard drive. It is the beginning of network comput-

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Mac's New SuperDisk

A highlight among the new products launched at the recent MacWorld Expo, Imation's floppy-compatible SuperDisk USB Drive does the work of two drives in one. Like no other drive available, the SuperDisk USB Drive works with Imation's 120 MB Mac-formatted SuperDisk Diskettes as well as 1.44 MB and 720 KB diskettes. Co-developed by Imation and Panasonic, and tailored for the new Apple iMac Computer, the SuperDisk USB Drive is expected to be available in North America beginning the week of August 16, 1998. See www.superdisk.com for more details.
AP Laserphoto

A family photo album for the nation

By Tommy Cummings
N.Y. Times News Service

It's like opening a scrapbook on America.

But it's no ordinary scrapbook. This book of memories has more than 500,000 items in it. Imagine the binding.

The Library of Congress recently unveiled its American Memory project, memory.loc.gov/ammem, at its Web site as part of the five-year, $60 million National Digital Library Program, which is due for completion by 2000.

So far, the project has indexed 36 collections of maps, plans, drawings and other images as well as thousands of photographs from some of the great names of 20th-century photography, including Walker Evans and Dorothea Lange.

Early items in the collection detail the effects of the Depression on farms. Then the emphasis shifts to the mobilization effort for World War II.

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Senate supports ban on Internet gambling casinos

By Jon Scwartz
N.Y. Times News Service

All bets are off the Internet.

The U.S. Senate voted overwhelmingly last week to shut down the online gambling industry, condemning it as a corrupting influence on young Americans and a major contributor to crime.

Senators voted 90 to 10 to ban an estimated 140 offshore Web sites — with names like World Sports Exchange, InterCasinos and NetCasino — from letting U.S. high rollers play interactive blackjack, video poker, roulette and other casino-style games over the World Wide Web.

The ban is expected to sweep through the House and be signed into law by President Clinton this year.

"Internet gambling is unregulated, accessible by minors, addictive, subject to abuse for fraudulent purposes like money laundering, evasive of state gambling laws — and already illegal at the federal level in many cases," said Senator Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., the bill's chief author.

Online wagers — available 24 hours a day from the privacy of homes and offices — add up to an estimated $1 billion worldwide, $600 million of it in the United States.

If it becomes law, the gambling ban would be the most far-reaching Internet legislation since the Communications Decency Act of 1996. That bill, which barred indecent and "patently offensive" materials on the Net, was ruled unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court last year.

The gambling legislation — included as an amendment to a $33.2 billion spending bill —

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'Saving Private Ryan' creates a 'dialogue' for America Online

By Frances Katz
N.Y. Times News Service

Veterans of the Second World War II and high school students just learning about it are venturing onto America Online's Saving Private Ryan area (Keyword: Saving Private Ryan) to remember, exchange stories and just talk.

AOL spokeswoman Janine Dunne says that since the area opened Friday, more than10,000 messages have been posted. Dunne says the only time there was such a large response to a topic was after the death of Princess Diana.

Jesse Kornbluth, AOL's editorial content director, says the outpouring of messages can be directly related to the movie's power and the need to talk about the war and its aftermath in a different way. He also says that AOL's infrastructure and technology make this kind of dialog easier than it would be on the Web or

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Netscape hopes surfers come to the rescue

By Hiawatha Bray
N.Y. Times News Service

Netscape Communications Corp. has taken quite a beating from Microsoft Corp. But so far, there's no sign of brain damage.

Netscape once held over 80 percent of the market for Internet browsers, with people paying up to $79 a copy. Today the company isforced to give them away, and still Netscape's market share dwindles — it'sdown to about 52 percent now, with Microsoft at 45 percent and gaining fast.

And there's no longer much hope of relief from that federal antitrust case against Microsoft's browser-marketing practices. Last month, a federal appeals court said that Microsoft has every right to build its own browser directly into the Windows operating system, even if it hurts Netscape's business. And whatever the final outcome of the case, it'll likely come far too late to provide Netscape with any relief.

Desperation time? I'll say. But you can be desperate and shrewd at the same time.

I've been playing with a beta-test version of the newest Netscape browser software, Communicator 4.5. For the most part it's just another browser, with some fresh new bugs added. But Netscape has added some clever new features that will appeal to serious Web surfers, while setting the stage for Netscape's plan for long-term survival.

Having fallen on hard times in the software business, Netscape is now trying to become an Internet media company. Already its Netcenter Web site is one of the 10 most visited Web sites, largely because users of Communicator get taken automatically to the Netcenter home page.

The newest Communicator features reinforce this idea. Indeed, every time you use the browser, it'll seek out ways to bring you back to the Netcenter portal. Netscape is trying to drive traffic to its portal, so it can attract paying advertisers and sponsors, and so it can persuade you to shop at Netscape's on-line retail mall.

The company is doing this the right way — with a system called Smart Browsing that links Netcenter and the browser in ways that make life easier for the common Web surfer.

Say you're looking for Delta Airlines. These days, you'd probably head to Yahoo or AltaVista to look up the Web address. Or you could just type Delta Airlines in the address space of the new Netscape browser.

In a flash, the browser contacts Netcenter, where Netscape has compiled an index of thousands of businesses and

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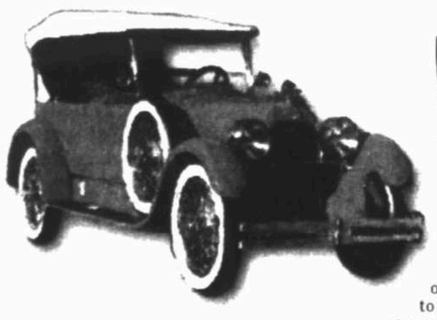

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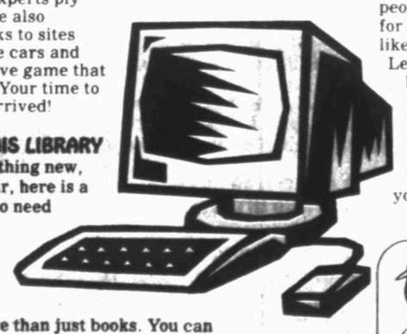
"So You Want to Make a Car" examines the auto industry inside out, giving you a glimpse into the world of cars, from the Ford Model T to the Porsche 911. Shift into high gear and head to http://www.ipl.org/autou/ where you'll join Eddie and Cathie on a tour of the Chrysler Sterling Heights Plant in Michigan. You'll watch welders, glass installers and body shop experts ply their trades on the assembly line. The site also provides cool movie clips, photos and links to sites dedicated to racecars, solar cars, antique cars and more. Future CEOs will love an interactive game that lets you start up your own car company. Your time to build a car for the new millennium has arrived!



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BE A TIME-TRAVELING SLEUTH

Meet the Springers, a 200-year-old family. By snooping around in their house at: http://www.si.edu/organiza/museums/nmah/notkid/ubh/ 00intro.htm you can figure out what their life was like in early America. Have you ever found some strange old object in a field or in the basement and wondered what it was used for? That's what archeologists and historians do every day. It's kind of like detective work: The stuff from people's houses is the evidence for finding out what life was like hundreds of years ago. Learn the tricks of the trade by making your own theories about the objects in the Springers' house. Then, compare your notes to what the pros found. This site will even show you what the objects in YOUR house might tell future historians about your family. So you might want to get rid of those dirty socks....

Be a 4Kids Detective

When you know the answers to these questions, go to http://www.4Kids.org/detectives/
Which famous building is offered in the digital library? What does Clue #1 tell you about the Springers' life? What automotive career does Robert teach kids about?

AskAmy@4Kids.org

Dear Amy: What can I do about pollution in my city?—Nathan, Madison, Wis.
Dear Nathan: The Web has just made it easier to find out about pollution in anybody's city. Check out Chemical Scorecard at http://www.scorecard.org You can type in any ZIP code in the United States and immediately receive a street map that pinpoints the exact location of many nearby polluters. From the map you can see how close they are to your house or your school. Scorecard lets you send faxes—for free—to the top polluters in your area, telling them your concerns. And it connects you to information about pollution prevention—how companies can avoid having to pollute in the first place.

Dear Amy: My grandma only speaks Spanish. How can I find Web sites for her?—Melissa, Kansas City, Mo.
Dear Melissa: Now there's "Yahoo! en espanol" at http://espanol.yahoo.com/ It's a directory of Spanish language Web sites that are indexed like the rest of Yahoo. Most of the other search sites have ways of finding things in languages other than English, too. You can search using a non-English word and see what the search site returns to you. Once you get your grandmother started, I bet she can take over the mouse and find her way around the Web herself.

Send your comments or questions about the WWW to Amy at: Ask Amy, 3001 Dole Center, Lawrence, KS 66045 or AskAmy@4Kids.org

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Accordion boy

A young boy who did not want to give his name or age smiles to passing shoppers as he sits on the walkway of the Gateway International Bridge which connects Brownsville and Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico, and plays his accordion Friday. The boy said tourists going into Matamoros give more money than locals. He said he takes his money home for food.

Offshore crime dealt with mostly in-house

HOUSTON (AP) — Offshore oil workers say assaults are not common on offshore platforms, but when they occur, they leave a victim few options.

"You can either jump over the side or deal with it," one unidentified worker told the Houston Chronicle in Sunday editions.

Two recent court cases show how bad things can get.

The U.S. Supreme Court in March allowed Joseph Oncole, a male roustabout on an offshore rig, to sue his employer for same-sex harassment. He said he quit, fearing he would be forced by co-workers to have sex.

That ruling followed a U.S. District Court case in which the mother of a dead female paramedic, Lonna Herronen, claimed that her daughter was raped on a Conoco offshore platform. A jury agreed the young woman had been assaulted offshore, but did not find Conoco negligent.

Energy companies tend to take care of assaults and other offshore offenses by handling them in-house, usually firing the individuals involved rather than bringing in law enforcement officials, said Alvin Marks, a Slidell, La.-based offshore safety consultant who often testifies as an expert witness in offshore safety-related trials.

"I have been doing this since the 1950s and I have not seen any cases where someone assaulted someone else offshore go to trial," Marks said.

One of the problems is determining who is responsible for investigating offenses offshore.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation investigates "crimes on the high seas," as such offenses are termed. The U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Customs Service also have jurisdiction in federal waters, but most of their investigations are connected to drug smuggling.

The overlap can lead to a shell game of sorts, said Ron Hayes, who heads FIGHT, a Fairhope, Ala.-based support group for families of industrial accident victims.

"You have a hand-off sequence," Hayes said. "You call the Coast Guard, which you think would have jurisdiction because it is over water. They will say, 'No, we don't handle it, you have to go here.' Or, they will make it so difficult to get through the channels that you will get frustrated and quit."

When workers have a disagreement, things typically don't escalate to violence because the workers involved fear losing their jobs. But angering an offshore co-worker can lead to violence back on land.

"They usually say, 'We'll settle this on the dock;' and there were several fights on the docks when we got back," one 10-year offshore veteran, who asked not be named, told the Chronicle.

Several offshore drilling companies, including Global Marine, Diamond Offshore and R&B Falcon Corp., have similar policies: Incidents, such as fights, are usually handled in-house. The company will investigate, gather eyewitness accounts and try to evaluate the cause of the fight. Anyone deemed at fault will be fired.

Police Reports

Midland Police Department
Saturday

Burglary of Vehicle: Shannon Vinson at 7 a.m. reported the theft of a radio and a cassette player from a 1971 Chevrolet truck at 704 Dormard Ave.

Burglary of Vehicle: Keith Atwood at 10:45 a.m. reported the theft of a cellular telephone from a 1997 Chevrolet pickup truck at 52 Lafayette Place.

Burglary of a Vehicle: Richard Greth at 10 a.m. reported the theft of a shotgun and pistol from a 1995 GMC truck at 723 W. Dengar Ave.

Theft: A theft was reported at 4517 N. Midland Drive.

Theft by Shoplifting: Jesse Quezada at 7:41 p.m. reported the theft of beer, chocolate, and cleaning merchandise at the H-E-B Food Store at 3325 W. Wadley Ave.

Sunday

Theft: The burglary of a 1978 truck was reported at 12:36 a.m. at 2928 W. Louisiana Ave.

Midland County Sheriff's Department
Sunday

Assault: Eric Mapes at 2:35 a.m. reported that he was assaulted at 12300 W. U.S. Highway 80 just west of Water Wonderland.

Theft: A spokesman for Friend's Convenience Store at 13220 W. U.S. Highway 80 reported the theft of gasoline valued at $7.20 by a motorist in a white truck.

Dear Abby

Workplace romance wavers outside office

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a female in my mid-40s, involved with a 50-year-old man. We were co-workers for 10 years, but we no longer work together. Our relationship began before I left the job.

Van Buren

Now that we're seeing more of each other, I'm getting glimpses of a side of him I didn't know existed. His attitude toward women disturbs me. For example, he recently remarked, "I can take getting into an argument with a man better than I can take an argument with a woman." When I asked him why, he retorted, "Because a man is my equal. But to have to listen to a lot of 'guff' from someone who's a second-class citizen and can never be my equal is ridiculous."

Abby, I was shocked. I found his remark offensive to say the least. Now I'm wondering whether this relationship stands a chance. What do you think? — L.B. IN BALTIMORE

DEAR L.B.: An intelligent woman such as you can do far better than a man who thinks you and all other women are second-class citizens. You can't teach an old dog new tricks, and this one will be hard to housebreak.

DEAR ABBY: You gave "Wondering What I'm Missing" — the woman who married young and never had the chance to live life as a single — good advice, as far as it went.

I was married fresh out of high school and had six children by the time I was 30. I was active in the community, but that didn't stop me from feeling that everything was happening to us as a couple and not to me alone. I discussed my feelings with my husband, and he suggested that I go to college and then enter the workforce. I began evening classes almost immediately.

After college, I joined my husband in business and we also purchased some real estate as an investment. I am now 60 years old, and unfortunately a widow, but I have a real estate portfolio, enough income to retire and travel, and time to spend with our 14 grandchildren.

We go around only once, so "Wondering" should do something to make herself feel important, and stop regretting that she's not single. She can be her own person if she wants to, in spite of being part of a couple, and a mother. — ELAINE SCHORSCH, FEDERAL WAY, WASH.

DEAR ELAINE: That's sage advice. I hope that "Wondering" will take a page out of your book.

DEAR ABBY: I celebrated my 14th birthday last week. I was very happy with all the gifts I received. However, one thing is bothering me. My grandma, whom I love very much, gave me some movie guest passes. Later, I noticed they had all expired.

I have not told Grandma, and I don't know if I should. If I tell her, how do I do it without sounding rude? I've put off saying anything for fear of doing it wrong. Please help! — NOT SURE WHAT TO DO

DEAR NOT SURE: I'm not sure either, because I don't know your grandma. Some grandmas would want to know, so they could replace the passes with valid ones you could use. Others might be upset and would prefer not to be told. Ask your parents. They will know what's best in your case.

For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Obituaries

Odes Anderson

Services for Odes Dwayne Anderson, 41, of Midland are to be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Midland with the Rev. Clifton Igo of Lamesa officiating. Burial is to be in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Visitation with the family is to be from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 4.

Anderson died Saturday in a Midland hospital.

Anderson was born on May 12, 1957, in Lamesa to Odes L. Anderson and Mae Parker Anderson. He attended schools in Lamesa and graduated from Lamesa High School in 1975. He earned an associate degree from Midland College before he was employed by RaCom Corporation of Midland.

He was preceded in death by his mother in February 1983.

Survivors include his wife, Jennifer Anderson of Midland; a son, Roy Anderson of Midland; a daughter, April Anderson of Midland; his father, Odes L. Anderson of Lamesa; five brothers, Harold Anderson and Robert Anderson, both of Lamesa, Jimmy Anderson of Dale City, Va., Bobby Anderson of Angel Fire, N.M., and James Baker of Mount Pleasant; and five sisters, Joyce Cook of O'Donnell, Jo Ann Malone of Grand Prairie, Diann Putman of Lamesa, Katherine Gisler of Runge, and Betty Anderson of Cedar Hill.

Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association of Midland, Texas 79705.

Donald J. Bussell

Graveside services for Donald J. Bussell, 45, of Big Spring are to be held at 10 am. Tuesday, Aug. 4, in Fairview Cemetery in Midland under direction of Thomas Funeral Home. Officiating is to be the Rev. Carol Clark.

Bussell died Thursday following a lengthy illness.

Bussell was born on Feb. 24, 1953, in El Paso.

Survivors include four sisters, Cathy Bussell of Midland, Brenda Bussell and Sandra Thomas, both of Allen, and Wendy Marion of Athens; three nieces and three nephews.

Robbie Canton

Graveside services for Robbie "Granny" Canton, 84, of Keene and formerly of Midland are to be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland with Pastor Ken Davis officiating.

Arrangements are under direction of Martin's Funeral Home of Cleburne.

Visitation with the family is to be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. today, Aug. 3, in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Midland.

Mrs. Canton died Saturday in Keene.

Mrs. Canton was born on April 6, 1914, in Nacogdoches to Joseph and Lee Anna Risanger Birdwell and was married to Perry Edmond Canton on May 6, 1932, in Cleburne. Her husband died in August 1985. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Keene.

Mrs. Canton, the retired owner and operator of Canton Day Care of Midland, had lived in Keene since 1986.

Survivors include a son, Tom Canton of Midland; two daughters, Bobbie Northrop of Keene and Perrie Jo Hoeckendorf of Ruidoso, N.M.; a sister, Jesse Morgan of Azusa, Calif.; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Family Life Center in care of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Keene.

Aaron Henderson

COLFAX, La. — Services for Aaron N. "Coony" Henderson Sr., 64, of Albuquerque, N.M., and formerly of Colfax, La., and Midland are to be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, in John Kramer & Son Funeral Home Chapel of Colfax, La. Burial is to be in Georgetown Cemetery in Georgetown, La.

Henderson died Wednesday, July 29, in Albuquerque, N.M.

He was born on Sept. 21, 1933, in Selma, La.

Henderson was a United States Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, worked in the oilfields in the Midland area for more than 30 years, and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Midland.

Survivors include two sons, James E. Henderson of Mount Olive, N.C., and Aaron N. Henderson Jr. of Midland; two daughters, Debra H. Lee of Zwolle, La., and Florence Richard of Haughton, La.; a brother, Leroy Henderson of Tullos, La., and 11 grandchildren.

Myles McDonough

Services for Myles McDonough, 72, of Midland are to be held at 10 a.m. today, Aug. 3, in St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland. Burial is to be in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

McDonough died Friday in a Midland hospital.

Azael Sandoval

Services for Azael Sandoval, 27, of Odessa are to be held at 10 a.m. today, Aug. 3, in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel of Midland. Burial is to be in Fairview Cemetery in Midland.

Sandoval died Friday in Odessa.

Isaac Simmons

STANTON — Graveside services for Isaac B. Simmons, 90, of Big Spring are to be held at 2 p.m. today, Aug. 3, in Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton under direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Simmons died Sunday in Midland.

Simmons was born on Sept. 21, 1907, in Erath County and was married to Velma E. Campbell on Nov. 1, 1932, in Spur. A longtime resident of Spur, he moved to Big Spring from Spur in 1995.

He was a retired farmer, police dispatcher, and school bus driver. He was a member of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ in Big Spring.

Survivors include his wife, Velma E. Simmons of Big Spring; a son, Gordon Simmons of Big Spring; two grandsons and three great-grandchildren.

TODAY'S FUNERALS

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10 a.m.-St. Ann's Catholic Church

AZAEL SANDOVAL
10 a.m.-Ellis Chapel

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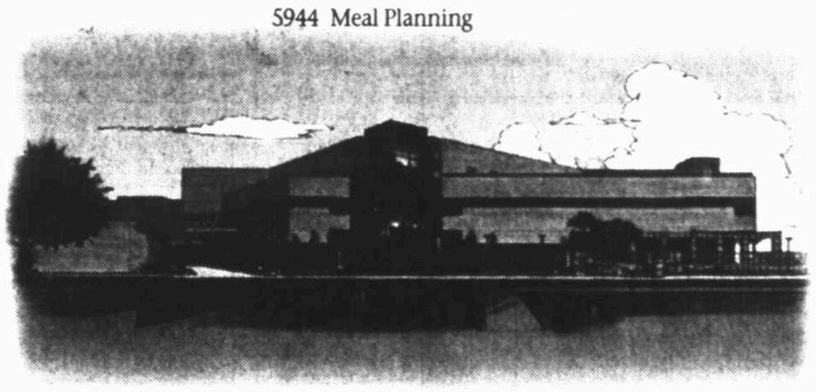

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Communities fight to prevent more New York sludge shipments

By Eduardo Montes
Associated Press

ALLAMOORE — H.L. Richey doesn't have to use words to explain why he loves his West Texas ranch. He only has to load visitors into his battered Jeep and steer it onto the tortuous road scaling Eagle Mountain.

As they skirt a brushy canyon, riders are provided an expanding view of Hudspeth County's awesome stony peaks, with their cracked and fissured faces, and of the desert spreading outward to touch every horizon.

"Pristine" is how Richey describes it, and it fits.

But Richey fears that won't be true for long.

Like other area landowners, he became apprehensive when advised earlier this year of a New Jersey company's plans to use adjoining ranchland to spread tons of odorous New York City sewage sludge, a substance resembling potting soil that remains after wastewater is treated.

"This is beautiful country. It's just a shame to begin to spoil it," Richey said ruefully during a recent trip across his 26,000-acre Eagle Mountain Ranch.

He could have been speaking for a host of the other 2,000 residents in the county, where opposition is mounting against what could become the area's second sludge project.

Richey, an oilman and rancher, is leading the charge among landowners. He has contacted dozens of others and urged them to voice any concerns about the project to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

He already has a law firm working to convince TNRCC officials to deny R.J. Longo Construction Co. of Denville, N.J., the registration it needs to open the proposed site near Allamoore, 110 miles southeast of El Paso.

Richey said he's concerned the sludge will contaminate the land and the area's groundwater supply.

Longo project manager Tom Winant said in a letter to the TNRCC that the company questions whether Richey has any "accurate knowledge of the beneficial reuse of biosolids," the technical name for sludge.

Winant further noted in a written response to questions posed by The Associated Press that applying sludge as fertilizer is a common practice nationwide — there are about 200 registered sites in Texas alone — and that it has already been used to successfully restore Texas rangeland.

"I think the reaction by the opposition is an emotional response rather than one based on proven, scientific facts," said Winant.

The proposed Longo "sludge ranch" would be the second in Hudspeth County. The first, in the nearby county seat of Sierra Blanca, is operated by MERCO Joint Venture, an Oklahoma-based partnership that began spreading New York City sludge in the area in 1992.

Opponents of the MERCO site are again fighting the Longo plan. Curiously, some of their allies in the battle have been many of the Hudspeth County politicians who supported the original site.

"We've had all we want. No more," said Commissioner Wayne R. West.

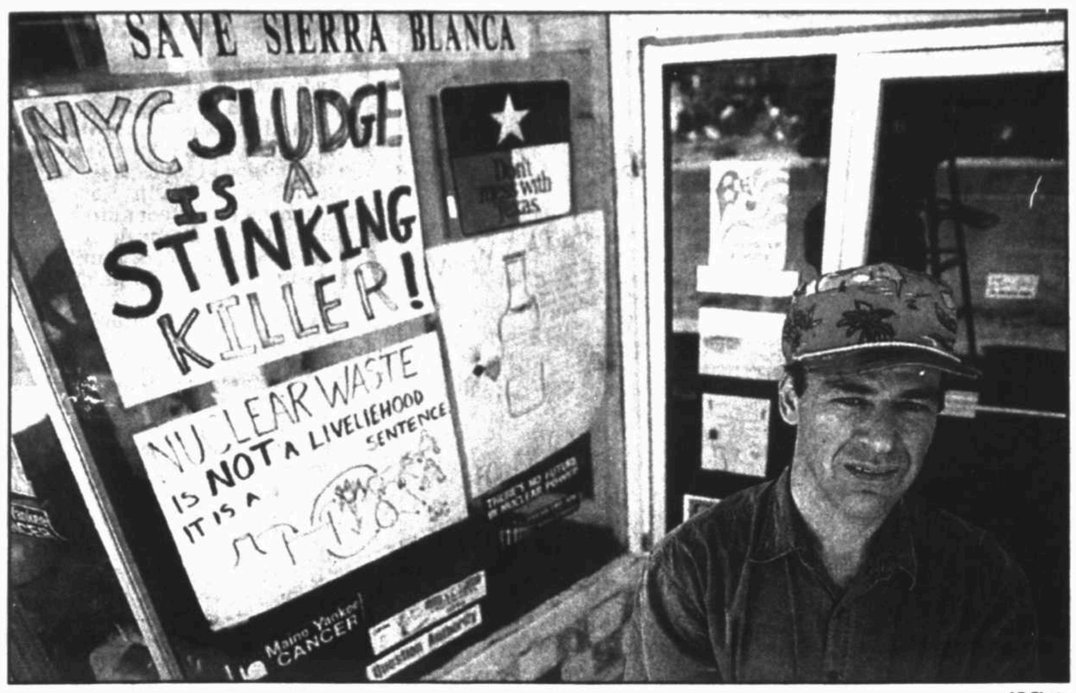
In fact, the level of opposition seems to be more than could be mustered locally to fight a planned low-level radioactive dump or the first sludge site. Several have said they will go to the courts if pushed.

That's not to say there is total harmony among sludge foes.

Environmentalists feel there's something suspicious about the commissioners' sudden turn against sludge, which has included approval of an ordinance prohibiting solid waste disposal south of Interstate 10 — where Longo's project would be located. The skeptics note that the same ordinance exempts MERCO's site north of the highway.

"It's the same sludge. It's ridiculous to be opposing one and not the other," said Bill Addington, a Sierra Blanca resident who has spent years trying to stop all dumping activities in the county.

Also exempted is the site south of the interstate proposed for the state's radioactive dump, another controversial project supported by county officials.



AP Photo
Bill Addington, an opponent of the proposed low level nuclear waste and sludge dumps near Sierra Blanca, Texas, stands in front of his mother's store in Sierra Blanca.

Winant declined to comment on the origins of the ordinance.

It's unclear anyway whether the county ordinance is enough to block Longo's attempt to get the state's permission to spread sludge. It could, however, lead to a legal battle should the state accept the company's application.

West, the county commissioner, says he and others oppose the Longo site because it would be very different from the existing project.

The land Longo picked has uneven terrain, which could cause rain to wash the sludge downhill onto nearby properties, or it could lead the substance to seep into underlying aquifers that supply the entire area with drinking water, critics fear.

Some scientists say sludge can contaminate land and water with heavy metals and pathogens.

Other experts maintain sludge is a good fertilizer loaded with minerals and nutrients needed for healthy vegetation growth.

Winant said that since the company plans to use only a small portion of the overall land it has available, there will be a substantial buffer zone between the Longo project and adjoining property owners.

An extensive groundwater study attached to Longo's registration application shows sludge will not affect the region's water, he said.

Winant also pointed to a Texas Tech study of MERCO's operations that shows the land there appears to have benefited from sludge application. MERCO has been spreading an average of 200 tons daily on a roughly 15,000-acre area.

Longo wants to apply between 225 tons and 510 wet tons of sludge daily on a 17,000-acre parcel of land, which is part of a ranch that will continue to be used for a full-time cattle operation.

Both companies maintain their projects are aimed at helping the land become more fertile and productive.

Critics argue the projects are only about making money, since disposing of New York sludge can be lucrative.

Longo did not disclose the value of its 15-year contract, but MERCO's initial six-year contract, since extended to add another 15 years, was worth an estimated $168 million.

Ranchers faced with having Longo as a neighbor are also far from convinced that there are benefits.

"I don't want to smell it and I think no matter what they say it's going to contaminate water," Richey said. "I think labeling these programs as beneficial use is deceptive."

Richey recently detailed these and other fears in a letter to the TNRCC that implored the environmental agency to reject Longo's registration application.

TNRCC officials said all public comments will be considered before a final decision is made, likely later this year. TNRCC must also consider whether the project is environmentally sound.

Roy Thomas, general agent for the Texas Pacific Land Trust, which has thousands of acres in the area, also has been among the numerous landowners to express concerns about contamination to the TNRCC.

He said the project could damage trust land on several levels, including causing a decline in property values.

"I don't know how they can assure me that none of this is going to happen," Thomas said from his Dallas office. "Can anyone give me a guarantee, short of someone putting a stop to it?"

Proposed, existing waste projects

ALLAMOORE:

■ R.J. Longo Construction Co. of Denville, N.J., has applied to state environmental officials for a registration needed to open a sludge site. The company says it would spread between 225 and 510 tons of sludge per day over 17,000 acres of a roughly 29,000-acre ranch. A final decision on the application is pending.

SIERRA BLANCA:

■ MERCO Joint Venture of Oklahoma has been spreading an average of 200 tons of New York City sewage sludge daily on roughly 15,000 acres of a 128,000-acre ranch. Initially a six-year project when it began in 1992, MERCO has now received a 15-year extension of its sludge hauling contract with New York City.

■ The Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Authority has applied to state environmental officials for a license to operate a dump for irradiated waste generated by Texas utilities, hospitals and universities. A final decision is pending. Congress is also considering a compact that would allow Maine and Vermont to ship their low-level waste to the Texas site.

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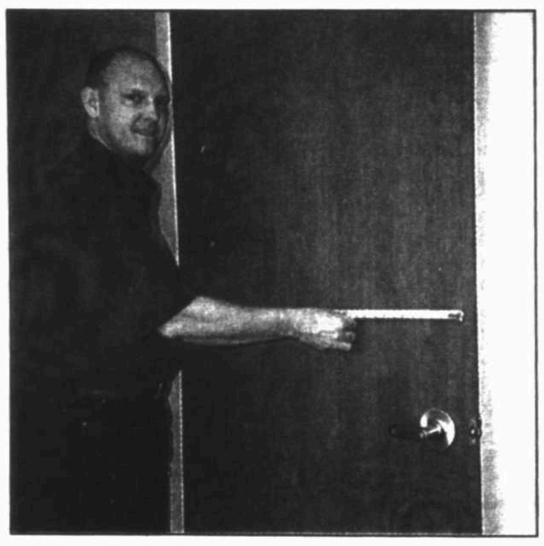
There are a variety of funding possibilities for this kind of work. Those who can afford it pay for the work themselves. For others, various state agencies might be able to help those with less financial resources. Nurses Unlimited has contact with a variety of agencies, both public and private.



Guy Riley of Nurses Unlimited evaluates a doorway for wheelchair accessibility. The company can make a surprisingly few home modifications to allow most wheelchair users to enjoy the comfort of their own home.

While Guy estimates that they do approximately 80 percent of their work for senior citizens, young adults and even children sometimes fall victim to disease or accidents that put them in a wheelchair as well. Special needs of each age group can be taken into consideration.

The company began this service three years ago in September. They now do work in 162 counties in Texas, mostly west of I-45 from Dallas to Houston.

There's a lot of job satisfaction in this work. Guy says, "I'm very glad to be able to help people continue to enjoy their own home as long as possible."

Nurses Unlimited employs over 130 Registered Nurses in a variety of specialties. They also provide other services including sales of home medical equipment, infusion therapy, hospice services, home modifications, specialized wheelchair fitting and much more. Headquartered in Odessa, they serve 28 counties with additional offices in Midland, Big Spring and Alpine. The phone number is 1-800-460-8118.

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TEXAS LEAGUE — Wichita Wranglers at Midland Angels, Christensen Stadium, 7:11 p.m. RADIO: KCRS (550 AM).

Comets stomp

HOUSTON — Sheryl Swoopes scored 20 points Sunday as the Houston Comets trounced the Sacramento Monarchs 70-53.

Latasha Byears led Sacramento (6-17) with 15 points as the Monarchs played the Comets close in the first half. The game was tied six times and the lead changed twice.

Sacramento's Lady Hardmon layup with 7:44 remaining in the first half tied the score at 20-20. But Houston (21-2) then scored 11 straight points and led 31-25 at intermission.

The Comets widened their advantage in the second half, leading 49-30 with 12:12 left in the game.

Cynthia Cooper finished with 14 points, extending her double-figure scoring streak to 53 games.

Sacramento has now lost nine of their last 11 games and falls to 3-10 on the road. Houston is 10-1 at home and 11-1 against Western Conference opponents.

49ers nip Patriots

SAN FRANCISCO — Steve Young played long enough to throw for a touchdown and cornerback Darnell Walker scored on a 1-yard fumble as the San Francisco 49ers beat the New England Patriots 14-13 Sunday in an exhibition opener.

Jerry Rice watched the game from the sidelines on coach Steve Mariucci's orders. Rice, who missed all but two games last season because of two major injuries to his left knee, is in the midst of a comeback but the 49ers are being cautious not to rush him back into action.

Drew Bledsoe was erratic in his 1998 debut, going 3-for-9 with an interception. And the Patriots, trying to adapt to the offseason free agency loss of running back Curtis Martin, struggled to sustain their attack while committing three turnovers.

Houston wins race

LOUDON, N.H. — Andy Houston passed fellow rookie Greg Biffle on the final lap Sunday in the Pennzoil 200 to win for the first time in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck series.

Houston, son of former NASCAR Busch Series star Tommy Houston, drove his Chevrolet to Biffle's rear bumper from fifth-place after erasing a five-second deficit following a late pit stop for fuel with 21 laps remaining.

Biffle, driving a Ford, held off his challenger until the next-to-last turn around the 1.058-mile New Hampshire International Speedway. The pair entered Turn 3 virtually side-by-side, where Biffle's truck slid out of the groove, giving the 27-year-old Houston enough room to get by.

"I knew we were faster than they were because (the crew) was giving me my times on the radio," Houston said. "But I didn't ever think I could catch Greg. Then I caught him on the backstretch and he ran me down on the apron and I just let him go in there.

"I knew he was going in there way too hard. He left me a lane underneath and, by the time he tried to come down (to block), I was there."

NHRA winners

KENT, Wash. — If Joe Amato was distracted by his impending wedding, it didn't show when he beat Cory McClenathan in the Top Fuel final Sunday at the NHRA's Northwest Nationals.

Meanwhile, Ron Capps won the Funny Car final and Warren Johnson prevailed in the Pro Stock division at Seattle International Raceway.

The Top Fuel victory moved Amato to within 18 points of McClenathan in the championship race. Amato, who won for the third time this year, and Donna Delbalso will be married Friday.

Christian makes good first impression with city crown

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

If the theory "you never get a second chance to make a first impression" holds true, then Jon Christian made the most of his opportunity because no golfer who played in the 1998 Chase Bank Men's City Championship will forget what he did this weekend. Not a chance.

Christian not only registered a wire-to-wire victory in his first appearance at the city tournament, but tore up a difficult Hogan Park course with a new 54-hole city record, 13-under-par total of 198.

Christian also dusted the field by a phenomenal nine strokes, the largest margin of victory in recent memory. Although it didn't do much for theatrics, it raised an eyebrow or two.

"I told him on 12 that if this was a prize fight, they would have stopped it. It was that bad," said Dub Huckabee, who was in the last pairing with Christian and Charlie Prince.

"He left no doubt who was the best. If this is a true indication of his game, and I've got to believe it was, there is not anybody that can play with him.

"We saw the best player in Midland. There is nobody better between Dallas and El Paso and Oklahoma City and Austin."

Christian, who went into the round with a three-shot lead over Prince, closed off the three-day tournament with a 5-under-par 65 to win by nine over Prince, Jason Hewett and 1994 champion Tim Phillips. Hewett even carded a 66 in the final round, and Phillips recorded his best-ever round in the city tournament with a 64.

"I won four years ago and shot 208," said Phillips, who fired six birdies and no bogeys on Sunday. "It looks like the caliber of play has been raised a notch."

Prince, who will play this fall at the University of Texas at El Paso after two years at Midland College and a high school career at Midland Lee, was tied with Christian after 11 holes on Saturday, but couldn't recover after consecutive three-putts on Nos. 12 and 13.

Sunday, Prince bogeyed Nos. 3 and 9 and double bogeyed No. 4 while Christian recovered from a bogey at 1 with birdies on 2, 6 and 8. Suddenly, that three-stroke advantage sky-rocketed to eight.

"I hit two bad drives, didn't have a good shot on (No.) 4 and made double (bogey)," Prince said. "It is hard to come back from three over.

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
John Christian follows through his swing during Saturday's action of the Men's City Championship held at Hogan Park. Christian won the title with a 13-under-par 198.

JOHNSON DEBUTS WITH ASTROS

'Big Unit' strikes out 12 for Houston

By Alan Robinson
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — Randy Johnson was everything the Houston Astros wanted when they sacrificed their future to get him: Overpowering, dominating, intimidating. Best of all, he was a winner.

Johnson, pitching fewer than 48 hours after Houston swung the big trade to get him, struck out 12 in seven innings and the Astros scored four times in the eighth to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-2 Sunday.

"I can't say enough about the guys scoring those runs in the eighth," Johnson said. "I wasn't really nervous. I knew there was a lot of anticipation, and I wanted to give a good effort."

Despite battling jet leg and an unfamiliarity with the hitters — he recognized only a few names while studying box scores on an all-day trip Saturday from Seattle — Johnson was just as menacing for the NL Central-leading Astros as he was for the Mariners.

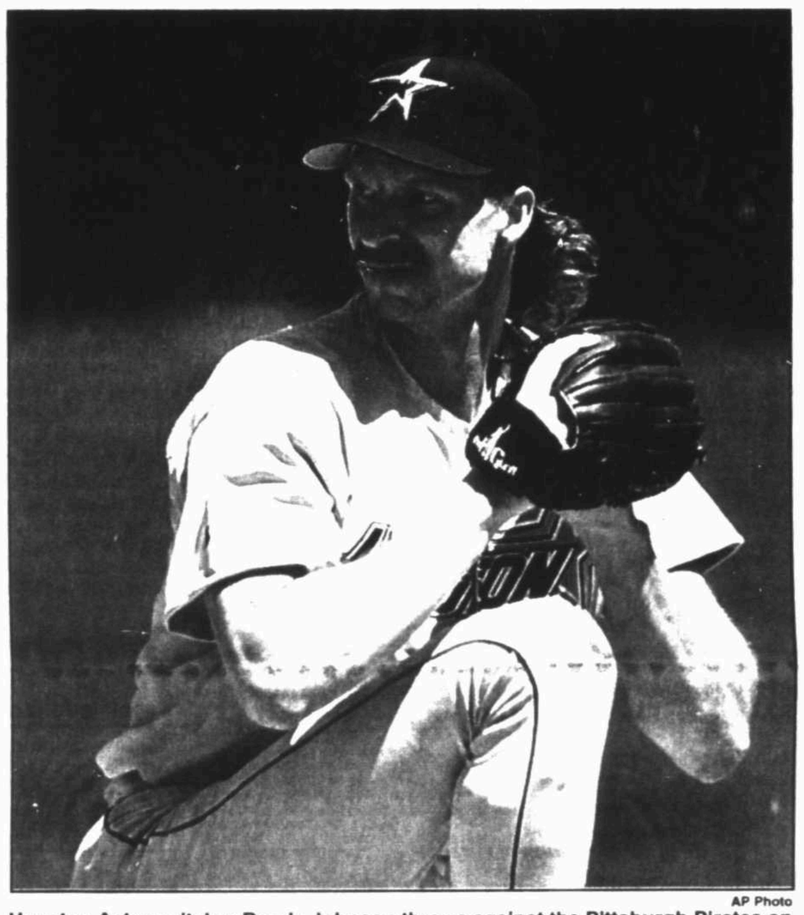
His 12 strikeouts were a season high for an Astros' pitcher and gave him a major-league leading 225 for the season. It also was the eighth time in Johnson's nine starts this season that he had double-digit strikeouts.

"Strikeouts weren't a concern. Winning was," said Johnson, who was traded for three prospects on Friday.

By coincidence, Johnson's major league debut came against the Pirates in Montreal on Sept. 15, 1988, when he won 9-5 despite allowing two homers to Glenn Wilson in five innings.

"It's just fun to be back in the National League," said Johnson, who pitched 11 times for Montreal in 1988 and 1989 before being dealt to Seattle.

"It's nice to get the win because it puts everybody at ease. I've still got to learn the hitters and the ballparks but, in time, it will come.



AP Photo
Houston Astros pitcher Randy Johnson throws against the Pittsburgh Pirates on Sunday at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh. Johnson struck out 12 in seven innings of work in his debut in an Astros uniform. The Astros won 6-2.

Apparently, it took barely two days, judging from the perplexed looks on the faces of Pirates hitters who couldn't catch up with a fastball that occasionally hit 98 mph and a slider that usually broke down and in.

"It was kind of tough on Randy and kind of tough on us," the Astros' Jeff Bagwell said. "Most pitchers like to concentrate and get into their own world. He flies all day yesterday, and then his first day in the park he has to pitch. I'm sure that was hard on him, but he obviously performed pretty well."

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Halos drop 2 to Wichita

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

Picking up a suspended game from Saturday night could have meant a fresh start for the Midland Angels at Christensen Stadium Sunday when they faced the Wichita Wranglers, the team they have been chasing in the Texas League West Division standings.

Unfortunately for the Angels, it only meant a continuation of the previous night's woes at the plate, which carried over not only into the final three innings of the unfinished game, but most of the nine innings of the scheduled game.

The Angels dropped their continued game, postponed from Saturday due to a broken second base anchor, 4-1 after trailing 2-0 following Saturday's postponement. They still showed the effects of a hangover in the scheduled game, losing 6-1 as their offense never got untracked. In 12 innings Sunday, the Angels picked up 10 hits and two runs after Wichita left-hander Scott Mullen had held them to two hits in six innings Saturday.

The two losses dropped the Angels (23-23) seven games behind the Wranglers in the second half standings, and with only 26 games left to play, time is running out on their hopes for a second half crown.

"We got two really good performances to hold that team to two runs in two games in this park," said Wichita manager John Mizerock. "The way we've played here before winning two of five could be considered a successful series."

The Wranglers, who lost two one-run games to open the series, could claim the series in the finale tonight at 7:11 p.m., but the impetus is clearly on the Angels to force the issue. Having to suspend a game due to a broken base might have been a bad omen for the Halos.

When action from Saturday's game resumed with one out in the top of the

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Pantani wins scandal-rocked Tour de France

By Salvatore Zanca
Associated Press Writer

PARIS, France — Shadowed for three weeks by a drug scandal and sit-down strikes, the Tour de France staggered to a finish Sunday with Marco Pantani winning a race that unraveled like no other since it began in 1903.

With the sun bright after a heavy shower, the Italian rode in triumph along the Champs-Elysees, proving he indeed was a champion but still no match for the scandal that enveloped cycling's showcase event.

He is the first Italian to win the Tour de France since Felice Gimondi in 1965. He is also the first to win both the Tour of Italy and the Tour de France in one year since cycling great Miguel Indurain did so five years ago.

"To win the Giro and the Tour de France is something my country has been waiting for a long time," Pantani said. "This day will remain one of the most important days in my life."

Defending champion Jan Ullrich of Germany was second, 3 minutes, 21 seconds behind. Bobby Julich of Glenwood Springs, Colo., was third, at 4:08, the best performance by an American since Greg LeMond won his third crown in 1990.

Julich, riding with the French Cofidis team, joined LeMond as the only Americans to finish in the top three.

"This year I had little chance to win," said Julich, riding in his second Tour. "Pantani was on another planet. When he attacks the mountains, no one can match him."

This was a race in which many riders felt they were being treated as criminals during the ongoing investigation. Once, they delayed the start of a stage by two hours. Another time they held hands in protest crossing the finish line, prompting organizers to wipe out the entire stage.

"No matter what happened here, it was my dream," Julich said. "Different things come about and try to mess with you. But it's the strong people that persevere and don't let it bother them. I'm very proud right now."

Tom Steels of Belgium took the 21st and final stage on the Champs-Elysees. Steels won four stages, including the first in Dublin, Ireland.

Pantani, riding for the Mercatone Uno team, finished the 91-mile stage from Melun to Paris in the pack in 45th place. A flat tire held him up for less than a minute.

Italian President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro sent Pantani a message offering "the thanks of the Italian people for having given Italy this exceptional success."

Pantani's tributes are just beginning. A wine shop in Alessandria in northern Italy dedicated a Piedmont wine after the rider.

In Cesnatico, Italy, a banner on a building read "Pantani flies high." Some 2,000 people took to bicycles in the town's streets to celebrate their hometown hero.

The Tour de France crowds, populated by many vacationing Italians, cheered Pantani every time he passed.

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AP Photo
Tour de France winner Marco Pantani of Italy waves as he and his team ride down the Champs Elysees avenue after the 21st and final stage of the race.

Gailey not pleased with Dallas opener

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

WICHITA FALLS — It was not the way Chan Gailey wanted to start his NFL head coaching career.

After viewing tapes of the Dallas Cowboys 20-19 exhibition loss to the Seattle Seahawks, Gailey declared on Sunday: "We made too many mistakes even for a preseason game."

The Cowboys were flagged Friday night 11 times for 97 yards. Four penalties, three for having 12 men on the field, and a 33-yard pass interference call, led to the game-winning touchdown in the third period.

Gailey said the calls for 12 men on the field came from typical preseason confusion.

"We're going to get that straightened out," Gailey said. "I hope that's not going to happen anymore. It wasn't just one player. It was different people at different times."

He said what confused some of his younger players was the different defenses the Cowboys were running including "the nickel, the dime, the heavy and the goal-line."

"We also got some guys hurt and that added to the confusion," he said. "It's my fault we didn't adjust to all that."

Gailey, who was an offensive coordinator at Pittsburgh and called games from the press box, said it was a change for him to be on the field.

"There was an adjustment I had to make," he said.

For the first time, the Cowboys coaches used wireless microphones, and Gailey said, "I kept trying to tug on a long wire that wasn't there."

He rated his first game as Cowboys head coach as "not every good. We lost and that's how you are judged. I was doing the best I could to win."

The Cowboys played their starters only in the first period and Gailey said both units did a good job.

"Our first team defense played the run well and the secondary looked good," Gailey said. "Our first team offense did fairly well, not great."

Gailey said it was a comfort to see Chris Warren have a big game after Emmitt Smith suffered a minor

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Price wins St. Jude in playoff

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Nick Price won the FedEx St. Jude Classic with a birdie on the second hole of a playoff Sunday with Jeff Sluman for his first victory this season and second since 1994.

Price had made up two shots with three holes left by eagling the par-5 16th for the third time in four days.

"This turns my year around," he said. "I feel like I've gotten over a big hurdle this weekend."

He had a chance to win in regulation, but missed a 7-foot birdie try at No. 18. It rolled around the right edge of the cup, but failed to drop.

"I couldn't believe it stayed out," Price said. "I didn't want to go to extra time. My nerves weren't too good at that point."

Both players parred No. 18 — the first playoff hole — Price from a fairway bunker.

Sluman put his tee shot into the water right of the fairway on the second extra hole, the 375-yard, par-4 No. 12.

Sluman hit his third shot to about 12 feet, but never got to try his par putt because Price rolled in a 20-foot birdie try for his second St. Jude title. He also won in 1993.

"I had a feeling he was going to make that putt," Price said. "I read that one perfectly."

It was the 11th second-place finish in Sluman's career. He has two victories.

"Anytime you're one off the lead and shoot 65, that's usually enough to win," Sluman said. "But Nick shot a great round. I did all I could. I didn't make a bogey and had six birdies. What can you do?"

■ **Golf Roundup**

In fact, Sluman did not make a bogey all weekend, shooting 66 on Saturday and the day's low round of 65 on Sunday.

Price finished with a final-round 66.

"I've played pretty solid all year but done as well as I felt I should have," Price said. "It's been frustrating."

Sluman, playing in the group ahead of Price in regulation, took the lead on No. 16, the 528-yard, par-5, with a birdie from about 2 feet to go 16-under.

Price trailed by two shots at that point. He made it up all at once with the eagle at 16, a hole he played in 7-under-par for the four rounds.

"That's the best I've ever done any week on any hole in my career," Price said.

Sluman parred the last three holes in regulation, coolly saving par on No. 18 from a front greenside bunker with Price's perfect tee shot sitting in the fairway behind him.

Price's approach on No. 18 in regulation was about 7 feet to the right of the hole. His putt to win rolled around the right edge and out as Price reacted with disbelief.

"At that point I was very happy to get back to No. 18," Sluman said. "I didn't think there was any chance Nick would miss that putt."

Glen Day matched Sluman for the best round of the day with a 65, and held the lead when he came to the 18th tee. But he pulled his tee shot left into the lake and made bogey to finish alone in third place at 14-under 270 — two shots back.

"That shot wasn't too good, but it didn't cost me the tournament," Day said. 'I missed some putts today that cost me the tournament."

Burton wins day of survival at du Maurier

WINDSOR, Ontario — The shootout turned into survival Sunday at the du Maurier Classic, something Brandie Burton understands as well as anyone.

Beset by injuries and self-doubt over five winless years on the LPGA Tour, Burton won the final major championship of the season by making an 8-foot par putt on the last hole to beat Annika Sorenstam by one stroke.

Burton closed with an even-par 72, still enough to set a tournament record at 18-under 270, the lowest score in relation to par ever at a women's major. Betsy King had a 17-under 267 in winning the 1992 LPGA Championship.

"My heart is about out of my chest right now," Burton said, wiping away tears. "I definitely did it the hard way."

Nothing came easy on another warm, sunny day that finally dried out the greens and, along with the Sunday pressure of a major, put some teeth into the Essex Golf & Country Club.

None of the players within six shots of the lead managed to break 70.

And Burton, who also won the du Maurier in 1993 in a playoff over King, made it especially difficult on the final two holes.

"I was just trying to cross the finish line," Burton said.

Leading Sorenstam by one stroke on the par-5 17th, Burton sailed her 3-wood into a swale of rough to the right of the green. With Sorenstam facing a 25-foot eagle putt, Burton raised the heel of her wedge slightly to keep it from getting caught in the rough, and chipped to 4 feet.

Both walked off with birdies, but Burton kept the outcome in doubt when her 7-iron into the 18th hit a tall oak tree hanging over the right side and kicked into the fairway, 60 yards short.

She chipped over the ridge to 6 feet. After Sorenstam hit a nice chip out of the rough to assure par, Burton hit her 8-footer into the center of the cup, bent over and buried her face in her hands.

King, needing a victory to complete the LPGA career grand slam, was two strokes behind until she bogeyed the last two holes. She had a 72 and finished third, five strokes behind.

Se Ri Pak, trying to become the first woman since Pat Bradley in 1986 and the first rookie ever to win three majors in a year, had a 1-over 73. She finished at 283.

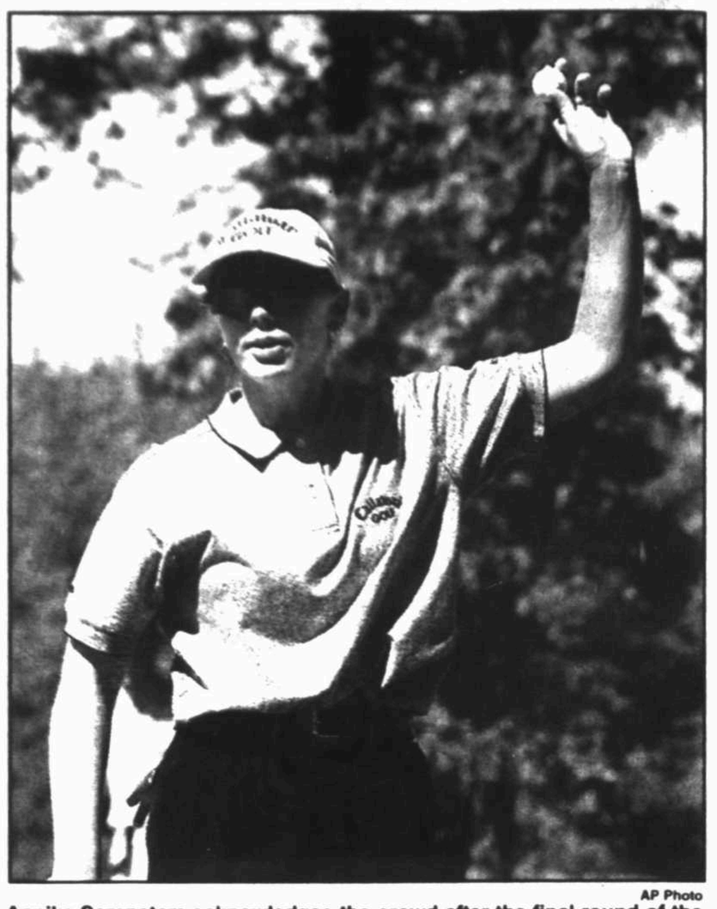
U.S. wins for first time in eight years

MINNEAPOLIS — The United States won the Curtis Cup for the first time in eight years, beating Britain-Ireland 10-8 in the two-day competition at The Minikahda Club in Minneapolis.

Singles victories by Kellee Booth and Brenda Corrie-Kuehn with four matches to go gave the U.S. team an insurmountable lead in the biennial women's amateur golf event.

"That's no resounding victory, but it was a victory, and that's what we were trying for," said U.S. captain Barbara McIntire, who also led the Americans to a win in the 1976 Curtis Cup. "I'll take any victory at all."

Members of the U.S. team embraced each other after Corrie-Kuehn beat Becky Morgan with a par putt at the 17th hole.



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Annika Sorenstam acknowledges the crowd after the final round of the LPGA du Maurier golf tournament on Sunday. Sorenstam finished the tournament with an 17-under-par 271, 1 shot behind winner Brandie Burton.

LOCAL SPORTS

Davis duo knocks off Griffins

David and Matt Davis edged defending champions David and Eric Griffin for the Low Ball Championship of the Parent/Child Golf Tournament held over the weekend at Midland Country Club.

The Griffins shot a 69 on the first day but fell to 75 on the second day for a two day total of 144, allowing the Davis team (72-71—143) to win by one stroke. Pat and Ingrid Weaver were third at 70-76—146.

Steve and Bobby Whiteside won the Point System Championship for the second straight year. They scored 211, beating out David and Kirk Logan (181) and Charles Gaines and Caleb Barker (176).

Here are other flights in the Parent/Child Golf Championship:

Jack Nicklaus Flight

1. Rex and Kyle Rowland, 176. 2. Jacque and Chris Stoltz, 168. 3. Mike and Chris Stoltz, 163.

Arnold Palmer Flight

1. Jacque and Stephen Stoltz, 171. 2. Mike and Steven Stoltz, 165. Bob Bledsoe and Heath Pennell, 156.

Ben Hogan Flight

1. C.H. and Hal Brockett, 155. 2. Jacque and Mike Stoltz, 150. 3. Don Haynes and John Davis, 147.

Bobby Jones Flight

1. Jack and Coley Gevecker, 154. 2. Mike and Kelly Ford, 148. 3. Craig and Christopher Hubbard, 147.

Byron Nelson Flight

1. John and Turner Bettis, 145. 2. Andye and Coley Gevecker, 142. 3. Jacque and Michael Stoltz, 138.

Mark O'Meara Flight

1. Ned and Jack Swallow, 124. 2. Mike and Cameron Ford, 119. 3. Chuck and Teagen Farmer, 119.

Greg Norman Flight

1. Jack McMillan and Craig Hubbard, 123. 2. D.R. Erroll and Andrew Anderson, 116. 3. Robert and Clayton Winkler, 114.

Tiger Woods Flight

1. W.C. and Craig Hubbard, 105. 2. Mark Martin and Craig McCarter, 105. 3. B.J. Mahony and John Meinke, 84.

Odessa Rattlers keep winning

The Odessa Rattlers baseball team, which includes Midland's Madison Edwards, improved to 5-0 at the Continental Amateur Baseball Association 14-under select tournament in Dublin, Ohio.

The Rattlers won two games Saturday and one more Sunday, and they move into winners' bracket play Tuesday. On Saturday, they beat the Silver Arrows of Missouri, 11-4, and the Illinois Stallions, 20-0. On Sunday, they defeated the Cincinnati Starts, 9-2, as Edwards contributed a two-run double.

U.S. hoops team beats Argentina

By Stephen Wade
AP Sports Writer

■ **World Championships**

ATHENS, Greece — The starless United States team got 20 points from former Syracuse player Wendell Alexis and beat Argentina 87-74 in the World Basketball Championships Sunday.

The Americans (3-1), who got scoring from all 12 players, never trailed but didn't pull away until late. Jimmy Oliver had 18 points and Michael Hawkins 15.

Alexis plays in Germany, Oliver in Spain and Hawkins for the Greek League team Olympiakos, which plays its home games at the Peace and Friendship arena, the site of Sunday's win.

"It's a tremendous asset to have those guys," coach Rudy Tomjanovich said, "because they feel comfortable with the (international) style of basketball."

The U.S. led 47-38 at halftime, but Argentina tied it 54-54 with 14:27 to play and it was a 2-point game with four minutes left. Then, the Americans went on a decisive 14-3 run.

"Our game plan is to take whatever open shots are presented," Tomjanovich said. "Today the team did a tremendous job of finding the open man.

"This team has come a long way. I was very pleased with their fire today. I liked the way that we ended the game. We had the lead, played smart, spread it out and made them come to us. We didn't have guys looking to score more points."

Alexis had 15 points, including three 3-pointers from the corners, during a five-minute stretch of the first half when the United States took the leads.

Spain (4-0), the next opponent for the United States, beat Brazil 73-63, as Alberto Angulo and Ignacio Rodriguez each scored 17 points.

Yugoslavia and Greece also improved to 4-0. Yugoslavia beat Canada 95-55 and Greece topped Puerto Rico 71-64.

GOLF: Newcomer breaks tourney record

(From 1C)

"It was the same old steadiness," added Prince about Christian's last day. "He made two bogeys today, but it didn't matter. I had to shoot 62 to tie."

For the tournament, Christian made just three bogeys to go with 16 birdies, becoming the first man to eclipse 200 for 54 holes.

"I played good all three days," Christian said. "Charlie and Dub didn't play well on the front and that gave me a large cushion. Had it been reversed it would have been a tight tournament. It went my way and I was able to hit good shots, but didn't have that much pressure on me."

Even with a sizable lead, Christian went three-under par on the back nine to break the tournament record (200) set by Larry Bryan Jr. in 1990.

"I'm trying to get the tournament over with at that point and not embarrass myself," Christian said of the last nine holes.

Christian, a Nike Tour player for three years in the early '90s, is playing his most competitive schedule in four years since putting the clubs aside with the exception of an occasional scramble. Earlier this year, he won the club title at Ranchland Hills Country Club.

"Playing in this tournament gets me going," Christian said. "In four years, I haven't played many tournaments, and I was nervous all three days."

He didn't play like it. Christian, 32, was extremely consistent and conservative, hitting fairways and greens with pin point accuracy, leaving himself makable birdie putts. He was also rarely in trouble.

"I didn't necessarily feel like I was the favorite playing at Hogan, but I'm thrilled with the outcome."

NOTES: Christian's win leaves Midland's team for the Mayors' Cup still up in the air. Christian already had one spot winning the RHCC title while Jeff Moses, the Green Tree champion, and Steve Whiteside, the Midland Country Club champ, had the other two. The winner of the city title was supposed to fill out the four-man team which will battle a four-man team from Odessa at the pro-am during Nike Permian Basin Open week.... There were seven rounds under par on Sunday, the most of any day this week... RHCC earns the distinction of being the home of the men's city champions (Christian) and women's city champion (Liz Tinney)... Christian is the first private club member to win the city tournament since Moses in 1993... For the third straight year, both Hewett and Huckabee posted top-5 finishes.

Results from the Chase Bank Men's City Championship held this weekend at Hogan Park Golf Course. The Championship flight played holes 1-18, which measure 6,700 yards and plays to a par of 70.

Championship Flight

Jon Christian 65-198, Charlie Prince 71-207, Tim Phillips 64-207, Jason Hewett 66-207, Dub Huckabee 70-208, Thomas Brantley 69-212, Jeremiah Luttrell 71-214, Jeff Moses 69-215, Ronnie Jumper 69-215, Bill Baker 70-216.

Trey Womack 69-217, Wally Brown 72-219, Frank Tryon 71-220, Charles Roberts 71-220, Harry Bettis 73-221, Mac McGee 75-221, Jim Cauthen 78-221, Chris Owen 75-221, Kelly Eng 70-221, Carey Gentry 71-222, Nathan Foreman 76-222, John Castillo 73-222.

Knobby Sanchez 72-223, Omar Sanchez 73-223, Paul Neatherlin 77-223, Joe Williams 75-223, Jerry Reese 75-224, Daniel Pender 72-225, Michael Guss 76-226, Derek Edmonds 74-226, Reece Boudreaux 72-226, Blain Murray 73-226, Jason Lindgren 77-227, Stan Bippen 75-227.

Bill McEntire 75-228, Doyce Haney 76-229, Nolley Adkison 73-229, Rolly Hughes 75-231, Chance Finley 78-231, Casey Adams 79-234, Steve Clinton 75-234, Chris Rasnick 84-238, Chris Mertz 72-239, Zack Cauthen 75-243.

Presidents Flight

Matt Manulik 74-227, Joe Hart 74-227, Cleve Thomas 76-227, Ron Ainsworth 77-227, Gary Womack 75-230, Troy Martin 74-230, Bill Gray 75-233, Calvin Neatherlin Sr. 75-233, Dennis Collins 78-234, Bill Lynch 78-234.

Charles Green 77-235, Keith Yankowsky 77-237, Kevin Lytle 75-237, Mike Abbott 76-238, Juan Heredia 75-238, Tommy Conner 80-240, Bob Kahnk 79-240, Cal Neatherlin Jr. 82-241, Craig Foster 80-243, Mike McAnally 82-243, Lynn Young 76-243. **Low Net:** Womack 206, Ainsworth 209, Lynch 213, Green 214.

First Flight

Hugh Hillman 74-151, Michael Moore 77-155, Richard Smith 78-156, Rick Moreno 75-156, Mingo Valencia 77-157, Ken Krawietz 80-159.

David Mendez 77-160, John Kendrick 83-161, Orlando Montanez 80-161, Don McPherson 82-161, Robert McCullough 83-163, Robert Brown 79-163, T.J. Greenwood 81-164, John Laney 81-164, Emilio Armandez 82-164, Walter Dickie 74-165, Bobby Dunn 79-165, James Newton 83-166, Robert Rice 78-166, Chuck Evers 78-166, Bruce Broughton 82-167, Mark Lancaster 84-167, Mark Pruitt 84-168, Joe Hernandez 85-171, Joe O'Hara 81-173.

Low Net: Rick Moreno 138, Valncia 139, Mendez 142, Montanez 145.

Second Flight

John Arthur 76-152, Ken Latta 79-154, Buddy Redden 78-155, Manuel Olivas 74-158, Rex Pickard 79-159.

George Patton 79-160, Ed Newell 81-163, Phil Young 82-164, Grady McGowan 83-164, Fred Weiss 83-166, Press Gill 86-169.

Cisco Perales 89-170, Tim Wright 88-170, Jay Floyd 89-171, Bob Rogers 87-172, Larry Walling 84-172, Chris Murray 85-173, Larry Tyson 83-174, Gene McGuire 90-175, Randy Rogers 85-175, Charles Miller 90-176, Mike Prince 88-176, Larry Whiteside 88-177, J.D. Scott 92-178, Olu Adenbigbe 90-179.

Low Net: Latta 132, Pollard 135, Patton 140, McGowan 142.

Third Flight

Arthur Valencia 80-160, Terry Fiesler 81-163, Floyd Jarnagin 79-164, Will Hill 80-164, Monty Caperton 81-164, Gregg Dean 77-165, Jack Dixon 85-165, Ronnie Harpe 79-165, Kelly Michecoby 84-174, Jim Rhodes 86-174, Brent Childers 90-175, Mike Jones 92-176, Dan Honeyfield 94-178, Doug Newman 87-179, Vernard Alexander 86-180, Shawn Flesher 85-180, Bobby Grace 96-182, Kerry Robertson 97-184, Oscar Alvarado 92-185, Dennis Girvens 90-185, Mark Miller 97-193.

Low Net: Dean 132, Dixon 133, Caperton 136, Harpe 137.

Fourth Flight

Coy Murray 87-173, Silver Bernal 91-174, E.J. Raschke 93-183, Carl Young 91-184, Donnie Alsobrook 100-193, Mark Lester 102-194, Ronnie Harvey 105-199, Rick Pickard 96-201, Tom Wagner 109-207.

Low Net: Bernal 138, Young 148, Harvey 149.

Dolphins' Green undergoes surgery

Associated Press

■ **Golf Roundup**

Miami Dolphins wide receiver Yatil Green underwent arthroscopic surgery to remove damaged cartilage from his right knee, the same one he hurt last year that cost him all of his rookie season.

Dr. John Uribe removed a torn portion of the knee's lateral meniscus, team officials said. The damage was detected Sunday in a follow-up examination after hurting the knee in Saturday's scrimmage.

No timetable was given for Green's return. The usual recovery time following the surgery is two to six weeks.

Green participated in only 12 plays Saturday, catching one pass for 12 yards. After the scrimmage, he said swelling in the knee was merely the result of overuse.

The Dolphins' first-round draft pick last year has yet to play a down as a pro. He missed all of last season after tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in the same knee at the outset of training camp.

STEELERS

Pittsburgh kick returner Henry Bailey will miss a second consecutive season after breaking his left ankle during a preseason game against Tampa Bay Saturday.

Bailey sat out the 1997 season after breaking a leg during a preseason game. He also broke a wrist in March during a charity basketball game.

"This poor guy," Steelers coach Bill Cowher said.

Punter Josh Miller also is out indefinitely with a sprained left ankle sustained when he couldn't get off a punt during a heavy rush. Miller was tackled along the sidelines by Eric Vance, who rolled onto Miller's ankle.

Miller could be out three to six weeks and is in jeopardy of missing the Steelers' opener Sept. 6 at Baltimore.

PACKERS

Except for starter Brett Favre, each of Green Bay's four quarterbacks led at least one scoring drive in the Packers 27-24 exhibition opening overtime win against Kansas City.

David Klingler, who set up the game-winning field goal in overtime Saturday night with a long pass to Bill Schroeder, was 6-for-7 for 102 yards.

No. 2 quarterback Doug Pederson led three first-half scoring drives for the Packers to tie the score at 14. He was 6-for-12 for 91 yards, including a 26-yard touchdown pass to Schroeder. Matt Hasselback led a third-quarter touchdown drive.

Favre went 1-for-5 for two yards before leaving the game.

BOYS: Team to scrimmage in El Paso

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elbow injury.

"We have a great deal of confidence now that we can still keep running the ball if something happens to Emmitt," Gailey said.

Gailey also praised third-string quarterback Daniel Gonzalez, a free agent from East Carolina.

"He surprised me a little bit but I love those kind of surprises," said Gailey of Gonzalez, who completed 9 of 12 passes for 105 yards. "He hadn't had very many repetitions in practice and we hadn't seen him do something like that."

Gailey added "of course Jason Garrett will be our No. 2 quarterback but it's good to have someone with the promise of Gonzalez at the No. 3 spot."

Gonzalez beat out Max Knake for the third quarterback spot.

The Cowboys play their second game of the preseason next Saturday night in Texas Stadium against Oakland after a Thursday scrimmage in El Paso against the Raiders.

TOUR: Bike Race ends with a whimper

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easily spotted in the leader's yellow jersey.

Pantani took the lead last Monday after Ullrich lost nine minutes in one day.

The Italian came in third in 1994 and 1997 and lost by more than 14 minutes to Ullrich last year. Pantani broke his leg at the end of 1995 and did not race in 1996.

On Sunday, however, it was a time to luxuriate in the traditional nine laps up and down the Champs-Elysees, from the Arc de Triomphe to the Place de la Concorde.

Usually the finale of the grueling competition is cause for revelry. But this year, there was a sense that the end could not come soon enough for a pack whose numbers dwindled as the race went on.

Nearly each day since the start of the Tour on July 11 in Dublin, there have been new drug revelations, police searches and rider protests.

Only 14 of the original 21 teams ended the race; six dropped out and one team, Festina, was expelled. The pack was reduced to fewer than 100 riders from the original 189.

While riders crisscrossed France, seven people were placed under investigation — one step short of being charged — on drug-related charges: three officials of the Festina team, two from TVM, a doctor from ONCE and one rider, Italy's Rodolfo Massi of the Casino team, the Tour's leading mountain climber.

Festina was ousted on July 17, after team director Bruno Roussel admitted to an organized system of providing performance-enhancing drugs to his riders.

Six other teams dropped out in protest over police tactics and treatment during the Tour, leaving 14 in the competition.

On Monday, riders of the Dutch TVM team are to be questioned about drug use by police in Reims.

Britain's Chris Boardman was the Tour's early leader before crashing into a stone wall in Ireland and leaving the race.

"The Tour is big enough to handle one scandal like this," he said. "But maybe not another."

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Wichita	30	16
Midland	**23**	**23**
El Paso	20	26
x-San Antonio	15	31

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Texas League

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Eastern Division

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Tulsa	32	14	696	—
Jackson	24	22	522	8
x-Arkansas	21	25	457	11
Shreveport	19	27	413	13
Western Division				
Wichita	30	16	.652	—
Midland	**23**	**23**	**.500**	**7**
El Paso	20	26	435	10
x-San Antonio	15	31	326	15

x-won first-half title

Sunday's Games

Jackson 8, Tulsa 4

El Paso 7, San Antonio 3, 1st game

El Paso 11, San Antonio 3, 2nd game

Wichita 4, Midland 1, completion of suspended game

Wichita 6, Midland 1

Monday's Games

Wichita at Midland, 7:11 p.m.

Shreveport at Arkansas

Tulsa at Jackson

San Antonio at El Paso

Tuesday's Games

Arkansas at Tulsa

Shreveport at Jackson

El Paso at Midland

Wichita at San Antonio

Tour de France

PARIS (AP) — Results Sunday of the 21st and final stage of the 85th Tour de France, a 91-mile leg from Melun to Paris with rider, country, team, and winner's time:

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2. Stefano Zannini, Italy, Mapei, same time.
3. Stuart O'Grady, Australia, GAN, same time.
4. George Hincapie, Charlotte, N.C., U.S. Postal, same time.
5. Erik Zabel, Germany, Telekom, same time.
6. Robbie McEwan, Australia, Rabobank, same time.
7. Mario Tranversoni, Italy, Mercatone Uno, same time.
8. Francois Simon, France, GAN, same time.
9. Damien Nazon, France, FDJ, same time.
10. Alain Tuncchia, Italy, Asics, same time.
11. Aert Vierhouten, Netherlands, Rabobank, same time.
12. Massimiliano Mori, Italy, Saeco, same time.
13. Cedric Vasseur, France, GAN, same time.
14. Bo Hamburger, Denmark, Casino, same time.
15. Rossano Brasi, Italy, Polti, same time.

Also

19. Frankie Andreu, Dearborn, Mich., U.S. Postal Service, same time.
25. Viatcheslav Ekimov, Russia, U.S. Postal Service, same time.
42. Tyler Hamilton, Brookline, Mass., U.S. Postal Service, same time.
55. Jean-Cyril Robin, France, U.S. Postal Service, same time.
59. Marty Jemison, Park City, Utah, U.S. Postal Service, same time.
65. Bobby Julich, Glenwood Springs, Colo., Cofidis, same time.
68. Dariusz Baranowski, Poland, U.S. Postal Service, same time.
69. Kevin Livingston, Cofidis, same time.
70. Peter Meinert-Nielsen, Denmark, U.S. Postal Service, same time.
87. Pascal Derame, France, U.S. Postal Service, same time.

Final Results

1. Marco Pantani, Italy, Mercatone Uno, 92 hours, 49 minutes, 46 seconds.
2. Jan Ullrich, Germany, Telekom, 3 minutes, 21 seconds behind.
3. Bobby Julich, Glenwood Springs, Colo., Cofidis, 4:08.
4. Christophe Rinero, France, Cofidis, 9:16.
5. Michael Boogerd, Netherlands, Rabobank, 11:26.
6. Jean-Cyril Robin, France, U.S. Postal, 14:57.
7. Roland Meier, Switzerland, Cofidis, 15:13.
8. Daniele Nardello, Italy, Mapei, 16:07.
9. Giuseppe Di Grande, Mapei, Italy, 17:35.
10. Axel Merckx, Belgium, Polti, 17:39.
11. Bjarne Riis, Denmark, Telekom, 19:10.
12. Dariusz Baranowski, Poland, U.S. Postal, 19:58.
13. Stephen Heulot, France, FDJ, 20:57.
14. Leonardo Piepoli, Italy, Saeco, 22:45.
15. Bo Hamburger, Denmark, Casino, 26:39.

Also

17. Livingston, 34:03.
38. Ekimov, 1:22:40.
45. Meinert-Nielsen, 1:29:52.
48. Jemison, 1:38:45.
51. Hamilton, 1:39:53.
53. Hincapie, 1:40:39.
58. Andreu, 1:53:44.
84. Derame, 2:26:25.

Past Winners

By The Associated Press

1903 — Maurice Garin, France
1904 — Henri Cornet, France
1905 — Louis Trousselier, France
1906 — Rene Pottier, France
1907 — Lucien Petit-Breton, France
1908 — Lucien Petit-Breton, France
1909 — Francois Faber, Luxembourg
1910 — Octave Lapize, France
1911 — Gustave Farrigou, France
1912 — Odile Defraye, Belgium
1913 — Phillipe Thys, Belgium
1914 — Phillipe Thys, Belgium
1915-18 — Cancelled, World War I
1919 — Firmin Lambot, Belgium
1920 — Phillipe Thys, Belgium
1921 — Leon Scieur, France
1922 — Firmin Lambot, Belgium
1923 — Henri Pelissier, France
1924 — Ottavio Bottecchia, Italy
1925 — Ottavio Bottecchia, Italy
1926 — Lucian Bruysee, Belgium
1927 — Nicholas Frantz, Luxembourg
1928 — Nicholas Frantz, Luxembourg
1929 — Maunce Dewsele, Belgium
1930 — Andre Leducq, France
1931 — Antonin Magne, France
1932 — Andre Leducq, France
1933 — Georges Speicher, France
1934 — Antonin Magne, France
1935 — Romain Maes, Belgium
1936 — Sylvere Maes, Belgium
1937 — Roger Lapebie, France
1938 — Gino Bartali, Italy
1939 — Sylvare Maes, Belgium
1940-46 — Cancelled, World War II
1947 — Jean Robic, France
1948 — Gino Bartali, Italy
1949 — Fausto Coppi, Italy
1950 — Ferdinand Kubler, Switzerland
1951 — Hugo Koblet, Switzerland
1952 — Fausto Coppi, Italy
1953 — Louison Bobet, France
1954 — Louison Bobet, France
1955 — Louison Bobet, France
1956 — Roger Walkowiak, France
1957 — Jacques Anquetil, France
1958 — Charly Gaul, Luxwembourg
1959 — Federico Bahamontes, Spain
1960 — Gastone Nencini, Italy
1961 — Jacques Anquetil, France
1962 — Jacques Anquetil, France
1963 — Jacques Anquetil, France
1964 — Jacques Anquetil, France
1965 — Felice Gimondi, Italy
1966 — Lucian Almar, France
1967 — Roger Pingeon, France
1968 — Jan Jansen, Netherlands
1969 — Eddie Merckx, Belgium
1970 — Eddie Merckx, Belgium
1971 — Eddie Merckx, Belgium
1972 — Eddie Merckx, Belgium
1973 — Luis Ocana, Spain
1974 — Eddie Merckx, Belgium
1975 — Bernard Thevenet, France
1976 — Lucien Van Impe, Belgium
1977 — Bernard Thevenet, France
1978 — Bernard Hinault, France
1979 — Bernard Hinault, France
1980 — Zoop Zoetemelk, Netherlands
1981 — Bernard Hinault, France
1982 — Bernard Hinault, France
1983 — Laurent Fignon, France
1984 — Laurent Fignon, France
1985 — Bernard Hinault, France
1986 — Greg LeMond, United States
1987 — Stephen Roche, Ireland
1988 — Pedro Delgado, Spain
1989 — Greg LeMond, United States
1990 — Greg LeMond, United States
1991 — Miguel Indurain, Spain
1992 — Miguel Indurain, Spain
1993 — Miguel Indurain, Spain
1994 — Miguel Indurain, Spain
1995 — Miguel Indurain, Spain
1996 — Bjarne Riis, Denmark
1997 — Jan Ullrich, Germany
1998 — Marco Pantani, Italy

Major League Baseball

AL Boxes

RANGERS 12, WHITE SOX 3

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Drham 2b	4	1	1	0	TGdwin cf	5	1	2	0
Snopk 2b	1	0	0	0	McLmr 2b	4	1	0	0
Caruso ss	4	0	1	0	Greer lf	5	2	3	1
FThms dh	4	1	0	0	Simms rf	1	0	0	0
Belle lf	4	0	1	0	IRdrgz c	5	1	2	3
Cmern cf	0	0	0	0	Hslman c	0	0	0	0
Vntura 3b	2	0	0	0	WClark 1b	5	0	1	1
Norton 3b	1	0	0	0	Zeile 3b	2	3	2	1
Crdero 1b	4	0	2	2	Stevns dh	5	2	2	3
JAbbott cf	4	1	0	0	RKelly rf	5	1	3	1
MOrdz rf	4	0	4	1	Claytn ss	5	1	2	1
Mchado c	4	0	1	0					
Totals	**36**	**3**	**10**	**3**	**Totals**	**41**	**12**	**17**	**11**
Chicago				**200 000 010 — 3**					
Texas				**112 410 03x — 12**					

E—Caruso (24). JAbbott (3). McLemore (11). DP—Chicago 1, Texas 2. LOB—Chicago 9, Texas 10. 2B—Belle (27), Cordero (16), MOrdonez (18), Greer (20), IRodriguez (33), Zeile (1), Clayton (1). HR—Greer (9), Zeile (2), Stevens (15), RKelly (8).

Chicago	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Navarro L,8-13	3 1/3	8	7	7	4	1
BWard	2 1/3	4	2	1	0	2
CCastillo	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Howry	1	0	0	0	0	1
Simas	2-3	5	3	3	0	0
Eyre	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Sele W,13-8	8	10	3	2	2	2
DPatterson	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Sele (Caruso). WP—Navarro, Howry. T—2:39. A—28,175 (49,166).

MARINERS 6, YANKEES 3

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Knblch 2b	4	0	1	0	JCora 2b	5	1	1	0
DJeter ss	4	0	1	0	ARdrgz ss	4	1	2	0
O'Neill rf	4	1	1	1	Grfy Jr cf	3	1	1	1
BWlims cf	3	0	1	0	EMrtnz dh	3	1	1	0
Raines dh	3	0	1	0	Segui 1b	3	1	1	1
Posada c	4	0	0	0	Buhner rf	3	1	2	3
Curtis lf	3	2	2	1	RDavis 3b	4	0	0	0
Spncer 1b	3	0	0	0	JOlver c	4	0	1	1
TMrtnz 1b	1	0	1	0	Mnhan lf	4	0	0	0
Brosus 3b	4	0	1	1					
Totals	**33**	**3**	**9**	**3**	**Totals**	**33**	**6**	**9**	**6**
New York				**100 010 100 — 3**					
Seattle				**012 100 20x — 6**					

E—RDavis (29). DP—Seattle 3. LOB—New York 6, Seattle 7. 2B—Curtis (16), Brosius (20), ARodriguez (18), Segui (29). HR—O'Neill (15), Curtis (9), Buhner (8). SB—Segui (3). CS—BWilliams (7).

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cone L,15-4	7	9	6	6	4	11
Borowski	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seattle						
Spoljaric	4 1-3	3	2	2	3	6
BWells W,1-2	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
McCarthy	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	0
Ayala	1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Timlin S,6	2	3	0	0	0	1

Ayala pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

WP—Spoljaric. PB—Posada. T—2:49. A—47,872 (59,084).

RED SOX 8, ANGELS 7

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	ANAHEIM	ab	r	h	bi
DLewis cf	4	1	1	0	Erstad lf	2	1	0	0
JnVntn 3b	4	3	3	0	Bghmn 2b	3	1	1	0
MVghn dh	4	1	1	2	OPrmro ph	1	0	0	0
Grcprr ss	5	2	2	2	Shipley 2b	1	1	1	0
O'Lry lf	5	1	1	1	Edmnd cf	5	1	2	1
Stanley 1b	2	0	0	1	Salmn dh	3	0	0	2
Bragg rf	4	0	2	1	NMrtin pr	0	0	0	0
Httberg c	4	0	0	0	GAndsn rf	5	1	3	2
Bnjmin 2b	4	0	0	0	DvHlns 1b	2	1	0	0
					Glaus 3b	4	1	1	0
					Nevin c	4	0	0	1
					DSrcna ss	4	0	1	0
Totals	**36**	**8**	**10**	**7**	**Totals**	**34**	**7**	**9**	**6**
Boston				**401 012 000 — 8**					
Anaheim				**000 006 001 — 7**					

E—Garciaparra (14). Dickson (1). LOB—Boston 7, Anaheim 7. 2B—JnValentin (34), Baughman (8). HR—MVaughn (27), GAnderson (12). SB—Erstad (19). CS—GAnderson (2). SF—Stanley, Salmon.

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Wkfield W,13-5	5 1-3	4	4	4	4	5
Garces	1-3	2	2	1	2	0
CReyes	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Swindell	1	1	0	0	0	2
Eckersley	1	0	0	0	0	2
Gordon S,31	1	2	1	1	0	0
Anaheim						
Dickson L,9-9	6	9	8	6	4	7
Cadaret	1	0	0	0	1	2
Hasegawa	2	1	0	0	0	2

WP—Wakefield, Dickson 2. T—3:09. A—35,763 (45,050).

ATHLETICS 7, INDIANS 5

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Lofton cf	5	2	2	2	Chrstns cf	3	1	0	0
Vizquel ss	4	2	1	0	Spezio 2b	3	0	0	0
Justice dh	5	0	1	2	Grieve rf	4	0	0	0
Thome 1b	5	0	3	0	Stairs dh	4	1	1	3
MRmrz rf	4	0	1	0	Giambi 1b	2	1	1	1
Giles lf	3	0	0	1	Mitchll lf	3	0	1	0
SAlmr c	4	0	0	0	Hnch c	1	0	1	0
DaBell 3b	3	1	1	0	Sprgue 3b	4	2	2	1
EWilsn 2b	3	0	0	0	Tejada ss	3	1	1	0
					McFrlne c	3	0	1	2
					Roberts lf	1	1	0	0
Totals	**36**	**5**	**9**	**5**	**Totals**	**31**	**7**	**8**	**7**
Cleveland				**100 022 000 — 5**					
Oakland				**000 011 50x — 7**					

E—SAlomar (4). Sprague (21). Tejada (16). DP—Oakland 1. LOB—Cleveland 9, Oakland 6. 2B—Lofton (15), Justice (31), Thome (32), MRamirez (25), DaBell (18), Mitchell (7), Hinch (5), Sprague (21), Tejada (10). HR—Lofton (11), Stairs (19), Giambi (16), Sprague (18). SB—Tejada (4), Roberts (9). S—Christenson, Spezio.

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Nagy L,9-7	6	6	6	4	3	3
Assenmacher	1	1	1	1	0	1
Shuey	1	1	0	0	1	1
Oakland						
Haynes	6	7	5	5	3	5
Mohler W,3-2	1	1	0	0	0	2
Fetters	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groom	1	0	0	0	0	1
Taylor S,23	1	1	0	0	0	1

Nagy pitched to 4 batters in the 7th. Fetters pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

HBP—by Haynes (Vizquel), by Haynes (EWilson). T—2:44. A—27,712 (45,177).

ORIOLES 9, ROYALS 2

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
ByAdsn cf	6	2	1	0	Damon cf	4	0	0	0
Hmnds rf	4	3	3	2	HMrris lf	4	0	1	0
EDavis dh	5	0	1	2	Offrmn 2b	3	1	1	0
RPlmr 1b	4	1	2	2	Palmer dh	4	0	1	1
Becker rf	1	1	0	0	Sutton rf	4	0	2	1
CRpkn 3b	5	1	3	1	JKing 1b	4	0	1	0
Mouton lf	2	0	1	0	Leius 3b	3	0	1	0
Surhoff 1b	2	0	1	1	Fasano c	4	0	0	0
Wbster c	4	0	1	1	LRivra ss	3	1	1	0
Rboult 2b	5	0	2	0					
Bordick ss	5	1	1	0					
Totals	**43**	**9**	**16**	**9**	**Totals**	**33**	**2**	**8**	**2**
Baltimore				**104 200 101 — 9**					
Kansas City				**000 020 000 — 2**					

E—LRivera (3). DP—Baltimore 2, Kansas City 1. LOB—Baltimore 10, Kansas City 8. 2B—Hammonds 2 (12), EDavis (19), RPalmeiro 2 (25), CRipken (21), Surhoff (28), Sutton (8). HR—Hammonds (6).

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Ponson W,5-6	7	8	2	2	4	6
ABenitez	2	0	0	0	0	1

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
New York	77	28	733	—	z-7-3	L-1	38-8	39-20	13-3
Boston	65	44	596	14	z-8-2	W-3	33-17	32-27	9-7
Baltimore	56	55	505	24	z-6-4	W-1	31-25	25-30	5-11
Toronto	56	56	500	24 1/2	5-5	W-2	30-23	26-33	9-7
Tampa Bay	43	65	398	35 1/2	z-7-3	L-2	23-33	20-32	5-11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Cleveland	62	48	564	—	5-5	L-3	30-24	32-24	10-6
Minnesota	51	58	468	10 1/2	6-4	L-2	24-30	27-28	7-9
Kansas City	49	61	445	13	z-5-5	L-1	21-37	28-24	9-7
Chicago	47	62	431	14 1/2	z-4-6	L-2	25-29	22-33	7-9
Detroit	46	63	422	15 1/2	z-4-6	W-2	23-29	23-34	7-9

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Texas	59	51	536	—	z-4-6	W-2	32-24	27-27	8-8
Anaheim	58	52	527	1	3-7	L-4	30-30	28-22	10-6
Oakland	50	60	455	9	4-6	W-4	28-30	22-30	8-8
Seattle	49	61	445	10	z-3-7	W-1	29-29	20-32	7-9

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Atlanta	74	38	661	—	z-7-3	W-2	40-19	34-19	9-7
New York	58	50	537	14	z-6-4	W-2	34-24	24-26	9-7
Philadelphia	55	54	505	17 1/2	z-4-6	L-4	31-28	24-26	7-9
Montreal	43	68	387	30 1/2	4-6	L-1	27-33	16-35	6-10
Florida	39	73	348	35	2-8	L-3	24-35	15-38	8-8

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Houston	67	44	604	—	z-7-3	W-3	34-18	33-26	10-4
Chicago	63	49	563	4 1/2	6-4	L-1	39-21	24-28	5-8
Milwaukee	56	55	505	11	z-6-4	W-1	29-31	27-24	8-6
St. Louis	51	59	464	15 1/2	z-4-6	L-2	29-23	22-36	4-9
Pittsburgh	50	61	450	17	z-3-7	L-3	30-29	20-32	6-7
Cincinnati	50	62	446	17 1/2	5-5	W-3	21-31	29-31	7-6

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
San Diego	72	39	649	—	z-6-4	W-1	38-11	34-28	6-7
San Francisco	60	51	541	12	6-4	W-3	32-21	28-30	8-5
Los Angeles	57	54	514	15	5-5	L-2	30-21	27-33	8-5
Colorado	49	62	441	23	z-6-4	W-1	27-27	22-35	4-8
Arizona	41	70	369	31	5-5	L-1	21-29	20-41	5-8

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AMERICAN LEAGUE
Sunday's Games

Detroit 3, Tampa Bay 2
Baltimore 9, Kansas City 2
Toronto 6, Minnesota 4
Oakland 7, Cleveland 5
Texas 12, Chicago White Sox 3
Seattle 6, N.Y. Yankees 3
Boston 8, Anaheim 7

Monday's Games

Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 6-4) at Tampa Bay (Arrojo 11-7), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Wasdin 5-3) at Seattle (Cloude 5-7), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 5-3) at Oakland (Oquist 6-8), 9:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Wright 9-6) at Anaheim (Sparks 4-2), 9:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Sunday's Games

Atlanta 4, St. Louis 3
San Diego 4, Montreal 1
Houston 6, Pittsburgh 2
San Francisco 15, Philadelphia 3
N.Y. Mets 9, Los Angeles 3
Milwaukee 7, Arizona 2
Colorado 6, Chicago Cubs 3
Cincinnati 5, Florida 1

Monday's Games

San Francisco (Darwin 6-9) at Philadelphia (Loewer 5-3), 12:05 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 9-9) at Montreal (Hermanson 8-9), 12:35 p.m.
Houston (Bergman 10-5) at Florida (Larkin 2-6), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Jones 4-4) at Pittsburgh (Lieber 8-11), 6:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Mlicki 5-5) at N.Y. Mets (Nomo 5-8), 6:40 p.m.
Arizona (Telemaco 3-5) at Chicago Cubs (Wengert 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Oliver 0-0) at Milwaukee (Woodard 8-5), 7:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Rusch L,6-14	4	9	7	7	2	3
Pittsley	3	4	1	1	1	3
Bones	2	3	1	1	0	2
WP—Ponson 2. T—2:46. A—18,910 (40,625).						

BLUE JAYS 6, TWINS 4

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Stewart lf	5	1	0	0	Nixon cf	5	1	2	0
SGreen rf	5	3	4	1	Lawton rf	4	0	0	0
Cnseco dh	5	1	2	2	Molitor dh	4	0	0	1
CDlgdo 1b	3	0	1	2	Ortiz 1b	4	0	0	0
JoCruz cf	4	0	1	0	RCmer 3b	4	1	1	0
Fltcher c	3	0	2	1	TWlker 2b	3	1	2	0
TFrndz 3b	3	0	1	0	MCdvla lf	4	1	1	0
Grbeck 2b	3	1	1	0	Stnbch c	4	0	2	1
AGnzlz ss	3	0	0	0	Mears ss	4	0	1	2
Totals	**34**	**6**	**12**	**6**	**Totals**	**36**	**4**	**9**	**4**
Toronto				**000 103 011 — 6**					
Minnesota				**010 000 012 — 4**					

E—CDelgado (7). DP—Minnesota 1. LOB—Toronto 6, Minnesota 6. 3B—TWalker (3), Mears (2). HR—SGreen (20). SB—SGreen (23). S—Grebeck. SF—CDelgado.

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Clemens W,14-6	8	6	2	1	1	14
Plesac	0	2	2	2	0	0
Quantrill	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
RaMyers S,28	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Minnesota						
Radke L,10-9	7	1-3	8	5	5	2
Guardado	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Trombley	1	1-3	3	1	1	0

Plesac pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

WP—Trombley. T—2:58. A—40,096 (48,678).

TIGERS 3, DEVIL RAYS 2

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	TAMPA BAY	ab	r	h	bi
BLHntr cf	4	1	2	0	Winn cf	4	0	1	2
Ctlntto 2b	3	0	0	0	McCkin lf	2	0	0	0
Randa 2b	1	0	0	0	BSmith 3b	4	0	1	0
Hggnsn rf	4	1	2	3	McGrff dh	4	0	0	0
ToClrk 1b	4	0	0	0	Trmmll rf	3	0	0	0
LGnzlz lf	3	0	0	0	Boggs ph	1	0	0	0
Berroa dh	4	0	0	0	MKelly rf	0	0	0	0
GAlvrz 3b	4	0	2	0	Srrnto 1b	4	0	1	0
Bako c	4	0	2	0	Stocker pr	0	0	0	0
DCruz ss	4	1	2	0	Cairo 2b	4	0	0	0
					Ldsma ss	3	2	3	0
					DiFlce c	3	0	0	0
					RiBtlr ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**3**	**10**	**3**	**Totals**	**33**	**2**	**6**	**2**
Detroit				**000 030 000 — 3**					
Tampa Bay				**001 010 000 — 2**					

E—GAlvarez (10). DP—Tampa Bay 1. LOB—Detroit 6, Tampa Bay 8. 2B—GAlvarez (7), Ledesma (8). HR—Higginson (20). SB—BLHunter (27). CS—Ledesma (4).

Detroit	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
BPowell W,2-2	7	4	2	2	2	3
Runyan	0	0	0	0	2	0
Brocail	1	0	0	0	0	1
ToJones S,19	1	2	0	0	0	2
Tampa Bay						
Rekar L,1-3	6 1-3	9	3	3	1	4
Aldred	2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Mecir	2	1	0	0	0	3

Runyan pitched to 2 batters in the 8th. T—2:43. A—26,120 (45,200).

NL Boxes

ASTROS 6, PIRATES 2

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Biggio 2b	5	1	1	0	Plevch 2b	2	0	0	1
Spiers 3b	3	1	2	0	Kendall c	4	0	1	0
Berry 3b	2	1	1	0	MaMtz cf	4	0	0	0
DeBell rf	4	0	1	0	KYng 1b	4	0	0	0
Bgwell 1b	3	0	1	2	JGllen rf	4	0	1	0
Alou lf	5	1	0	0	MSmith lf	3	1	1	0
Everett cf	3	1	1	1	TWard lf	1	0	0	0
Gtrrez ss	3	1	1	2	ARmrz 3b	4	1	2	1
Asmus c	3	0	1	0	Collier ss	2	0	0	0
RJhnsn p	3	0	0	0	AMrtin ph	1	0	0	0
Esebio ph	1	0	1	1	VnPppl p	2	0	1	0
Elarton p	0	0	0	0	Osik ph	1	0	0	0
					Chrstns p	0	0	0	0
					McCrry p	0	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**6**	**10**	**6**	**Totals**	**32**	**2**	**6**	**2**
Houston				**000 100 041 — 6**					
Pittsburgh				**000 010 100 — 2**					

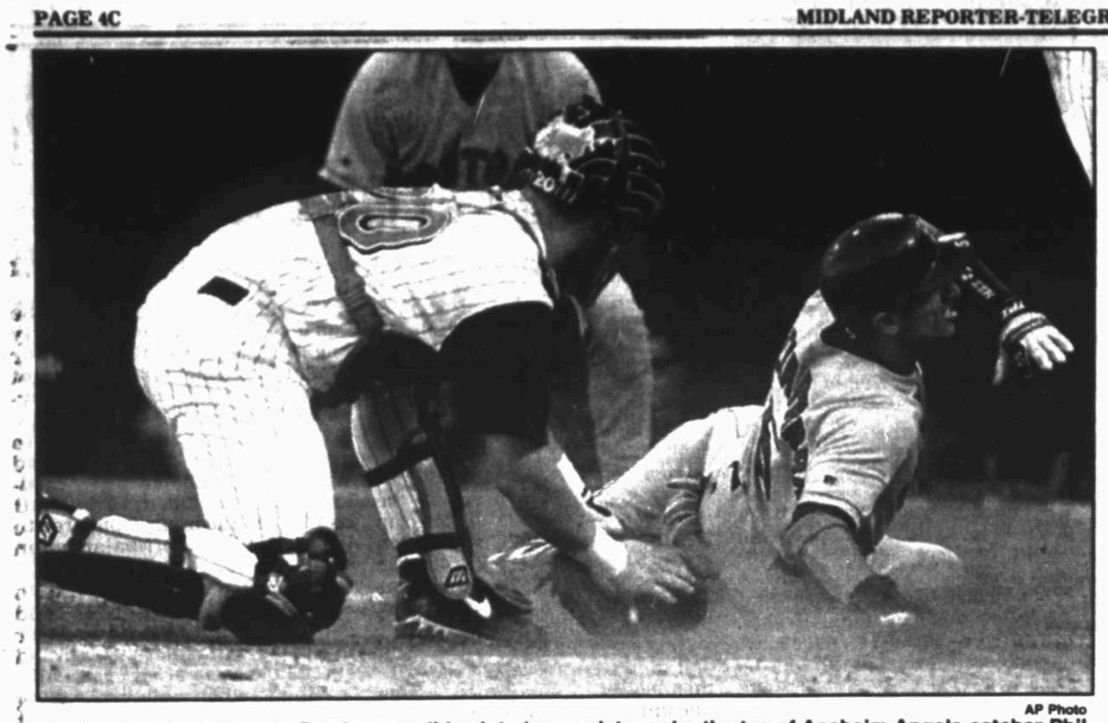
E—JGuillen (9). LOB—Houston 8, Pittsburgh 6. 2B—Spiers 2 (23), Gutierrez (16), Eusebio (4). HR—ARamirez (6). SB—Biggio (34), Kendall (15). SF—Bagwell, Polcovich.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
RJohnson W,1-0	7	6	2	2	1	12
Elarton S,2	2	0	0	0	0	2
Pittsburgh						
Van Poppel	7	5	1	1	2	5
Chrstns L,1-2	1	4	4	4	2	0
McCurry	1	1	1	1	1	0

HBP—by RJohnson (Collier). Balk—Van Poppel. T—2:35. A—21,201 (47,972).

REDS 5, MARLINS 1

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	FLORIDA	ab	r	h	bi
Wtkins cf	4	2	2	1	Cnglosi cf	3	0	0	0
Stynes 2b	4	1	2	1	Speier p	0	0	0	0
BLrkin ss	3	1	1	1	Dnwdy ph	1	0	0	0
DYng lf	4	0	0	0	Rntena ss	5	0	1	0
EduPrz 1b	3	0	1	1	Kotsay rf	4	0	0	0
RSndrs rf	4	0	1	0	DLee



AP Photo
Boston Red Sox's Nomar Garciaparra slides into home plate under the tag of Anaheim Angels catcher Phil Nevin during the fifth inning on Sunday in Anaheim, Calif. Garciaparra scored on a single by Darren Bragg. The Red Sox went on to beat the Angels 8-7.

Zeile homers in Rangers' win

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Todd Zeile homered for the second time in as many games since being traded to Texas and Aaron Sele pitched eight strong innings for his 13th victory as the Rangers beat the Chicago White Sox 12-3 Sunday night.

Zeile, acquired from the Florida Marlins on Friday, connected during a four-run fourth and went 2-for-2 with three walks. He homered and went 3-for-4 in Saturday's 8-1 win over the White Sox.

Sele (13-8) allowed six of the first nine batters he faced to reach base, but retired nine of 10 during one stretch from the second inning to the fourth. He allowed three runs and 10 hits, struck out two and walked two.

Lee Stevens and Ivan Rodriguez drove in three runs apiece for Texas. Stevens hit a two-run homer, his 15th, to break a 2-2 tie in the third inning.

Royce Clayton went 2-for-5 with an RBI in his second game for the Rangers since being acquired in a trade with the St. Louis Cardinals on Friday.

Stevens hit a two-run homer, his 15th, to break a 2-2 tie.

Rusty Greer's solo homer in the eighth extended Texas' lead to 10-3 as the Rangers hit four homers. Stevens added an RBI single later in the inning.

Magglio Ordonez had four hits for the White Sox, matching his career-high.

Sele got himself in trouble in the first when two walks and a single loaded the bases. Wil Cordero delivered a two-run single to put the White Sox in front.

Texas made it 2-1 in the bottom of the first on Rodriguez's RBI single, then Roberto Kelly's eighth homer leading off the second tied the game at 2.

The Rangers went ahead 4-2 in the third off Jamie Navarro (8-13) when Zeile drew a two-out walk and Stevens followed with his homer off the foul pole in right field.

Texas broke the game open with a four-run fourth to extend its lead to 8-2. Rodriguez had a two-run double to chase Navarro, Will Clark drove in a run on a ground-out when Rodriguez scored all the way from second. Zeile followed with his second homer in as many games for the Rangers.

The Rangers improved their lead to 9-2 in the fifth when Clayton doubled, took third on Tom Goodwin's single and scored as White Sox center fielder Jeff Abbott failed to cleanly field Goodwin's hit.

Ordonez had an RBI double in the eighth to narrow Texas' advantage to 9-3.

Navarro allowed seven runs and eight hits over 3 1-3 innings. He struck out one and walked four.

■ AL Roundup

Blue Jays 6, Twins 4

MINNEAPOLIS — Roger Clemens, still pitching for Toronto after a flurry of trade rumors, struck out a season-high 14 and won his ninth straight decision Sunday as the Blue Jays beat the Minnesota Twins 6-4.

Clemens (14-6), who has not lost in 12 starts since May 29, pitched eight innings and allowed six hits and one earned run. He tied David Cone of the New York Yankees for the AL's longest winning streak this year — San Diego's Kevin Brown currently has won 10 in a row.

Clemens fanned at least one batter in every inning and reached double digits in strikeouts for the 87th time in his career.

There was speculation Friday that Clemens might get sent to the Yankees, Cleveland or Houston in a deal before the midnight trading deadline. Instead, the Blue Jays held onto their ace.

The four-time Cy Young Award winner, who turns 36 on Tuesday, started fast, striking out four of the first five batters. Randy Myers got one out for his 28th save.

Shawn Green, who went 4-for-5 and scored three times, tied it in the fourth when he hit his 20th home run, connecting off Brad Radke (10-9).

Orioles 9, Royals 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Eric Davis' two-run double stretched his hitting streak to 20 games and helped the Baltimore Orioles beat the Kansas City Royals and avoid a three-game sweep.

Jeffrey Hammonds homered, had two doubles and drove in two runs. Rafael Palmeiro also had two doubles and two RBIs as every Baltimore starter hit safely.

Rookie Sidney Ponson (5-6) won his fourth straight decision. Glendon Rusch (6-14) lost his fifth in a row.

Tigers 3, Devil Rays 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Bobby Higginson hit a three-run homer and Brian Powell pitched seven strong innings as the Detroit Tigers defeated the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Higginson's opposite-field drive to left-center in the fifth inning was his 20th homer of the season. He has hit at least 20 homers in three consecutive seasons.

Powell (2-2) gave up two runs and four hits and Todd Jones pitched the ninth for his 19th save. Bryan Rekar (1-3) took the loss.

Red Sox 8, Angels 7

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Mo Vaughn homered and Tim Wakefield gained his 13th victory as the Boston Red Sox squandered most of an eight-run lead but hung on for a one-run win over the Anaheim Angels.

Nomar Garciaparra scored twice and drove in two runs for Boston, which swept the three-game series and is now 5-1 on its current road trip.

The Angels lost their fourth straight and, with Texas' 12-3 victory over the White Sox, fell a game behind the Rangers for first place in the AL West.

Greg Swindell blanked the Angels in the seventh after they scored six times in the sixth. Tom Gordon pitched the ninth and allowed a run on Tim Salmon's RBI groundout before getting his 31st save.

Mariners 6, Yankees 3

SEATTLE — The Seattle Mariners, emerging from the hangover after the trade of Randy Johnson, got strong pitching from Paul Spoljaric and four relievers to beat the New York Yankees.

The Yankees, who have baseball's best record, lost for the 28th time in 105 games. The Mariners ended a six-game losing streak against New York.

Jay Buhner gave Seattle's bullpen some breathing room in the seventh when he hit a two-run homer off David Cone (15-4). Buhner had three RBIs.

Spoljaric, replacing Johnson in the starting rotation after Johnson's trade on Friday night to the Houston Astros for three minor leaguers, combined with Bob Wells (1-2), Greg McCarthy, Bobby Ayala and Mike Timlin on a nine-hitter.

Athletics 7, Indians 5

OAKLAND, Calif. — Matt Stairs hit his fourth home run in as many games as the Oakland Athletics rallied to win their fourth straight.

Stairs' 19th homer of the season came in Oakland's five-run seventh inning, which they entered trailing 5-2. The A's swept the three-game series, their first sweep of three or more games at the Coliseum since 1996.

Mike Mohler (3-2) got the victory with an inning of relief, and Bill Taylor pitched the ninth for his 23rd save.

Braves shut down McGwire again

Associated Press

■ NL Roundup

ATLANTA — Kevin Millwood and the Atlanta Braves again shut down Mark McGwire, and Ryan Klesko drove in two runs Sunday in a 4-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

McGwire went 0-for-4 and struck out three times. The major league home run leader was hitless in 11 at-bats in the three-game series, striking out seven times and never getting a ball out of the infield.

Since hitting his 45th home run against Milwaukee last Tuesday, McGwire has gone 18 at-bats without homering.

Millwood (12-6) pitched seven innings, gave up six hits and struck out eight, including McGwire twice. Rudy Seanez struck out two in a scoreless eighth and Kerry Ligtenberg pitched a perfect ninth for his 16th save.

Padres 4, Expos 1

MONTREAL — Andy Ashby tied for the major league lead with his 15th victory and Tony Gwynn hit a two-run homer as the San Diego Padres beat the Montreal Expos.

Ashby (15-6) won for his 10th in his last 12 decisions, holding the Expos to one run on six hits in eight innings. He struck out five and walked one while tying Boston's Pedro Martinez and the Yankees' David Cone for the most wins in the majors.

Trevor Hoffman pitched a perfect ninth for his 36th save.

Ken Caminiti and Greg Myers hit solo homers in the sixth for NL West-leading San Diego. Montreal's Vladimir Guerrero went 3-for-4 with a triple and an RBI single. He is hitting .412 (40-for-97) with 11 homers and 30 RBIs in 25 games since the All-Star break.

Mets 9, Dodgers 3

NEW YORK — Armando Reynoso pitched seven strong innings and Butch Huskey homered before leaving with a hamstring injury as the New York Mets beat former teammate Brian Bohanon and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The Mets won for the 10th time in 14 games. They won twice in a three-game series between NL wild-card contenders.

Reynoso (2-0) allowed only an unearned run on two hits in his second start of the season. Turk Wendell pitched two innings in relief to finish the combined five-hitter.

Bohanon (4-7), traded from the Mets to Los Angeles on July 10, gave up six runs on five hits in six innings.

Brewers 7, Diamondbacks 2

MILWAUKEE — Brad Woodall pitched seven strong innings to win for the first time since June 27 as the Milwaukee Brewers avoided a three-game sweep by the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Woodall (5-5) gave up one run and five hits, walked three and struck out a career-high eight, including Andy Stankiewicz to strand the bases full in the seventh.

The Brewers scored seven runs off Brian Anderson (7-10), who gave up 10 hits in four-plus innings and issued his first walk in 32 innings.

Giants 15, Phillies 3

PHILADELPHIA — On a huge day for hitting, Barry Bonds almost landed his biggest blow at the mound.

Bonds went 4-for-4 and drove in three runs, then tackled Philadelphia reliever Ricky Bottalico after being hit by a pitch as the San Francisco Giants beat the Phillies.

Newly acquired Ellis Burks, Bonds and Jeff Kent hit consecutive home runs in the second inning — the first time the Giants had hit three in a row since 1982 — as San Francisco defeated Philadelphia for the third straight day.

Bonds homered, tripled and singled twice. He had also stolen a base in the fifth when the Giants were up 9-2, which may have prompted what happened the next time he batted.

Rockies 6, Cubs 3

CHICAGO — Neifi Perez hit a go-ahead single in a three-run seventh inning as the Colorado Rockies snapped a three-game losing streak.

Pedro Astacio (10-10) improved his record since the All-Star break to 4-1, and also helped himself with an RBI double and sacrifice bunt. He allowed five hits and three runs in seven innings.

Chuck McElroy pitched the final two innings for his second save.

Chicago's Sammy Sosa, second in the majors with 42 homers, went 0-for-2 with two walks.

Reds 5, Marlins 1

MIAMI — Dennis Reyes had a career-high nine strikeouts in his Cincinnati debut and Pat Watkins homered as the Reds beat the Florida Marlins.

Reyes (1-4), recalled from the minors on Saturday, held the Marlins to one run and three hits in six innings for just his third major league victory.

Reyes, who started the season with the Dodgers' Triple-A affiliate in Albuquerque, was acquired by the Reds in a trade for reliever Jeff Shaw on July 4. His two previous major league wins came last year with the Dodgers.

Danny Graves pitched three scoreless innings for his third save. In the eighth, he struck out Craig Counsell with two outs and the bases loaded.

Florida starter Kirt Ojala (1-2) went seven innings, giving up two runs and four hits.

UNIT: Johnson makes an easy transition

(From 1C)

The Big Unit, who drew as many cheers during pregame introductions as the hometown Pirates, breezed through the first four innings in his first NL start since April 1989, allowing only two singles and walking one.

So much for a difficult transition.

The Pirates finally broke through on 20-year-old rookie third baseman Aramis Ramirez's solo homer leading off the fifth. They took a 2-1 lead on singles by Mark Smith and Ramirez, a hit batsman and Kevin Polcovich's sacrifice fly in the seventh.

"I thought we battled him well, and I don't think he throws as consistently hard as he did when I saw him in the American League," said Pirates manager Gene Lamont, who once managed the White Sox. "But even against a premier pitcher, you score only twice and you won't win often."

Just when it seemed the much-traveled Todd Van Poppel would outduel Johnson, the Astros scored four times in the eighth against reliever Jason Christiansen (1-2), a hard thrower like Johnson who had struck out seven of the last 13 hitters he had faced.

Carl Everett's tying RBI single — he was 5-for-12 as the Astros swept the three-game series — followed a single, a walk and a force play. Ricky Gutierrez's two-run double into the gap in right field made it 4-2, and Tony Eusebio, batting for Johnson, added an insurance run with another double.

"I felt our hitters were a little overanxious until then," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "Everybody was trying so darn hard to get him a bunch of runs and to get him a win to get him started."

Van Poppel, who didn't look like the pitcher who is 22-35 lifetime, gave up five hits and struck out five over seven innings.

"I wasn't intimidated," he said.

Still, Johnson's new teammates said he will make even better a team whose 67-44 record is the best in Astros' history to this point.

"Having him here makes this the best team I've ever played for," said Bagwell, who singled in Houston's first run. "This is what we've waited for. This is the best chance we've ever had to win the World Series."

Johnson (1-0), who walked one, hit another and threw 116 pitches, was replaced by the Astros' best pitching prospect, Scott Elarton, who sailed through the final two innings for his second save.

It was a smooth return all the way around for the 34-year-old Johnson, who didn't arrive in Pittsburgh until 9 p.m. EDT Saturday but chose to stay on his normal five-day rotation by pitching Sunday. He last worked Tuesday, losing to Cleveland.

"I'm tired, hungry and ornery, just the way I want to be before I pitch," he said.

His only worry about returning to the NL was batting again, but he didn't look overmatched at the plate, popping up once, hitting a sharp ground ball another time and striking out once. He did fail to put down a bunt.

About the only other time he looked uncomfortable was when he warmed up before the first inning. He shooed away several of the nine photographers who lined up behind home plate shooting his warmup pitches.

Notes: It was the Astros' first sweep in Pittsburgh since May 8-11, 1995 ... Johnson was 9-10 this season for Seattle. ... The Astros are 23-11 in Three Rivers Stadium since 1993. ... Houston is 23 games above .500 (67-44) for the first time since they ended the 1986 season as NL West champions. ... Astros closer Billy Wagner, out since taking a line drive off the face in mid-July, struck out the side on 15 pitches in a one-inning rehabilitation assignment Saturday for Double-A Jackson. He expects to pitch an inning apiece Monday and Tuesday before rejoining the Astros on Friday. ... The Pirates started nine right-handed hitters against Johnson, benching even NL stolen base leader Tony Womack.

HALO: Midland falls to 7 games behind

(From 1C)

seventh Sunday, it merely piled on the Angels. Wichita's Carlos Beltran chopped Angel reliever Danny Greene's second pitch for a double down the right field line, driving home Carlos Febles from second base. Beltran eventually scored on a single to left by Raul Gonzalez to make it 4-0, giving the Wranglers more than enough cushion.

The Angels scored their only run in the bottom of the seventh. Keith Luuloa doubled to the left field corner off reliever Steve Prihoda with one out and scored on a two-out single by Lee Tinsley. But it was too much of a deficit to overcome.

Mullen picked up the win to improve to 5-1 while Matt Beaumont, who pitched 6 1/3 innings Saturday, absorbed the loss for the Angels.

"Suspended games are pretty common, but I've never seen one because a base broke," said Mizerock of the circumstances surrounding Sunday's extra baseball. "It was nice to go out with a 2-0 lead and I think that gave us some momentum going into the next game."

Wichita also took a 2-0 lead in the scheduled game off Midland starter Matt Wise. Febles, Beltran and Gonzalez singled to start the game and Ray Brown hit a sacrifice fly to centerfield to give Wichita an early advantage.

The Angels looked as if they might explode offensively in the bottom of the inning when Norm Hutchins led off with a towering home run to right off Wichita starter Ken Ray. However, Ray (7-5) would retire the next seven batters and got out of whatever jams he found himself in during his 6 1/3 inning stint.

Midland's best chance to break through off Ray came in the bottom of the fifth when it trailed only 3-1. Tinsley led off with a double to right-center and Ray walked Larry Barnes. Angelo Encarnacion sacrificed the runners to second and third, but Ray struck out Randy Betten and Hutchins to end the inning and the threat.

In the top of the seventh, Kit Pellow hit his 27th home run of the season to stay atop the Texas League in that category and after Alejandro Prieto tripled to center, Wise (8-7) was gone.

Wichita had 14 hits off three Angels' pitchers. Beltran, Gonzalez and Prieto all had three hits for the Wranglers. Tinsley had a pair of doubles for the Angels while Hutchins also had two hits.

Win or lose today, the Wranglers are in firm control of their second half destiny while the Angels are now desperate.

"Stranger things have happened," said Mizerock of the prospects of his team squandering the lead. "We've got to win only seven less than they do from here on out so I like our chances."

The Angels will send out right-hander Lou Pote (8-6, 4.73 ERA) tonight against Wichita right-hander Matt Saier (5-3, 4.95).

Suspended game
Wichita 4, Midland 1

Wichita	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Febles 2b	5	2	3	0	Hutchins cf	4	0	0	0
Beltran cf	5	2	2	2	Abbott ss	4	0	1	0
Mendez c	4	0	0	0	Christian dh	4	0	1	0
Quinn rf	3	0	0	0	Luuloa 3b	3	1	1	0
Gonzalez lf	3	0	2	1	Bxbaum 1b	4	0	0	0
McNally 1b	4	0	1	0	Tinsley lf	3	0	2	1
Long dh	4	0	1	0	Encarnacion c	3	0	0	0
Pellow 3b	3	0	0	0	Curtis rf	3	0	0	0
Prieto ss	0	0	0	0					
Medrano ss	4	0	0	0	Drmngtn 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	9	3	Totals	31	1	5	1
Wichita					000 020 200			—	4
Midland					000 000 100			—	0

DP — Wichita. LOB — Wichita 8, Midland 4. 2B — Beltran, Christian, Luuloa. 3B — Beltran (3). SB — Febles 2 (42), Tinsley (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Wichita						
Mullen, W 5-1	6.0	2	0	0	0	7
Prihoda	2	2	1	1	0	2
Moreno, S 4	1	1	0	0	0	1
Midland						
Beaumont, L 5-11	6.1	7	0	0	2	4
Greene	1.2	2	1	1	1	2
Jacobsen	1	0	0	0	0	0

T — 2:23. A — N/A

Wichita 6, Midland 1

Wichita	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Febles 2b	5	1	1	0	Hutchins cf	3	1	2	1
Beltran cf	5	1	3	1	Abbott ss	4	0	0	0
Gonzalez dh	4	0	3	0	Christian dh	3	0	0	0
Brown 1b	4	0	0	1	Luuloa 2b	4	0	1	0
Stewart c	5	1	1	0	Bxbaum 3b	4	0	1	0
Myers lf	3	1	1	0	Tinsley lf	4	0	2	0
Long rf	3	0	0	0	Barnes 1b	3	0	0	0
Pellow 3b	3	1	2	2	Encarnacion c	2	0	0	0
Medrano 3b	0	0	0	0	Betten rf	3	0	1	0
Prieto ss	4	1	3	1					
Totals	36	6	14	5	Totals	30	1	7	1
Wichita					210 000 210			—	6
Midland					100 000 000			—	1

E — Beltran, Wise. DP — Wichita 2, Midland 1. LOB — Wichita 9, Midland 7. 2B — Gonzalez, Pellow, Tinsley 2. 3B — Prieto. HR — Pellow (27), Hutchins (9). SB — Febles (43), Myers (8). CS — Gonzalez. SF — Brown, Encarnacion. S — Long, Encarnacion.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Wichita						
Ray, W 7-5	6.1	6	1	1	1	5
Bluma	1.2	0	0	0	1	0
Brewer	1	1	0	0	0	1
Midland						
Wise, L 8-7	6.0	7	0	0	2	4
Cooper	2	3	1	1	2	1
Hill	1	1	0	0	0	1

Wise pitched to two batters in the seventh.
HBP — Hutchins (by Bluma). T — 3:01. A — 3,033.

U.S. beats World in MLS All-Star game

By Fred Goodall
AP Sports Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. — It won't change the results of a disappointing World Cup showing, however the United States did reclaim some bragging rights in Major League Soccer's third All-Star game.

Brian McBride of the Columbus Crew scored one goal and assisted on two others Sunday as the U.S. All-Stars beat the World All-Stars 6-1 before a crowd of 34,416 at the Florida Citrus Bowl.

Nine of 11 U.S. starters were members of the national team that went 0-3 in France this summer, and they viewed this game as an opportunity to regain a measure of international respect.

"Some guys downplayed it, but it was important to prove we can play," U.S. goalkeeper Tony Meola said.

"The most important thing for us was having fun and showcasing the game," McBride, the lone American to score in the World Cup, said. "The thing about the World Cup is that if not for a couple of bounces we would have been 2-1, instead of 0-3."

McBride and MetroStars teammates Alexi Lalas and Tab Ramos scored in the first 16 minutes, and the U.S. built a 4-0 lead before D.C. United's Roy Lassiter and Cobi Jones of the Los Angeles Galaxy finished the rout with goals in the final 12 minutes.

The World team avoided a shutout when Tampa Bay's Mauricio Ramos scored in 89th minute on an assist from Chicago's Jorge Campos, who started the game in goal before returning in the second half as a forward.

The first two MLS All-Star games were played under an Eastern vs. Western conference format that was abandoned for the U.S.-World concept this year.

While winning didn't bury memories of a poor World Cup showing, the U.S. team's domination was complete. McBride was the MVP, breaking World star Carlos Valderrama's two-year stranglehold on the award, but he had plenty of help.

AP Photo
Cobi Jones, right, of the USA All-Stars attempts to kick the ball as Mo Johnston of the World All-Stars leaps to block the kick during action Sunday. USA beat the World All-Stars 6-1.

The U.S. team beat Campos on four its first five shots on goal, while goalkeeper Tony Meola stopped shots by five different World players before being replaced by Zach Thornton at the start of the second half.

Still, U.S. coach Bruce Arena wasn't convinced the impressive display would sway public opinion about the national team's World Cup performance.

"I wouldn't read a whole lot into this," said Arena, coach of two-time MLS champion D.C. United. "If the world had won 6-1, people would have said the Americans can't play. It was a big advantage that our team had so many players who had played together."

Valderrama, rumored to be headed for the New England Revolution in a trade spurred by his dispute with Miami Fusion coach Ivo Wortmann, started and played all but about 15 minutes of the game.

Without providing specifics, MLS commissioner Doug Logan told ABC Sports during the telecast that a multi-player deal involving Valderrama is under consideration.

Logan said the situation with one of the league's most popular players, who was fined a MLS-record $10,000 for refusing to practice for the Fusion last week, likely will be resolved in the next day or two.

Valderrama had one goal and four assists in two previous All-Stars games, but wasn't much of a factor this time. With four points Sunday, McBride replaced the Miami midfielder as the career All-Star scoring leader with seven points.

AP Photo

The United States' Holly McPeak dives for the ball near the foul line during her team's bronze medal performance at the Goodwill Games beach volleyball competition in New York's Central Park on Sunday. Brazil won the gold medal, Australia took the silver and the United States took the bronze.

Russia edges U.S. men swimmers; Brazilians captures volleyball gold

Associated Press

■ **Goodwill Games**

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — The sprint showdown was a bust. The rest of the United States-Russia meet was a thriller.

Carried by four 1-2 sweeps and victories in both of the relays that the U.S. men have traditionally dominated, Russia dealt the Americans their third straight dual-meet swimming loss at the Goodwill Games, 63-59, Sunday night.

One of the Russian sweeps came from Aleksandr Popov and teammate Roman Yegorov in the 50-meter freestyle, a race won by Bill Pilczuk in the World Championships this year.

This time, Pilczuk was a badly beaten third.

"I think maybe there was too much pressure in Bill," Popov said.

"I got worse as the meet went on," Pilczuk said. "I'm tired. I was really aggravated I got third. I should have had second."

The United States countered the four Russian sweeps with five of their own. Losing both relays, and the resulting 14 points, to the Russians was pivotal.

"It's almost impossible to win one of these dual meets without winning a relay," U.S. coach Bill Wadley of Ohio State said. "That's 14 points right there. We knew we probably couldn't compete with them in the freestyle relay, so we went all out in the medley. We came up a little short."

The World All-Stars, who earlier beat the U.S. men 78-43, wrapped up the team gold medal with an 85-37 victory over Germany, giving them a 3-0 dual-meet record. Russia (2-1) won the silver and Germany the bronze (1-2).

Popov's freestyle leg handed the U.S. men their first defeat of the week in the medley relay for a 7-0 lead. World champions Lenny Krayzelburg and Kurt Grote got the Americans a big lead after the backstroke and breaststroke legs, and the margin was still a body length going into the freestyle, but Popov easily caught Dan Phillips and won by .60 seconds.

"I wasn't thinking or feeling anything," Popov said. "I just wanted to swim. I didn't know for sure if I could catch him."

The Americans took a 59-56 lead into the final event — the 400 freestyle relay — but Popov, swimming second, extended a short lead to 1 1/2 body lengths and the Russians went on to win by 2.62 seconds. The United States lost the freestyle relay in all three dual meets, despite never having lost the event in the Olympics.

The United States won the next three events after the medley relay, including a 1-2 sweep in the 100 backstroke by Krayzelburg and Robert Brewer, to take an 18-16 edge.

Russia got the lead right back with a 1-2 sweep in the 50 freestyle. Popov and Yegorov were timed in 22.27 and 22.92 seconds, to Pilczuk's 22.99. But Popov lost the gold medal to Fernando Scherer of Brazil, who swam the event in 22.18 for the World All-Stars earlier Sunday.

Grote and Patrick Fowler got another sweep in the 100 breaststroke, tying for first place, but the Russians had 1-2 sweeps in the next two events, the 200 butterfly and 100 freestyle. Popov, the world record-holder and two-time Olympic champion in the 100, skipped the event to be in both relays. Swimmers were limited to three races per day.

Krayzelburg, of Los Angeles, and Brad Bridgewater of Dallas made it closer with another 1-2 U.S. sweep in the 200 backstroke, and Grote, of San Diego, also won the 200 breaststroke, giving him two individual gold medals.

The individual star for the world team was Denis Sylantiev of Ukraine, who set meet records in both the 100 and 200 butterfly. He earned $5,000 in bonuses for having the fifth- and fourth-fastest times in history, respectively.

Luck wasn't on the side of the American team.

Erik Vendt, of Easton, Mass., had the fastest time in the 400 freestyle before Sunday's competition, but he lost the gold medal to Massi Rosolino of Italy by one-hundredth of a second, at 3:52.98.

But Vendt won the 800 and tied with Mark Warkentin of Santa Barbara, Calif., for first in the 400 against Russia.

Brazilians win beach volleyball gold as expected

NEW YORK — Even a knee injury couldn't slow top-ranked Brazil on the way to the Goodwill Games' gold medal in women's beach volleyball.

Shelda Bede, her left leg in a huge wrap, and Adriana Behar beat Kerri Pottharst and Pauline Manser of Australia 12-9, 12-5 Sunday, matching Brazil's gold medal in the men's competition.

The win was the third of the year and seventh of their careers for Bede and Behar, who did not lose a match in winning the $30,000 first prize.

"It took a lot of concentration for her to play and to play well like she played," Behar said of her partner, who was diagnosed Saturday with an inflamed tendon behind her left knee. "She was the best and she served so well. For me, in this final, I want to thank Shelda because she gave us the victory."

The U.S. team of Holly McPeak and Lisa Arce won the bronze medal with a 12-11, 12-3 victory over Laura Bruschini and Annamaria Solazzi of Italy.

"I was fired up to get on that podium today," said Arce, whose team was beaten by the Australians in the semifinals.

Sunday's matches drew a crowd of 2,800 to the venue built by dumping almost 1 million pounds of sand on Wollman Rink in Central Park. Among those in attendance were former President Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, and Goodwill Games founder and organizer Ted Turner and his wife, actress Jane Fonda.

Bede is considered one of the best servers in the sport, and she backed that up Sunday with nine aces, six more than the other three players combined.

"We handled their serves well in the first game but I felt they stepped it up a bit in the second," Pottharst said. "When you play a team that serves well, you have to pass the ball well, but their serves were coming like bombs."

In five tournaments this year, the Brazilians have three titles and two seconds. It was their seventh win in as many matches against the Australians, including the final of a tournament in Brazil earlier this year and in pool play at the Goodwill Games.

"They are definitely dominating the tour," Manser said. "We had high expectations and it didn't happen this time, but we are getting closer."

McPeak and Arce, the second-seeded team in this tournament and the runners-up in last year's world championship, dominated the second set after struggling in the first.

"We needed that medal," McPeak said. "We wanted that gold really bad but came up short and that is frustrating. We're trying to get our groove back and are pushing to be No. 1 in the sport. We're close."

The eight teams that competed in the Goodwill Games all head for tournaments in Japan and China the next two weeks, then it's back to the United States for the debut of the American Volleyball League in Del Mar, Calif., Aug. 28-30.

"This year's been difficult. We thought we might have a tour. We tried," McPeak said of the demise of the Women's Professional Volleyball Association that led to the creation of the AVL. "There's been a lot of ups and downs. It's been difficult and the situation is still so volatile."

Davenport defeats Williams for Bank of the West crown

By Rob Gloster
AP Sports Writer

STANFORD, Calif. — Lindsay Davenport coped with the sweltering heat. She dealt with two injury timeouts by Venus Williams that broke the match's rhythm. And, finally, she overcame her own slipping concentration.

Davenport outlasted an injured and erratic Williams to win 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 in Sunday's final of the Bank of the West tournament, played in temperatures of more than 90 degrees that forced a 10-minute break before the third set.

"It was just such a relief when it was over," the top-seeded Davenport said after claiming the $79,000 first prize. "I'm just so happy to win the first tournament of the hard-court season."

The third-seeded Williams, who served 12 aces in her semifinal victory Saturday night over Monica Seles, had 14 aces against Davenport — but also had eight double faults.

Williams took two injury timeouts during the second set, and spent the last half of the match with her left calf and thigh wrapped in bandages.

"They're more or less new things. Definitely muscular, nothing more than that," Williams said of the injuries. "They bothered me enough to require medical attention."

Davenport said the injury timeouts broke up the rhythm of the match.

"It's a little frustrating," Davenport said. "I know she's done it a lot of times before in the past and I was thinking, 'OK, maybe she's really injured. Don't lose concentration.'"

Davenport got a break in the ninth game of the final set to go up 5-4 and then needed four match points to close out the victory. On the second match point, Williams hit a deep return that Davenport thought was out.

Davenport let out a little scream and didn't try to return the ball, then looked in amazement as the linesman called the shot good.

"I thought it went out, but it probably went in because it did skid," she said. "It's tough on a big point. Sometimes you just want the ball to go out."

Williams had gotten an early break in the third set and taken a 3-0 lead, but Davenport broke back in the fifth game and then got the decisive break four games later.

"It was such a weird match. It looked like I was on a roll and had the match in hand, and she turned it around," Davenport said. "I definitely let it slip a little in the second set. I was a little down after losing the second set. At the end, I buckled down."

Davenport kept Williams on the run in the first set, hitting sharply angled shots to move the teenager around the court. Davenport got the only break of the set in the seventh game.

Davenport got another break to go up 2-1 in the second set, and Williams immediately took a medical timeout and had her left calf bandaged. The injury appeared to leave Williams off-balance on some returns.

The trainer also attended to Williams two games later, and came out again two games after that to tape Williams' left thigh and extend the wrap around her calf.

Williams then rallied, breaking Davenport's serve to even the set at 4-all and breaking serve again in the final game of the set. The chair umpire then called a 10-minute timeout for the players "due to the extreme weather conditions."

The women's tour has a heat-stress index rule that allows for such a break if the temperature on court is at least 90 degrees at the start of the match.

"It really isn't (hot) to me," Williams said while accepting her second-place check for $36,000. "I live in Florida and it's about three times worse than this."

Torian beats Johnson at British Grand Prix

By Robert Millward
AP Sports Writer

SHEFFIELD, England — Reggie Torian pulled away from world and Olympic champion Allen Johnson and world record-holder Colin Jackson in the final 20 meters to win the 110-meter hurdles at the British Grand Prix Sunday.

Winner of the U.S. championship, Torian was even with his two rivals at the halfway point of the race which had the year's five-fastest hurdlers.

Torian took the lead as they cleared the final hurdle and, as he crossed the finish line, he knew he had won.

He clocked 13.15 seconds compared with his time of 13.03 at New Orleans June 21. Johnson took second at 13.22, with Jackson third at 13.24.

"It was really Allen and me hurdle-for-hurdle and I just stole it at the end," said Torian, who has beaten Johnson three times this year. "It's my goal to keep winning and go into next year's world championship season as No. 1.

"It's important to drop in a fast time early in the season, then keep winning. Especially in a race like this. It wasn't the best race, it wasn't the best times, but everyone was there."

Goodwill Games winner Mark Crear was fourth at 13.33. Courtney Hawkins was in contention until falling after the seventh hurdle.

Melissa Morrison powered past Jamaica's Michelle Freeman in the final 15 meters to win the women's 100 hurdles at 12.74, with Angie Vaughn third.

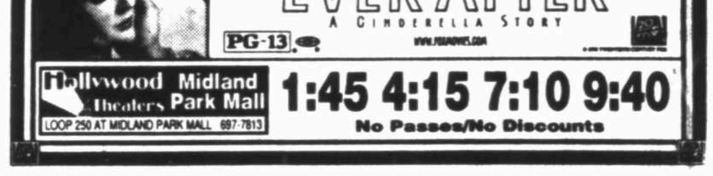
"I felt a bit sluggish at the beginning after a couple of false starts," Morrison said. "I just didn't feel very relaxed in the blocks but I want out and gave it all I had and come out victorious.

"A victory over Angie, who beat me at the Goodwill Games. I can't really ask for more."

World champion Stephane Diagana of France won the men's 400 hurdles at 48.70, and world record-holder Jonathan Edwards of Britain leaped 56 feet, 2 3/4 inches, to win the triple jump.

Mahjoub Haida of Morocco led countryman Benjounes Lahlou home ahead of Kenya's David Cheruiyot in the 800 meters, clocking 1:45.03. Kenya's Paul Tergat, a former 10,000-meter world record-holder and four-time world cross country champion, left three Moroccans trailing in winning the 3,000 at 7:39.50.

Former world record-holder Steve Backley of Britain won the javelin at 291-4, beating world champion Marius Corbett of South Africa, who threw only 250-0.



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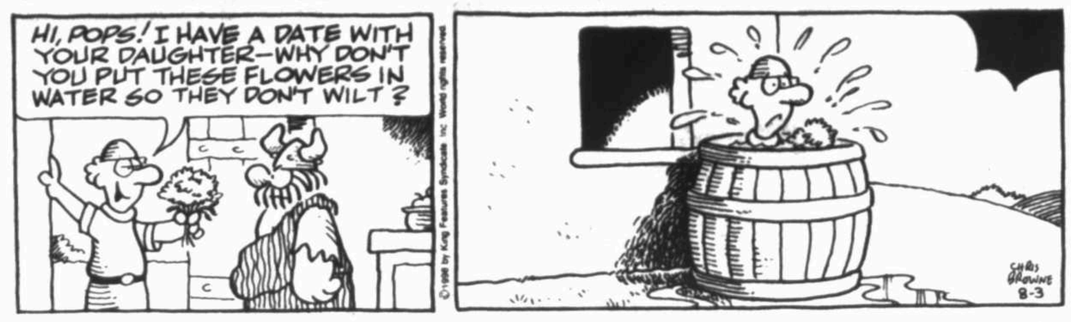

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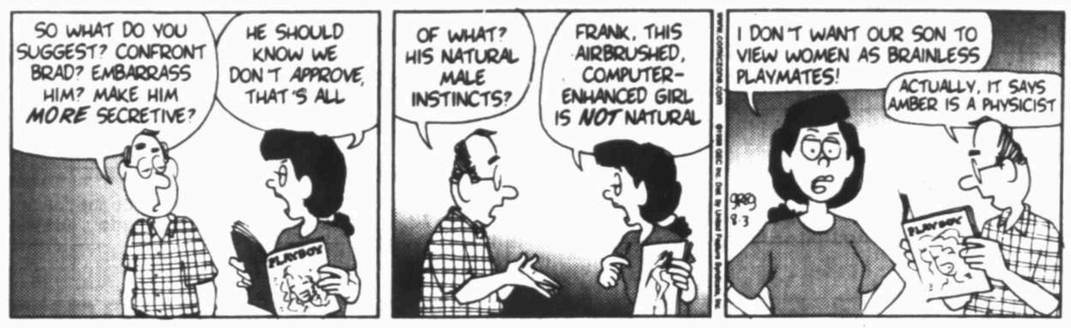

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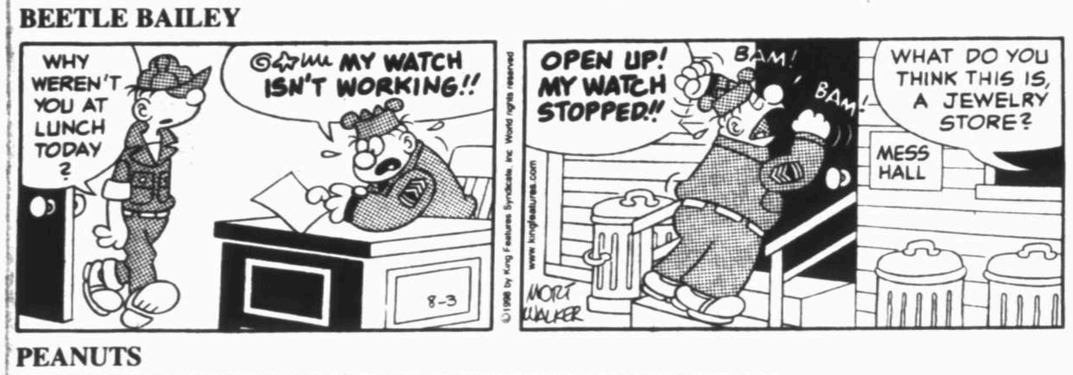

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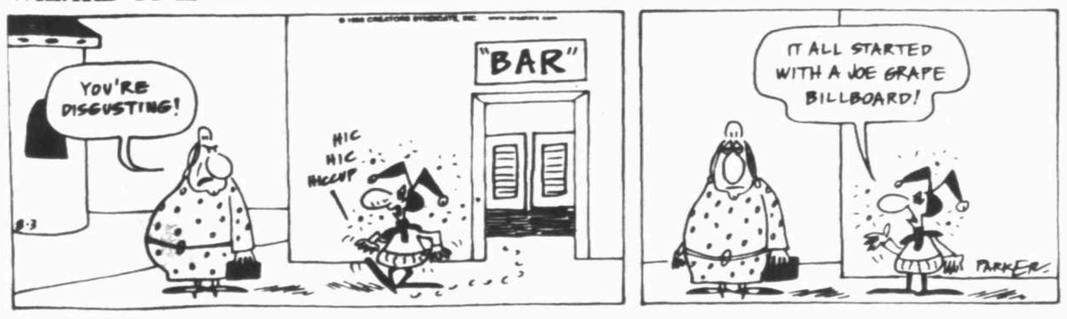

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ The unexpected occurs with a child or loved one. You need to go right in and handle the problem. On some level, you are shocked. Listen carefully to his opinions, but don't feel like you have to go along with his ideas. Find solutions. Tonight: Talk at length with a new friend.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Expect to be thrown a curve ball, even though you land on your feet. Sometimes, you don't get the whole story, just the results. Laughter marks the situation at a later date. Know that you can trust a special friend or loved one. Tonight: Discuss recent happenings.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Think fast, and adjust your schedule. What you hear might not be good news, but you can, and will, deal with it to the best of your abilities. Look for the silver lining in the cloud. Creativity and friendship are stimulated. Trust your judgment. Tonight: Say "yes" to a friend.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You might not be able to stabilize a financial situation right away, but you will in the near future. Remain optimistic and positive. Forthcoming changes open doors, though it could be difficult to see them at first. Work helps calm you down. Tonight: Exercise away stress.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Determination leads to new beginnings, though the uproar could make you wonder. Some people are threatened by change. Examine your own reactions. Allow your ingenuity to work on high right now. You cast another light on events. Tonight: Playful works.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Stay on top of changes. You feel like someone is shaking up the status quo. You're not kidding! Awareness about choices allows you to open up. Work through frayed nerves by meditating or taking a walk at lunchtime. You find solutions. Tonight: To your ivory tower.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Reach out for others. They need your feedback. The unexpected occurs with children and a friendship. You can deal with it, though you are not comfortable with the solution. Keep communications flowing. Unusual news comes forward. Tonight: Swap tales of the day.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★ Be cautious with funds. You feel like you are on a roller-coaster ride, and you are right! A difficult personal situation explodes, leaving you grasping at straws. Find solutions, handle problems, but draw the line when it affects cash flow. Tonight: A little indulgence.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Your personality and intellect are needed when others feel shaky and insecure. Recognize that there are other ways to find solutions. You enjoy a challenge. Dig into a problem. Escape conventional thinking; look at what is effective. Tonight: Beam in what you want.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★ You are up for playing ostrich, so much happens so fast. The unexpected occurs with money, putting you on shaky financial ground. Quite possibly there is a mistake, but it could be hard to undercover. A partner takes a strong stand; let him. Tonight: Soak in a hot tub.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ You feel like a rubber band, pulled between a loved one and a business associate. Fighting and arguing will not bring resolution. Discuss revamping common goals and heading toward them together. Tonight: Let off steam with friends.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★ You are in a pressure cooker. You might not be exactly sure what direction you need to go in. Perhaps doing nothing and not reacting will help you. Your perspective changes as new information comes forward. You might not be comfortable with an insight Tonight: To your cocoon.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q 1 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ J 7 ♡ Q 7 3 ◇ K 10 7 2 ♣ K 10 8 7

The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
1 NT	Pass	2♡	Pass
?			

What action do you take?

A - Your honors in partner's suits should be upgraded and your tens in the minors are valuable cards. Since North could have a better than minimum opening on this auction, you owe partner another bid and two no trump seems the most descriptive action.

Q 2 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ 7 3 ♡ 10 7 4 ◇ A Q 6 ♣ Q J 10 6 2

Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond?

A - Your hand is not quite good enough for a two-over-one response, and to respond one no trump with a weak doubleton in the unbid major is distasteful. (Switch the diamond and spade holdings and it would be more palatable.) Therefore, raise to two hearts despite holding only weak three-card support for partner.

Q 3 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K Q J 6 ♡ A 10 8 3 ◇ A 10 4 ♣ A K

The bidding has proceeded:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1♣	Dbl	Pass	1♠
Pass	?		

What do you bid now?

A - In light of East's opening bid, you cannot expect partner to have more than 6 points, so don't even think about slam with your 21 high-card points. Show your power by jumping to four spades now. Anything else, except a cue-bid which will gain nothing, is a drastic underbid.

Q 4 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A Q 10 6 3 ♡ J 5 ◇ J 6 4 3 ♣ 9 2

The bidding has proceeded:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	1♡	4◇	?

What action do you take?

A - This is largely guesswork. If you could be sure of finding spade support with partner, you could venture four spades. But partner could have a heart/club two-suiter, and you would then be in trouble. All in all, it looks as if your best bet is a double. Partner will know it is based on a modicum of high cards rather than a trump stack.

Q 5 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ 5 3 ♡ Q 9 6 2 ◇ K 7 ♣ A K 10 9 5

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♠	Dbl	Rdbl	2◇
Pass	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?

A - Your redouble promised another bid and asked partner to give you the right of way. North has obliged, and your choice now lies between an invitational two no trump and a forcing bid of three clubs. We doubt that an 11-trick contract has much chance of success and, if no trump is to be played, it could be vital to have your hand declare. Bid two no trump.

Q 6 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A Q 8 6 4 ♡ K J 8 6 2 ◇ Void ♣ 10 9 7

The bidding has proceeded:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1◇	Dbl	4◇	?

What action do you take?

A - If you simply bid four of a major, you are guilty of one of the most egregious underbids of the decade. You are certainly in slam territory, and the way to get your message across to partner, as well as to be relatively sure you get to the right strain, is to cue-bid diamonds now. Bid five diamonds.

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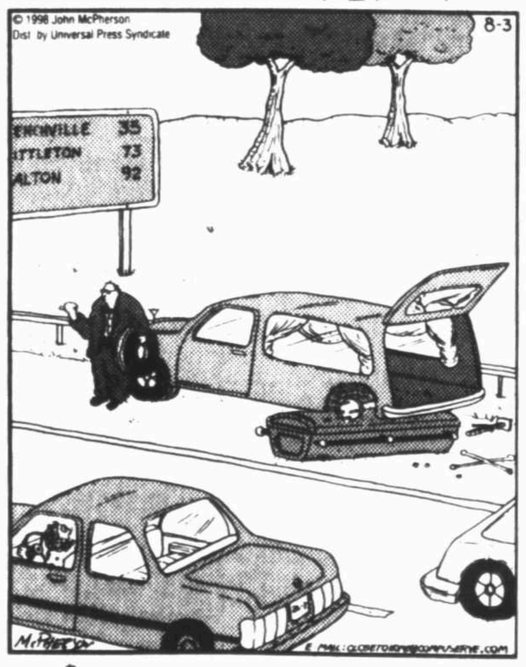

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"If this is 'coach' class, is the part up front where the players sit?"

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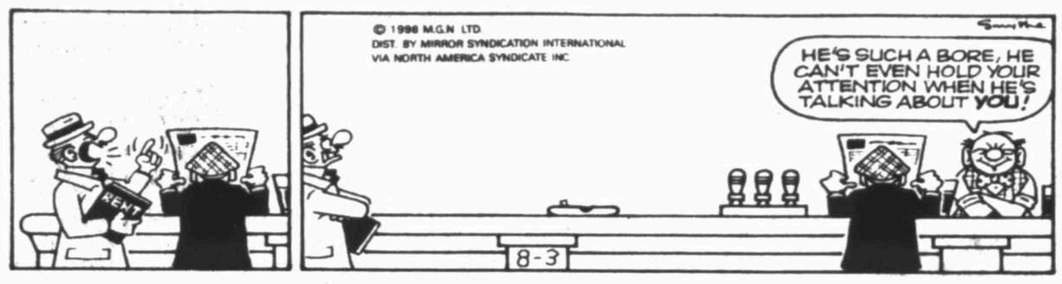

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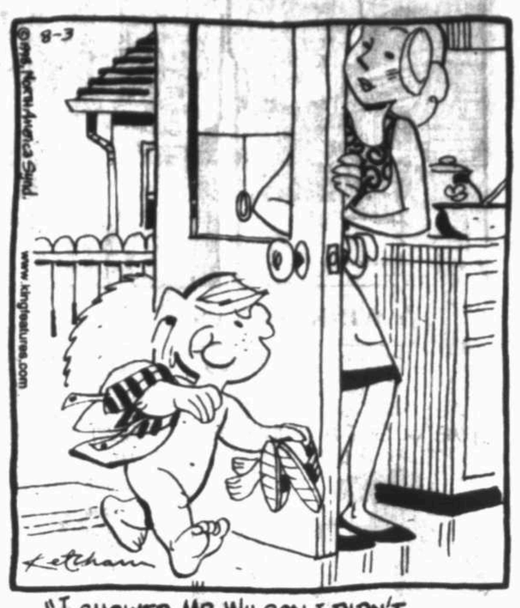

"I SHOWED MR. WILSON I DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING UP MY SLEEVE."

PEOPLE TODAY

Cage wanted to go mainstream after win

NEW YORK — Winning an Academy Award in an arty, esoteric independent film didn't give **Nicolas Cage** a swelled head.

"Actors can get high on their own importance and snob themselves out of the business," Cage says in Sunday's Daily News. "That's why I decided to go into movies that were perhaps more escapist entertainment. Which is what I've always done: go as far as I can in the opposite direction of what I've just accomplished."

After winning the best actor Oscar for "Leaving Las Vegas," the story of a suicidal drunk, Cage made mainstream action films with big-time costars in "The Rock" (Sean Connery), "Con Air" (John Malkovich), "Face/Off" (John Travolta), and the love story "City of Angels" with Meg Ryan.

An Academy Award didn't swell Nicolas Cage's head.

Now Cage appears in the mainstream action-thriller "Snake Eyes."

"When I started acting, I was much more of an anarchist," Cage said. "I was only interested in doing kind of punk rock, alternative expressions, and I neglected another side of the industry. Then I became aware that I was about to intense or weird myself right out of the business, and that I had to find some balance."

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NEW YORK — After avoiding the cliched British costume drama with fresh, modern roles in "Good Will Hunting," "Big Night" and "Grosse Pointe Blank," **Minnie Driver** took the lead in the period piece "The Governess."

"I wanted to do a period drama, but I didn't want it to be chocolate-boxy," Driver says in Sunday editions of The New York Times. "And sure enough, along came this twisted take on spiritual subterfuge and blind eroticism."

It's the story of a young Jewish woman in 1840s London who learns she must hide her religious faith to find work as a governess.

"I'm fascinated by how much we, as women, have to subjugate and hide ourselves in order to get on in the world," Driver said.

The 27-year-old actress started her career on British television before landing her first big movie part in "Circle of Friends" opposite Chris O'Donnell. Steady work in U.S. films led Driver to relocate to Hollywood, where some mistake her for an American because she mimics the accent perfectly.

"I think I'm viewed as being a bit of a traitor in Britain," admits Driver, who earned a best supporting actress Academy Award nomination for "Good Will Hunting."

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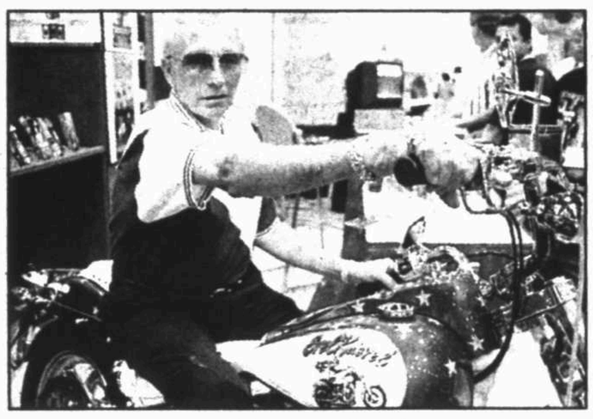

Retired daredevil Evel Knieval needs a liver transplant.

PITTSBURGH — **Evel Knievel** is shopping for spare parts.

The retired motorcycle daredevil needs a liver transplant but is even more concerned about others like him who have less time, so he uses public appearances around the country to urge people to sign organ donor cards.

"I'm with a group called Life List, all waiting for livers," Knievel, 59, said Friday at the Three Rivers Regatta, where he was master of ceremonies. "There are people with us who'll die in another five, six, seven days. I'd rather they got a liver than I did. I'm feeling better actually."

He blamed his failing liver on cirrhosis, along with hepatitis C possibly contracted from one of the many blood transfusions he got after spectacular crashes on the daredevil circuit in the 1960s and '70s.

Knievel estimated he suffered at least 35 broken bones and underwent surgery 14 times during his career, in which he made 300 death-defying jumps.

Knievel has no regrets for what he admits was a wild lifestyle of fast-living and heavy drinking, saying, "I had a great time." He was diagnosed with hepatitis C five years ago and estimates he may be able to live until age 75 if he gets a liver transplant.

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(3) KMID	2	3	News 32	Wheel of Fortune	America's Funniest Home Videos 4636 (TVG)		20/20 9864		The Practice: Ties That Bind 9628 (TV14-DS)		News 66338	Nightline 75086	Politically Incorrect	Access Hollywood
(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Melrose Place 51512		Ally McBeal 37932 (TV14-DLS)		Earth: Final Conflict 57796 (TVPG)		Home Improvement	Mad About You	Vibe 22357	
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 6338	Grace Under Fire	Cosby 5116 (TVG)	Raymond	Raymond	Murphy Brown	48 Hours 60680		News 1189338	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 4512	Seinfeld 5864	Pandora's Clock (Part 2) ('96) ++ (Richard Dean Anderson, Jane Leeves) 35057				Dateline NBC 15154		News 7742932	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	Sam Soleyn 79970	John Hagee 60222	The Light of the Southwest 65965				Update News	Joyce Meyer 81947	Richard Roberts 49715		Simple Secrets	Israel 98 57593
(13) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 501777		Evening at Pops 335661 (TVG)		Masterpiece Theatre: Rebecca (Part 2 of 2) 355425 (TVPG)				Telecourse 612222			
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(6) CNBC		8	Business Center	Equal Time W/Bay	Hardball With Chris Matthews 9416628		Rivera Live 9492048		The News With Brian Williams 9405512		Hardball With Chris Matthews 9415999		Rivera Live 7752048	
(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	Coach 403357	7th Heaven 669086 (TVG)		Buffy the Vampire Slayer 645406 (TV14-V)		News 658970		Beverly Hills, 90210 668357 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 283715 (TV14-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	A View to a Kill (PG, '85) ** (Roger Moore, Christopher Walken) 95669390						Diamonds Are Forever (9:55) (PG, '71) *** (Sean Connery, Jill St. John) 57798406			
(14) FAM		14	Rescue 911 323951		Diagnosis Murder		Diagnosis Murder		Hawaii Five-0 964222		The 700 Club 974609		Bonanza 580319 (TVG)	
(20) DISC		20	Gimme Shelter 165999 (TVG)		Wild Discovery 975203 (TVG)		Shipwreck!: Hurricane Hero 984951 (TVG)		Shipwreck!: Deadly Harbor 904715 (TVG)		Justice Files: Painful Memories 974574		Wild Discovery 308777 (TVG)	
(21) AMC		21	Them! (5:30) 2163593		The West Point Story (7:15) ('50) ** 11108999				Five Million Years to Earth ('68) *** 356194				Column South 962425	
(22) TNN		22	The Waltons 482999		Today's Country		Prime Time Country		Monday Night Concerts		Dallas 208864 (TVPG)		Dukes of Hazzard	
(23) TNT		23	Babylon 5 475609		WCW Monday Nitro 555406 (TVPG-V)						Joe Kidd (PG, '72) ** (Clint Eastwood) 588154			
(24) BRAV		24	Bennett's New York		Belle Epoque ('92) *** 267777				Lovers (R, '92) *** (Victoria Abril) 661067				Arts	Bennett
(26) BET		26	Planet Groove 299241				Hit List 290970		Comicview 287406		BET Tonight 280593		227	Mid. Love
(27) DISN		27	Young Musicians Symphony Orchestra		The Preacher's Wife (PG, '96) ** (Denzel Washington, Whitney Houston) 8102512				Aladdin (9:05)	Aladdin (9:35)	Walt Disney Presents 633661 (TVG)		Mickey Mouse Club 265319 (TVG)	
(28) CNN		28	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live 539425		NewsStand: Time		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 939661	
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(30) USA		30	Xena: Warrior Princess 798241 (TVPG-V)		Walker, Texas Ranger 515845 (TV14-V)		WWF RAW 524593 (TVPG)		WWF War Zone 544357 (TVPG)		Silk Stalkings: Love Bandit 514116 (TV14-SV)		Highlander: Family Tree 964357 (TV14-V)	
(31) FX		31	Miami Vice 4902048		The X-Files 3584628		NYPD Blue 3560048		In Color	Bobcat's	The X-Files 3583999		NYPD Blue 6672951	
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(33) TLC		33	Vila's Home Again	Vila's Home Again	Extreme Machines 294661 (TVG)		War and Civilization 210609 (TVPG)		War and Civilization 290845 (TVPG)		Extreme Machines 293932 (TVG)		War and Civilization 627135 (TVPG)	
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(36) LIFE		36	Intimate Portrait 336425 (TVG)		Unsolved Mysteries 971512 (TVPG)		Nowhere to Hide ('94) ** (Rosanna Arquette, Scott Bakula) 993048				New Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Unsolved Mysteries
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(43) FSN		43	The Last Word	Fox Sports News	This Is the PGA Tour 11970		Tennis: Mercedes-Benz Cup, Final 80226				Fox Sports News 10241		Fox Sports News 26951	
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(51) HBO 3		51	Conspiracy Theory (4:45) (R, '97) 67440067		Private Resort (R, '85) * (Rob Morrow, Johnny Depp) 2385399			The Killing Jar (R, '97) * (Brett Cullen, Tamlyn Tomita) 2852945			Real Sports With Bryant Gumbel (10:15)		Weapons of Mass Distraction (11:15)	
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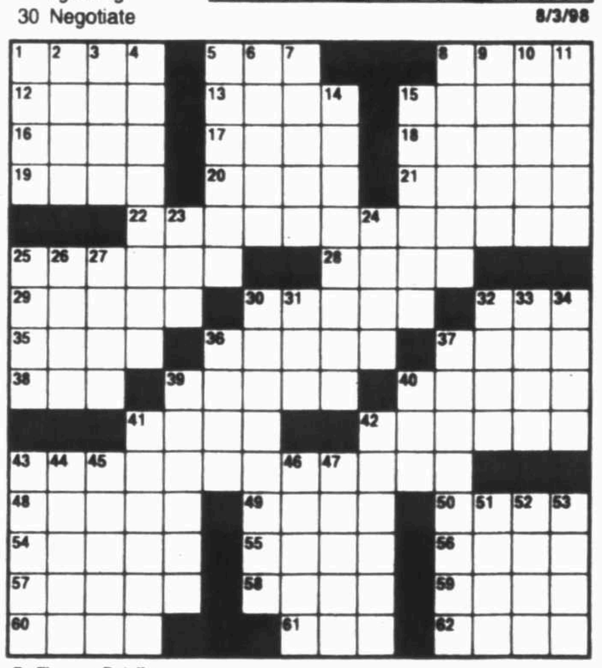

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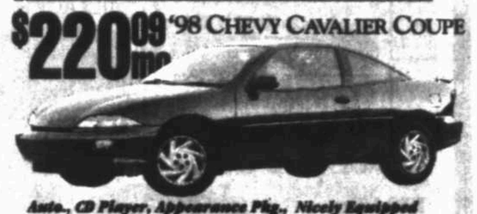

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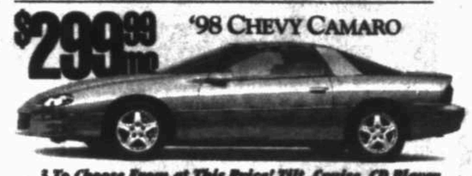

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Dear Mark & Dale:

Last year, I married a great guy. This is not the problem. The problem is that I work with his sister, and she was promoted over me. My department head told me that her promotion was based solely on her interview and performance. This lie has left me devastated. I no longer have faith in the company and my performance has deteriorated. My question is this: Is it worth it to resign myself to position of "also-ran," or do I tell the company to take their position and "go jump"? A "no snow" answer would be appreciated.—Gail

DALE: Jerry Seinfeld once observed that "nothing in life is 'fun for the entire family.'" And it's true for working together. Family members at work find themselves in a "role warp" that creates internal tensions even when everyone involved has the best intentions. And I've seen those tensions ruin businesses and families, sometimes both.

MARK: Well, thank you, Mr. Optimism. But the real tension Gail is experiencing is between her perceived options: She can stay at the company and feel cheated, or seek revenge by leaving. Who wants to flip that coin?

DALE: It isn't clear from Gail's letter why she was passed over. She may have something to learn from her sister-in-law. People aren't promoted solely because of past performance. They are promoted because of their expected performance at the next level. Maybe her sister-in-law has traits worthy of emulating, or maybe Gail has a perceived flaw. Since you asked for a "no snow" response, Gail, here's what we know from your letter: Your reaction to being passed over was to (1) call your boss a liar, (2) lose faith in the company and (3) let your performance deteriorate. Could it be that management considers you to be too volatile to promote?

MARK: But you can't blame her for letting her environment affect her attitude. It happened to me recently, and my "mood" affected everything I did. I finally realized, the hard way, that who you are and how you feel is up to you. It's the only way you can take credit for what you achieve.

DALE: The truth is that most of us make lousy saints. When people try to overcome their environments by sheer force of will, most fail. As the saying goes: Given enough time, water is stronger than rock. So I'd urge Gail to use her willpower wisely, to try to learn from her sister-in-law and at the same time prepare herself for a job search.

MARK: It may be that her future is at her current company, but whether it is or not, she has to use adversity to become stronger, to let it fuel her desire to prove her value to her employer and to future employers.

Dear Mark & Dale:

What do you fellows think about hiring a professional coach for helping you on your career path ?—Rick

MARK: A coach is not a good idea for those who know exactly what they want and exactly how to get there. For the rest of us, it's a good idea.

DALE: I've only known a handful of people who have used a coach, but each one says it more than paid for itself. And that includes one entrepreneur who pays his coach $2,000 a hour.

MARK: I'd like to meet the coach of that coach.

DALE: One reason a coach can accomplish more than a spouse or pal or mentor is the accountability to someone whom you're paying for advice. You know that you're going to be asked if you followed up. That's part of the genius of the Dale Carnegie courses—you get an assignment and the next week you report back to the group. Unlike a book or cassette tape, you don't just get suggestions, you get experiences, and then those experiences are reinforced by discussing them.

MARK: A coach is a cross between a consultant and a friend, and that's why the chemistry is so important. If you want to try the coach experience, a prospective coach should give you references to check, and many will offer a trial session to "get the feel." Most coaching is done over the phone, and costs vary widely, from $150 to $1,000 a month. You can get referrals from the Coach Federation at 888-BE-MY-COACH.

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BENCH TECHNICIAN- Full time position. 40 hours per week guaranteed. Independent worker, fast learner, self-motivated, phone and converter installation preferred. Dependable transportation, valid driver license and proof of insurance required. All applicants must be 18 years or older. Apply at 15 Byron Rd., 694-8240, Monday- Friday 10 am - 4 pm

GENERAL
We're Looking... For Special People
to grow with our 1 year old company. Sales oriented preferred, but will train the right person. High school diploma. Apply in person only 8:30- 11 am or 1- 3 pm, Monday through Friday.
Outsource Resources
10601 W. County Rd. 127
(Near Warfield's)

CASHIERS NEEDED, full time. Apply in person at 2210 North Big Spring, Midland, TX.

PRESSMAN TRAINEE

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has a full time opening in its Production Department for the position of ***Pressman Trainee*** *for our Harris N-1650 Printing Presses.*

This 5- 6 day per week, fast- paced, deadline-oriented position requires night shift/ weekend work with strong emphasis on safety.

The Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program.

Send resume to:

John Maddox, Production Director
Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702

or come by 201 E. Illinois, to fill out application.

$$$$ SIGN ON BONUS $$$$
TRANSIT MIX CONCRETE & MATERIALS CO.
Is now hiring full time mixer drivers (Class A or B CDL) license required. Must also have excellent motor vehicle record and verifiable work references. Applicant must be 21 years of age, meet DOT requirements, pass a pre-employment road test, physical and pre- employment drug screening. Competitive wages and excellent benefits package offered including medical, dental, profit sharing, pension plan and safety bonus. All interested applicants please apply in person at 2608 North FM 1788, Midland, Texas or call 915-561-9408.

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram is looking for Independent Contractors to help collect for new newspaper subscriptions. Great income potential, set your own hours. Excellent for retirees & others. If interested, call Tonya Brandon, 687-8807, leave message.

310 General Help Wanted

MIDLAND COMMUNITY Theatre seeks people oriented person to oversee box office. This person will work a flexible work week. Skills needed include: organization, customer service, computer experience and grace under pressure. Please send cover letter and resume to: Tim Jebsen, MCT, 2000 W. Wadley, Midland, TX 79705.

PINOCCHIO'S PIZZA. Our Business continues to grow! We are now hiring all positions- Cooks, Cashiers & Delivery Drivers. Drivers can earn $8-$10 Hour. Must have valid drivers license & insurance. Must be 18 or older. Please apply in person at 3303 N Midkiff, San Miguel Square. No phone calls.

310 General Help Wanted

REFRIGERATION SERVICE Technician with experience desired. Refrigerant certification preferable. Current Texas drivers license required. Salary DOE. Send resume or job history to Box T-05121, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RESTAURANT
*** THE BAR ***
Now accepting applications for several lunch and full time waitstaff positions. Apply between 8:00 to 10:00 or 2:00 to 4 pm only- Monday through Friday. 606 W. Missouri, 685-1757.

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310 General Help Wanted

CODER
Scenic Mountain Medical Center has an excellent opportunity for a Full Time Medical Record Coder (ICD-9- CM & CPT). Knowledge of Code 3 Coding System is helpful. Must have the ability to interface with physicians and professional staff. Prefer ART, or CCS, however new graduates considered. Apply to: Human Resources Department, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. We offer competitive salaries and good benefits package. EOE

310 General Help Wanted

BLIND BOX REPLIES
When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: **(this is an example)**
BOX Z-01
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702
Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222.
We do not open or screen any mail that has a blind box number on the envelope. The Midland Reporter-Telegram shall not be responsible for any disclosures of information, loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

CLEANING Person needed for Motorcoach company located near airport. Must be a detail oriented person, have reliable transportation, and have flexible hours (some weekends and evenings). Complete benefits package offered. Call 561-8529.

COMPUTER REPAIR person needed to work on Macintosh SE. Please call A-1 Sign, 682-4503.

COOK/ CARETAKER needed for personal care home. Full time care for elderly ladies and gentlemen. 687-2503.

DELIVERY Person needed part time. Heavy lifting required, random drug screening. Monday- Friday 1 -6 pm, all day Saturday. Apply Carter's Furniture, 501 E. Illinois after 1 pm.

DISHWASHERS, Line Attendants needed full time Contact Mr. Chambers at Furr's Cafeteria, 694-1619

DRIVER OTR Truck Driver needed. Clean CDL, Hazmat, 5 years experience in Midwest area, 523-9678.

DRIVER WANTED. Clean driving record, must be 25 or older and pass drug test. Apply in person, B & B Wrecker Service, 1607 W Florida, Midland.

EXPERIENCED Truck Accessory Installer. Tire experience a plus. Pick up application at Dan Fender Tire Co., 1400 W Florida. No phone calls please.

FASHION CLEANERS is now taking applications for our laundry department. We are looking for a person to press shirts. Must be dependable. Apply in person at 801 W. Wall.

FOR RESUMES that get results call 699-1919. Conventional or computer scannable. Professional, fast, affordable service.

Fuddrucker's now hiring for all positions: cook, busser, dining room staff. Competitive pay and benefits. Apply at Midland Park Mall location.

FULL TIME Cooks position. Monday- Saturday evenings. $7- $15 per hour depending on experience. Apply at Red Mesa Grill, 2401 Gregg Street, Big Spring, Texas.

FULL TIME or part time wait person and cashier needed. Call Blue Star Inn 682-4231, for interview.

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and Class C drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

HANDY PERSON needed to build buildings and lot clean up. Must have own tools. Morgan Buildings & Spas, 12000 W. Hwy. 80 E. (1/4 mile east of Water Wonderland).

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

MACHINEST NEEDED. Engine lathe operator, minimum 4 years experience. Must be able to read blue prints, must have own tools. Benefits include paid vacation, uniforms, holidays and medical insurance. Salary is DOE. 686-0405.

NURSES UNLIMITED, Inc. needs Personal Care Attendants. Please call Gabrielle, Monday- Friday, 8:00 am- 5:00 pm. 1-915-580-2000. EOE.

PART TIME entry level position available at a Bio-Medical facility. No experience necessary. Will train. Please contact Tony or Robbie at 522-2300 or apply at 4200 West Illinois, Space 140.

PERMANENT PART- Time Position. Ar you bored with working behind a desk all day? Are you looking for a position that would be challenging both physically and mentally? We are looking for you! We want people who are detail oriented, energetic, dependable, and who have flexible daytime hours, with dependable transportation, some Windows knowledge and a grocery, drug, or mass merchandising background. We pay $6.50 an hour with mileage reimbursed at .25¢ per mile. This job averages 20 hours a week but can go higher. Send letter of interest or resume to: Information Resources, Inc., Personnel Department, #15 Byron Road, Midland, TX 79706 or fax us at: 915-689-9942.

310 General Help Wanted

PIANIST & ORGANIST needed immediately by Church. Experience important. Please respond to Barry Dowell at 697-3101 days; 699-7430 evenings for interview.

☆LABORERS☆
Local manufacturing company is seeking laborers-general work, no experience required will train. Come by 2501 E. I-20, Midland, between 9- 5 Monday thru Friday.

PREMIER PARKING now hiring Drivers. Must be 18 years of age, have valid Texas drivers license. Drug screen required. Apply in person at Midland Air Terminal.

REPRESENTATIVES
Needed- sell Avon part time-full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

RESTAURANT- Kitchen Prep. Lunches only. Will train. Apply in person, Mr. Reuben's Restaurant, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Midland.

RESTAURANT- Michael's Charcoal Grill now hiring Fry Cook. 11 am- 2 pm, Monday through Saturday. Apply in person, 723 W. Wadley.

RESTAURANT- Murray's Delicatessen now hiring enthusiastic, out- going Waitstaff & Kitchen Help willing to work hard and make money! Apply in person, 3211 W. Wadley, Midland.

RESTAURANT. Cattle Baron is now hiring servers and cooks. Apply in person Monday through Friday 2 to 5. No phone calls please. 418 W. Wadley.

RESTAURANT. Do you have a great smile and outgoing personality? Do you like working with people? Are you 18 years of age or older? If so we would like to talk to you. We currently have openings for Cashiers. Come to Fuddrucker's at the Midland Park Mall to apply.

RESTAURANT. Domino's Pizza is now hiring delivery drivers and Manager Candidates. Highest pay of any national chain in Midland. Apply today at any Midland Domino's.

RESTAURANT. Luby's now accepting applications. Apply 8-10 am only. Equal Opportunity Employer.

ROUTE DRIVER. Requirements: clean driving record, highway driving ability, able to do heavy lifting. Customer oriented. Good math aptitude helpful. This is an unlimited income opportunity. Experience preferred, but will train the right individual. Apply in person, Snowhite Laundry, 303 S. Terrell, Midland. Or fax resume to: 915-682-8032. No phone calls please.

SPA TECH with plumbing and electrical knowledge needed for spa repairs and deliveries. Truck preferred. Drug testing required. Apply at Morgan Buildings and Spas, 12000 W. Hwy. 80 E., 1/4 mile east of Water Wonderland.

TEACHER NEEDED by Child Care Center. 2 years experience in a child care center preferred. Non- smoking environment. Full range of benefits which include vacation, holidays, personal time and when available, college scholarships. Call 689-6309 or apply at 1007 Austin, Midland.

TEACHER/ CHILD Care Giver for child care center, working with 3 year old children. Full time. College Child Development or CDA helpful. Call Mama Bear's Cottage. 684-5009.

THE BAGEL WHEEL now has an opening from 6 am to 2 pm. Apply in person. 2101 W. Wadley.

TRAVEL AGENCY. Professional agent with 3 + years experience to start immediately. Salary $1,500-$2,200 month, DOE. Please send resume with salary history and requirements to: Travel Agent, Amera Travel, P.O. Box 50562, Midland, TX 79710.

WAIT & BAR Staff needed. Great atmosphere & great tips. Apply in person, 2:00 pm- 5:00 pm, Monday- Friday at Tejas Bar & Grill, 310 W Texas, Suite 101- Downtown Midland.

WAITSTAFF & Hostess position available. Apply between 1 pm - 3 pm weekdays. 4400 N. Midland Dr., Suite 504.

311 Medical Help Wanted

MEDICAL CODER
- Knowledge of DRG's, APC's Reimbursement
- Understanding of HCFA Regulations
- Prefer ART, RRA, CCS
- Minimum 2 years experience

For more information contact
Odessa Regional Hospital
Human Resources Dept
915-334-8397
EOE

C.N.A. CLASSES- now taking applications. For more information call (915)683-5403, ask for Brandy.

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES. Terrace West Nursing Center, has current openings for Certified Nurse Aides on all shifts. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

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312 Professional Help Wanted

INFORMATION SYSTEMS SUPPORT

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has a full-time position open in its Information Systems department. Our multi-server network of Macintosh & NT 4.0 servers includes about 90 workstations on a mix of Macintosh & Windows 95 platforms. The position will be responsible for supporting users, upgrading/minor repair of systems, & general network support.

Our facility is a 7-day a week printing production environment. The hours for this position will primarily be 7 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday... however, other evening or weekend overtime hours will be required as needed. Since our shop is basically a 2 1/2 person operation, the position will require the individual to be on call via pager.

Only experienced individuals should apply. Previous work history in this area, along with verifiable references will be required. Knowledge of publishing programs such as QuarkXpress, Photoshop, & Multi-Ad Creator, as well as Postscript output experience to high resolution RIPs and Imagesetters is a plus. Salary DOE.

The Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including insurance & 401K program.

Come by & fill out an application, or send resume to:

Chip McCarver, IS Director Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

Interviews will begin around the first week of August.

LAND ASSISTANT

Sonat Exploration Company, a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company, is seeking a Land Assistant for our Midland, Texas office. Qualified candidates will have a minimum of five years' oil and gas industry work experience. Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work in a team environment are a must. Primary responsibilities include preparation of leases, lease purchase reports and land contracts; assist landmen on projects; land department filing, and set-up/ maintenance of land well, lease and contract files. Requires proficient PC skills (MS Windows, Word and Excel a plus), and experience with land mapping software (i.e. Geographix).

We offer our employees a comprehensive benefits package, an excellent working environment, and competitive salaries. Qualified candidates should send or fax their resume to:

SONAT

Sonat Exploration Company
Human Resources
P.O. Box 12878
Oklahoma City, OK 73157-2878
Fax: 405-749-6505
EEO/ AAP/ M/F/D/V

GENERAL AGENT OPPORTUNITY

Growing insurance company seeks General Agent to manage Midland-Odessa area. This is an established territory. Unlimited growth opportunity. Excellent employee benefits. Do you qualify? Excellent employee benefits. Do you qualify? Call Dennis Best, CLU, ChFc, Regional Director of Agencies at 1-800-292-2548 or mail/fax resume to:

Catholic Life Insurance
P.O. Box 659527
San Antonio, TX 78265-9527
Fax: (210)828-4629

Equal Opportunity Employer

311 Medical Help Wanted

DENTAL ASSISTANT/ Receptionist with experience needed for general practice. To apply fax resume complete with salary history to (915)683-1409 or send to: Dental Position, P.O. Box 8560, Midland, 79708.

DENTAL- CHAIR Side Dental assistant needed for root canal practice. Call 685-1717

DENTAL/ HYGIENE Assistant. We need to add an experienced, enthusiastic, team member to our growing practice. Must have excellent communication skills and be able to take, develop and mount x-rays. Quality oriented practice with great working atmosphere. We know you are out there! Bring resume by Dr. Lou Ann Gray, 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 220, Midland.

EXPERIENCED CNA'S- all shifts, PRN available. No phone calls. Apply at 3201 Sage, Midland. EOE.

★ ENERGETIC

RECEPTIONIST needed for busy pediatric dental office. This multi- tasked position requires a team player who works well with the public. Excellent benefits. please bring resume by 100 North "N" street.

INSURANCE/ COLLECTION experience needed for doctor's office. Mail resume: Box T-05131, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LVN needed for busy physician's office, Monday-Friday. Non smoking environment. Call Rita at 682-5385.

LVN'S AND RN'S wanted. PRN positions available. No Phone calls. Apply at 3201 Sage, Midland. EOE

MEDICAL- Midland Dialysis Center now accepting applications for Reuse Tech. Experience preferred but not necessary. Great salary, benefits. If interested apply 731 W. Wadley Bldg K, or fax resume to 915-687-5008 or contact Doro Flores at 687-1201.

OPTOMETRIC RECEPTIONIST/ assistant for busy office, immediate opening. Experience preferred. Serious inquiries only. Bring resume to: 3327 W. Wadley, Suite #2, Midland. (HEB shopping center next to Ski Skeller).

VISITING NURSES of Del Rio, Inc. is now accepting applications for home care providers. For more information or application, please call our office at 915-943-2753 or 1-800-532-0421. EOE.

312 Professional Help Wanted

ACCOUNTANT FOR several small businesses. Great Plains software a must. Complete F/ S F/ T, 941, P/ R, Taxes. On contract or part time basis. Oil related experience helpful. Send complete resume and phone number with experience and educational background to P.O. Box 3251. Midland, TX 79701.

AUTO MECHANICS Instructor- Lamesa I.S.D. is looking for instructor. Please call Ron Mayfield, (806)872-5461.

312 Professional Help Wanted

CREDIT CLERK- Full time credit clerk position open at Western National Bank in Odessa. Successful applicants will process the following qualifications: Banking experience in loan documentation, security agreements, guarantees, and loan agreements. Computer experience in CFI Laserpro, Pedestal, or other computer based document preparation software, Microsoft Word and Excel. Applications/ resumes accepted at 801 N. Texas, Odessa, TX, or fax to 915-332-4192. EOE.

PRO SNIPS has immediate openings for Hairstylist. Apply in person at 1000 N Midkiff.

RESUMES- Professional recruiter will re- do/ create your resume! $25 up. Christine Kalmbach, CTS. 684-5726.

RIO GRANDE Electric Cooperative, Inc. (RGEC) will be accepting applications for a First Class Lineman's position in the Cooperative's Marfa office. Excellent benefits package included. Applicants must be able and willing to work under adverse weather conditions, including holidays, overtime and weekend duty. Must have physical stamina to climb poles, trim trees, lift heavy objects, operate equipment and tools. Must possess a valid Texas driver's license with a clear driving record and be able to obtain a CDL License within 90 days from the date of hire. Applications may be picked up or requested from any RGEC office and mailed to: RGEC, Administrative Department, P.O. Box 1509, Bracketville, Texas 78832. Applications must be postmarked on or before August 12, 1998. RGEC is an EOE.

TEACHING/ COACHING Vacancies: 1). Head basketball coach with English/ Science or English/ Physical Education teaching fields. 2). Business teacher with computer skills. Salary: $24,396- $44,255. Contact: Superintendent, Jal Public Schools, Box 1386, Jal, NM 88252, Phone (505)395-2101, Fax (505)395-2146.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 689-6607.

LEGAL SECRETARY. Midland law firm seeks experienced secretary to assist attorneys in commercial, oil and gas, corporate and litigation practice. Must be proficient in Windows 95 and WordPerfect, with ability to manipulate advanced functions in word processing software. Legal secretarial experience preferred. Send resume, including list of computer software expertise, to: Box P-06118, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT. Dynamic, growing local, manufacturing company needs person with good computer and secretarial skills. Must be organized, a good communicator and have excellent people skills, 401K profit sharing plan, medical insurance plan. Send resume to: Box P-06117, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

Administrative Assistant

Seeking applicants for the position of Administrative Assistant. Qualified candidate must be proficient in typing contracts and have experience with Microsoft Office 97- Word, Excel & PowerPoint software programs. Must have excellent communication skills including good telephone etiquette in dealing with customers. A background in production and oil movements is preferred. Responsibilities will include creating, maintaining, and updating Crude Oil Purchasing Agreements, answering phones, handling routine problems and inquiries, and providing administration support for local office. This offer will include highly attractive salary, benefits, and working conditions. To apply, please fax resume immediately, complete with salary history to (915)682-3041 or call (915) 682-2119 for more information.

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BOOKKEEPER/ Secretary needed for small independent oil and gas company. Half days, responsible for all aspects of oil and gas accounting. basic secretarial skills, good computer skills required. Fax resume to 915-687-5046.

CNA'S Needed- Good Starting Pay! Apply in person Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage St.

EXPERIENCE COUNTS
* Secretarial * Oil & Gas
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FULL CHARGE Bookkeeper with experienced. Willingness to learn new software, mail resumes only to: 615 W. Missouri, Suite 501 D, Midland, TX 79701.

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JOBS AVAILABLE
Select Staff
915-687-1545

PART TIME Secretary needed at Morgan Buildings & Spas. Apply in person, 12000 W. Hwy. 80 E., (1/4 mile east of Water Wonderland).

R. H. TYPING. Professional typing service. Call 520-7658. Pick up and delivery available.

★ DP PERSONNEL ★
Temp & Permanent Positions
Benefits & Bonuses Available
682–0033 or 570-0197

SHERRY OWEN, State Farm Insurance Agency, has an opportunity for a Customer Service Rep., for an ARTICULATE, INTELLIGENT, FRIENDLY & CARING individual with two years of college. Present your transcript and resume at: 2611B N. Midland Dr., Monday- Friday, 9:00 am- 5:00 pm.

SMALL OFFICE needs part time accounts payable, general ledger clerk. May work into full time. 684-8782.

V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES- Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits. (915) 686–9722.

316 Sales Help Wanted

COUNTER/ Parts Person with experience. Apply in person at 5405 W. Industrial (west of loop), or call 697-2203.

316 Sales Help Wanted

***Assistant Manager/ Sales Director**
Extensive sales background, computer skills, excellent communication and customer service skills required. Apply in person or mail resume to: Midland Comfort Suites, 4706 N. Garfield, Midland, TX 79705

WE NEED a few good salespeople. Work for one of the largest manufactured home retailers with the very best built home on the market today. If you are committed to earning $100K plus, not afraid of long hours and have the desire to succeed, we would like to talk to you. We offer group insurance, 401K, and a good draw plan. See Byron Cook or Ron Burnett at Nationwide Homes, 6910 W. Hwy 80, Midland.

OUTSIDE SALES Position- A deep knowledge of paints and industrial coatings is required. Salary plus commission and benefits. Send resumes to: The Paint Center, 2821 South 1st, Abilene, Texas 79605.

RETAIL SALES. Must be knowledgeable in motorcycles and have verifiable retail sales experience. Applications may be filled out from 9 am til noon Monday thru Friday at Golden Suzuki Honda Kawasaki Yamaha, 306 E. 2nd, Odessa.

318 Management Help Wanted

THE BAR is accepting applications/ resumes for Management position, Bartending experience a must. Bring resumes & references to The Bar at 606 W Missouri between the hours of 8:00 am- 10:00 am, Monday- Thursday.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

BACKHOE OPERATOR and Road Grader, experience needed. Apply in person, Rusty's Oil Field Service Co. Inc., 756-2821.

CHEMIST/ LAB Tech needed at local oil and gas analytical laboratory. Please call (915)337-4744.

ENGINEER/ Landman to evaluate and package production deals. Must be honest, trustworthy with good computer skills. Riviera Energy Corporation, PO Box 50545, Midland, Texas 79710 or fax 915-686-9494.

LAFAYETTE LOUISIANA

It's a well known fact, that many living in Midland moved from Louisiana. The question is, do you want to bo back. We have multiple openings for

- GEOPHYSICISTS and
- UNIX SYSTEM ADMIN.

In the oil and gas industry with excellent pay, sign on: bonus and more. If interested, call us at (713) 771-7181 or fax your resume to (713)771-4444.

CONTINENTAL PERSONNEL

OIL FIELD- Experience Rig Mechanic wanted. Must be willing to work shop and field, have own tools, experienced on CATS, Detroits and able to work on draworks. Contact Ron Settell, Big A Well Service, Farmington, NM (505)327-4961.

WANTED: Salesperson with or without a product line to sell a line of industrial products. Call 570-7076.

320 Skilled Trades

BACKHOE OPERATOR needed. Honest, dependable. Minimum 5 years experience in field work. Pre employment drug screening required. TCO Field Service, 2605 Garden City Highway.

CABINET MAKER. Campbell Construction Company seeking experienced Cabinet Maker. Layout & Cutout experience a must. Benefits & advancement possibilities. Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland, Texas 79705 or send resume to P.O. Box 11293, Midland, Texas 79702, Salary DOE.

ELITE DRYWALL now hiring drywall finishers. At least 2 years experience. Call 685-0877.

ESTABLISHED plumbing company now hiring Master and Journeyman Plumbers. Send responses to: P.O. Box 3493, Midland, Texas 79702.

EXPERIENCED Tile Setters Helper wanted. Leave name & number, 570-5831.

FASHION CLEANERS is now taking applications in our dry cleaning department. We are looking for someone with skills or training in Stain Removal from clothing. Experience is a plus but not necessary. Must be very dependable and responsible. Benefits. Apply in person at 801 W. Wall.

FORM SETTERS and Concrete Finishers with expenence needed. Call 563-0458.

FRAMING, METAL Studs, drywall hangers. Experienced need only apply, 559-4879.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT Operator with experience needed. Salary DOE, benefits available. Come grow with us! Call for interview, 620-8282.

LOOKING FOR licensed plumbers and experienced sheet metal mechanics and helpers. To start work immediately. Please call 686-0002.

MACHINE SHOP Foreman wanted. Must have tool, die and CNC experience. Pay is equal to knowledge and experience. Send resume to: P.O. Box 12049, Lubbock, TX 79452.

PAINTERS & Drywall Finishers needed. Must have 5 years experience. Apply in person, 1905 W Industrial. 570-8558.

PAINTERS, PAINTERS Helpers, tape, bed, texture, 2 years experience. Leave message 559-4879. Start immediately.

320 Skilled Trades

POSITIONS OPEN for Seismic Graphing, 8 Line Helpers, 2- 3 Troubleshooters and 3 Cable Repairers for Crew 702. Call (806)826-1031.

WANTED: Automotive Technician. GM, Chrysler, Dodge experienced needed. Hours 8:00 am to 6:00 Monday through Friday. Some Saturdays, 8:00 am to 12:00 Noon. Salary negotiable. Apply in person at 1115 South Gaston, Crane, Texas 79731.

WANTED: Experienced Commercial Licensed Plumber. Permanent position, top pay. Apply in person at Permian Air Conditioning, Inc. at 311 West 42nd, Odessa.

336 Adult Care Providers

STATE BOARD Certified CNA will care for elderly. Please call 682-4159 or 683-2610 for information.

INHOME CARE for all your in home health needs. Bathing, cooking, cleaning, running errands, etc. Give us a call for more information at 570-4475, ask for Tonya or Jackie.

340 Child Care Needed

MATURE WOMAN to keep 8 month old in our home. References required. Leave message. 697-6083.

NANNY NEEDED, need a loving individual to care for a two year old in my home. Must pick up 4 and 6 year old after school. Must be non smoker, have own reliable transportation, references will be checked. Monday through Friday 8 to 6. Contact Amy at 694-2462 between 6 to 9 pm.

341 Child Care Providers

MOTHER OF one would like to babysit your child in my home from 4:00 pm till whenever, will pick up. Call 699-4986 7 days per week.

TWO GRANDMOMMIES- active learning program for toddlers. Breakfast, lunch snacks, love, CPR. Excellent references. 694-9871.

❤ GRAMMY JACKIE Child care for 2- 5 year olds. 8- 6. Lots of love & attention. 682-4764.

(INFANTS ONLY) The most important little person in your life. Make the right decision. Call Jan, 697-2499.

CHILD CARE- daytime, 7 am- 6 pm, ages 2 to 4. Please call 697-6715.

CHILD CARE provider will keep your children in my home evenings and nights. References available. 522-7499.

350 Business Opportunities

LOCAL BUSINESSES for sale. Small and large. Some have low down payments and owner financing. Call for a free confidential interview- Sunbelt Business Brokers, 520-1515.

VENDING MACHINE Business for sale. 1 Crane refreshment center (Snacks & Drinks) and 3 Coke machines with locations. Call 694-9737.

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Attention Readers
Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card number or bank information.
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PREOWNED ROLEX WATCHES • DIAMOND & GOLD JEWELRY
Monday, August 3, 1998 - 7:00 p.m.
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Consignments of Released Assets (pieces of jewelry) held by law enforcement agents under the R.I.C.O. Act have been released to the original legal owners, a non-government U.S. Corporation by Order of the Court and the Honorable Judge Virgil C. Black. The released jewelry shall be offered at this large public auction along w/agent owned goods & consignments of U.S. Corporate Property not guaranteed or offered by the government. No guarantee as to value, quality or condition on any items offered. **TERMS**: Cash, Visa, MC, AMEx, Discover, accepted w/proper ID. U.S. Checks accepted with bank letter written EXACTLY as follows on bank letterhead: (Bank Name) guarantees irrevocable unqualified payment to Fabian Enterprises, Inc. for an amount up to ($_____) written by (your name), Acct.# (____). Plus no less than a 30 day expiration, bank officers signature, title and current date. Without letter written EXACTLY as stated above your bank letter will not be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS. 7.5% Buyers Premium on all Airplanes, Motorcycles & Autos, 15% on all other Items. No refunds, no exchanges, no returns, all sales final. **COURT ORDERED AUTOS**: Late Model Executive, Import & Sport Models, will be physically present & displayed inside the bldg. List of autos, terms & answers to questions concerning autos available 1 hr before auction only and not before. **AIRPLANES**: 1983 Cessna 172RG. **BOATS**: 1989 33' Tiara Sport Fish. Airplanes and Boats offered by pictorial display. The highest bidder will be given an opportunity to inspect them within 5 days after the auction with satisfaction guaranteed before finial payment & closing. More detailed info including A&E times, avionics & terms of airplane and boat payment available 1 hr before auction only & not before. **MOTORCYCLE**: 1997 Harley Davidson Road King. Motorcycle by pictorial display. **COIN COLLECTION**: Numerous U.S. Gold & Silver Coins. **COMPUTERS**: Computers & printers. Pre-owned **ROLEX Watches**. Some with genuine non-Rolex after-market accessories such as beautiful custom DIAMOND dials, Custom DIAMOND Bezels, also custom solid 18K gold bands. Numerous men's & women's models offered. **JEWELRY**: Several beautiful men's & women's diamond solitaire rings. Solid gold necklaces & bracelets w/diamonds & precious stones, over 100 men's & women's fashion & cocktail rings w/diamonds, rubies, emeralds, opals, amethysts, sapphires, etc., some up to 8 ct. Solid Gold chains, necklaces & coin rings. Note: A large dealer lot of precious & semiprecious gemstones offered in both individual & dealer lots. This is a partial listing only. Some item's are subject to availability and reserves. Bring your money & enjoy the spectacle & power of this one time, one night only U.S. Corporate Property auction. STEPHEN G. FABIAN, JR., a professional, licensed auctioneer, Lics #10890. Phone (405) 340-1510. The assets shall be offered at an auction open to the public with free admission.

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410 Misc. Sales

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Bdrm	Bedroom
Ba	Bath
Kit	Kitchen
Dbl	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst Bdrm	Master Bdrm
Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA	Qualifying
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Ac	Acre
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