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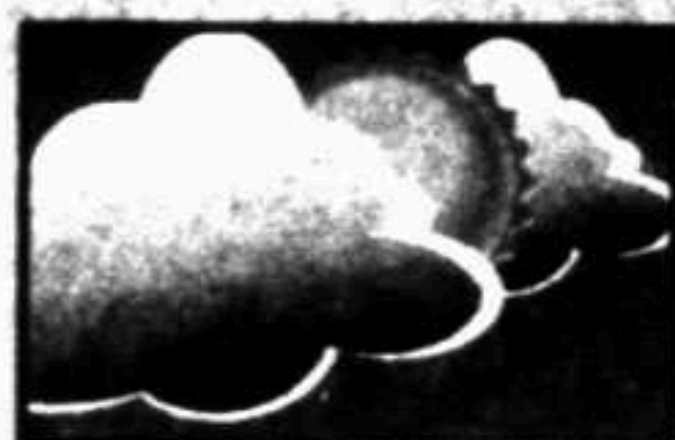
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A Camel cigarette ad looms over the corner of 42nd Street and Eighth Avenue in New York. The controversial cartoon character Joe Camel is being dropped for a new advertising campaign, R.J. Reynolds announced Thursday. The character will be replaced by the ordinary, more lifelike camel on the label of the cigarette packs.

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War crimes

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — NATO forces captured three Bosnian Serbs and killed one who resisted arrest Thursday, delivering a stark warning to war crimes suspects that they no longer can be intrepid — or count on being ignored. The move by British troops in northwest Bosnia did not target top suspects, but did signal a tough new effort to nail them.

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Neanderthal DNA

LONDON — There's no sign of Neanderthals lurking in our family tree, researchers declare, saying that DNA from a Neanderthal skeleton is helping resolve one of the great debates of human evolution. Genetic differences indicate the Neanderthals were a different species than the early humans who swept them aside.

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Bush: 'I'm running for re-election'

■ Spokesman says 'official' re-election announcement is still pending.

By Michael Holmes
Associated Press

AUSTIN — He's soft-spoken about it, but Gov. George W. Bush is telling supporters he will seek re-election next year.

In louder voices, Republicans call it bad news for Democrats. But Democratic leaders say they aren't about to concede a race that so far has no Democratic candidate.

Bush told a fund-raising event for state Rep. Beverly Woolley, R-Houston, this week that, "I've just returned from a retreat with (my wife) Laura and I have an announcement to make: I'm running for re-election."

The Houston Chronicle reported that the crowd of 250 attending the event in a private home wildly applaud-

ed his announcement.

Last month, The Associated Press obtained copies of a Bush mailing asking supporters for campaign contributions to get his re-election bid "off to a good start."

But for the record, Bush spokesman Ray Sullivan said Thursday that an "official" re-election announcement remains pending. Still, there's no doubt what that announcement will be.

"Gov. Bush is telling friends and supporters privately that he intends to seek re-election. He will make a formal announcement at a later date," Sullivan said.

Any chance of a change of heart?

"Unlikely," Sullivan conceded.

Bush is only the second Republican elected governor since Reconstruction. But so far, no Democrat has decided to challenge him. Four-term Land Commissioner Garry Mauro is considering the race but has made no announcement.

The 1998 election also presents an unusual opportunity for Republican hopefuls in the five other po-

statewide races.

Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who's held statewide office since 1974, is stepping down. Democratic Comptroller John Sharp and Republican Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry are vying for that job. Only Democratic Attorney General Dan Morales is seeking re-election.

"I don't see anybody out there on the horizon that could prevent anything but a landslide victory for Gov. Bush," GOP consultant Mark Sanders said.

"Not only his decision to seek re-election is important. The margin of his victory is going to be important for the Republican Party. I truly believe this is the (election) cycle where Republicans can sweep the entire ticket," Sanders said.

Although he suffered a big loss in the just-concluded legislative session — lawmakers chopped his \$3 billion property tax rollback plan by two-thirds — Bush

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ROT separatists arraigned, won't enter any pleas

FORT DAVIS (AP) — Republic of Texas leader Richard McLaren and three followers refused to enter pleas at their arraignment Thursday on charges stemming from a weeklong standoff with state authorities.

McLaren, Gregg Paulson, Karen Paulson, and Robert Otto were also without attorneys during the hearing before 394th District Judge Kenneth DeHart. All but Otto have refused representation, the judge said.

"I had to enter a plea of not guilty for all of them," DeHart said.

Asked if the hearing followed normal procedures, since Republic followers refuse to recognize Texas courts, DeHart said: "There were some unusual things. But being the judge I'd rather not comment on them."

McLaren and his followers have each been indicted on a single charge of engaging in organized criminal activity, a first degree felony carrying a penalty of five to 99 years or life in prison.

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Mixed chemicals cause a scare at Alamo YMCA pool

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

An inadvertent mixing of swimming pool chemicals caused a scare — but no injuries — late Wednesday at the Alamo Center YMCA on Midland Drive.

A lifeguard was reportedly transporting some powdered chlorinator for the outdoor pool and was carrying the chemical in a bucket through the indoor pool facility, explained George Fiero, director of Midland's YMCAs.

Unbeknownst to the lifeguard, however, was the presence of a separate chemical in the bottom of the bucket and just enough water to spark a reaction in the chemicals.

The bucket erupted and repeated explosions expelled dangerous chlorine gas that witnesses compared to the sound of firecrackers popping one after the other.

"It created fumes and a chlorine smell," Fiero said.

The lifeguard dropped the bucket, although some of the chemicals got on his leg, and YMCA staff quickly evacuated 25 to 30 children and adults from the pool area.

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Doyle Jones, wearing dunce cap, from Arlington, and others protest outside the Governor's Mansion Thursday, in Austin. They are opposed to the new education standards curriculum approved earlier in the day by the Texas Board of Education.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Summer in the City

Arlena Jefferson and her 9-year-old granddaughter Elizabeth McCoy enjoy some of the giant ice cream sundaes that children whipped up Thursday evening following performances by the Oops Alley clown troupe at Centennial Plaza.

Tax legislation could mean higher costs to fly

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Tax relief legislation passed by both the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate is pitting the nation's major air carriers against the smaller lower-fare carriers.

Depending on how the conference committee — which on Thursday began hammering out a final tax relief bill to send to President Clinton — decides the issue, Midlanders may be paying more to fly.

The proposal from the Senate Finance Committee would extend the current 10-percent tax (which expires Sept. 30), raise the flat tax on international round trips from \$6 to \$16 and levy an additional 10-percent tax on the domestic legs of international flights.

However, the Senate's top two Republicans, Majority Leader Trent Lott and Majority Whip Don Nickles, have announced their opposition to this additional tax.

The House proposal would lower the current 10-percent tax to 7.5 percent but add a \$2 fee for each flight segment, raising that fee to \$3 per segment in 2002. The tax on international flights would rise to \$31 from \$6.

"Southwest is in favor of the Senate version of the tax issue, which reinstates for 10 years the 10-percent ticket tax," said Melanie Jones, spokeswoman for Southwest Airlines, which flies out of Midland International Airport. "We feel it's an unbiased way to tax passengers for the services provided because they pay a percentage of the ticket price. That price is set by the airline; if an airline wants to lower its tax burden, it can lower its fares."

The House version, Ms. Jones said, would raise the carrier's costs dramatically.

"We are a short-haul, point-to-point carrier. Most of our passengers are going to travel on more than one leg and they'll pay that tax several times. With fares as low as we have, paying that 'head tax'

two or three times over is far greater than the 10-percent tax, which is what passengers are paying now."

"The 10-percent tax has been in place for years; it's worked, why change it?" she said.

Continental Airlines, which also flies out of Midland International Airport, supports the House plan as the better of the two options.

"We believe that the 10-percent ticket tax imposes an unfair burden on the passengers," explained Sarah Anthony, a spokeswoman for the airline. "The bottom line is the government taxes consumers pay based on the use of the system, nothing more and nothing less."

"The way it stands today, though, you're taxed on the cost of the ticket. That's how airline passengers pay to fund the Federal Aviation Administration's Aviation Trust Fund, through that 10-percent tax," Ms. Anthony said. "This is unfair because one person is paying more than another person. We'd like to

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Board of Education votes for new curriculum

■ Final action on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills standards set for today.

Associated Press

AUSTIN — When the process of developing new Texas education standards began, John Stevens' son was an eighth-grader. As the State Board of Education wraps up its work, the younger Stevens is about to begin his senior year of high school.

Debate over the standards has highlighted a divide on the 15-person board between six Republicans backed by religious conservatives — who among other objections say some standards aren't rigorous or specific enough — and other members.

The rift deepened with a 9-6 vote Thursday to approve, as a package, a new curriculum for English, math, science, health and social studies.

Final action is scheduled for Friday on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, which supporters say set high standards but give educators leeway in how to reach them.

For Stevens, who has worked on the standards as executive director of the Texas Business and Education Coalition, the important thing isn't the politics.

It's the superior education he believes his son, Jason, would have received under the new curriculum, which represents the first wholesale overhaul of education standards in more than a decade.

"He will not benefit at all from this," Stevens said of the rewrite, which he calls considerably stronger than existing standards.

"They establish learning standards that will serve our students well when they go out into the world."

Education board members already have approved a new curriculum for geometry, Algebra I and II and

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Hun Sen asserts authority; U.S. halts aid program to Cambodia

PHNOM PENH: Cambodia (AP) — Coup leader Hun Sen announced he alone was at the helm of Cambodia's government Thursday, warning other nations not to interfere and saying he would put his ousted rival on trial if he dared return.

Showing displeasure with Hun Sen's violent weekend takeover, the United States halted its \$25 million aid program to Cambodia on Thursday and Asian neighbors changed their mind about admitting Cambodia into their regional trading bloc.

"We hope very much that Hun Sen will reconsider his actions of going it alone, of rupturing the Paris peace accords and breaking the coalition government that had been in place for the last four years," U.S. State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said in Washington.

Frightened Cambodian opponents continued to flee the country along with hundreds of foreigners, while from exile, the ousted co-premier fought back.

First Prime Minister Prince Norodom Ranariddh implored the U.N. Security Council to deny recognition to Hun Sen's government and freeze international aid.

Ranariddh said the council must intervene because the United

Nations implemented the 1991 peace agreement that ended Cambodia's civil war.

"The question is to know whether you will accept or not the use of force as a solution to change the government," Ranariddh said during a meeting in New York with the council president, Peter Osvald of Sweden.

Osvald planned to discuss the request with the rest of the 15-member council. Ranariddh was heading to Washington today to meet with U.S. officials.

In Malaysia, the foreign ministers of the Association of Southeast Nations, the regional trade bloc known as ASEAN, indefinitely postponed Cambodia's entry into their ranks, deploring Hun Sen's use of force.

The measure is an enormous blow to Cambodia, both economically and politically, since never in its 30-year history has ASEAN been so repudiated a neighbor.

The group voted in May to admit Cambodia, Burma and Laos as full members on July 24. Burma and Laos will still be admitted.

Hun Sen shrugged off the ASEAN decision.

"I didn't die by not joining ASEAN before," he said in Phnom Penh in his first public appearance since the coup.

"No one can dissolve this government," he added, warning the international community against interfering.

Hun Sen insisted he had not seized power, noting that a few members of Ranariddh's political party were present at a Cabinet meeting Thursday. They were silent.

"It's a coup when the constitution remains in place?" he asked. "No politician has been arrested. Political parties remain untouched."

Hun Sen said Ranariddh's party was still part of the government, only would have to choose a new leader.

"We are on a boat which is a legal government," Hun Sen said, but added he is the only captain for now. "Ranariddh was on the boat. But he's the only one who jumped overboard."

Opposition lawmaker Tea Chamrath said Ranariddh's party has no plans to mount an armed resistance. He urged the party to prepare for elections in 1998, though it has little chance of winning with the prince out of the country and other leaders in hiding, missing or trying to flee.

At least two of Ranariddh's top associates have died in the custody of Hun Sen's men this week. Hun

Sen said he was "horrified" and regretted the deaths.

Hun Sen said Ranariddh was free to return to Cambodia but would have to stand trial for the "crimes" of negotiating peace with radical Khmer Rouge guerrillas, importing weapons and moving troops into the capital.

Ranariddh's party won U.N.-supervised elections in 1993. The

United Nations hailed its operations in Cambodia as a success, but has since been criticized for allowing Hun Sen's party to bully its way into the government.

Some 600 people headed to Bangkok, Thailand, on charter flights leaving Cambodia on Thursday. Among them were three members of Cambodia's royal family, at least one Cabinet min-

ister and several opposition members of parliament. Another 300 people, including five Americans, arrived in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

One opposition legislator wept as he left for Thailand.

"What we have worked for, for so long, has been destroyed by one man," said the legislator, Son Chhay.

Mudslide sweeps away Japanese town, kills 19

TOKYO (AP) — An avalanche of red mud, boulders and trees roared down on a southern Japanese city Thursday, crashing through a 45-foot-high concrete barrier, killing 19 people and sweeping 16 houses into the valley below.

Fourteen people were injured, two of them seriously, when the mudslide hit the city of Izumi on the main southern island of Kyushu, 625 miles southwest of Tokyo.

Darkness and the unrelenting rain that triggered the avalanche forced more than 900 rescue workers to suspend the search Thursday night for two missing girls, ages 4 and 12, who were believed trapped in homes buried in muck.

"It's unbelievable," said Tetsuro Suga, governor of Kagoshima prefecture. "It's the first time we've seen such a disaster."

Still, it was no secret that the neighborhood of 80 families lay in a perilous place. The government had been building the concrete barrier against possible landslides.

Izumi was the worst hit area on Kyushu, where flooding damaged 600 houses, set off more than 100 small landslides and covered roads with mud in dozens of places.

Only the black tile roofs of some houses in Izumi protruded from the mud.

The search for the missing girls had to be suspended when darkness and rain made digging through the shifting mud impossible, a local police official said on condition of anonymity.

The official said the coast guard was also on the alert because the girls may have been swept out to sea by the mudflow, which etched

a wide strip through the town to the coast, a half-mile away.

Soldiers in green fatigues joined police in the search, probing knee-deep mud with shovels or their bare hands among the splintered remains of houses while firefighters looked for potentially explosive ruptured gas lines.

After three days, rain let up long enough Thursday morning for rescue workers to find most of the missing. By early afternoon, the downpour resumed. It was expected to continue into today.

Some parts of Kyushu have been pounded by rain for most of the week. The heaviest hit regions got almost one-third the average yearly rainfall in just four days.

The flooding snarled air and

land transport. Japan Railways said 166 of its trains in Kyushu were stopped by the rains, delaying more than 9,000 passengers.

The mudslide in Izumi was the worst to hit Kagoshima prefecture since 1993, when 20 people were killed in a mudslide during a typhoon.

Rain also triggered a landslide in the city of Minamoto in neighboring Kumamoto prefecture Wednesday night. Nine people buried in the slide were rescued.

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DNA study knocks Neanderthals out of humans' family tree

LONDON (AP) — There's no sign of Neanderthals lurking in our family tree, researchers declare, saying that DNA from a Neanderthal skeleton is helping resolve one of the great debates of human evolution.

Genetic differences indicate the Neanderthals were a different species than the early humans who swept them aside in Europe and western Asia — although they appear to have split from a common ancestor a half-million years ago, according to German and U.S. scientists.

Their finding gives powerful backing to the theory that all humanity descended from an "African Eve" about 100,000 to 200,000 years ago — and that Neanderthals were an evolutionary dead end.

The DNA test "clearly lends support to this idea about our ancestry: that we have all come out of Africa quite recently in history," said Svante Paabo, who worked on the research at the Zoological Institute at the University of Munich.

Critics of that theory say the argument will rage on, and they await the results of many more DNA tests.

"It is a brilliant, innovative piece of work. I just doubt that it can be faulted on technical grounds," Milford H. Wolpoff, professor of anthropology at the University of Michigan. But he says the researchers have drawn hasty conclusions.

The findings were published in Cell, a journal based in Cambridge, Mass., and outlined Thurs-

day at a news conference in London. Paabo said his results were independently confirmed at Pennsylvania State University.

The Munich team took a small sample — 0.4 grams — from the upper arm bone of a skeleton found in 1857 in the Neander Valley near Dusseldorf — the first Neanderthal skeleton ever found.

Comparing 378 base pairs of the Neanderthal's mitochondrial DNA to that of modern humans, the researchers found an average of 27 differences between modern and Neanderthal DNA — far more than the typical variation of eight among modern humans.

Mitochondria, the structures within human cells that help produce energy, have their own genes. These genes are passed down the female line with only the

occasional mutation.

Paabo cautioned that the study of more Neanderthal DNA samples might turn up some mixing, and thus confirm the possibility of some interbreeding between Neanderthals and our Cro-Magnon ancestors.

Even if Neanderthals were not our ancestors, they were tantalizingly similar. They walked erect, used tools and there is evidence that they coexisted and learned some skills from Cro-Magnon people.

One striking difference is that Neanderthals were bigger than modern humans and had larger brains.

"Any superiority that modern humans had was probably a very slight one at time and that's why it took so long for the Neanderthals

to be replaced," said Chris Stringer, a researcher at London's Natural History Museum.

"Of course this is only one specimen... but it fits so very well with the view of one side of the argument about Neanderthals — that they are very distinct, that they are not our ancestor — that I think it goes a very long way toward resolving the Neanderthal problem," Stringer said.

Wolpoff, the University of Michigan anthropology professor, argued that the fact that a trait or

gene sequence seen in ancient people is absent from moderns doesn't mean that one is not the ancestor of the other. The trait could simply have disappeared over time.

If there is a uniform difference between Neanderthal and modern DNA, he added, that may be because widespread mingling of populations has produced uniformity now. And, he added, a divergence in mitochondrial DNA does not necessarily mean a divergence of species.

Clinton promises often-tyrannized Poles: 'Never again'

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — In a cobbled square filled with cheering Poles, President Clinton brought a promise of Western military security to a nation tormented by tyranny throughout history. "Never again will your fate be decided by others," Clinton pledged Thursday.

A banner saying "Thank you, Bill" was stretched aloft in Castle Square in appreciation of Clinton's successful drive to bring Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic into NATO by 1999.

"We have been waiting for this moment for a long time, and now it has finally come," President Alexander Kwasniewski said in hailing Clinton as a close friend of Poland. "Thanks to America."

Thousands jammed the square and spilled into side streets. Estimates varied between 10,000 and 50,000 people.

In a front-row place of honor was Lech Walesa, the Gdansk shipyard electrician who founded the Solidarity movement that put Poland on the path to democracy. He flashed his trademark victory sign when praised for his efforts to bring Poland into NATO.

It was a day of high emotion. A silver-haired Pole who fought alongside allied forces during World War II spoke of his love of America. "We are well aware that defense of freedom carries a price," said 73-year-old Boleslaw Jan Kukiela. "Poles were always ready to pay that price when the situation demanded."

Orchestrated with White House help, the ceremony had the trappings of a campaign appearance, even including red, white and blue balloons that cascaded onto the crowd after Clinton's speech. "Sto lat," the president shouted as a band echoed his Polish toast of long life for 100 years.

Flying to Warsaw, Clinton was notified that NATO forces captured three Bosnian Serbs and killed another in the first operation of its kind against war crimes suspects. The president had approved U.S. participation with logistical and transportation help, because "it was the appropriate thing to do," he said.

Clinton was welcomed with full honors at Poland's 17th century presidential palace. Bayonets flashing atop their rifles, a goose-stepping honor guard filed past

Clinton in the courtyard. The president returned to the palace in the evening and exchanged friendly dinner toasts with Kwasniewski in the same room where the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact was signed in 1955.

Clinton arrived from a Madrid, Spain, where leaders of the 16-nation NATO alliance extended membership invitations Tuesday. The president undertakes a more difficult assignment Friday with the first visit to a free Romania by an American president. Clinton stood in the way of admitting Romania and Slovenia to NATO now but held out the prospect of membership later.

At the crossroads of Europe, Poland has been devoured in this century by both Germany and Russia. Poles eagerly sought NATO membership to win the alliance's security promise that an attack against any member is an attack against all.

He reminded Poles that NATO membership carries risks and costs — many millions of dollars to update its military to alliance standards. "We know you are ready to share the burdens of defending freedom, because you know the price of losing freedom," the president said.

While most of Clinton's remarks drew cheers, one pointedly did not. It was a call for tolerance toward Russia, which dominated Poland after World War II until the Soviet Union's breakup in 1989.

"You must continue to build in tolerance what others destroyed in hate," Clinton said. The crowd listened in silence.

Repeating assurances to other nations of Eastern and Central

Europe, Clinton said NATO would remain open to new members. "Other nations are counting on you to show the contributions new members can make," he said. "You did not walk through NATO's doors to see it shut behind you. That door will stay open."

Trying to tamp down a flap about NATO's expansion, the Unit-

ed States challenged French President Jacques Chirac's assertion that France would not share the cost of bringing in new nations.

"I am sure that France will bear its share of the cost to NATO," Clinton's national security adviser, Sandy Berger, said. "I'm sure France will live up to its obligations."

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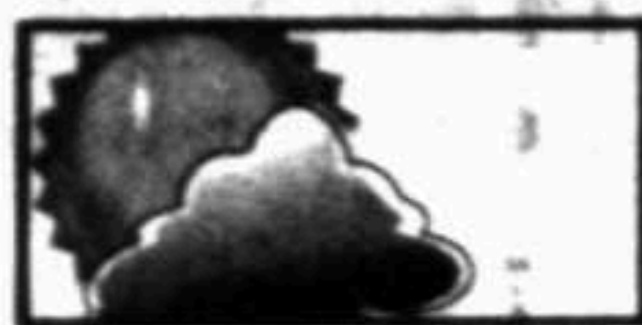
WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today
Partly cloudy
High 93
Low 68



Saturday
Partly cloudy
High 95
Low 68



Sunday
Partly cloudy
High 96
Low 66

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. The high will be in the lower 90s. Winds will be from the south at 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight calls for mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low in the 70s.

Saturday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-90s.

After a high of 89, Thursday's low was 73, compared to the all-time low of 64 set in 1961. The record high was 105 set in 1964, according to the National Weather Service.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Wednesday 0.74 in.
Rainfall Thursday trace
Total for month 0.76 in.
Total for year 8.95 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

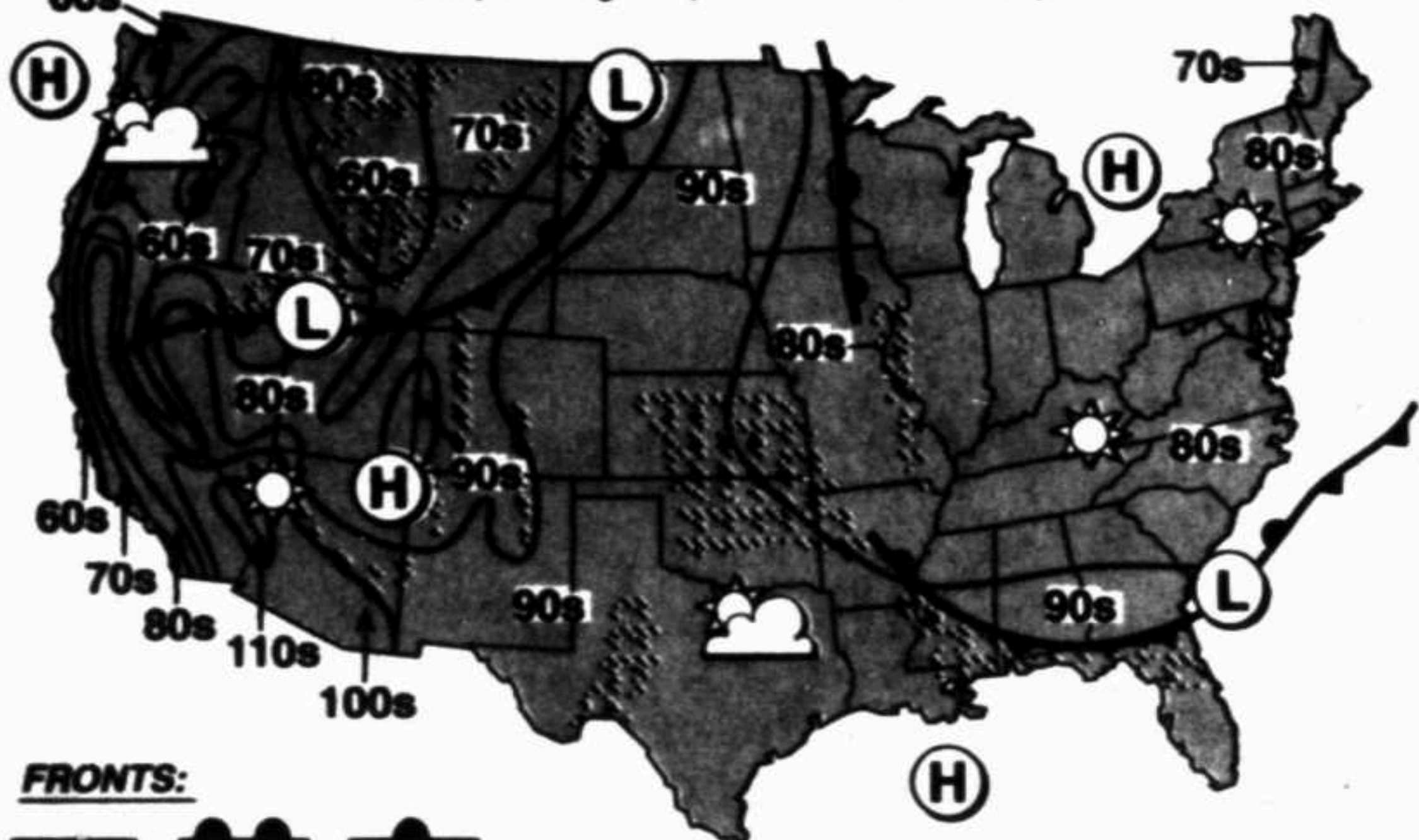
High 89
Low 73
Normal high 87
Normal low 73

Sunrise 6:51 a.m. Sunset 8:57 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, July 11.

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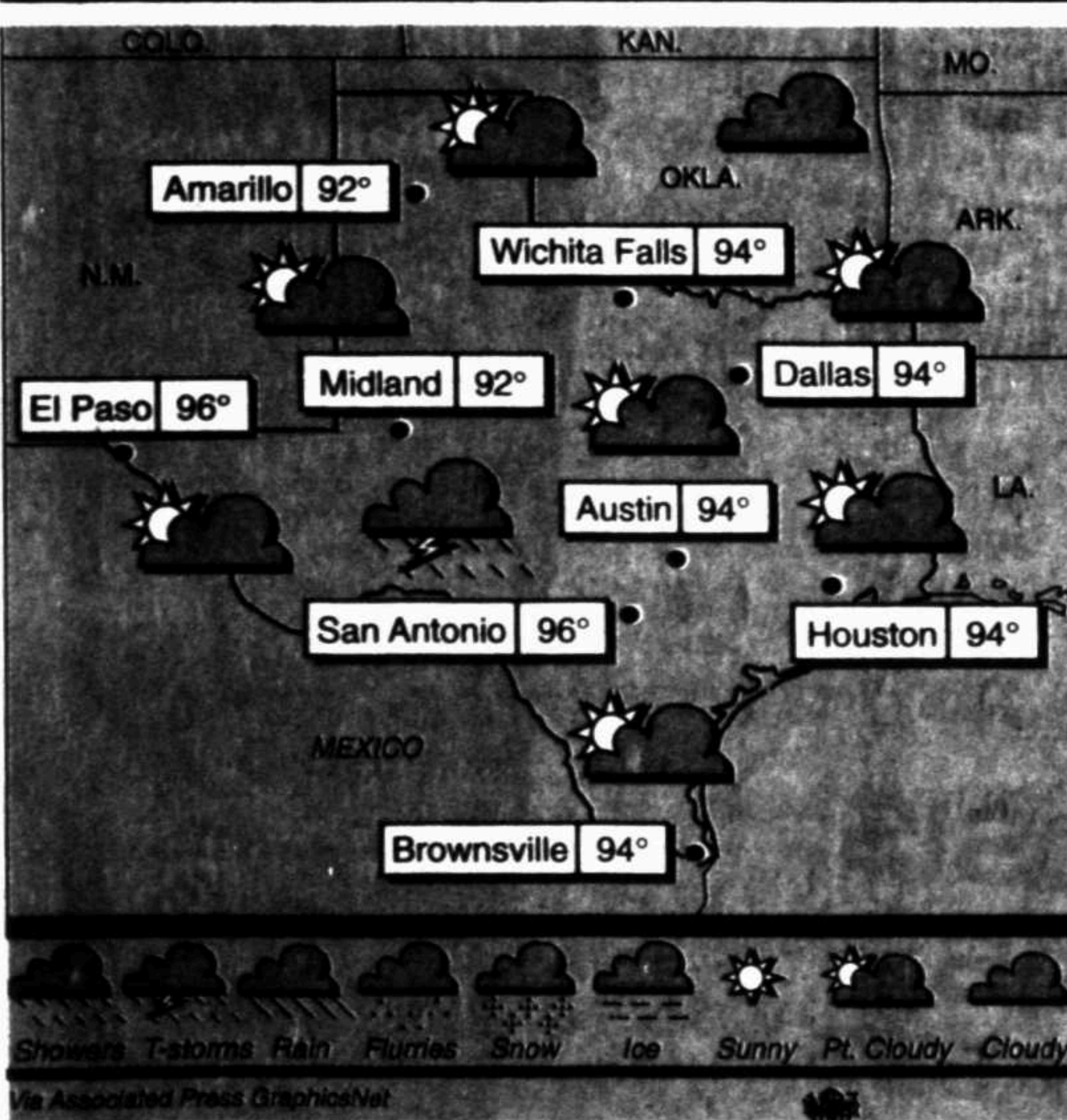


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United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:30 p.m. EDT			
City	High	Low	Pop.
Albany, N.Y.	79	55	01
Albuquerque	90	66	01
Anchorage	64	50	01
Ashland	84	64	39
Atlanta	87	70	01
Atlanta City	87	61	28
Baltimore	86	65	02
Birmingham	84	62	01
Birmingham	81	66	14
Bismarck	93	69	01
Boise	70	54	10
Bozeman	72	51	01
Buffalo	76	51	01
Burlington, Vt.	76	54	01
Casper	94	61	01
Charleston, S.C.	85	73	26
Charleston, W. Va.	75	63	01
Charlotte, N.C.	91	69	01
Chattanooga	87	64	01
Chicago	78	50	01
Cincinnati	79	57	01
Cleveland	73	50	01
Columbia, S.C.	80	70	01
Columbus, Ohio	77	55	01
Concord, N.H.	79	59	22
Dayton	76	53	01
Denver	92	59	01
Des Moines	81	60	01
Detroit	76	56	01
Duluth	74	49	01
Evansville	81	61	01
Fairbanks	71	53	01
Fargo	82	61	01
Flagstaff	78	51	01
Grand Rapids	78	53	01
Great Falls	74	54	04
Greensboro, N.C.	83	66	01
Hartford, Conn.	80	62	54
Helen	88	57	01
Honolulu	88	76	01
Indianapolis	79	56	01
Jackson, Miss.	91	72	01
Jacksonville	82	72	01
Janeau	84	62	01
Kansas City	87	69	19
Las Vegas	102	79	01
Little Rock	91	70	09
Los Angeles	79	67	01
Louisville	82	62	01
Memphis	82	70	01
Miami Beach	89	80	76
Milwaukee	73	52	01
Minneapolis	79	57	01
Mpls-St. Paul	78	69	01
Nashville	85	69	01
New Orleans	92	73	01
New York City	81	66	39
Norfolk, Va.	83	75	01
North Platte	96	64	01
Oakland	92	72	01
Omaha	82	68	01
Orlando	83	71	01
Philadelphia	83	66	04
Phoenix	104	79	01
Pittsburgh	79	54	01
Portland, Maine	78	59	19
Portland, Ore.	88	56	07
Providence	81	67	06
Raleigh-Durham	83	71	01
Rapid City	98	64	01
Reno	85	62	01
Richmond	83	70	16
Sacramento	91	60	01
St. Louis	82	64	01
Salt Lake City	95	77	01
San Diego	71	66	01
San Francisco	74	56	01
San Juan, P.R.	91	80	01
San Jose	88	67	01
St. Louis	78	47	01
Seattle	67	54	01
Shreveport	81	72	01
Sioux Falls	82	63	01
Spokane	87	47	04
Syracuse	76	53	01
Tampa-St. Petersburg	91	76	21
Topkapi	91	71	02
Tucson	100	70	02
Tulsa	80	73	142
Washington, D.C.	87	68	01
Wichita	92	73	01
Wilmington, Del.	77	58	03
Wilmington, N.C.	83	64	14

State forecast



Texas temperatures

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

City	High	Low	Pop.
Abilene	97	78	0.16
Amarillo	92	74	0.16
Austin	94	79	0.16
Beaumont	93	79	0.16
Brownsville	94	78	0.03
Chattanooga	93	78	0.03
College Station	96	73	0.03
Corpus Christi	94	78	0.03
Dallas	94	78	0.03
El Paso	93	73	0.03
Fort Worth	96	74	0.03
Galveston	96	82	0.03
Houston	94	75	0.03
Houston Intercontinental	93	72	0.03
Junction	90	73	0.03
Kingville	96	80	0.03
Laredo	105	77	0.03
Lubbock	97	68	0.03
Lufkin	93	72	0.11
Marfa	81	63	0.01
McAllen	99	79	0.03
Midland	99	73	0.74
Mineral Wells	89	73	0.03
Navy Corps	90	81	0.03
Palacios	91	79	0.03
Paris	90	75	0.03
San Antonio	93	75	0.03
San Diego	96	77	0.03
Shreveport	91	72	0.03
Tamark	93	74	0.03
Texasland	93	76	0.03
Victoria	94	73	0.03
Waco	94	75	0.03
Wichita Falls	96	72	0.03
Wink	88	69	1.68

RUN: Poll finds 71 percent would vote for Bush

(From 1A)

heads toward the 1998 campaign in strong shape.

A Texas Poll published in mid-May found 71 percent of Texans would likely vote for Bush if he seeks a second term. Only 22 percent said they would not.

Bill Miller of Austin, a consultant who works for both Democrats and Republicans, said Bush's popularity is an asset for his fellow GOP

candidates.

"It's the ideal situation for any party's ballot. To have the person at the top who is very, very popular. It happens rarely, but it's a big asset," Miller said.

Just a minute, responded Texas Democratic Party Chairman Bill White.

If Bush is running, he owes it to the voters to tell them now whether he also will run for president in 2000. Bush's name has surfaced in

a number of national publications as a White House contender.

"He needs to tell Texans straight up whether he will — or will not — seek the presidency," White said. "Texas is the second-largest state in the country, and it deserves better than a part-time governor."

White also discounts the notion that a popular Bush would help other GOP candidates.

No Texas governor has been re-elected to a second consecutive

term since 1974. Gov. Ann Richards got high approval ratings before — and after — her defeat by Bush in 1994. And, White notes, the first race listed on the 1998 ballots will be for Congress, where Democrats hold a 17-13 edge in the Texas delegation.

"The top of the ballot is the congressional race in each district. And we have the best and most popular candidates for Congress," he said.

PLEA: Group accused of conspiring to kidnap neighbors

(From 1A)

and/or a \$10,000 fine.

The defendants are held in the Presidio County Jail. McLaren has been denied bail, the others are held in lieu of \$500,000 bail.

The group is accused of conspiring to kidnap two neighbors in the Davis Mountains Resort, a rough rural subdivision where the

Republic members had set up an "embassy" in McLaren's trailer and wooden cabin.

McLaren and his followers contend Texas was never legally annexed by the United States and remains an independent republic.

The April 27 abduction, in retaliation for the arrest that day of a group member on weapons charges, led to the standoff

between the armed separatists and 300 Department of Public Safety troopers and Texas Rangers.

The siege ended May 3 after McLaren and some followers agreed to lay down their weapons.

Two others, Richard F. Keyes III and McLaren bodyguard Mike Matson, fled into the Davis Mountains wilderness. Matson was

killed May 5 in a shootout with authorities. Keyes remains a fugitive.

McLaren also has been indicted in Dallas along with his wife, Evelyn, on federal charges of bank and mail fraud and conspiracy. Mrs. McLaren pleaded innocent and is free on \$20,000 bond. McLaren has not entered a plea.

POOL: Floating chlorinators should be cleaned thoroughly

(From 1A)

Staff had the pool area completely evacuated in less than one minute, he said.

No one was injured and no one suffered ill effects from the chemicals, apart from some irritation on the lifeguard's leg, which was treated on the scene with an ointment, Fiero said.

Fire Department crews ventilated the pool area and cleared out the chemicals, he said. No damage was done and the pool facility was ready for Thursday's activity.

"Don't ever mix any kind of pool chemicals at all," warned Stacy Aylor of Aylor Pools in Midland.

Those with residential pools and spas can get into trouble mixing pool chemicals, even though they don't use the same industrial chemicals used by YMCA staff.

Most pool owners use a chlorine or bromine sanitizer and an acid to keep the pool water acidic, and these can be damaging or even lethal if mixed in a closed environment, area pool specialists maintain.

Ms. Aylor warns that those pool or spa own-

ers who use the floating chlorinators should clean them thoroughly before changing from the three-inch tablets to the one-inch tablets or vice versa. Thorough cleaning should also be done before switching tablet manufacturers as well, she said.

"All pool chemicals are toxic and hazardous," Ms. Aylor said.

If used improperly or carelessly, these toxic effects could cause damage to people, rather than simply keeping the water clear and disease free as they are designed to do, she said.

TEKS: Curriculum has undergone several revisions since 1994

(From 1A)

enrichment courses, including fine arts and career and technology. The curriculum, which forms the basis for statewide tests and the adoption of instructional materials, will begin being implemented in the 1998-99 school year.

Among other changes that will benefit people as they enter the working world, Stevens said, the rewrite puts an emphasis in mathematics on important skills of probability and statistics; and it addresses the need for students to be able to write clearly and concisely, not just in a more flowery literary style.

Stevens said his group began participating in education forums concerning the issue in 1993. The curriculum document has been worked on by educators, parents,

curriculum specialists and business representatives since 1994, and it has undergone numerous changes and revisions.

Despite the many changes, some board members and others say improvements still are needed, particularly in such areas as English language arts, to make them more specific and academically rigorous.

A teacher-led group has put forth an alternative document. Supporters of the rewrite endorsed by the board majority say it has incorporated some aspects of the alternative document, noting it has been praised by education experts.

Consideration of the issue drew a standing-room-only crowd to Thursday's board meeting, where several board members who opposed the rewrite said a public hearing was skewed to allow more

supporters than opponents of the plan to be heard. Backers of the plan said that wasn't true, and that board policy on public speakers was followed.

The board members who opposed the document were thwarted in an effort to have separate votes on the different subjects considered, saying there were some they could support but that they couldn't vote for all of them.

Board member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands, among those voting against the curriculum, said the board majority "managed to squelch public hearing and to disallow comments and amendments to particular learning areas where perhaps we could have put ourselves in a position where we could have voted for these unanimous-

ly."

Others who voted against the curriculum were David Bradley of Beaumont, Richard Neill of Fort Worth, Robert Offutt of San Antonio, Randy Stevenson of Bullard and Richard Watson of Gorman.

Board member Joe Bernal of San Antonio, a Democrat, said he and others didn't believe they were preventing public comment, saying there have been extensive debate and hearings. He said the desire to consider subjects separately was a delaying tactic by curriculum opponents.

Board Chairman Jack Christie of Houston, a Republican, said he didn't want to prolong the process.

"It's been hashed and rehashed for three years," he said. "The children need higher standards yesterday."

FLY: Proposals pit small low-fare carriers against major airlines

(From 1A)

see the government move toward a user fee so that everyone pays their fare share for using the system.

"I know some of the smaller carriers like Southwest favor the present system," she said. "They favor it because they get a big advantage out of that. We feel that everyone who uses the system, no matter who they fly or how short a distance they fly, we feel they're using airspace and the government system and everyone needs to pay for that."

The House plan, she said, "is fair. It's more equitable and it spreads the burden around so that no one individual group of passengers is taxed more heavily than the other."

The proposed tax increase is expected to generate between \$33 billion and \$34 billion in revenues over the next five years, part of the gov-

ernment's plan to balance the federal budget.

The differing proposals have raised some interesting issues, said U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, who represents the Midland-Odessa area. He said that his office has been contacted by airline employees and passengers on the issue.

"It's an interesting issue," he said. "On the one hand, I think it's important to recognize the contribution the lower-fare carriers have made in making travel available to people. But on the other side, one of the interesting questions I'm still searching for answers on — you have 75 percent of your airline come into an area that is discount. That's people paying a lower tax that's going into the Aviation Trust Fund. If they're 75 percent of the users, theoretically they're providing 75 percent of the wear and tear on the facilities, yet they're paying a lower price per head than someone on another car-

rier.

"There's an argument being made that the people who fly the non-discount carriers are actually subsidizing the people flying on the low-fare carriers. It's an interesting dilemma and one I think where there's two very strong arguments on both sides of the issue."

There are some good tax provisions, such as reductions in the capital gains and inheritance taxes that Combest said he strongly supports. Add though the House and Senate bills are substantially different, he predicted that whatever tax bill the conference committee agrees on will pass both houses.

"I don't think this tax change would put anyone out of business. There's no question it will have an effect," he said. "One has to look carefully at the implications making a change would have on the discount carriers and the impact it may have."

Parents give mixed reviews on broadened TV rating system

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a sigh of relief, some parents said Thursday the more detailed ratings to appear on TV screens by this fall will provide useful clues to what the shows are really like. But others worried the new codes might be too complicated to do much good.

"It gives you an idea of what's on the show without watching the whole thing," said Gene Guilan, a father of three children, ages 10, 8 and 2, interviewed in downtown Louisville, Ky.

By Oct. 1, parents can expect to see "V," "S," "L" and "D" show up alongside the age-based ratings that now flash in the upper-left corner of TV screens for 15 seconds at the start of programs. The letters stand for violence, sex and language that could be viewed as offensive. The "D," for suggestive dialogue, will flag language conveying sexual innuendo.

Under pressure from Congress and parents groups, broadcasters, cable networks and motion picture companies signed an agreement Thursday to augment the 6-month-old current ratings. The Federal Communications Commission, which will review the ratings for their effectiveness, postponed a hearing for next Monday until it receives the new agreement.

The voluntary ratings also will appear bigger in size, but won't show up more frequently, according to a document detailing the changes. It's the TV industry's goal that when technology becomes available, viewers will be able to use remote controls to call up ratings on the screen at any time.

Guilan likes that violent content will be flagged. "When I was a kid

we had violence and it didn't kill us," he said. "But now it seems so high-tech — it's overwhelming at that age."

His 10-year-old son likes to watch "Walker, Texas Ranger," which this week got a TV-PG rating. Under the revised system, an episode of the show, which often contains violent scenes, might, for instance, get TV-PG-V. If that same episode also contains some profane language, it would get TV-PG-VL.

One or all of the "V," "S," "L" and "D" notations will be added to the present "TV-PG" — for parental guidance suggested, "TV-14" — for programs unsuitable for children under 14 and "TV-MA" — for mature audiences only.

All that sounds too complicated to Roberta Monte, a Trenton, N.J., mother of a 3-year-old. And Darryl Reddick, father of an 11-year-old and also a Trenton resident, worried it might be unfair to label an hour-long program with an "L" if it contains only a little profanity.

Yet Johnny Williams of St. Louis, Mo., who helps care for five young nieces and nephews, likes the fact that crude language — even if it's just a little — will be identified. "Nowadays, kids watch too much stuff — cuss words. They'll turn on the TV, hear the language, then say it themselves."

The revamped ratings also will add a special designation for cartoons or fantasy programs, such as

"FV" for fantasy violence, to "TV-Y7" — programs suitable for children 7 and older.

Mildred Crawford, a Hartford, Conn., mother of three children ranging in age from 4 to 12, doesn't think the ratings will make a difference.

"The children are going to watch things they want when they're alone," she said.

That's what the "v-chip" intends to address. Eventually, parents will be able to use the ratings to block selected shows. Next year, new sets are to include a "v-chip" that would let parents zap unwanted programs with a remote control.

"I think that we have complicated the ratings system in a way that might have fewer parents using the v-chip," said Motion Picture Association of America President Jack Valenti, who oversaw creation of the

NATO forces kill 1, capture 3 war crimes suspects

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — NATO forces captured three Bosnian Serbs and killed one who resisted arrest Thursday, delivering a stark warning to war crimes suspects that they no longer can be intrepid — or count on being ignored.

The move by British troops in northwest Bosnia did not target top suspects: Serb wartime leader Radovan Karadzic and his former military chief, Gen. Ratko Mladic.

But the operation, the first of its kind in the NATO mission, did signal a tough new effort to nail suspects who are stalling the Dayton peace agreement and moving freely in Bosnia despite the 30,000 foreign troops there.

Officials worry that if such people remain free, new fighting will break out when the NATO-led troops leave next year. The troops came to Bosnia in December 1995 as part of the Dayton accords that ended a 3 1/2-year war and split the country between the Serbs and a Muslim-Croat federation.

The raid also appeared to signal a broader interpretation of the peace force's orders, which could be used to go after more suspects. Western officials insisted there was no change in orders allowing the peace force to arrest suspects if they come across them, but not to track them down.

American soldiers contributed transportation and other logistical support to the raid. "It was the appropriate thing to do," President

Clinton said.

British troops descended on the suspects in Prijedor, 120 miles northwest of Sarajevo, the site of some of the worst Serb prison camps at the start of the Bosnian war in 1992.

When they tried to arrest Simo Drljaca, a former Prijedor police chief, he "immediately drew a pistol and shot and wounded one of our soldiers," said Defense Secretary George Robertson of Britain.

Drljaca was killed in the shootout that followed, and the British soldier was slightly wounded in the leg.

The local hospital chief, Milan Kovacevic, was arrested without incident and sent Thursday to the international war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands.

Two other men who accompanied Drljaca also were turned over to tribunal officials in Bosnia, said NATO spokesman Maj. Chris Riley in Sarajevo.

Official Bosnian Serb media reported Kovacevic was grabbed by four British soldiers who entered the hospital claiming to have a Red Cross package for him. It said the other group was nabbed on its way back from a fishing trip. There was no confirmation of either claim.

Drljaca and Kovacevic had been indicted on charges of complicity in genocide for their actions in 1992, when non-Serbs in the region were rounded up, expelled or killed. It was unclear whether the other

two were indicted.

The roundup occurred one day after Clinton — at the NATO summit in Madrid — reaffirmed the alliance's mission to arrest suspected war criminals if "the risk is appropriate."

NATO commanders previously interpreted their orders narrowly. But on Thursday, British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said it was enough that the suspects were in the sector of Bosnia controlled by British troops, and were known to them.

"There are a lot of people who are not going to be sleeping very easily," said British Defense Secretary George Robertson.

But bigger catches may be harder for NATO to come by.

Karadzic recently boosted security in his headquarters in Pale, east of Sarajevo. Townspeople say he sleeps in different houses to avoid nighttime raids and has surrounded his own house with mine fields. He also controls the Bosnian police and wields considerable influence with the army.

Bosnian officials in Sarajevo greeted the move as a turning point in the effort to put Bosnia back together. Serbs were furious, saying they would fight any effort to grab Karadzic.

The chief aide to Karadzic, Momcilo Krajisnik, denounced what he said was "liquidation of Serbs in Bosnia." The move jeopardized peace, he said. Serbs interviewed in Pale said

they feared the troops would next go after Karadzic, and vowed to fight.

"This proves that the Americans are enemies of the Serb people," said 35-year-old Ljuba Jovanovic. "But they will never get a hold of Radovan, even if we all have to die for him."

The operation was likely to strengthen Karadzic in his power struggle against the Bosnian Serb president, Biljana Plavsic. She protested the operation Thursday, charging that it undermined her efforts against Karadzic.

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Swiss declare heroin experiment success

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — Switzerland declared its novel experiment with state-distributed heroin a success Thursday, saying the drug giveaway has slashed crime, misery and disease associated with hard-core drug addiction.

The program — the first in the world — has attracted the interest of the World Health Organization which is evaluating the results, and Dutch officials, who said they were using it as a model for their own effort.

Presenting the findings of the pilot three-year program involving 1,146 hardened addicts, health and law enforcement experts said it has saved taxpayers money and should be continued. But they also stressed that having doctors inject daily doses of heroin was no substitute for traditional substance abuse therapies.

The U.N. drug agency has frowned on the experiment because it runs contrary to efforts to stamp out illegal drug use.

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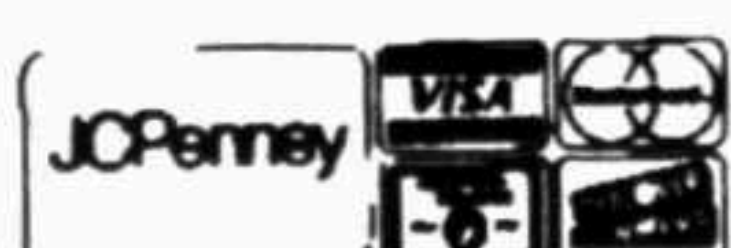
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After Chung received \$150,000 from China, he gave DNC \$50,000 donation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic donor Johnny Chung received a \$150,000 transfer from the Bank of China three days before he handed Hillary Rodham Clinton's chief of staff a \$50,000 check, a Republican senator said Thursday at hearings into campaign financing irregularities.

Two days later, Chung escorted five Chinese businessmen to the White House to watch President Clinton deliver his weekly radio address, as he had repeatedly pressed to do.

"Now there is a solid connection between a Chinese source of money and a Democratic Party donation," Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., told reporters.

Republicans on the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee contend that China sought to influence the American political system with large infusions of cash.

In opening the hearings this week,

Chairman Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., said, "High-level Chinese government officials crafted a plan to increase China's influence over the U.S. political process."

China denied the charge Thursday. "Some people in the United States, out of domestic political needs, are out of thin air once again slandering China," Foreign Ministry spokesman Tang Guoqiang said in Beijing.

The hearing's witness again was Richard Sullivan, 33, finance chief for the Democratic National Committee during President Clinton's re-election campaign. Republican questioning of him was more confrontational than before.

Sullivan, however, held his ground. He continued to deny knowing anything about questionable contributions and maintained that the Democratic committee did a good overall job of ensuring that the donations the party received were legal.

And he made the point that there is no

way for political fund-raisers to know whether people contributing money are later reimbursed by a third party.

But he acknowledged that the Democrats had been lax in screening sources of campaign contributions.

In a transaction that was a focus of testimony Thursday, \$150,000 was wired on March 6, 1995, from the Bank of China to Chung's account. On March 9, the California businessman took a \$50,000 check made out to the Democratic National Committee and delivered it to Margaret Williams, the first lady's chief of staff, at the White House.

"It is apparent that the source of the \$50,000 to the DNC came from the funds that were deposited into his account from the transfer from the Bank of China," Specter said.

He noted that a picture of Chung, Clinton and the five Chinese businessmen was later used in an ad to sell Chinese beer.

Documents made public by the panel showed that another questionable Democratic donation was made a few days after \$500,000 was wired to a contributor by a Japanese businessman.

Both donations were subsequently returned.

Republican senators disclosed that Californian Yogesh Gandhi received the \$500,000 from Japanese businessman Yoshio Tanaka through Citibank in Japan. They said the payment arrived days after Gandhi wrote a \$325,000 check to the Democratic National Committee in May 1996.

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, said that Gandhi, invoking his constitutional right to remain silent, is refusing to answer questions from the Senate committee.

Gandhi made his contribution, the largest the party received in 1996, during a Democratic fund-raiser at a Washington hotel May 13, at which he gave the presi-

dent a peace award.

Gandhi had wanted to present the award to Clinton at the White House, and "had been pushing hard" for a meeting, Collins said. The White House "turned him down flat," she said, but the DNC arranged for him to present the award at the fund-raiser. He reportedly gave Clinton a life-size bust of Mohandas Gandhi, the late spiritual leader of India to whom he says he's distantly related.

Gandhi is president of the Gandhi Memorial International Foundation in Orinda, Calif. Phone calls to the foundation were not returned.

Gandhi told the Los Angeles Times last fall that he made the contribution to celebrate a successful business venture that netted him \$500,000 in April 1996.

Collins said Gandhi testified in court in August 1996 that he had no funds in this country.

Fast-food chains making more food 'driver friendly'

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Michael Alper cruises by the Taco Bell drive-thru and sinks his teeth into a steak fajita wrapped in a floppy flour tortilla before even leaving the parking lot.

Cheeks bulging, he accelerates to 40 mph and changes lanes.

His Jeep Cherokee veers to the right. But the half-eaten fajita he clutches stays upright — its contents intact. Nice save.

This is dashboard dining, a practice that has become so commonplace that fast-food chains are being forced to design fare that's not only fast, but easy to eat behind the wheel.

"When I eat in the car, usually it's a fajita, burger — something not messy, something I can eat in one hand," explains 19-year-old Alper.

Taco Bell folds its tortillas a certain way to keep juice and food from oozing out. Food technologists work to make taco shells less crumbly and tortillas more durable.

The packaging around Kentucky Fried Chicken's new chicken pita sandwich has a bottom to catch any chicken, ranch dressing, cheese, lettuce or tomato that might otherwise land in a lap.

Some drive-thru customers want their burgers cut in half so they're easier to handle, says Burger King spokeswoman Kim Miller. Others ask to hold the condiments. To help morning motorists, Burger King made its breakfast sandwiches moister — crumble-proof.

This spring, 7-Eleven convenience stores, which once had an ad campaign depicting the stores as "Dashboard Diners," introduced a quarter-pound hamburger shaped like a hot dog, said Karen Raskopf, who first tried the product in the company test kitchen in Dallas.

The stores already offered breakfast patty sausages in the shape of a hot dog, easier to eat one-handed. Elongated omelets on hot dog-shaped buns were introduced this month.

In 1995, law enforcement officers investigating 37,221 fatal crashes nationwide cited inattentive driving as a factor nearly 6 percent of the time, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which preaches that driving is a full-time job.

"The average American ate 13 meals in a car last year — up from 11 in 1990 and nine in 1984, according to NPD Group, a New York-based consumer marketing research company.

"You think fat and cholesterol are the most dangerous things about fast food," says NPD's Harry Balzer, who thinks car buns are needed. "The most dangerous thing is eating in your car."

Hurrying between meetings, Dawn Sanger, a business consultant from Falls Church, Va., took her eyes off the road one day to eat

a McDonald's hamburger and balance a Coke in the cup holder of her pale blue Jaguar.

"I went right through a red light. Fortunately, nobody was hurt. But it was just really an eye opener on how dangerous it is," says Ms. Sanger, who rarely eats and drives at the same time anymore.

Ken Walsh compromises. He nibbles on a few Wendy's fries and sips on a Coke he keeps wedged between his thighs as he maneuvers his white Ford pickup through lunch time traffic in Arlington. But he won't eat his burger until he

gets where he's going.

Can he steer, eat and shift gears?

"Sometimes safety may be compromised, but yeah, I can do it," he says. "You just keep shifting the drink around and try not to eat too much in the way of fries."

Safety issues aside, this trend may be unstoppable. Mini microwaves are being designed for the car. Built-in trash compactors and coolers are coming. Tray tables that fold down from seat backs are on the drawing board. And tray tables that strap to the steering wheel are already avail-

able for motorists who want to park and dine.

"People are trying to design all kinds of wacky things for cars that you find in your home," says Bill Fluharty, automotive interior designer for Prince Corp., a division of Johnson Controls Inc. in Plymouth, Michigan. "Whether they're appropriate or not we have to decide."



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City's ban on gang gatherings draws support, legal challenges

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jefferson Park once belonged to the 18th Street Gang. Gang members in the Los Angeles neighborhood would hang out on corners, deal drugs, get into fights, even strip cars in the owners' driveways.

Nowadays, though, street vendors sell frozen treats. Children cool off with garden hoses. Neighbors chat over fences.

"It's peaceful," says resident Rosario Gonzalez.

City officials credit the change to the city's serving notice on 18 gang members last March that they were about to be banned from gathering in groups of more than two anywhere in public in the neighborhood.

On Friday, a judge is expected to formally impose the free-association ban, an increasingly popular — some say unconstitutional — way for cities across the nation to fight gang violence.

Los Angeles already has won three similar court injunctions against other gangs in different neighborhoods.

In Jefferson Park, the 17-block area of working-class homes still bears the scars of its occupation by one of the most dangerous street gangs in the West. Scrawled on nearly every road sign are graffiti reminders: "XV3," "18," "EIGHTEEN."

But just being named as targets of the ban apparently put enough heat on the gang members to drive them off street corners.

Efrain Moreno, one of the 18 Jefferson defendants, objects to the tactic.

"I understand if I was selling drugs, or out there robbing and killing, you know. Yeah, put me in jail for a long time," he says. "But I'm not doing none of that. Now they're making my life miserable."

He also has support from the American Civil Liberties Union, whose lawyer Allan Parachini calls the injunctions "cheap and easy, politically high-profile tactics."

The ACLU issued a study in May suggesting that crime actu-

ally went up in and around areas where gang injunctions have been enforced in recent years. Authorities disagreed, saying the numbers may have gone up simply because there were more police in the area and residents were emboldened to report crimes.

Jefferson Park residents are convinced they have seen a turnaround.

Keith Gibson says his dad has painted over a neighbor's garage nearly 15 times in the past few years to cover up gang graffiti. Since word of the possible injunction spread, it hasn't been touched.

Motorists no longer hang a quick U-turn when they see a crowd. And there's been less sidewalk drug dealing and more nights without gunfire, Gibson says. "I feel much better for the kids' sake, too," he says.

Some residents acknowledge that having tranquility may mean bending the U.S. Constitution a little.

"I know it's discrimination, but they've earned it, through what they've done," says Dora Mendoza.

The city went to court on March 21 to ask for the injunction, and dozens of police officers fanned out to serve gang members with the lawsuit. The court action also forced them to show up in court more than once to respond.

Assistant City Attorney Julie Bishop says of the strategy: "We are not prohibiting meetings. We're asking the court to regulate it. If the Women's Club started having meetings in City Hall and refused to leave when asked to, we'd go to court and ask them to leave."

Richard Ramirez, whose upper body is covered with "18" tattoos, including one on his chin, says there's nothing to stop.

"They see us only on the outside," he says, pointing to his baggy clothes and short haircut. "They don't see us on the inside. We're all heart."

NIH finds gene that may unlock cholesterol's killing secret

WASHINGTON (AP) — At 6, Christa Parseghian has slurred speech and learning disabilities. Her 8-year-old sister Marcia stumbles in ballet class. The symptoms are early signs of a rare, fatal children's cholesterol disease that just killed their brother — but scientists now have hope for fighting back.

Researchers at the National Institutes of Health revealed Thursday the discovery of a gene that causes Niemann-Pick type C disease.

The finding may not come in time to save the grandchildren of former Notre Dame football coach Ara Parseghian, who helped pay for the research. But doctors say it might ultimately benefit millions by helping to explain how cholesterol gums up people's arteries.

"I hope that this finding has an impact on our girls' lives, but I have to be realistic," said their mother, Cindy Parseghian, who learned of the gene's discovery just after 9-year-old Michael died. "It was somewhat anticlimactic; we were so buried in our sorrow."

The disease hits about 300 U.S. children, so rare that few scientists even study it.

Cholesterol builds up in storage compartments of cells called lysosomes. Eventually, the buildup kills the cells, starting with nerve cells in the brain. The first symptoms, occurring between ages 5 and 10, are problems in seeing, walking and talking. Patients try low-fat diets and anti-cholesterol drugs, but most die before age 20.

In today's edition of the journal Science, NIH scientists ended a 20-year search for the gene NPC1 with announcement of eight different mutations that can cause the disease.

When copies of a healthy NPC1 gene were inserted into skin cells taken from patients, the cells began processing cholesterol properly, wrote lead authors Peter Pentchev and Eugene Carstea of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

That means it may be possible one day for gene therapy to cure the disease.

Scientists have a "mouse model" of the gene ready to test immediately in a search for other, easier treatments, another NIH group reported in Science. Usually scientists spend months after discovering a human gene to breed test animals with the same defect, but molecular biologist William Pavan found the defective gene in a strain of diseased mice even as his colleagues found it in humans.

Although Niemann-Pick type C strikes so rarely, "it's an important finding," said cell biologist Yvonne Lange of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago. "It will have relevance to understanding atherosclerosis," a dangerous buildup of cholesterol inside arteries that afflicts millions of Americans.

The body needs cholesterol to function, but too much of the substance causes heart disease by clogging arteries. Nobody under-

stands how it moves within cells, but the protein that the NPC1 gene makes could finally help explain that vital process, explained the institutes' neurology director, Zach Hall.

Indeed, the researchers say early work suggests the protein could sense a cell's cholesterol level and shuttle the fat out of the lysosome to be used by the body.

"This is a potentially important piece of the puzzle," said the American Heart Association's Dr. Ed Fisher, cholesterol research chief at New York's Mount Sinai Medical Center. "By dissecting this pathway, it might be possible to figure out why some families develop premature coronary artery disease."

Cindy Parseghian recognizes a more immediate benefit: Healthy relatives of Niemann-Pick patients such as her eldest son, Ara, 13, can be tested to see if they

carry a mutated gene before passing it to their own children.

The elder Ara Parseghian raised \$6 million for research into the disease in the 2 1/2 years since his grandchildren were diagnosed and funneled \$500,000 to the two labs that discovered the gene. NIH's Hall said that money, plus funds from the National Niemann-Pick Foundation, were vital because federal dollars for a rare disease are scarce.

Cindy Parseghian said the far-reaching cholesterol implications of the defective gene should generate a race to understand it and treat its effect. Meanwhile, she's helping her children to live as normally as possible.

"We have talked with them that it could be fatal, but we expressed to them that none of us knows when we're going to die," she said. "We just keep our hopes up and don't look too far down the road."

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Officials reopen probe into 1963 church bombing

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Citing new information, the Justice Department said Thursday it has reopened its investigation of a 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls and changed the course of the civil rights movement.

"We received new information and are pursuing it in every way possible," Attorney General Janet Reno said at her weekly news conference in Washington.

Justice Department spokesman Bert Brandenburg said the information was received more than six months ago, prompting the department's civil rights division to reopen the case at that time. He would not elaborate.

The Sixteenth Street Baptist Church bombing, along with the slayings of three young civil rights workers in Mississippi the following year, helped expose the depth of racial hatred in the South. It has been credited by many with building congressional support for the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

A member of the Ku Klux Klan, Robert Chambliss, was convicted on state murder charges in 1977 when then-Alabama Attorney General Bill Baxley renewed the probe after it had languished for more than a decade.

Chambliss died in prison in 1985 at age 81 while serving a life term. He never admitted participating in the bombing, and authorities for years have been stymied in pursuing evidence against at least three others believed involved.

"We knew there were others involved. It's just a shame it has taken so long for leads to develop," said George Beck, a former state prosecutor who assisted Baxley.

A 1965 FBI memorandum indicated the agency had three eye-witnesses who saw Chambliss and three other men at the church the night before the bombing. Then-FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the information withheld from Alabama prosecutors, claiming the chance of a conviction was remote.

The case was reopened in 1980 and 1988, without additional charges.

Reno's announcement came at a time when the church bombing was receiving renewed interest through film director Spike Lee's documentary, "4 Little Girls," which premiered recently in New York.

The dynamite bombing happened on Sept. 15, 1963, as worshippers were preparing for Sunday services at the church.

Denise McNair, 11, was killed in the blast, as were Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson and Addie Mae Collins, all 14.

Moderate whites became more vocal in their opposition to segregationist policies in Birmingham following the explosion just months after police used dogs and fire hoses to confront black marchers led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

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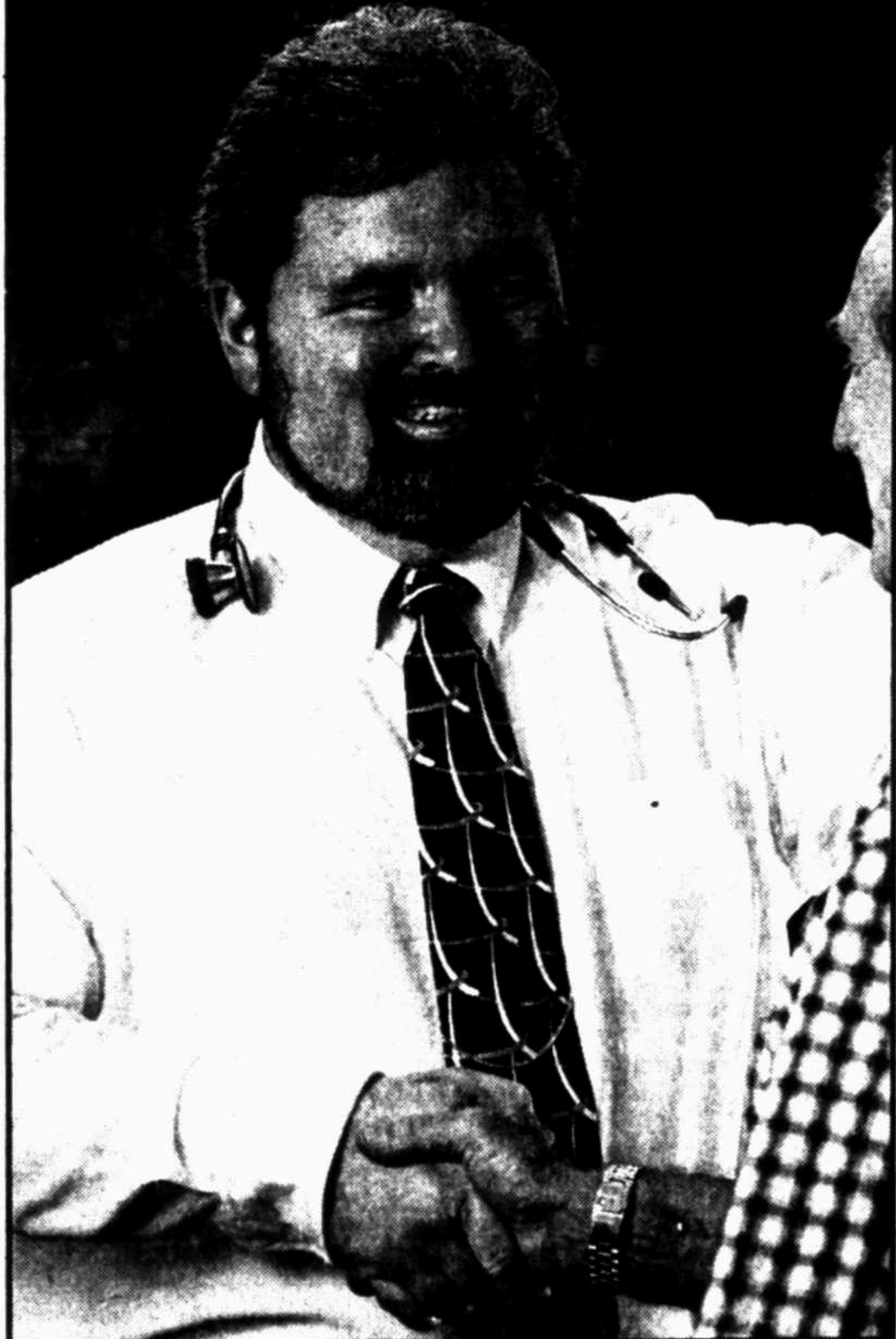
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Sunday's ceremony marking the 10th annual Cancer Survivors Day and Grand Re-opening of Allison Cancer Center will NOT be a solemn ceremony. There will be clowns, Juice the Moose, balloon animals and plenty of entertainment and refreshments.

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But thanks to expanded medical knowledge and technology, and the

presence of cancer centers such as Allison, a diagnosis of cancer today may only mean a regimen of radiation or chemotherapy, some changes in one's lifestyle, and a new outlook on the meaning of life. Almost every one of us probably knows a cancer survivor, or more than one.

No, cancer has not — and may never — be conquered, but because of the diligent, lifesaving dedication of medical professionals such as those at the Allison Cancer Center, there are more cancer survivors today who will attend Sunday's observance. That is a blessing.

The fight against the dreaded disease cancer is being won day-by-day — and that is wonderful news for every one of us.

JACK ANDERSON

Bliley nudged Daley to cancel MBDA cruise

Commerce Secretary William Daley, a tough Chicago pol like his father, vowed to put a stop to unnecessary "trade missions" when he took office five months ago.

He showed just how serious he was when he abruptly canceled a Fourth of July week trip to Honduras just days before a group of Commerce Department employees and business participants were due to set sail aboard a luxury cruise ship.

Some employees at Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency thought they'd be spending the Fourth of July sunning on the Caribbean beaches of Honduras — all at the expense of taxpayers, of course.

As we recently reported, the trip was to include a three-night stay in a resort hotel and a three day cruise on a 200 passenger yacht. We have learned that the orders to cancel the trip came directly from Daley's office.

We also suspected, and have now confirmed, that Daley's hand was forced by Rep. Thomas J. Bliley Jr., R-Va., chairman of the House Commerce Committee, who wrote a letter to Daley expressing "concern" that the trade mission "seems to involve very little substantive business."

In the letter, obtained by our associate Kathryn Wallace, Bliley pointed to an itinerary light on business and heavy on "travel, sight-seeing, and Fourth of July festivities." When Daley first took office, he issued a 90-day moratorium on trade missions, during which Commerce's rules governing official trips abroad were revamped. Under former secretaries Ron Brown and Mickey Kantor, the Commerce Department seemed to have almost no restrictions on trade missions.

Department officials, under the guise of promoting American business abroad, freely traveled the globe — often to rather exotic locales. Worse, some of these trade missions were colored by a political tinge.

But Daley has made a concerted effort to change this image. Proposed trade missions

must now undergo much greater scrutiny before they're approved.

It's easy to see why Bliley was surprised to learn of the MBDA's "mission" to Honduras. The planned trip, which had the look and smell of a good, old-fashioned junket, appeared to clash with Daley's reform efforts. "I believe you may share my concern about whether the trip in question is consistent with the department's new trade mission principles," Bliley wrote to Daley.

After receiving Bliley's letter, staffers in Daley's office sent MBDA officials a memorandum asking for "further information" on the Honduras retreat. But the MBDA's response was apparently unsatisfactory.

On June 20, just nine days before the cruise ship Regal Voyager was scheduled to embark from south Texas, MBDA officials received a brief memo from Daley's office: "The department has determined that the trade mission should be rescheduled and redesigned," it

read. "We regret any inconvenience incurred due to this determination."

The Commerce Department of Bill Clinton's first term, as the current flap over fund raising can attest, was as much a political machine as a government agency.

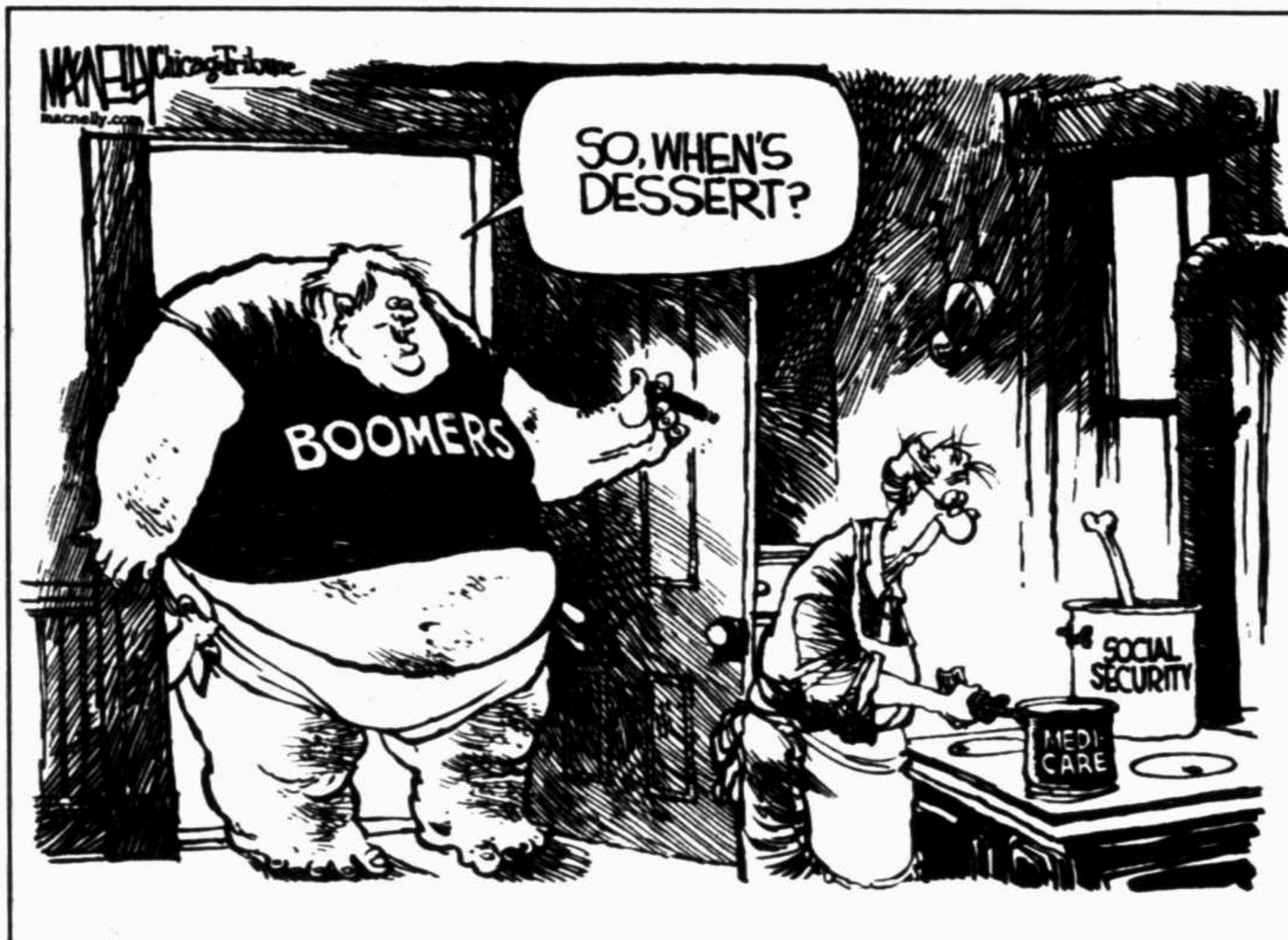
He's handed walking papers to many of the political flunkies who infested Commerce like a virus in recent years. He says he wants Commerce to depend on the services of career employees who have no political agenda.

Time will tell if Daley can successfully clean up the mess he inherited less than six months ago. A little nudging from lawmakers like Bliley from time-to-time will certainly help. So far, Daley's approach can only be judged as positive. Just ask those MBDA officials who aren't as tanned as they would probably like to be.

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WILLIAM MURCHISON

Bush sees TEKS standards as good enough

TEKS is pronounced "Teeks" — and that's about all the contending parties in this glorious spat over Texas public school standards seem to agree on. Except that Gov. George Bush probably holds the winning cards.

The Texas state Board of Education is poised this week to adopt a set of curricular standards, the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills — a document running to 1,400 pages. Bush sees the TEKS standards, which have been in preparation for a couple of years, as tougher than what we've had — hence, good enough.

Critics see them as too wimpy and, especially, too "non-specific" in what they require. Democracy is a difference-splitting creed. A likely bet is that Bush and most of the board regard the present document as the kind of compromise that lets them declare victory and go home.

This wouldn't be all to the bad. By general agreement — in Texas, the threshold for "general agreement" is lower than in less cantankerous domains — math and science standards are demonstrably stricter. This is thanks to the TEKS.

Math and science are, of course, objective disciplines. Subjective courses, like history and

English, get pawed over royally. For one thing, subjective standards can be bent more easily to accommodate the educationally challenged.

The promulgation of these standards — in the interest of full disclosure, I rendered advice to the history-standard writers — brought in a range of advice. Some advisers liked multiculturalism. Some didn't see that much wrong with today's schools (a judgment comparable to calling Cedric Pioline a tennis wizard).

A large number demanded tougher, more specific goals for teaching and learning. In sophisticated circles, these were often identified with The Fearsome Religious Right, considering how many of them are found at church on Sunday rather than at Starbucks, reading The New York Times.

As it turned out, some of these folk had useful things to say. Unbidden by the education bureaucracy, a Houston teacher, Donna Garner, conspired with other teachers to compose and propose a demanding set of standards for English. The Garner standards mandate phonics-teaching (demonstrably the most effective way to teach reading) and early — I mean (SET ITAL) early (END ITAL) — acquaintance with authors like Mark Twain, Homer, William Shakespeare and Rudyard Kipling.

Can we see the school board turning down so splendid a plan? Actually, yes. There is a basic problem with public schools — being public, they have nearly as much to do with politics as with education. Contemporary politics, the kind that Bush and the school board are concerned with, will permit only so much curricular rigor.

The latest version of the history standards has improved. If world history touts for the first time "the civilizations of Sub-Saharan Africa," it also acknowledges "the worldwide influence of rights and responsibilities that originated from Greco-Roman and Judeo-Christian ideals in Western civilization, such as equality before the law."

In high school history, Scott Joplin, the fine composer that he was, loses his undeserved parity with Henry Ford and Charles A. Lindbergh. Clay, Calhoun and Webster regain their lost curricular preeminence in social studies.

Could the TEKS be made tougher? Naturally. Will they be? I'd bet a stack of Classics Illustrated comics that, in the end, the new standards don't restore even such rigor as Texas public schools enjoyed in the '50s.

Yet, as Dr. Samuel Johnson observed in behalf of those who, like himself, valued and lived by standards, "We retard what we cannot repel, we palliate what we cannot cure." Meaning: We take what we can get.

This time, what we get is the Texas state school board's verbal commitment not to make the public schools more slovenly — rather, to make them far less so. This is deeply un-modern — and commendable. The mistake now, assuming the TEKS passes intact, would be to let Bush and the board off the hook — to intimate, amid high-fives, that Texas schools are about to become great. Well, not until a lot more gets done — an awful and terrifying lot.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Clinton should work to enhance rights

Many Americans would raise an eyebrow at the notion that our president is a staunch defender of our constitutional rights. After all, his record belies a belief that government should have absolute power over individual Americans, rather than the other way around.

Just a few bits of proof: — President Clinton has sought expanded powers for the federal law enforcement agencies, despite tragic standoffs of the past few years suggesting that the FBI and other agencies have misused the power they have.

— He has lobbied for increased wiretap authority for federal agents, despite the Constitution's guarantee that "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated."

— Although he now is scaling back on some taxes, he had imposed the largest tax increase in the nation's history, increasing the amount of money —

which is, after all, property — without just compensation.

Nonetheless, the Texas Libertarian Party has chosen to give the president a 1997 Lady Liberty Award "for enhancing the American Bill of Rights."

We will forgive party officials for apparently forgetting that Clinton signed the welfare reform law only under strong pressure from Congress. As his approval rating remains high, the president has shown an increasing willingness to veto bills in defiance of the legislators, so he might well have killed the welfare reform measure had it been presented to him this year instead of last.

In Bill Clinton's case, we just have to take the good with the bad. Perhaps this token of gratitude will prompt the president to take a new look at the Bill of Rights, and spur further actions that will affirm the rights of the people and the states, rather than the federal government.

— The Monitor

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, July 11, the 192nd day of 1997. There are 173 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 11, 1804, Vice President Aaron Burr mortally wounded former Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton in a pistol duel near Weehawken, N.J.

On this date: In 1533, Pope Clement VII excommunicated England's King Henry VIII.

In 1767, John Quincy Adams, the sixth president of the United States, was born in Braintree, Mass.

In 1798, the U.S. Marine Corps was created by an act of Congress.

In 1864, Confederate forces led by Gen. Jubal Early began an invasion of Washington, D.C., turning back the next day.

In 1934, President Roosevelt became the first chief executive to travel through the Panama Canal while in office.

In 1952, the Republican National Convention, meeting in Chicago, nominated Dwight D. Eisenhower for president and Richard M. Nixon for vice president.

In 1955, the Air Force Academy was dedicated at Lowry Air Base in Colorado.

In 1977, the Medal of Freedom was awarded posthumously to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in a

White House ceremony. In 1978, 216 people were killed when a tanker truck overfilled with propylene gas exploded on a coastal highway south of Tarragona, Spain.

In 1979, the abandoned U.S. space station Skylab made a spectacular return to Earth, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris over the Indian Ocean and Australia.

In 1991, a Nigerian Airlines jet carrying Muslim pilgrims crashed at the Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, international airport, killing all 261 people on board.

Ten years ago: Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke won a third consecutive term, becoming the first Labor Party leader in the country's history to be elected to three straight terms in office.

Five years ago: Undeclared presidential hopeful Ross Perot, addressing the NAACP convention in Nashville, Tenn., startled and offended his listeners by referring to the predominantly black audience as "you people."

One year ago: An Air Force F-16 jet trying to make an emergency landing slammed into a house in Pensacola, Fla., setting the home on fire, killing a 4-year-old boy and badly burning his mother. The pilot ejected safely.

CHARLEY REESE

Hollow military is fault of Clinton administration

The Clinton administration is producing a hollow military. Congress is doing nothing to stop it. I've told you this before, but here are a few comments from soldiers in the field. They are edited to protect the writers from political retribution.

"Sounds like the primary difference between the '70s drawdown and the present drawdown is that we started from a much higher point, and it's taking a longer time to get to the breaking point. However, the result is the same: a hollow army. A brigade with one-third of its maneuver elements untrained cannot be considered combat-ready by any standard."

Another writes, "This is really bad news. I have heard from several friends that it is just going to get worse. Reminds me of the late '60s/early '70s. I don't know how they will get officers or noncommissioned officers to stay in under these conditions. This one came from overseas: 'I'm not sure if you're hearing about our shortages of soldiers, but it's bad and getting worse. I've got 81 squads in the brigade. I have about 27 that are unmanned or manned with only two to three people, and therefore untrained and unusable. The numbers will get worse.'"

One Pentagon excuse is that Army National Guard units will be able to deploy in 90 days. Here's what one professional officer has to say about that:

"The ability to deploy is not, and I don't think it will ever be, a reality. I'm aligned with an Army Reserve National Guard unit. They've got good people, but there's no way they can deploy to reinforce in 90 days. They all have great hearts, but it's impossible for them to be highly trained at our business when they can only give their part-time attention."



Reese

An Air Force man writes about the no-fly zone duty in the Middle East:

"I agree with your views on this matter totally. I just returned from duty in the no-fly zone you mentioned in the editorial. As of June 1, 1997, it is now a 120-day tour, and several positions are now one-year 'short' tours. The food is the pits. We are forced to serve troops chow prepared by a contract company owned by the crown prince, Prince Sultan. It's the worst food I have ever had in nearly 20 years of military service. One of my troops came up to me in one of the chow tents and showed me a live maggot in his food."

"People are leaving the military in droves. I know of a master sergeant who is leaving the U.S. Air Force because he is tired of the constant deployments and family separations, politically correct office environment and continuing budget cuts, which severely and adversely affect readiness. Please don't give up this type of editorial. The American people

must hear the truth."

Another man writes about the assumptions of the Pentagon regarding availability and deployability of forces. He says the assumptions are overly optimistic and gave this explanation:

"(With three companies deployed elsewhere,) if something would have happened in the Pacific, we would have been hard pressed to move these units from these missions to a higher priority mission... just the strategic lift alone would have been tough to manage."

Our military today is made up of professionals who care, but they are at the mercy of the politicians in Washington who are cutting their capabilities while increasing their missions. The generals and admirals at the top are too job-scared or politically docile to tell the truth.

The government needs to bring its missions and its capability into synchronization. Wasting men and money on these U.N. deployments should stop. Combat units need to be fully staffed. The loss of experienced officers and NCOs needs to be stopped.

But nothing good will happen unless the American people make it hot for the politicians. In war, we count on the soldiers. In peace, they count on us to speak up for them.

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Pathfinder ignites interest in human travel to Mars, but is it worth it?

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — With Pathfinder sending tantalizing images of Mars back to Earth, some Americans are getting excited about the possibility of a manned mission to the Red Planet. The question remains: At what cost?

And will taxpayers be willing to pay it? After all, in 1989, when President Bush called for NASA to create a moon outpost and send astronauts to Mars, the space agency came back with a \$450 billion plan. Congress never provided a dime. President Clinton scaled back in favor of cheaper robotic missions, leaving out human travel to Mars.

However, now that the \$266 million Pathfinder is proving that "faster, cheaper, better" missions are doable, some experts say affordable human travel to Mars could be achieved.

During a visit to the Pathfinder team, NASA chief Daniel Goldin said he asked scientists to devise a man-on-Mars proposal for "something less than \$20 billion

to \$25 billion." That's about the cost of 10 B-2 stealth bombers.

Some taxpayers are ready to start the countdown.

"It's an inevitable part of humanity's search for knowledge," said Scarlett Hibern, 57. "It's like putting a man into space as soon as we could, putting a man on the moon as soon as we could."

Accountant Beverly Diehl, 36, said every dime spent on space projects has paid off at home: "People think it's money down a rat hole but it's not."

But Sharon Velasquez, a 50-year-old office manager, said: "I'm all for NASA, but when it gets to be that kind of money, absolutely not. I think we need to take a little money and put it in our own country to take care of our people who need help."

And Ralph DeGennaro, executive director of Taxpayers for Common Sense, a watchdog group, said: "Pathfinder should get the cheap government award, but

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sending humans to Mars is truly nutty." That raises another question: To what end should we do this?

The answer to that is up in the air, according to Goldin, who said the United States needs to "figure out what are the scientific payoffs and work with other countries so Americans don't have to pick up the entire bill."

In its 10-year proposal to fly two unmanned spacecraft to Mars every 26 months, NASA wants to bring Martian rocks home in 2005. It could dispatch humans no sooner than 2011 to the planet 119 million miles away.

NASA's space science and human travel programs are already collaborating on a 2001 mission in which an unmanned lander would test ways to create fuel on Mars, evaluate radiation dangers and assess the corrosiveness of the soil.

But firing the public's imagination the way President Kennedy did with his 1961 promise to put a man on the moon may be beyond NASA's ability nowadays.

Interest in space exploration has waned for several reasons. Among them, Congress got frustrated by NASA's underestimated costs and overpromised results, and such setbacks as the Challenger explosion and the Hubble telescope's blurry vision.

Wesley Huntress Jr., NASA's space science chief, said that for the United States to put humans on Mars, the planet has to remain interesting to the public.

"If we were to bring back a rock in 2005 that clearly shows evidence of ancient life on the planet or if we were to find evidence of life on Mars, that would be great impetus for a human program," he said.

A manned mission must have a compelling scientific or economic rationale, said Alan Ladwig, NASA's associate administrator for policy and plans. After all, he said, "In a post-Cold War era, you don't have the Russians to beat anyone."

As even Walter Cronkite, who covered the space program's early days for CBS, once put it: "The pioneering days of space are simply over. Even a Mars landing doesn't have nearly the appeal that a moon landing had."

RJR puts Joe Camel to sleep

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Joe Camel's been sent packing.

After being accused for years of using the hip cartoon character to appeal to kids, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. is dropping the campaign in favor of the more lifelike illustration of a camel that has been on cigarette packs for generations.

"Obviously, there's been a controversy surrounding Joe Camel for some time," RJR spokesman Nat Walker said. "That's the reason why we began looking for alternatives."

RJR has used the suave Joe Camel — often pictured in sunglasses and surrounded by beautiful women — since 1988.

Joe Camel's days were probably numbered anyway because of the recent settlement between the tobacco industry and the attorneys general of 40 states. The settlement, which is subject to approval by Congress, would ban cigarette companies from using cartoons or human figures in advertisements.

In addition, the Federal Trade Commission had moved to ban Joe Camel on May 28, charging that he was designed to sell cigarettes to young people.

"Joe Camel is dead. He had it coming," said White House aide Bruce Reed.

President Clinton, traveling in Poland, welcomed RJR's decision but said: "This step is long overdue. As I said last year when we announced the FDA rule to protect youth from tobacco, we must put tobacco ads like Joe Camel out of our children's reach forever."

In Washington, the FTC applauded the move but also said the nation's No. 2 tobacco company should sign an enforceable order preventing it from ever bringing Joe Camel back.

Only a month ago, RJR had sued the FTC, accusing it of harassment and political opportunism in trying to ban Joe Camel.

According to the FTC, Camel cigarettes were used by fewer than 3 percent of smokers under 18 before Joe Camel's birth 10 years ago. Six years later, the brand controlled more than 13 percent of those smokers.

RJR's Walker said Joe Camel had been a marketing success.

"We had it for 10 years and it did what we intended it to do," he said from headquarters in Winston-Salem, N.C. "It was brought on to reposition a brand that had been continuing to lose market share for some time."

It was not immediately known if the change would be enforced overseas. Jan Smith, another RJR spokeswoman, said Joe Camel has been used in a few countries over the years.

David A. Logan, a product liability expert at Wake Forest University's law school, said it will take some time to determine precisely why RJR decided now to kill the hugely successful Joe Camel advertising campaign.

"There's always the suspicion the tobacco companies can snatch victory from the jaws of defeat," he said. "They fought the package warnings in the 1970s and it saved their rear ends in the 1990s. Who knows how they are going to play this out?"

One tobacco industry analyst said RJR had been gradually using the more traditional image of the humped animal in its Camel ads over the past year.

"A keen observer of Joe Camel would have seen the increased emphasis of the Camel silhouette over the last 12 months," said Martin Feldman, who follows RJR for Smith Barney.

The new campaign will begin on billboards this week and in magazines in August.

"We are taking this new campaign nationally because of the very positive response we have heard from adult smokers who have seen some of the new ads that we have run in selected magazines since March," said Fran Creighton, Reynolds vice president of marketing for Camel.

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Man pleads guilty to tampering with drug-trial jury

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A man pleaded guilty Thursday to attempting to bribe a juror in a major drug-trafficking trial, in what was the second jury-tampering conviction in two months in the Rio Grande Valley.

Despite the successive cases, both of which involved drug trials, prosecutors said they believe jury-influencing crimes remain rare.

"I don't have any evidence it's a growing problem," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Eric Reed, who is prosecuting the latest case. "But as the stakes become higher in the drug trade — with bigger money and bigger judicial penalties — the government has to be ever more vigilant about these sorts of attacks."

On Thursday, Bobby Herrera, 27, of Brownsville pleaded guilty to one count of jury tampering and

agreed to testify against a co-defendant who is scheduled for trial Monday in Houston.

Herrera admitted to offering up to \$10,000 to juror James Almaraz for a not-guilty vote in the April drug trial of Javier Lopez Cantu. Almaraz reported the offer to the presiding judge and was dismissed from the trial. Cantu was later convicted of running thousands of pounds of marijuana through Brownsville.

In exchange for Herrera's guilty plea, prosecutors dropped an additional four counts against him, including a charge that Herrera attempted to persuade a witness in his own case to lie to federal investigators.

Herrera faces up to 20 years in prison and a possible \$250,000 fine when he is sentenced in September.

Despite his client's plea, defense attorney Ernesto Gamez intimated that Herrera did not intend to bribe the juror.

"Many times, the most innocent of statements ... can be considered a crime," Gamez said.

In the earlier case, a former juror pleaded guilty last month to soliciting a bribe for trying to influence his fellow jurors in a McAllen drug trial.

Jose Luis Snell, 24, of Pharr pleaded guilty to accepting a \$10,000 bribe from the families of drug defendants Alejandro Gudino Vara and Ruben Anselmo Zea Luna in return for an acquittal.

Instead, Snell voted guilty along with the rest of the jurors, convicting the two men of conspiracy to distribute marijuana, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Luis Martinez, who prosecuted both the

drug and bribery cases.

The defendants' families, upset with the outcome, turned in Snell and cooperated with investigators, Martinez said. They were not charged.

Snell, who is scheduled for sentencing in September, faces up to five years in prison, Martinez said. The drug defendants, meanwhile, are using Snell's case to seek a new trial.

Martinez agreed that jury-tampering cases are rare. Other attempts to alter the outcome of a trial, such as witness tampering, are more common.

Just last month, a former Hidalgo County official was sentenced to three years' probation for attempting to frame a witness during the high-profile trial of several county officials who were charged with bid-rigging.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Garden City Highway beautification

David Diaz, executive director of the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, has an artist's rendering of the landscaping/beautification project that is planned for the intersection of Lamesa Road and Highway 158 (Garden City Highway). The \$76,000 landscape project, funded by the Texas Department of Transportation, includes trees, shrubs and pavers.

Cadets may face joint murder trial

FORT WORTH (AP) — Prosecutors have changed their minds and now want a joint capital murder trial for two former military academy cadets accused in the shooting death of a teen-ager.

Lead prosecutor Mike Parrish filed a motion Thursday asking District Judge Joe Drago to join the cases of sweethearts David Graham and Diane Zamora because doing so would "insure a fair trial for all the parties."

Authorities earlier said they would try Graham and Miss Zamora separately in the December 1995 shooting and beating death of 16-year-old Adrienne Jones. Police said the murder stemmed from a one-time affair between Miss Jones and Graham that angered Miss Zamora.

Graham, a former Air Force Academy cadet, and Miss Zamora, a former Naval Academy freshman, face life in prison if convicted in the slaying. Both are 19.

By joining the two cases, Parrish said, statements by the accused against each other can be admitted in the trial. According to his request, jurors would be instructed that a statement by one of the defendants cannot be used against the other.

"I want to try them sitting there lovey-dovey, holding hands in the courtroom," Parrish said. "If there's ever a case that should be tried together, this is it."

Miss Zamora's attorney, John Linebarger, said jurors can't reasonably be asked to disregard one defendant's statement when considering the fate of the other.

"Graham and Zamora are obviously going to have antagonistic defenses. I think one side might be pointing the finger at the other," Linebarger said.

Linebarger said he will probably file an objection to the motion within the next two weeks. Parrish's motion will be approved unless Linebarger and Graham's attorney, Dan Cogdell, argue successfully against it.

Onstage offer of marriage upstages play

HOBBS, N.M. (AP) — A story-book romance sidestepped the script when actor surprised actress by proposing marriage onstage in front of an audience of about 100 people.

Daniel Russell produced a ring and whispered in Monica Armijo's ear "I'm not acting" during the final scenes of the play "The Dining Room" at the Playhouse in Hobbs last Saturday.

"I love you. I can't imagine life without you. Will you be my wife?" he asked, the audience taking it all in.

The actor's mother, Vicki Russell, was among those watching. "I turned to my husband and said, 'Is this really for real or is it part of the play?'" Mrs. Russell said.

The actress' mother, Anna Marie Armijo, was also caught by surprise.

"When I realized what he was doing, I just put my hands to my face and cried a bit ... I think life's going to be interesting with Daniel in the family," she said.

For her own part, the actress was at a loss for words. She could only manage to nod her assent.

"I couldn't talk," she said, noting "I'm not good at ad-libbing." As tongue-tied as she was at the moment, she said later she was not really that surprised.

"I wouldn't have expected anything different," she said. "That's just the way Daniel is. I think I would have been disappointed if it had been just the two of us."

After the play, she said, "people I didn't even know came up and hugged me."

Her fiancé said: "The old-fashioned part of me wants the whole world to know I love her."

Russell said he cleared the proposal in advance with father-in-law-to-be Ralph Armijo.

"I was more nervous asking him than I was asking her," he said.

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BASIN BRIEFING

Leadership

Applications for Leadership Midland are being accepted through Sept. 2. The program, sponsored by the Midland Chamber of Commerce Foundation and Midland College, familiarizes participants with the workings of the city. Tuition is \$475; a limited number of partial scholarships are available. Applications may be picked up at the chamber, 109 N. Main St. For more information call Dawn Webster at 683-3381.

Play opens

ODESSA — The Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd, opens "Sylvia," the first of two summer shows, at 8 p.m. today. This comedy follows the relationship of a man and his dog. The play opens in Manhattan where Greg (Judd Vermillion), a discontented financial trader, brings home a dog he has found at the park. A mixture of poodle and Lab, the only thing on her tag is her name, Sylvia. Greg and Sylvia (Marisol Caballero) bond quickly and their special affection soon becomes a source of irritation for Greg's wife, Kate (Louise Vermillion). Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students. Curtain is 8 p.m. today, Saturday and July 18 and 19. For reservations call 1-915-362-2329 or 550-5456.

Soul food

The Community of Joy, which meets 10:35 a.m. Sunday at Cole Theater, is to discuss the question "Does what we eat have anything to do with God." For more information call 682-3701.

Cadet murder trial

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Jury tampering

BROWNSVILLE — A man pleaded guilty Thursday to attempting to bribe a juror in a major drug-trafficking trial, in what was the second jury-tampering conviction in two months in the Rio Grande Valley. Despite the successive cases, both of which involved drug trials, prosecutors said they believe jury-influencing crimes remain rare.

Story page 10A

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G St., 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726 or 699-5563.

Tall City Road Riders, dinner ride, 7 p.m., leave from Bank One, 520-6645.

SAA—Reflections, 560-5240. The meetings are closed.

Beyond Choice support group, for those dealing with post-abortion issues, 1:30 p.m., Dot, 683-3775 or Kim, 580-HELP.

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UTPB chair honors Pinkie Roden

By Alice Ashmore
Staff Writer

ODESSA — The University of Texas at the Permian Basin announced Wednesday the creation of the Pinkie Roden Chair for Entrepreneurship, made possible by a \$591,000 gift from Ted Roden in honor of his brother, the late Tom W. "Pinkie" Roden.

It is the largest endowment to the school of business in the university's history.

"Pinkie worked tirelessly for this university," said UTPB President Charles Sorber. "He wanted a center for academic excellence in West Texas."

Sorber noted that the Roden brothers hold the distinction of being the only siblings to be named Odessa's Outstanding

Citizen. Pinkie Roden was given the award in 1976. Ted Roden was handed the honor in 1984.

"He cared very much for this institution," Roden said of his late brother. "He is almost solely responsible for seeing UTPB located in Midland/Odessa."

Roden sees a great need for the teaching of entrepreneurship in a college curriculum.

"We are doing a lousy job in preparing kids to go into business for themselves," he said.

Roden, who is a chemical engineer by education, said "he had to learn the hard way."

Pinkie Roden made his fortune operating a liquor store chain that stretched from Amarillo to Abilene.

"These liquor stores were only a means for Pinkie to do his thing," Roden said. "He truly cared for West Texas."

"I want to see more people be able to go into business for themselves," he said.

Gary Klein, dean of the UTPB School of Business, said fostering entrepreneurship is crucial to the Permian Basin as many major companies relocate to other cities.

"Most of our current economic growth is from small businesses," Klein noted.

Sorber said that Roden's gift was "the largest gift for a faculty endowment that we have." The new faculty member to fill the chair would not be named until January at the earliest, he said.

"We already have a good deal of the curriculum in place," he said.

Klein said that an average of 400 students are enrolled in the school of business.

"Most of them elect to take entrepreneurial courses," he said.

Klein said that two-thirds of the students in graduate business programs commute from Midland.

"We plan to develop some electives for entrepreneurship at the graduate level," Klein said.

Kay Bivens, director of Institutional Advancement for UTPB, sees possibilities for Roden's gift to have far-reaching effects.

"We have a significant number of first generation university students at UTPB," she said. "This could be a turning point for them."

Big Spring man keeps windmills

TURNING TO THE RIGHT

By Johnnye Montgomery

BIG SPRING — Rodney Carr, 44, greets the rising sun with a cup of coffee in one hand and his steering wheel in the other. On a recent day he had a rancher in a bind for water south of Big Spring, and a job on another windmill 50 miles in the other direction.

"That's the way it goes, sometimes," he said. "The windmill broke and the cows knocked the float off at the trough and let all the water run out. He doesn't have a dirt tank in that pasture, so he's needing his mill fixed in the worst way."

Carr said the electrification of West Texas notwithstanding, the windmill is in no way facing extinction.

"For one thing, a lot of these ranch pastures are still a long way from power lines and to get electricity where you need it can cost up to \$10,000 a mile," he said. "A windmill isn't cheap — it'll cost you in the neighborhood of \$11,000, and that's just for the tower and the motor, but once it's up, it's almost trouble-free, most of the time."

Although windmill towers are traditionally erected piece by piece of angle iron, girts and braces, and hundreds of bolts and nuts, Carr said he prefers to weld them in his workshop in Big Spring and transport them to the well.

"A good day is spent just turning the bolts (on the traditional towers)," he said. "Each piece in a windmill tower only goes one way. I'd prefer to weld it to stay away from all those bolts. Besides, each piece has its own place, and its own way of fitting in. As far as the motor, it doesn't take

Please see TURNING/2B

Rodney Carr repairs and builds windmills for Big Spring area ranchers.

Photo by Johnnye Montgomery

Woman's coffeehouse dream fizzles in clash with corporate bagel shop

DALLAS (AP) — Sheila Burchfield and several friends were unwinding from another stressful day of hospital work when someone suggested opening a coffeehouse so they all could have a place to hang out.

"So I did," Ms. Burchfield said.

Ms. Burchfield didn't jump from pediatric respiratory therapist to java entrepreneur overnight. She spent six months researching the business world, taking classes and attending seminars.

Along the way she realized she needed to protect her investment from a national chain like Starbucks. So she had a restriction added to Coffee House Central's lease preventing other coffee-based businesses from becoming her neighbor at the suburban Bedford strip center.

Things were going fine until February.

When the Shops at Central Park added a new tenant: Einstein Bros. Bagels, part of a national chain that specializes in bagels but also sells gourmet coffee blends as well as cappuccinos, lattes and the like.

"I was feeling pretty good about things going into first part of this year," Burchfield said. "My sales were going up, which I was kind of proud of because I'd always heard don't even dream of making money for the first three years."

"Then this came as a surprise." Since then, Ms. Burchfield's business has hit the skids. She's dropped two employees and cut the hours of another worker. Profits have turned to losses and she's considering permanently closing her doors.

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Ed TODD

Return of tomatoes hearkens us back to simpler, better times

It seems like yesteryear, but, alas, it was so long ago. Still, the memory is poignant and vivid. Don't know why, except experientially, but childhood must be the best time of all when all is well or reasonably so. It's good schooling for what's to come.

It was in the 1940s, the war and post-war years, when ol' Ed Todd first was knowingly smitten with an affinity for fresh tomatoes. The folks had just plucked them from the vines and loaded the tomato wagon preparatory to canning or "jarring," if you really want to get literal. Canning, as now, was in those Ball and Kerr home-canning mason jars and was a hot, sweaty, humid, time-stealing and fulfilling chore.

But what's especially memorable was getting to those summer tomatoes and, despite admonitions to the contrary, tasting and devouring more and more of those tart fruit spiced with a dash of salt.

Wonderful. There's nothing in the store to compare with freshly picked, vine-ripened tomatoes. Store

fresh is not garden fresh.

At the outset of the growing season, family and neighbors would plant seed and seedling after working the soil and laying out the rows. There was early planting for potatoes, cabbage, onions, carrots, beets, turnip greens, beans and such. As the sun warmed the soil, there was later planting for tomatoes, okra, squash, corn and the melons. Nature, of course, provided the rain for Delta County and Todd's other East Texas romping grounds over in neighboring Lamar County in Northeast Texas.

In reflection, one of the grand, old rewards of gardening came in the dead of winter when the garden plot was at rest. That's when Grandmother would take from the pantry jars her world's best soup, none to equal then or today. Then as now, Todd relished dipping light bread, preferably heels, into the soup of mostly potatoes, tomatoes, onions, corn and green beans. Crumbling crackers was for chili, with or without beans.

Since those childhood years, Todd has tried his labors, patience and wits at tilling the soil for gardening's sake over in Abilene, Cumby, Big Sandy, Alpine and, now, Midland.

The yields were splendid just outside Cumby in

Hopkins County, in Big Sandy in Upshur County despite the onslaught of potato and squash bugs, and in the backyard in Abilene. There was nothing to brag about in the high-country of Alpine. But the sweet corn at Cumby was scrumptious.

And the rains and the good old sandy loamy soil, which begs for more humus, the work of the beneficial insects, a bit of hoeing and cultivating and much watering and the good weather all joined forces to produce Todd's Midland garden. It is producing well. In particular, the tomato varieties are all faring well: the old standards, such as Celebrity, Better Boy, and Early Girl, and that newfangled variety, Merced.

For the first time in 19 years, since that year at Cumby, Todd canned a batch of tomatoes in a home-spun laboratory setting. Interesting work. There's more to come this season in the canning realm: okra, for sure, if it does as well as the tomatoes.

Next year, and there's always "next year" as farmers will gladly tell you, Todd plans an early garden and hopes to concoct a likeness of Grandmother's soup from a fair sampling of the blessed garden.

Ed Todd is a writer for The Midland Reporter-Telegram.

City hopes to annex airport postal facility

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

City officials are working toward the eventual annexation of the U.S. Postal Service's General Mail Facility at Midland International Airport.

Postal officials have been asking for ways to cut the cost of their city water usage at the facility, located at the northwest corner of Wright Drive and Sloan Field Boulevard.

The facility, which sits on about two acres of land, is on county land but uses city water, and by law must pay 50 percent more for water service than those inside the city limits, according to Mayor Bobby Burns.

Unless the facility is annexed into the city, "we can't give them normal rates," Burns said.

Once inside the city limits, the mail facility can make use of lower rates for water service. Since it is a federal facility, no ad valorem taxes will be paid on the property.

This "friendly" annexation dovetails with city plans to seek further annexations in the airport area, Burns said.

Having control of this land allows the city to protect the large ongoing investment in the airport, Burns said.

Being out of the city limits and away from city control, any manner of aesthetically displeasing structure could be built in the airport area, Burns said.

"Right now, people can build whatever they want out there ... that's the biggest investment in Midland," he said.

Any future annexations will be done on a "friendly basis," he said.

Property will not be annexed over the objections of current landowners, he explained. The city, however, hopes to control the land in the terminal area to better regulate the kinds of construction the area might be subjected to in the future.

The kind of mutually beneficial annexation being entered into between the city and the postal facility is likely to take about 180 days before being final, according to city officials.

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M-Squad
'Hold-Up'

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

Dolores Higginbotham and Miriam Jones, with the Midland Chamber of Commerce's M-Squad, welcome the Bedard family to Midland Thursday as the first "Hold-up" victims of the year. The family was pulled over by Midland deputy John McDaniel on I-20, traveling east. David and Kiyo Bedard and their daughters, Elizabeth and Eileen, were traveling from Massachusetts back home to Arizona. The M-Squad treats travelers to a free hotel room, dinner, entertainment and a full tank of gas to tout Midland as a tourist destination.

POLICE REPORTS

School vandalized

Two Midland teen-agers were detained at a local elementary school Wednesday night for causing damages, estimated at \$1,500, to floodlights at the campus.

The juveniles were charged with felony criminal mischief, police officials said.

Reports indicated that the incident occurred at Anson Jones Elementary School at 4919 Shady Lane.

Officers said the two teens were allegedly throwing rocks at the floodlights.

Midland Police Department

Wednesday

Assault: An assault was reported at 4717 Preston Lane. Devon Ennis Terrance was arrested at the scene at 5:17 a.m. and charged with misdemeanor assault.

Burglary of a vehicle: Allen Morton reported a vehicle break-in at 3510 Camarie Ave., according to a report he made 5:29 p.m.

Criminal mischief: A car was broken into at 417 E. Durward Ave. Bobbie Williams reported the incident at 6 p.m.

Burglary of a habitation: Beth Seebree reported a house was broken into at 114 W. Dorland Ave. It was reported at 11:25 p.m.

Theft: A vehicle was taken 1918 E. Pecan, according to a report Theresa made at 3 p.m.

Assault: An assault was reported from 1415 Scharbauer Drive at 5:29 p.m.

Criminal mischief: Tires were slashed on a vehicle at 1008 S. Midkiff Road. Jesse Perez reported it at midnight.

Thursday

Theft: A vehicle was stolen from 5009 Rio Grande. Margie Burchell reported the incident to police at 1 a.m.

Burglary of a habitation: Jonathan Brad Pearson reported a house break-in from 3101 N. Midland Drive. The report was made at 4:53 a.m.

Theft: Three men were arrested at 4040 W. Wall Street in connection with theft of car parts. Police estimated the damages at \$500.

Midland County Sheriff's Office

Wednesday

Theft: A bike was taken from 3110 S. County Road 1211, according to a report Amrando Olivias made at 8:30 p.m.

Anyone having information concerning any of these incidents should call the Midland Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

OBITUARIES



J. Woodford Sale

James Woodford Sale was born in Stanton, Texas, on Aug. 23, 1911, to James and Beulah Sale. He went on to his heavenly home on Wednesday, July 9, 1997.

Woodford was a life-long resident of West Texas. He graduated from Texas Tech University and then taught school in the Courtney School System for several years. He farmed and ranched in Martin

County, and later sold insurance with Southwestern Life. He brokered oil leases until recently. He taught a men's Sunday school class for many years and served as a deacon at both First Baptist Church in Stanton and First Baptist Church in Midland. He was also active in community affairs, serving on the school board, City Council and later as mayor of Stanton for two terms. He married Hallie Louise McNetlin on Aug. 31, 1940, in Midland. They resided in Tarzan, where he farmed and ranched. While in Tarzan, their three children, Sandra, Sharon and Jim were born. The family moved to Stanton in 1949, and lived there until moving to Midland in 1971.

Woodford is survived by his wife, Hallie of Midland; twin daughters, Sandra Baucom (husband-David) of Sulphur Springs and Sharon Camp (husband-Glenn) of Kilgore; a son, Jim Sale (wife-Judy) of Midland; eight adoring grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be at 3 p.m. today, July 11, 1997, at First Baptist Church in Midland. Officiating will be Dr. Gary Dyer and long-time friend and former pastor, Dr. L.L. Morris. Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton, Texas.

Serving as pallbearers will be Woodford's grandsons and granddaughters-in-law. Honorary pallbearers will be the members of his Sunday school class, as well as Fred Poe, Bill Flynn, Bill Hubbard, Autry Stephens, Pete Janssen and Bob Burkett.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Building Fund, First Baptist Church, 2104 Louisiana Ave., Midland, 79701 or to a charity of one's choice.

Macon Cecil

Macon Charles Cecil, 73 years old, of Midland, went to be with our Lord on July 9, 1997.

He was born Feb. 8, 1924, the son of Eugene and Eric Cecil. He was a loving husband and father. He married Willa Mae Presley on June 30, 1951. She preceded him in death. He later married Willa Dean Berry on April 15, 1995. Macon served in the U.S. Army Air Force from Nov. 12, 1942, through Nov. 25, 1945. He received a campaign medal with three Bronze Stars and a Bronze Star with two Oakleaf Clusters, a World War II Victory Medal, an Air Medal and an American Theater Ribbon. He was a graduate of North Texas State College, Denton, Texas, with a bachelor of business administration degree. He worked for

Humble Oil and retired from Exxon USA. Macon was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 626 and a member of First Baptist Church in Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Willa Dean Cecil of Midland; his son, Mark D. Cecil of Midland; two daughters, Nancy Collins of Lampasas, Texas and Patsy Tonne of Plano, Texas; three stepchildren, Earl Dennis Berry of Monroe, Louisiana, Harold Dayton Berry of Midland, and Tracey Dean Falcone of McKinney, Texas; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews; and one brother, Eugene B. Cecil of Lubbock, Texas.

Funeral services will be officiated by the Rev. Bob Porterfield at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel on today, July 11, 1997, at 5 p.m. Masonic graveside services will be at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

Pallbearers will be Floyd Wilson, Lewis Elliott, Vance Lane, Ray Lindsey, Jim Lindsey and Juan Carlos Mendoza.

Macon was a very kind and loving friend to people of all ages. He took the time to show a genuine interest in others, and a joy of living. He will be missed by all who knew him.

DEATH NOTICES

Iris King

Iris Lee King died Thursday, July 10, at a hospital in Fort Worth.

Funeral services have been set for 11 a.m. Saturday, July 12, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Burial is to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Feb. 8, 1928, in Bangs.

She married Clarence Raymond Barron on Nov. 19, 1941, and he preceded her in death. She married Richard King in Midland in 1971 and he also preceded her in death. She moved to Midland in 1952 and worked as a dietitian for Parkview for 15 years, retiring in 1988.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Travis Cox and Billy Cox.

Survivors include two sons, Raymond D. Barron and Delmer C. Barron, both of Midland; a daughter, Cheryl L. Cooper of Midland; her mother, Dorothy Leist of Midland; three brothers, Jimmy Cox, Darrell Cox and Roger Cox, all of Waco; two sisters, Viola Damery of Las Vegas, Nev., and Iris Levera Cox of Waco; 16 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Richard Riddle

Richard "Rick" Dean Riddle died Thursday, July 10, at a local hospital.

Memorial services are to be 2 p.m. Saturday, July 12, at Ellis

Funeral Home Chapel with Burt Purvis and Montie Martin officiating. Graveside services are to be 1 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park with Bishop Gary Hoose officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Visitation for family and friends will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, July 11, at the funeral home.

He was born Aug. 3, 1950, in El Paso.

He moved to Midland and graduated from Lee High School and later attended North Texas State University, where he earned his master's degree in biology and chemistry. He was a member of the Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He was preceded in death by his father, E.D. Riddle in 1977, and by his brother, Daniel Riddle in July 1995.

Survivors include two sons, Abraham Riddle and Issac Riddle, both of Humboldt, Tenn.; five daughters, Regina Donnelly of St. Louis, Mo., Tamara Riddle, Mary Riddle and Allison Riddle, all of Fayetteville, Ark., and Erica Riddle of Memphis, Tenn.; his mother, Mildred Riddle of Midland; his grandmother, Fannie Riddle of Sweetwater; and one grandchild.

Barbara Beebe

ABILENE — Former Midlander, Barbara "Bobbie" Beebe, 66, died Thursday, July 10, at an Abilene hospital.

Graveside services are to be 1:30 p.m. Saturday, July 12, at

Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene with the Rev. Caro Russell officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home in Abilene. Visitation is set for 12:45 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

She was born in Cisco.

Before moving to Abilene five years ago she lived in Electra, Levelland and Mineral Wells. She was a homemaker and a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Roy Leon Beebe.

Survivors include a son, Ronald Beebe of Midland; a daughter, Rhonda Young of Abilene; a brother, Clinton Bolinger of National City, Calif.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Juanell Earl

SEMINOLE — Juanell Earl, 60, of Alto, N.M., mother of Midlander Sheri Lacy, died Wednesday, July 9, at a hospital in Albuquerque, N.M.

Graveside services are to be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 12, at Gaines County Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Lewis officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Roger Pool Funeral Home in Seminole.

She was born Dec. 24, 1936, in Winters.

She taught for 20 years and was a counselor for eight years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Seminole, the Seminole Easter Star Chapter, Classroom Teachers Association,

Texas Counseling Association and First United Methodist Church in Seminole.

She was preceded in death by her sister, LaGaytha Gothard.

Other survivors include her husband, Jack Earl of Alto, N.M.; another daughter, Valerie Jackson of Seminole; and four grandchildren.

Waldien Hollis

SHERMAN — Waldien Hollis of Colorado City, sister of Midlander C.E. McCain, died Wednesday, July 9, at a Colorado City nursing home.

Services are to be 10 a.m. today, July 11, at the Kiker-Seale Funeral Chapel in Colorado City with the Rev. Robert Bracy officiating. Graveside services are to be 5 p.m. today at West Hill Cemetery in Sherman under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City.

She was born Feb. 11, 1920, in Walnut Springs.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, A.B. McCain, J.C. McCain and Paul McCain.

Other survivors include her husband, S.T. Jack Hollis of Colorado City; a daughter, Judy Hollis of Sherman; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials can be made to Alzheimer's Research, Texas Tech University Medical School Department of Neurology, 3601 Fourth St., Lubbock, 79430; Dorn Church of Colorado City; or to the charity of one's choice.

DREAM: Corporate competition brings lawsuit by business owner

(From 1B)

Ms. Burchfield isn't alone in her plight. For years, people all across the country have seen the American dream of owning a business trampled by corporate America.

Now that bagels and coffees are trendy, smaller stores featuring those items are facing the heat, just as five-and-dimes and mom-and-pop specialty shops felt when Wal-Mart began its nationwide expansion.

"Why am I fighting a large corporation when I did what I was supposed to do?" Ms. Burchfield said. "I feel for small businesses. All it takes is one swipe."

"The American dream is great, but is it a myth because of the corporate structure? It's frustrating."

Ms. Burchfield isn't going down without a fight. Buoyed by loyal customers who say she's being cheated, she is suing her landlord and leasing agent for violating the non-competition clause and suing Einstein's parent company for interfering with her business.

"I played by the rules, researched my business, jumped through hoops and loopholes and met all their agreements to protect myself," Ms. Burchfield said. "Why does that give them the right to do this?"

The clause in Ms. Burchfield's contract says that as long as she is not in default of her lease, "the landlord agrees not to lease space within the shopping center to another retailer whose primary business is the sale of gourmet coffee beans and gourmet coffee drinks."

Gary Gerdemann, a spokesman for Colorado-based Einstein/Noah

Bagel Corp. said the company's lease allows for specialty and gourmet coffee sales as long as they don't exceed 20 percent of gross sales.

He also noted that coffee-related products generated 8.2 percent of the store's business since it opened Feb. 2.

But Ms. Burchfield's attorney, Paul Goetz, said he believes the coffee sales are more important to Einstein's business than the company is admitting.

"I don't think (the 8.2 percent figure) necessarily means the sale of coffee and coffee items is not their primary business or a primary part of their business," Goetz said.

"They had a lot of giveaways," Ms. Burchfield said. "That just killed me because I couldn't compete with that. I'm too small."

Ms. Burchfield was smart enough to have incorporated her business, so at least closing the store wouldn't cripple her financially.

Still, it wouldn't be easy to pick up the pieces or restore her faith in the American dream.

"It's my main source of income," she said. "I have debts and bills to pay. My parents helped me out. I've taken part of their retirement, and that bothers me a great deal. Not a lot of people get this opportunity and I'm grateful they did this for me."

Ms. Burchfield plans to continue the lawsuit even if she has to shut down her business.

"If I win, I'll have made a good point," she said. "I may very well wind up closing my doors before very long, but I'm going to go as far as I can."

CITY: Annexation of land around post office part of plan for area

(From 1B)

Within 30 days, the city will hold public hearings for annexation and zoning and then the matter is to go to the City Council to be read into law as an ordinance.

As with all proposed annexa-

tions, at the end of about 90 days the measure is to be sent to the U.S. Department of Justice and the state of Texas because of voting rights. Barring unforeseen circumstances, final approval is expected, most likely within three months.

TURNING: New materials improve windmills, Big Spring man says

(From 1B)

long at all. You've got 12 spokes, those six sections and you've got your tail."

Carr said most of the windmills he works on are on wells in the neighborhood of about 160 to 180 feet deep. The mill he was recently working on, an Aeromotor 14 feet in diameter, sits on a 40-foot tower.

"This is really a big windmill in this part of the country," he said. "Down in the Edwards Plateau, you'll see larger ones, because the wells are so much deeper."

He said modern technology has changed windmills along with

everything else. "Windmills are essentially trouble-free, anyway, and they're getting better. Now you have fiberglass rods that are much, much lighter than wood and will last just about forever, but of course, the rod ends have to be replaced."

"But if you have a good straight hole, even the wooden rods will last 10 or 12 years. I like the fiberglass rods, but they don't displace as much water as the wooden ones."

Carr said maintenance on windmills consists of once-a-year oil changes, and changing the leathers (seals on the valves that hold the water) every four or five

years but more often if the well is sandy or crooked.

He said summer is the best time to erect new windmills.

"We'll have enough daylight to work by until just about nine o'clock, and that's enough time, usually, to finish putting up a mill. I'd like to quit about two in the afternoon and do something else,

but when you're 50 miles from home, you can't do that."

He said the hardest windmill work is when it's cold.

"I've climbed towers that were coated with ice, with the wind chill that I don't even like to think about. But when I have to do that, I do it, and climb back down."

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Isn't It All About Money?

Makes little difference what the subject may be. God said it long ago, "for the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." 1 Timothy 6:10.

Take, for an instance, the battle of 40 States with major tobacco companies who are willing to pay \$368.5 billion rather than give up their addictive grip on millions of Americans. And, you get the feeling that those state officials want big bucks rather than recompense. It has already been uncovered that some states are refusing health care for tobacco addicts, yet they called for reimbursement for the same. It's really all about money.

And, take a closer look at the Southern Baptist Convention and their recent call for a unified boycott of Disney as the giant in entertainment industry who makes big bucks by "giving the people what they want." Sex, violence, filth, and religious ridicule by support of gays, etc. Yes, I agree with the SBC. Only money will stop Disney. When we quit buying, they will change. It's really about money. And, God warned us long ago.

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AROUND TOWN

In commemoration of the landing on Mars of the Mars Pathfinder and Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft, the Blake-More Planetarium will present "The Mars Show" 8 p.m. every Friday (except holiday weekends) beginning today and running through December.

The program features recently released state-of-the-art computer graphics depicting the landing, surface operations and scientific goals of the ongoing Mars missions. More than 20 years have passed since the Viking landers first explored the Martian surface.

Produced by Loch Ness Productions, "The Mars Show" is narrated by award-winning British actor Patrick Stewart, better known as Capt. Jean Luc Picard in "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

Also on exhibit through Aug. 29 are a Martian meteorite, fragments of the Odessa meteorite, a piece of an asteroid, shatter cones, tektites and other rare meteorites. Public telescope viewing with members of West Texas Astronomers will follow the presentation of the evening Sky Show on the second Friday of each month, weather permitting.

Planetarium admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children aged 12 and younger. Schools and other groups of 25 or more may schedule special presentations between 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information call the Blake-More Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest during normal business hours at 683-2882 or send e-mail to skyguy@basinlink.com...

...MINNESOTA PARTY for anyone from that state will be 2 p.m. Aug. 3 at American Legion, 501 Air Park Road. Persons attending are asked to bring a favorite dish. For information call 682-6890 or 563-5387...

...MUSEUM OF the Southwest's Summer Sundays Lawn Concerts will present the Night Shift Band in concert 7:45 p.m. July 13 on the grounds of the museum at 1705 W. Missouri.

The concert, sponsored by The Kent Companies, will feature country, old rock and rhythm and blues. Band members are Zack Casey, lead guitar and vocals; Truman Ivison, lead guitar, rhythm, vocals and special effects; Doug Hartman, guitar, harmonica, percussion and vocals; Bob Korner, bass guitar and vocals; Boomer Kingston, saxophone; and Donnie Butler, drums and vocals.

These free family concerts will be presented each Sunday evening through Aug. 10 (weather permitting). Persons attending are invited to bring lawn chairs, quilts, picnics and drinks.

The concerts are sponsored in part by the Reporter-Telegram. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770...

...FREE SUMMER breakfasts and lunches are available for children aged 18 and younger at South, DeZavala, Milam, Bonham and Burnet elementary schools in Midland. Breakfast will be served 7:30-8:30 a.m., and lunches from noon-1 p.m. Monday through Friday through July 25. For information call (800) 456-4862...

...COMMUNITY BEREAVEMENT support group will meet 7 p.m. July 17 at Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas St. Anyone who has lost a loved one, whether recently or long ago, is invited to attend. For more information call 682-2855...

...MIDLAND COUNTY Public Library's Children's Department is hosting its annual Summer Reading Program, which will be conducted through Aug. 1. Children aged 14 and younger may participate.

In addition to the reading program, the children's department will present programs and videos throughout the summer. Colleen Scurry will present Storytime for children aged 3-5 at 10 a.m. July 15; storyteller Vicky Bucy will present a program for children aged 6-12 at 2:30 p.m. July 16; and the video, "Harry the Dirty Dog," will be presented 10 a.m. July 19...

...TEXAS SPECIAL Olympics will have a coaches' training and certification clinic 8 a.m.-3 p.m. July 26 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ, 3500 W. Golf Course Road in Midland. For more information call 684-5024...

FAMILY MATTERS

Verbal abuse psychologically, spiritually damaging

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: What are you supposed to do when your husband keeps putting you down and making you feel like you're worthless? He does it anytime I do anything wrong. He puts me down in front of our kids, with our friends, or out in public anywhere. We've been married for 11-plus years and that's all I've heard the last few years.

I've talked to my friends about what's going on, and they have all noticed it too. They don't think that I'm doing anything wrong and that he's just being a butt. Mostly they say they don't know how I stand it. When I try to tell him that other people don't think that I'm wrong, he gets really angry and accuses me of spreading our dirty laundry all over town. Now he won't go out with my girlfriends and their husbands anymore.

I just really don't know what to do. After all these years together and two lovely children, I don't know how much more of this I can take. I know it's better for the children if I can stand it, but I'm getting more and more depressed. I dread it when he comes home because I know he's going to tear into me about everything I've done wrong or haven't done.

Is there anything I can do to make him stop? Other people tell me I'm smart, attractive and a good mother, but it scares me that I'm beginning to believe him! BEAT DOWN AND CONFUSED

DEAR BEAT: Not only is your husband's behavior confusing, it is completely unacceptable. No person has the

right to constantly berate another. It is psychologically and spiritually inappropriate.

First, I suggest that you take action to arm yourself to deal with his assaults. You have to be strong enough to calmly and directly respond to his attacks and disarm him and them.

Get a copy of Drs. Robert Alberti and Michael Emmons' book, "Your Perfect Right," and read about the process of developing assertiveness. As they note, "Assertive behavior promotes equality in human relationships, enabling us to act in our own best interests, to stand up for ourselves without undue anxiety, to express honest feelings comfortably, to exercise personal rights without denying the rights of others."

As you develop assertiveness, you become prepared to directly address your husband's behavior and issues with you.

The next step may be to sit down with him in a quiet place without any distractions or interruptions to discuss his behavior and concerns. You may find it helpful at this meeting to emphasize your love for him, but that his behavior is inappropriate and must change since it affects your relationship.

You may want to encourage him to make a list of problems he has with your behavior for the two of you to address. Convey to him that you can make an effort to correct problems that are identified appropriately, such as "The problem is..." without putdown or insults.

Noted marital researcher, Dr. John Gottman, points out in his book, "Why Marriages Succeed or Fail," that the first major warning sign of a marriage in trouble is "criticism" followed by "contempt." He distinguishes between a "complaint" and "criticism" in this way: A complaint is specific and limited to one situation, while a criticism tends to

be more global and usually includes blame. Contempt then adds insult to the criticism — it is "verbal character assassination."

You are correct in knowing the importance of this problem to yourself and your marriage. His behavior also could be teaching your children that it is acceptable for males to criticize and insult females.

Consider talking to your minister about this situation. Such verbal assaults are sins against the spirit — we are to honor our spouses by loving them as Christ loved us.

THE FOLLOWING "BILL OF ASSERTIVE RIGHTS" IS OFFERED BY THE CENTERS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES:

- I have the RIGHT to say "no" without feeling guilty.
- I have the RIGHT to say "I don't know."
- I have the RIGHT to make mistakes and be responsible for them.
- I have the RIGHT to say "I don't understand."
- I have the RIGHT to change my mind.
- I have the RIGHT to judge my own behavior.
- I have the RIGHT to be responsible for the results of my behavior.
- I have the RIGHT to make no excuses for my behavior.

In communications with me, other people have these same rights.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 10485, Midland, 79702.

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DEAR ABBY

Bill collectors ask neighbors to knock on debtors' door

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: We have a cordial relationship with our next-door neighbors, but we are not close. We are aware that they have been experiencing financial difficulties, but they have never revealed any details and we haven't asked.

About three months ago, we started receiving calls from collection agencies saying that they had not been able to reach our neighbors, and asking us to tell our neighbors to contact them. There have been 15 or 20 of these calls, usually at dinnertime. When I tell them that we have no intention of doing their work for them and embarrassing our neighbors, they become persistent — even rude.

I am infuriated by this invasion of our privacy, and the harassment to which we are being subjected because these agencies can't do their job. If they have our neighbor's address and have had no response to their letters, they should send someone in person to speak to them — they shouldn't ask us to do it.

Abby, is this legal? And is there any regulatory agency we can contact to keep from being bothered? — HARASSED IN SANTA CLARITA, CALIF.

DEAR HARASSED: No, it's not legal. According to the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you should have received no more than one phone call.

You can deal with this problem in one of two ways: Call the local office of the Fair Trade Commission and file a complaint, and they will go after the collector. Or, contact the local bar association and consult a con-

sumer protection attorney. My experts tell me that you may be entitled to damages.

DEAR ABBY: My husband's brother and his wife live next door to us. Until recently, we were all best friends. My sister-in-law and I did everything together.

Not long ago, she accused me of doing something that she later found out I had not done. Even after finding this out, she has not apologized for accusing me. We were best friends for nine years, but now she won't even look in my direction.

I am hurt that she accused me before she got the facts, and angry that she never bothered to apologize. How should I handle this? Can we still be friends? — NOT SO GUILTY AFTER ALL

DEAR NOT SO GUILTY: Your sister-in-law may be so embarrassed about her mistake that she's reluctant to approach you. Since the friendship is clearly important to you, be the bigger person and make the first move. Tell her you are relieved that she learned the truth, and you'd like to put the incident behind you so you can continue to be close friends.

DEAR ABBY: In regard to the family whose parents failed to keep in touch on a road trip, and therefore couldn't be located when a grandparent died, you advised, "The best policy is to leave a detailed itinerary with friends or family or ... make a point of checking in regularly."

I would like to add another suggestion: Before going on the road, invest in a long-distance pager. The cost is reasonable and can even include a toll-free pager number. Give the number to a couple of trusted friends or family members.

Back this up with voicemail service on your home phone and check your messages daily. If you call during off-peak hours, the cost will be minimal.

That's what I did, and it certainly gave me peace of mind. — ELLEN K. HOWE, WEST COVINA, CALIF.

DEAR ELLEN: An excellent idea. Thanks for sharing it.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Sad Grandpa" who, 38 years ago, married a widow with seven children. He now wants to remarry after her death, and his stepchildren are upset about it.

Perhaps his stepchildren are afraid not only of losing their stepfather, but also any property or belongings (monetary or not) that their biological father and mother would have left them.

I don't mean to make them sound greedy, but we all know from the letters you print that people who remarry later in life when their children are grown often forget that what they and their first spouse accumulated should be shared with their children. When parents remarry and are outlived by their new spouse, many times everything goes to the new spouse's family. And the children feel resentful and abandoned when nothing of their original family, monetary or not, is left for them.

Many clergy today require young couples about to marry to attend premarital counseling, but this is often waived for couples who have been married before. Perhaps these couples should also attend counseling which, among other things, would cover disposition of property and how each other's heirs will be remembered in their wills. — ELYN KIRCHNER, MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR ELYN: I agree, it is unfair for all the assets to be left to another family. And premarital counseling is an excellent arena for ironing out such important issues.

It is also important, however, for grown children to understand their widowed parent's need for companionship in their later

years, and to put forth every effort to make the new spouse feel welcomed into the family. Regarding the newcomer as an intruder can have painful consequences. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Stuck in Oklahoma," I felt compelled to write. "Stuck" stated that her mother had died and her father's second wife was difficult to like. She said she didn't know anyone who liked the new wife.

I can think of someone who likes her: "Stuck's" father! The relationship with my two grown daughters was strained for years after I remarried. They slighted my wife, and indirectly me — in many subtle ways. They would "forget" her birthday, and address special occasion cards to me only, or behave rudely in her presence. Any intervention by me was met with protestations of innocence on their part. After the loss of my second wife, I had a belated father-daughters talk and told them their behavior had been inexcusable.

My second wife had never tried to replace my daughters' mother. She had simply given them their father's love he needed to make his life whole again. Remember, children, it's not easy being a second wife or husband. Cut some slack. OK? — G.W. IN SHARPSBURG, GA.

DEAR G.W.: Thank you for sharing your experience. Perhaps others will learn that when widowed parents remarry, the grown children shouldn't feel abandoned. They should practice the Golden Rule.

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Lemon verbena in products from sorbet to soap

By Suzanne Hamlin
N.Y. Times News Service

It seems that lemon verbena's time has finally come. At last, a plant to grow, a fresh herb to use for flavoring and dried leaves to brew — all in one.

The seductive floral-citrus scent and taste of this energizing, graceful herb can now be found in imported soap, in ice cream, sorbets, cakes, fruit syrups and spritzers, and as a flavoring with fish. Chefs and home cooks alike are exploring the myriad uses of lemon verbena.

"I'm crazy about lemon verbena," said Jerry Traunfeld, the chef at the Herbfarm, a 12.5-acre nursery and herb complex in Fall City, Wash. "To me it tastes like lemon drops."

The restaurant at the Herbfarm, which is about 30 miles east of Seattle, burned down last spring. While it is being rebuilt, Traunfeld is writing "The Herbfarm Cookbook," to be published by Charles Scribner's Sons in 1998. He is focusing on 30 fresh herbs, including lemon verbena, from several acres of kitchen gardens at the nursery.

"It has all the flavor of lemon with the bonus of an intense perfume of its own," Traunfeld said of the herb. "And although the leaf itself isn't sweet, it's a beautiful dessert herb."

IN MANHATTAN, the Ciao Bella Gelato Co. added a lemon verbena sorbet to its line in the spring because, said Lori Lechtman, the executive chef, "so many chefs were asking me for it."

One of them, Melissa O'Donnell

the chef at La Cigale on Mott Street, said lemon verbena sorbet is one of the most popular desserts at the year-old bistro.

"No one seems to know what lemon verbena is," Ms. O'Donnell said, "but when customers try it, they almost always like it as much as I do."

LEMON VERBENA, which has a distinct lemon lilt, does not taste like any of the other lemon-based plants, like lemon balm, lemon mint, lemon thyme or lemon grass. It has a lighter, less aggressive flavor that can be best described as lemon perfume.

"People are definitely drawn to it," said Mina Binder, an owner of Binder Farms of Sayville, N.Y., which sells potted herbs at the Union Square Greenmarket. One customer, Pauline Wyman, stopped by just to smell. "I think it must be addictive," she said, inhaling deeply.

The lemon verbena plant, Aloysia triphylla, which has long stems and slender, feathery leaves, is just catching on in this country. But in Europe, particularly in France (where it is called verveine or verveine citronnelle), it has been used for years as a base for tea, a flavoring in cooking and liquors and a fragrance in perfumes and soaps. In Portugal, Achilles Brito, a soap-making company, uses lemon verbena from Grasse, in southeast France, to make hand-milled aged soaps.

In Morocco, where lemon verbena is called lousia, big bunches are sold in outdoor markets. The leaves are steeped in hot water to make a tea said to be good for menstrual cramps and stom-

achaches. And in South America, where the plant originated, lemon verbena grows in abundance, particularly in Chile and Peru, perfuming the air.

But American shoppers may find that their best source is a plant of their own. A fresh bunch of the herb, often available in markets in California and the Northwest, is not so easy to find on the East Coast, although potted plants can sometimes be found at farmers' markets in the summer.

Ms. Lechtman, the chef at Ciao Bella, says she has yet to find a large fresh supply of the herb. So for the sorbet, she uses dried lemon verbena leaves imported from France through the Harney & Sons Tea Company in Salisbury, Conn.

FOR COOKS who need the herb on a smaller scale, lemon verbena plants are currently on sale at many Greenmarkets for \$3 to \$6 each. Grown in a sunny spot indoors or outside and kept well watered, the plants grow like wild-fire — often to three feet high — and can become very bushy. They have a delicate flower, too, a spray of edible white blossoms.

To keep the plants in line and to make them flourish, sprigs of leaves should be cut from the top frequently.

If grown outside, a potted lemon verbena plant can be wintered over inside.

Sanford D'Amato, the owner of Sanford Restaurant in Milwaukee, harvests lemon verbena from his kitchen garden. D'Amato, who won a James Beard Award last year as the best chef in the Midwest, heats the leaves in half-and-

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half to extract the flavor and strains the mixture, mixing it with cream and egg yolks for a rich ice cream.

Traunfeld, of Herbfarm, grinds two parts lemon verbena leaves with one part sugar in a food processor to extract the flavor oils. He uses the resulting mixture to make an intensely lemony sponge cake and lemon curd. He also freezes it for use yearlong.

Another way to extract all the flavor essence from the herb is to steep the leaves in a wine-and-sugar syrup, which can be used to sweeten iced tea and lemonade, for a fruit compote or as a base for a spritzer.

Those meeting lemon verbena for the first time might want to start with a tisane, or herb infu-

sion, like the one offered on the menu at Chez Panisse in Berkeley, Calif. A large patch of lemon verbena grows outside the restaurant so profusely that "we have to beat it back with sticks," said Alice Waters, the owner of Chez Panisse.

The Chez Panisse herbal infusion is delivered to the table in a simple, clear glass teapot filled with lemon verbena sprigs and boiling water. In two or three minutes, the water becomes pale grassy green, and the scent of lemon verbena wafts through the air. It is quite a way to end a meal.

LEMON VERBENA is available in several forms, including fresh, dried and as a scent in soap.

ACTIVE TIMES

Volunteer serves several agencies

By Lana Cunningham

Wheels. They've played a major role in Ray del Llano's life. Wheels pulled him into Community and Senior Services as a volunteer and on Saturday he will be working at the Restaurant Roller Relay.

Del Llano's life rolls from one end of the age spectrum to the other. He works with children at church, helps in a parenting class in another organization and lends a hand with seniors by assisting CSS in its activities, such as the Saturday fund-raising event. And in between his volunteering, del Llano is attending Midland College.

"It all started with Meals-on-Wheels," he said. As an employee of ARCO, he was encouraged to become active in the community. ARCO sought enough volunteers to cover a Meals-on-Wheels route; they wound up running two routes and del Llano was one of those people.

Then ARCO helped sponsor a United Way program called Project Blueprint which introduced minorities into the United Way agencies and boards. Del Llano went through the program and found himself serving on the Midland Rape Crisis Center board. Not satisfied to limit his involvement to attending board meetings, he learned more about the agency by attending a volunteer training session. "It gave me a better idea about the Rape Crisis Center and what they try to accomplish," he said.

Next, del Llano turned his attention to Centers for Children and Families by volunteering with the Parents Anonymous program. He and a licensed facilitator meet once a week with a group of parents seeking help with parenting skills.

"Our goal is to help them be better parents," he said. "They come from different backgrounds and sometimes they're mirroring the way they were raised. And some are court-ordered to be there. We're trying to help them break that abusive chain."

Success, he noted, is sometimes hard to measure. At times, some parents will be giving suggestions to others and the realization will hit that they need to take their own advice.

"I'm not there for my own sat-



Ray del Llano, who volunteers for several Midland agencies, gets ready for this weekend's Restaurant Roller Relay, which will benefit Meals On Wheels.

isfaction; it's knowing I might be of some help to someone," del Llano said.

In a sense, his work with Parents Anonymous is a continuation of work he started years ago when his three daughters — Ann, Debbie and Marcia — were growing up and bringing home their friends, some for extended stays.

"We've had so many daughters," del Llano laughingly recalled of him and his wife, Mary Sue. "Our home was a meeting place for girls, and we had some living with us. We were able to offer whatever was necessary in the way of housing or comfort for a period of time — maybe several weeks — until they (the girls) could go back home."

Over the years, the couple has taught various ages of youth in Sunday School at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. Del Llano also has served as youth coordinator at the church, where he now is a member of the Board of Trustees and an elementary Sunday School teacher.

And because his daughters were athletic, he helped organize the

first American Softball Association team in Midland. The team grew into the Basin Stars, attracting team members from a wide region. "Then they started winning at tournaments. They won second in state and went to nationals in St. Louis. And one year, a school in San Antonio offered scholarships to our whole infield," he said, just a little proudly.

While his three daughters have graduated from college and are working in professional fields, del Llano is back at school, seeking a degree in computer graphics with plans to work independently on a contract basis after graduation in December.

As a young 59-year-old, del Llano admitted he doesn't "think of myself as a senior. I played tennis, basketball and volleyball until I was 55. Now I work out at the Alamo YMCA," where he's served on the board.

He also serves as vice president of the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, and as a member of the U.S. Selective Service System Board and D-FY-IT of Midland.

But on Saturday, del Llano will be rolling back to his first volunteer organization — Community and Senior Services, where he is now a member of the Board of Directors and works with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Money raised at the Restaurant Roller Relay will go toward building a new kitchen for the Meals-on-Wheels program.

Del Llano will be a familiar face at the registration table in the morning. That evening, he will be volunteering at the Restaurant Taste that is being held at The Midland Hilton.

"I can't offer big bucks," he said. "But I do have time, and I offer that. It helps me grow into a better person, or at least I have a better outlook on my life."

That first Meals-on-Wheels route opened del Llano's eyes to the needs in Midland.

"I wasn't aware of the other parts of town and the conditions people live in."

Now he's a free-wheeling volunteer working to help those people. "On an individual basis, we can have an effect on someone's life."

ACTIVE TIMES CALENDAR

CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCAs

The Midland YMCAs have many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. For more information regarding available activities and classes contact Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, 682-2551; Alamo YMCA, 901 N. Midland Drive, 694-2528; Northeast YMCA, 2301 Butternut, 682-8469.

Scheduled activities at the Central YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Low impact aerobics; 7 a.m. YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Call for information, Y's Way to a Healthy Back.

■ By appointment, Specialized Strength Training for Seniors.

Scheduled activities for Alamo YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Arthritis Water Class.

■ Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10 a.m. Aqua Aerobics; by appointment, Water Rehab Therapy.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for July 14-18 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. mail-out project, billiards, cards, dominoes and exercise; 9:30 a.m. art class; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. ceramics for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. mail-out project, billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. line dancing for fun; 11 a.m. blood pressure check; 11:30 a.m. lunch and AT&T "illegal switching" program; 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, cards, billiards and ladies billiards.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. mail-out project, billiards, ceramics, cards, dominoes and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch and July birthday party; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. mail-out project, prescription help, billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country/western dancing and country line dancing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun and defensive driving class (first day); 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards; 1:30 p.m. creative writing class.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. mail-out project, billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 10 a.m. membership quarterly council meeting; 11:30 a.m. lunch; noon partners' bridge tournament; 12:30 p.m. defensive driving class (second day); 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 2510 W. Ohio. For more information call 570-8710. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, dominoes, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., discussion, current events, Dear Abbey, devotion prayers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Men's bowling, second Friday of each month; women's shopping trips, first Friday of each month.

Birthday parties and visits by the Kitchenettes are monthly.

Licensed professional staff includes nurses, activities director and certified nurses aids present daily. Transportation is insured.

COM AQUATICS SENIORS AND THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

■ Monday: 7:30-10:30 a.m. water walking; 10:30-11:15 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 12:15-1 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Tuesday: 7:30-9:30 a.m. water walking; 9:30-10 a.m. stretch and strengthen; 10:30-11:15 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

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■ Friday: 7:30-10:30 a.m. water walking; 10:30-11:15 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 12:15-1 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

RSVP

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

■ Courtyard Care Center needs friendly visitors to read to and provide companionship for the residents. Shifts are one to two hours weekly.

■ "Minute Men" are needed to help RSVP with mail-outs and other one-time projects. Shifts are four hours per month or less. Hours are at volunteer's convenience.

■ Community Children's Clinic needs receptionists to help prepare patient charts for the nurses and file, and Spanish-speaking interpreters to help Spanish-speaking patients during visits.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Walking could be perfect exercise for seniors

By John Styker

Place one foot in front of the other repeatedly and go. Walking is the result.

Why is walking so important? According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, "...walking 30 minutes a day has been shown to reduce premature death almost as much as running 30 to 40 miles a week."

Well, that's likely to shake up a few senior sedentarians, even me. So what do we do now? Answer: Join a seasoned person's "walking club."

Whoops! I almost forgot. The first thing you do is consult with your physician about what your walking regimen should be. Then join a walking club. We have some here in Midland.

Kurt Griffin is a medical exercise and health and fitness specialist. Albert Esparsen is affiliated with our city Health and Senior Services. Administration. Recently they have worked with Kathy Gully, director of the Midland Senior Center, to form a walking club for seniors.

As a result, on May 29, National Health and Fitness Day, the Senior Center started a walking club. Gloria Brown of Casa de Amigos has started a walking group also.

There's your exercise answer. Now you have an official path on which to shuffle one five-toed extremity ahead of the other.

And you're on your way to walking. The best way is to walk in groups. It's a good way to socialize and meet people you don't know. But watch your conversation because if you have trouble talking and breathing and walking at the same time, you are going too fast. It's the same way with running, according to James Fixx, author of the "Complete Book of Running." In fact, much of what he wrote about dealing with running injuries, corns, ingrown toenails, equipment and all may apply to any problems you may walk into.

Currently the Midland Center group walks five to seven days a week. Members have progress charts to keep track of their tracks. The plan is to experience exercise, discovery, learning and entertainment while walking.

The program schedules monthly walks to

places such as scenic residential routes, neighborhood parks, museums, colleges, the ClayDesta complex and various public places of interest. Periodically walkers meet public figures. Judge Norwood and Mayor Burns have volunteered already to walk at the ClayDesta Atrium to listen to a Midland-Odessa Symphony concert by the new Sausalito Strings group. For all of this activity, check-in, progress and schedule, information is at the Senior Center.

All senior organizations — such as Agency on Aging, YMCA, community outreach at local hospitals, community health care organizations and retirement groups — are welcome to join in. Participants are asked to provide their own travel arrangements to and from the walk sites.

And there it is. Walking is good for everybody. Enjoy.

For more information call 694-4271 or 694-1447.

John Styker is community coordinator for District 10, American Association of Retired Persons.

Rural letter carrier makes final trip on 84th birthday

LULA, Ga. (AP) — On his 84th birthday, Robert Wiley, believed to be the nation's oldest rural letter carrier, finally called it quits. "I'll miss the people," said Wiley, who in 34 years has traveled more than 500,000 dusty miles and worn out 17 vehicles.

Wiley made his last 66-mile journey over mostly dirt roads, delivering mail to his customers for the final time June 3.

Earl Artis, a U.S. Postal Service

spokesman, said a survey taken during last year's 100th anniversary of rural mail delivery, indicated that Wiley was the oldest.

"Sometimes he's taken my mail without any postage and left an IOU for the postage amount," said Lynn Jordan, a customer on Wiley's route for 31 years. "If I had the wrong postage, he'd take it and leave me a note."

Wiley has more than 56 years of public service, including a mili-

tary stint.

He began his career in 1945 and spent the first 18 years sorting mail on trains.

"He's from the school of whatever it takes to get the job done, he's going to do it," said Ron Thomas, Lula postmaster.

Wiley returned to Lula in 1963 where as the junior rural carrier he inherited the office's roughest route — the same one he ended his career on.

"I guess I could have gotten another route, but I love being out in the wild country with nature," Wiley said.

Wiley has built up 4,500 hours of sick leave, the equivalent of two full years of work. He hasn't taken a sick day in at least eight years.

"I think what has kept him going so long is that he enjoys doing things for other people," Thomas said.



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Video Re

1. "Jerry Maguire" (TriStar)
2. "Ransom," (MCA)
3. "Michael," (MCA)
4. "The Preceptor" (Columbia TriStar)
5. "Mars Attacks!" (Warner)
6. "Beavis and Butt-Head" (MTV)
7. "Scream," (Polygram)
8. "Daylight," (Polygram)
9. "One Fine Day" (Polygram)
10. "Marvin's Room" (Polygram)

Top Sing

1. "I'll Be Missing You" (Faith Hill)
2. "Breathe" (Faith Hill)
3. "Return of the Mac" (Morrison)
4. "MMA" (Platinum)
5. "Look Into My Eyes" (Thugs-N-Harmony)
6. "Quit Playin' Hard" (Backstreet Boys)
7. "It's Your Love" (Faith Hill)
8. "Say You'll Be There" (The Notorious B.I.G.)
9. "Do You Want Me" (Tina Turner)
10. "Sunny" (Colvin)

Top Albu

1. "The Fat Man" (Mute/Maverick)
2. "Men in Black" (Soundtrack)
3. "Spice" (S)
4. "Middle of the Road" (Mercury)
5. "Everywhere" (Curb)

Country

1. "Carrying George Strait" (Mercury)
2. "It's Your Love" (Faith Hill)
3. "I'd Rather Be with You" (Reba McEntire)
4. "Loved To Don" (Epic)
5. "Court Me" (Capitol Nashville)
6. "I Left This World" (Nashville)
7. "All the Good Things" (Pam Tillis)
8. "Let It Rain" (Decca)
9. "Come On" (BNA)
10. "Whatever" (Sons of the Desert)

Latin Tra

1. "El Mojado" (Tigres del Norte)
2. "Solo En" (Fonovisa)
3. "No Prete" (Epic/Sony)
4. "Enamorados" (Discos)
5. "El Tucan" (De Tijuana)

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SHORT TAKES

Openers

"Contact" opens today at the Tall City 10.
"A Simple Wish" opens today at the Midland Park Mall.

BOX OFFICE	
Top weekend movies	
Weekend of July 4-6, 1997	
Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	
Men in Black	\$51.1
Face/Off	\$16.1
Hercules	\$12.2
My Best Friend's Wedding	\$10.8
Batman and Robin	\$8.0
Out to Sea	\$5.9
Can Air	\$3.8
The Lost World: Jurassic Park	\$2.6
Wild America	\$1.8
Speed 2: Cruise Control	\$1.5

Top 10 lists

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. All lists c. 1997, Billboard Publications, Inc.

Video Rentals

1. "Jerry Maguire," (Columbia TriStar)
2. "Ransom," (Touchstone)
3. "Michael," (Warner)
4. "The People vs. Larry Flynt," (Columbia TriStar)
5. "Mars Attacks," (Warner)
6. "Beavis and Butt-Head Do America," (Paramount)
7. "Scream," (Dimension)
8. "Daylight," (MCA-Universal)
9. "One Fine Day," (Fox)
10. "Marvin's Room," (Warner)

Top Singles

1. "I'll Be Missing You," Puff Daddy & Faith Evans (Bad Boy)
2. "B—" (expletive deleted), Meredith Brooks (Capitol)
3. "Return of the Mack," Mark Morrison (Atlantic) (Platinum)
4. "MMMBop," Hanson (Mercury) (Platinum)
5. "Look Into My Eyes," Bone Thugs-N-Harmony (Ruthless)
6. "Quit Playing Games (With My Heart)," Backstreet Boys (Jive)
7. "It's Your Love," Tim McGraw with Faith Hill (Curb)
8. "Say You'll Be There," Spice Girls (Virgin)
9. "Do You Know (What It Takes)," Robyn (RCA)
10. "Sunny Came Home," Shawn Colvin (Columbia)

Top Albums

1. "The Fat of the Land," Prodigy (Mute-Maverick)
2. "Men in Black—The Album" Soundtrack," (Columbia)
3. "Spice," Spice Girls (Virgin) (Platinum)
4. "Middle of Nowhere," Hanson (Mercury)
5. "Everywhere," Tim McGraw (Curb)

Country Singles

1. "Carrying Your Love With Me," George Strait (MCA)
2. "It's Your Love," Tim McGraw with Faith Hill (Curb)
3. "I'd Rather Ride Around With You," Reba McEntire (MCA)
4. "Loved Too Much," Ty Herndon (Epic)
5. "Count Me In," Deana Carter (Capitol Nashville)
6. "I Left Something Turned On At Home," Trace Adkins (Capitol Nashville)
7. "All the Good Ones Are Gone," Pam Tillis (Arista)
8. "Let It Rain," Mark Chesnutt (Decca)
9. "Come Cryin' To Me," Lonestar (BNA)
10. "Whatever Comes First," Sons of the Desert (Epic)

Latin Tracks

1. "El Mojado Acaudalado," Los Tigres del Norte (Sony Discos)
2. "Solo En Ti," Enrique Iglesias (Fonovisa)
3. "No Pretendo," Gloria Estefan (Epic-Sony)
4. "Enamorada," La Mafia (Sony Discos)
5. "El Tucanazo," Los Tucanes De Tijuana (EMI Latin)

REVIEWS AND PREVIEW EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

Stewart, Mitchum and a nation's character

By Janet Maslin
N.Y. Times News Service

What they had in common, beyond a charisma rare even by movie-star standards and a gift for making acting look easy, was that they spoke so clearly for our collective aspirations.

James Stewart and Robert Mitchum, who by sad coincidence died only a day apart at the start of this month, seemed to spring from opposite yet equally fundamental sides of American nature: the stalwart and the subversive. Both were also part of a Hollywood, now long gone, that valued character over personality and let its greatest talents create full, deep self-portraits on the screen. To watch either Stewart or Mitchum was to believe you were seeing past the role into the essence of the man.

It never mattered whether either was actually what he seemed, because the cinematic evidence was so complete. Stewart conveyed everything upright; he was the decent guy and good citizen, the courtliest of self-effacing gentlemen, the populist even when (as Charles Lindbergh in "The Spirit of St. Louis") he crossed the Atlantic alone. He fit so seamlessly into his favorite role, the beloved and eternally sacrificing George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life," that news of his death inevitably sum-

moned the film's fearlessly sentimental verdict on George's character: like the man he played, Stewart really did brighten the lives of his neighbors and make the world a better place. He left behind a vision of American goodness and optimism at their gallant best.

Yet much of what makes "It's a Wonderful Life" so enduring is the hint that George, the honest businessman and exemplary husband and father, yearns to be something else (something tantalizingly close to the men Stewart played in his darker films, like Alfred Hitchcock's great "Vertigo"). More like Mitchum, perhaps: sexy, predatory, dangerous, a walking reproach to everything safe and square. Thrillingly insolent, bristling with attitude long before attitude was the sine qua non for young actors, Mitchum, too, conveyed a secret side. His was not a nihilistic toughness; a private heroism often showed through all that swagger.

Vintage images of Mitchum were everywhere recently at the 50th anniversary of the Cannes International Film Festival, where over the years he looked sleek and soigne even strolling along the beach in a business suit — and where in the 1950s he accidentally provided one of the great moments in paparazzi history.

A starlet famously dropped the top of her bathing suit during a photo session with him, and Mitchum's unguarded expression of worldly amusement and delight captured the

essence of his screen persona. He was the cool, jaded hero who had seen everything without blinking those bedroom eyes. He was eternally game. And yet he kept himself aloof, always something of a cynical, guarded loner.

Not even Robert De Niro, at Martin Scorsese's direction, could catch anything of the eroticism and menace Mitchum radiated so electrifyingly in the original "Cape Fear" without visibly trying.

Stewart and Mitchum spoiled their audiences with great, unmannered performances that would be virtually impossible to equal in today's filmmaking atmosphere. Independent cinema leaves room for experimentation, but it doesn't provide the glamour and distinction that these two deceptively natural-looking actors acquired over decades in the limelight.

The only big-studio film thus far this summer in which Stewart and Mitchum might have appeared is "Face/Off"; they perhaps could have been well cast as a hard-working, emotionally wounded FBI man and a smoldering, taunting criminal. But neither ever had to compete with the explosions and technological wizardry that are today's equivalent of manly drama.

When Stewart and Mitchum and their larger-than-life contemporaries reigned on screen, stellar acting and presence were fireworks enough.



Jodie Foster, left, stars as Ellie Arroway in "Contact," a new science fiction film based on the best-selling novel by Carl Sagan. The film about humanity's first contact with intelligent life elsewhere in the universe opens today at the Tall City 10.

Foster brings real conviction to role in latest space movie

By Bob Thomas
Associated Press Writer

At last, a summer epic with no car crashes, shootings or — well, it does have one whopper of an explosion. Instead, "Contact" stands out from the rest of the season's overinflated comic-book binges by challenging the mind and the senses.

The film resulted from the collaboration of three immensely talented individuals.

"For Carl" reads the dedication at the end of the film. Carl Sagan wrote the original story with his wife, Ann Druyan, then turned it into a highly successful novel that combined fiction with solid scientific fact. He and Miss Druyan share billing as executive producers, and he was closely involved until his death last December.

The third person is Robert Zemeckis, who ranks among the few directors who can combine special effects and human drama (or comedy) without slighting either. He proved his worth with the "Back to the Future" trilogy.

"Who Framed Roger Rabbit" and the triumphant "Forrest Gump."

Then add to the mix Jodie Foster, whose artistry has been rewarded with Oscars for "The Accused" and "The Silence of the Lambs."

It is hard to cite any other actress who could bring such conviction to the role of Ellie Arroway, who has suffered a tragic childhood. Her mother dies in childbirth, her father when the girl is 9. Ellie becomes obsessed with communicating with intelligence from other worlds, but her attempts by shortwave radio fail. So she continues her search after becoming a scientist.

Although ridiculed by colleagues, Ellie gathers a cadre of fellow believers and manages to rent a group of government-owned listening dishes. And then — a breakthrough. Mysterious signals are heard, and they appear to come from a far-off star.

The rest of the film concerns what happens when the government and the public respond to Ellie's discovery.

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Carl Sagan's widow: Film reaffirms his life, beliefs

By Marcia Dunn
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — She made him promise, again and again, that she wouldn't have to go alone to the premiere of "Contact," that he'd live long enough to see his science fiction novel portrayed on the big screen.

Celebrity astronomer Carl Sagan died in December after a two-year battle with bone marrow disease. And now his widow, Ann Druyan, is making the movie rounds alone.

"This is really painful," she said softly in an interview late last month. "But also, in a way, when you love somebody with all of your heart and they die, part of you is walking around thinking, 'I want the whole world to remember this person and feel what I feel.'"

The film about humanity's first contact with intelligent life elsewhere in the universe, which opened Friday and stars Jodie Foster and Matthew McConaughey, is "the most beautiful possible expression of the things that were most important to him," Druyan said.

"Because I don't believe in an actual afterlife, it means a lot to me that Carl's ideas and what we stood for are given a kind of dramatic expression in this movie," she added.

"Contact," filmed in part at NASA's Kennedy Space Center, is based on Sagan's 1985 novel of the same name. He'd put together a shortened screenplay version five years earlier with help from his wife, also a writer.

"I really wanted him to see this movie," said Foster, sighing. "He was so much a part of it, and it was such a long haul ... it just really breaks my heart."

In "Contact," Foster plays Ellie Arroway, a searching, agnostic,

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'A Simple Wish': For those who believe in magic

By Bob Thomas
Associated Press Writer

Walt Disney always became riled when anyone suggested he made movies for children. "We don't make children's pictures," he grumbled. "We make family pictures."

That's a concept that has eluded today's producers who aim their G- or PG-rated movies at the very young. They forget that children's classics such as "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," "The Wizard of Oz" and "Mary Poppins" entertained adults as well as their small fry.

"A Simple Wish" features first-rate actors, OK special effects and an intriguing premise. Yet, in execution, it is almost devoid of excitement, humor or credibility. Even 8-year-olds might give it thumbs down.

The story begins at a school for fairy godmothers. Among the sedate, elderly ladies is a male named Murray (Martin Short). It is obvious from his demeanor in class that, aside from his gender, he is a bumbling misfit ill-equipped for the delicate profession. Yet he graduates.

Anabel Greening (Mara Wilson) is a troubled young girl. Her mother has

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"Today Show" co-host Matt Lauer, right, and Jon Bon Jovi.

'Today' hasn't skipped a beat with Lauer

By David Bauder
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — Basketball and baseball players know it as being "in the zone," that magical time when even off-balance shots swish through the hoop or checked swings fall in for a hit.

These days, NBC's "Today" show may be in the television equivalent of that sweet spot.

Six months after bidding an emotional goodbye to Bryant Gumbel and replacing him with Matt Lauer, "Today" has not only survived, but thrived. Ratings are up, and a new era of good feelings has settled in.

With ABC's "Good Morning America" in turmoil and CBS struggling to establish a

different format during the time slot, the morning race has become a rout.

"I think the first six months of Matt's tenure on the 'Today' show have exceeded our wildest expectations — both in terms of the program and the reaction of our audience," says Jeff Zucker, the show's executive producer.

"Today's" ratings for the first six months of this year are up an average of 6 percent over last year, during Gumbel's final months. It has beaten its rivals for 81 straight weeks and counting.

During a recent Friday morning concert outside "Today's" Rockefeller Center studio — yet another wrinkle the show's rivals are scrambling to duplicate — Lauer vied

The girl wants to have more than just fun

By Meg Richards
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Cyndi Lauper contemplates the fickle nature of spring weather as she walks her dog on Manhattan's Upper West Side in a black leather coat, a jogging suit and a pair of funky sneakers.

"Awww, I shouldn't have worn this coat. I got green hair, everybody's gonna be staring at me," she worries from behind dark sunglasses. Then, in a theatrical whisper, she adds, "This is a very

straight neighborhood."

But this is also New York, and even on the Upper West Side, rock legends can walk their dogs unnoticed — even Lauper who hasn't really been a celeb du jour in recent years.

The eccentric artist who authored an anthem about women and fun returns to the airy apartment she shares with husband David Thornton.

Lauper is back with a new album, "Sisters of Avalon," and a tour this summer



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"The Mars Show" can be seen at 8:00 PM on Friday nights, except holiday weekends, starting July 11, and running through December 1997. Planetarium admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 12 and under. Schools and other groups of 25 or more may schedule special presentations, Tuesday through Friday between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM. For information call the Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest during normal business hours at 683-2882 or send e-mail to skyguy@basinlink.com.

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TODAY: Other changes are in the offing

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with rock star Jon Bon Jovi for the attention of a thousands-strong throng.

Later, Lauer sat in his office reviewing the day's show. He was just off the phone with Gumbel, with whom he talks golf, not television.

Lauer studies tapes of his interviews during off-hours; he knows interviewing was one of Gumbel's chief strengths on "Today" and is something he's being judged on.

Although a bad performance or two can quickly put him in a funk, Lauer is cultivating a clear and direct style of his own.

He jokes that the first six months working with Katie Couric were like the early stages of a marriage. "It's just a question of figuring out who gets the bathroom first," he says.

Before his debut as co-host, Lauer read a newspaper column that stated his most important job was not to mess up a show that clearly had momentum. That's been his goal, he says, rather than giv-

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— Katie Couric, "Today Show" co-host

ing "Today" his own personal stamp.

"I don't think the fact the ratings held their own was as much a response to me taking this job as it was a response to people saying, 'This is still my show of choice. This is the show I grew up watching and will continue to watch,'" he says.

Lauer's relaxed good nature and the peppier folksiness Al Roker brings in replacing Willard Scott have made "Today" a mighty friendly place.

"In general, I feel a little less inhibited," Couric says. "I can be a total goofball and not have Bryant roll his eyes. Matt won't roll his eyes quite as much."

Couric is quick to praise Gumbel's work, but hasn't

made it a secret that there was a certain tension in their relationship.

There's something to be said, though, for Gumbel's occasional crankiness and arched eyebrow when confronting a double-talking interview subject. "Today's" new team hasn't been tested much by an ongoing, important story that makes viewers more interested in a program that makes news, not friends.

Are smiles and good cheer one step away from boredom and complacency?

"I just don't buy that," Couric says. "Matt and I, I don't think we're boring. I think we're fun. We clearly enjoy ourselves on the show. We don't take ourselves or each other too seriously. We're serious when it's appropriate."

I don't think you necessarily need tension to make TV fun or interesting or informative."

Zucker concedes that "Good Morning America's" troubles — the show's replacement of co-host Joan Lunden with Lisa McRee is the first of many expected changes — have contributed to "Today's" success.

But he's not complacent: He's determined to keep tinkering with "Today" to keep it on top.

The show has moved to a newsier, faster-paced first half-hour, for instance, and put renewed emphasis on stories about health, money and fitness. Entertainment coverage also has been cut back, both because there are many more outlets for these stories and because Zucker became disgusted with movie studio demands.

And other changes he won't talk about are in the offing.

"We've seen from our competitors what happens when you become complacent," Zucker says, "and we aren't going to let it happen here."

WIDOW: Foster a 'brilliant Ellie'

(From 5B)

astronomer who receives a radio message from the distant star Vega, 26 light-years away. It turns out to be the blueprints for a spaceship to transport someone to Vega — or beyond. And Ellie Arroway ends up being that someone.

Druyan considers Foster "a brilliant Ellie."

"One thing that struck me watching the movie, one of the many things, was I kept looking at her and thinking, 'You know, she really reminds me of someone and I can't think of whom it is,'" Druyan said. "And then, about two-thirds of the way through, I realized it was Carl, that it was Carl, that she captured something of that kind of fearless curiosity and that kind of passionate need to know."

Like Ellie in the movie, Sagan devoted his life to science, contributing greatly to the search for intelligent extraterrestrial life.

Unlike Ellie, he never got the evidence he was seeking.

"He really wanted to live to get the answer to this question, and that's one of the many reasons he fought so hard" when he became ill, Druyan said. He underwent a bone marrow transplant in 1995 and died of pneumonia on Dec. 20, 1996. He was only 62.

Sagan, who along with his wife served as co-producer, met several times with Foster during the production of "Contact." All the actress knew about him was what she'd seen on his 1980 PBS series "Cosmos" and what she'd heard way back when from college roommates who were science majors.

Foster said she'll never forget their last real exchange, just a month before he died. The scientist gave her and a few other actors one of his usual lectures, complete with slides.

They talked not so much about science as about humanity and "the god of the gaps."

CONTACT: Thanks to Zemeckis' wizardry, Clinton makes an appearance

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The villains: her former boss (Tom Skerritt), who steals the credit from her; National Security Adviser (James Woods), who ridicules the achievement; and a religious right zealot (Rob Lowe), who views the whole thing as anti-Christian.

In between is Ellie's former lover (Matthew McConaughey), who has become a pop religion guru. He appears to support her, yet at a presidential hearing he rejects her for a manned space probe because she refuses to say if she believes in God.

The flight itself becomes a phan-

tasmagoria of effects imagery for which Zemeckis is expert.

But then, everything about "Contact" is executed on a grand scale — the effects, the crowd scenes, the high drama. Sagan's knowledge of the mysteries of space also helped immeasurably to lend authenticity to the film, though non-scientific types are entitled to a bit of head-scratching over some of the incongruities.

Foster's intense belief in her work helps smooth over the dubious patches. But McConaughey is hampered by an ambiguous role; he seems too lightweight to be a religious thinker and presidential adviser.

The villains — Woods, Skerritt and Lowe — perform with good style. John Hurt is striking as the Howard Hughes-like billionaire who sponsors Foster's project, and Angela Bassett brings welcome calmness as a presidential assistant.

Oh yes, also appearing in "Contact" is one Bill Clinton, who plays himself, thanks to the

wizardry Zemeckis used so winningly with other presidents in "Forrest Gump."

The Warner Bros. release was produced by Zemeckis and Steve Sharkey and written by James V. Hart and Michael Goldenberg. Rated PG; the space travel may be intense for some youngsters. Running time: 150 minutes.

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LAUPER: Singer just as playful as she was in '80s

(From 5B)

with Tina Turner. And at 42, Lauper is ready to be "rediscovered."

"I always, from the beginning, felt that my biggest obstacle was to get people to look beyond what they saw," she says, reflecting on the years since the campy hit "Girls Just Want to Have Fun" established her playful, cartoonish image.

That was 1984. Thirteen years later, Lauper is just as playful as ever, but her music and her manner are marked by a different sort of maturity. Now a married woman who is expecting her first child, Lauper's home life doesn't seem so unusual. She and Thornton, an actor she married in 1992 in a memorable ceremony officiated by the flamboyant Little Richard,

share their Upper West Side prewar apartment with two cats and a tenderhearted Labrador retriever named Joe. The baby is due in November.

"I don't know what the cats are going to think about this," says Thornton, 43, who jokes about bringing in counselors for all the pets. "They haven't been able to get over the arrival of Joe the dog."

Lauper, meanwhile, says she's certain she'll give birth to a football player or a model. "A model of what, that's the question," Thornton laughs. "A model citizen? I doubt it. ... Cynical and hyperbole kind of go hand in hand."

Thornton, who plays a drag queen in the upcoming "Too Young to Die," starring Miro Sorvino, doubts the family will make many changes when the

baby arrives, although Lauper may move her office out of the apartment. A plank table in the living room seems to serve as a work space. The rest of the room is dominated by a grand piano and an overstuffed sofa daringly covered in turquoise velvet.

Their home is a cozy jumble of antiques, Native American art, elephant figurines and family photos. In one, Lauper, holding a National Organization for Women poster, smiles from a pewter frame embellished with daisies. She looks ready to march.

Someone has left a copy of "The Shipping News" on the coffee table. An autoharp rests in a leather chair. A collection of snow paperweights is tucked into a corner.

In the hallway, dozens of gold records and awards line the wall, from the floor to the very high ceiling. Lauper is shy about the display, but Thornton proudly shows them off.

He found them in the base-

ment of Lauper's former home in the Tribeca district of downtown Manhattan. "They were broken and dusty," he says. "She was out of town, so I thought I'd get them all cleaned up and framed so I could surprise her."

Lauper rolls her eyes in mock exasperation. "I said, 'What are you doing? You're wrecking the place!'" she recalled. "I just remember they were in the room where I used to work, and it was like they were staring down at me, you know?"

The daughter of immigrants from Palermo, Italy, Lauper was born in the New York borough of Queens and raised in Brooklyn where she attended parochial schools. She now considers herself a "recovering Catholic," and has little patience for the sensibilities of the church. But she is philosophical about her beliefs, no matter how passionately she holds them.

WISH: Short struggles with lack of material

(From 5B)

died, her older brother (Francis Capra) pesters her, and her father (Robert Pastorelli) threatens to move from Manhattan to Nebraska if he doesn't get a leading role in a musical based on Dickens' "A Tale of Two Cities."

While he remains undiscovered, he drives a hansom cab in Central Park. (What would filmmakers do without the horse-drawn anachronisms?)

When Anabel wishes for help from her fairy godmother, she has the ill fortune to draw Murray. With his customary clumsy skill, he turns her father into a Central Park statue. In trying to conjure a rabbit, he ends up with an 80-foot-tall rabbit. Anabel wonders if he can do anything right.

Now, enter the villain, Claudia (Kathleen Turner). You can tell she's the villain because she's dressed like the wicked queen in "Snow White."

Claudia is a defrocked fairy godmother who aims to corner the profession. She succeeds by stealing all the magic wands at the godmothers' annual meeting. In order to free Anabel's father, Murray must confront Claudia in her creepy mansion.

The climactic battle is well-staged with some clever hocus pocus — and you can guess the outcome.

Among the most inspired of a new generation of comedians, Short struggles valiantly, but the material isn't there. The same may be said for Turner and Wilson ("Miracle on 34th Street," "Matilda").



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New York Mets at Atlanta Braves, 8:35 p.m., TBS.
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Sports Today

TEXAS LEAGUE — Midland Angels at Shreveport Captains, 7:35 p.m. RADIO: KCRS (550 AM).

Jacks open house

ODESSA — The Odessa Jackalopes are holding an open house for the public today from 4-8 p.m. at the Ector County Coliseum.

Fans will have a chance to meet and talk with the newest Jack, Matt Johnson, who will be on hand to sign his WPHL standard player contract. Johnson will also be signing autographs for the public, and Jacks front office representatives will be on hand to show available season ticket locations and answer any and all questions. Food and drinks will also be available.

The Jacks continue to grow with half of the 20-man roster filled.

Holmes sets bout

NEW YORK — With a three-piece band providing the accompaniment, two-time heavyweight champion Larry Holmes stepped out on a balcony of Manhattan's 21 Club Wednesday and halted lunchtime traffic by singing to the passing pedestrians.

His rap song had some uncomplicated lines about managers and promoters, people Holmes has tangled with over a lifetime in the ring. "I have no love for managers and promoters," he said. "I love me. Managers and promoters don't like me. I do the best for my fighter. My fighter happens to be me."

Holmes was celebrating his return to Madison Square Garden, where he fights Maurice Taylor on July 29 in a match to be televised by USA Network. In a co-feature of the card, unbeaten Richie Melito fights journeyman Bert Cooper.

The last time Holmes fought in the Garden was 1979 against Mike Weaver. Taylor missed the bout, but he had a good excuse because he was only 4 years old.

NCAA wary of cards

CINCINNATI — A businessman selling trading cards featuring top prep athletes headed for the nation's major colleges may get some unwanted attention from the NCAA and member universities.

John Garner, of Norfolk, Va., is marketing cards of the top high school football, basketball and baseball athletes who recently graduated and are headed for colleges.

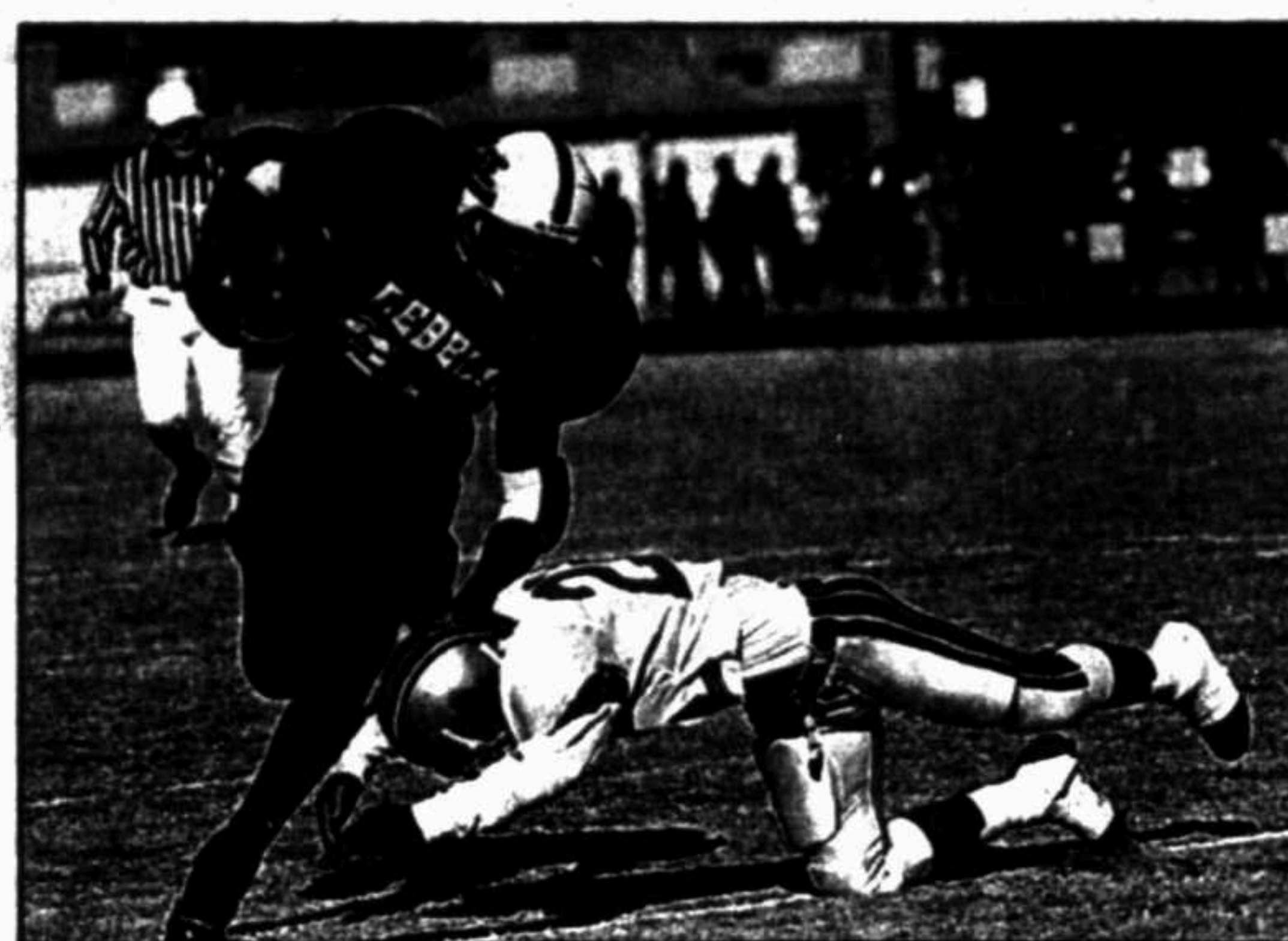
Jason Ott, a preseason prep All-America linebacker from Cincinnati's Elder High School, and David Priestly, a quarterback from Cypress, Calif., are among the 79 athletes featured on the cards.

The business deal could ultimately embroil Garner in a controversy with the NCAA because college athletes are forbidden from lending their names or likenesses to such business ventures.

"It's all right selling the cards up to the first day that the player reports for practice," Athena Yiamouyiannis, director of legislative services for the NCAA, told The Cincinnati Enquirer for a story Thursday. "If this individual continues to sell the cards after the day the athlete reports, we will ask the universities involved to take action in the student's behalf to stop the selling of the cards."

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Lee running back Josh Norman, shown evading a Flower Mound Marcus player in last season's playoffs, was named to the second team of the Super Team in Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine.

Norman makes Super Team, but really wants district title

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

District 4-5A defenses probably didn't need more motivation to stop Midland Lee's Josh Norman, but just in case they do, Dave Campbell's Texas Football Magazine might have done the trick.

The annual publication, recognized by many the ultimate source for the state's grid-iron action, put Norman among its elite class of ball carriers in the state with Norman's selection to the second team of the magazine's Super Team. The honor is something that 4-5A's second leading rusher in 1996 will take in stride.

"I can't let this award affect what I will do. To me, I just made the team," Norman said. "I have to keep working hard and to get better."

Norman, who stands a 6-foot-3 inches and weighs between 205-210 pounds, says that there is one goal for him — and the Lee football team, which is ranked 21st in state. That is to win the district for the third straight time. All other team goals take a back seat, and individual honors will be just gravy.

"The team's goal is to go three years as district champs," Norman said. "We are going to surprise people who think that (Lee will be down because of loss of defensive starters)."

The selection of Norman to the Super Team

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Irabu impresses in long-awaited New York debut

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Hideki Irabu, finally his making pinstriped premiere, found himself in the middle of sold-out Yankee Stadium thinking about the long, difficult trip from Japan to the Bronx.

"When I got up on the mound, all the things I went through the last six months, the ordeals, went through my mind like a flashback," he said.

Then he flashed his fastball past the Detroit Tigers, and he was just like any other major league pitcher. Well, any other major league pitcher who throws in the mid-90s.

The 28-year-old right-hander struck out nine in 6 2-3 innings and drew 51,901 Thursday night, leading New York to a 10-3 victory over the Detroit Tigers.

"It was my first experience to face a crowd like this," Irabu said through interpreter Kota Ishijima.

Irabu spent nearly a year breaking the bonds that tied him to his team in Japan, getting a rookie record \$12.8 million, four-year contract from the Yankees after they got him in a trade with San Diego.

T-shirts at the concession stands read "Typhoon Irabu." Sushi was sold alongside the regular hot dogs and beers.

It was a most unusual coming out for a most unusual pitcher, who tipped his cap to Charlie Hayes after the third base man made an exceptional defensive play ending the sixth.

While some fans hung "K" cards from the upper deck with each strikeout, one in each corner hung "sashin" cards — the Japanese word for strikeout — drawn in fancy shodo (calligraphy).

Flashbulbs popped when Irabu threw

his first pitch, much like a postseason game. And when he walked off the mound after his final pitch in the seventh, fans gave him a standing ovation — some bowing with both hands over their heads — prompting him to come out of the dugout to wave his cap in a curtain call.

Yankees manager Joe Torre took him out before the inning ended at the suggestion of coach Don Zimmer.

Irabu allowed two runs, five hits and four walks, throwing as fast as 96 mph in the first. He seemed much more comfortable from the windup than the stretch, but still managed to throw 61 of 98 pitches for strikes.

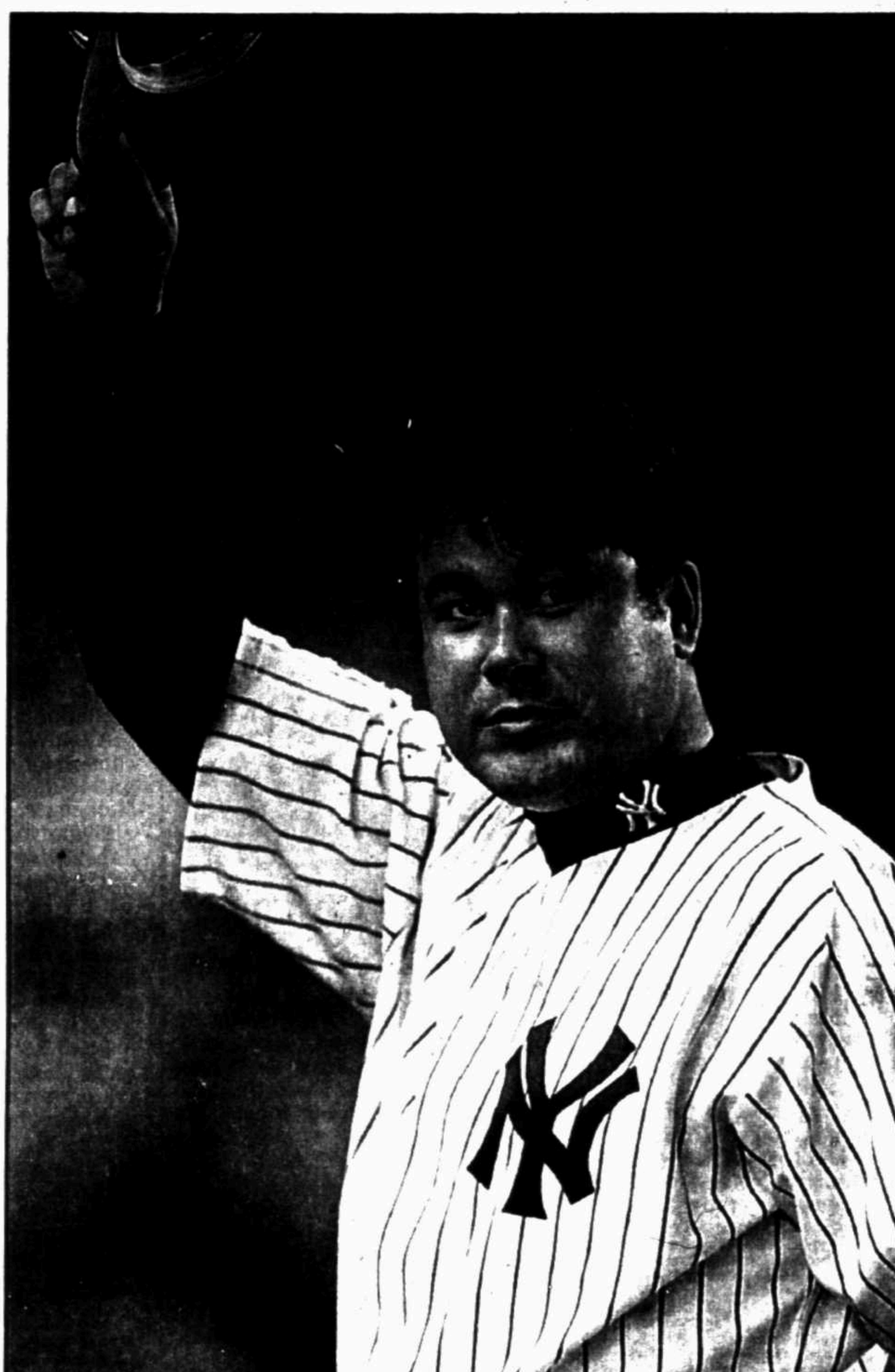
"I was impressed with his poise," Yankees teammate David Cone said. "It was the biggest game of his life. He had probably dreamed of pitching in Yankee Stadium for a long time."

Irabu (he pronounces it "E-ra-boo") dominated from the beginning, starting his first eight batters off with strikes. He fanned two in the first, two in the second, one in the third, three in the fourth and one in the fifth.

Detroit's runs off Irabu came on RBI singles by Deivi Cruz in the first and Bobby Higginson in the fifth. He got out of trouble that inning when Bob Hamelin grounded out with the bases loaded.

After Detroit went ahead on the single by Cruz, Tino Martinez hit a three-run homer in the third off Omar Olivares (5-6) as the Yankees scored four runs.

New York took a 7-2 lead in the fifth on a sacrifice fly by Bernie Williams, an RBI double by Paul O'Neill and a run-scoring single by Hayes. Irabu pitched with ease, retiring his final five batters on just 11 pitches.



Hideki Irabu tips his cap to the Yankee Stadium crowd Thursday after being taken out of the game after 6 2/3 innings. The Yankees defeated the Detroit Tigers, 10-3, in the Major League debut of the Japanese pitcher.

Pack is back for training camp

By Arnie Stapleton
AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Coming off the longest season in their 77-year history, the champion Green Bay Packers don't need an extra week of training camp and a fifth exhibition game.

Much to the chagrin of some of their veterans, however, they'll get both.

"I would rather see no exhibition games," wide receiver Don Beebe said. "They already know who's going to make the team. There's only two or three guys in question."

With almost no starting jobs up for grabs and precious few roster spots available, rookies and free agents worked out for the first time on Thursday.

Although veterans don't have to report until the weekend, several were on hand for some light work, including two-time MVP Brett Favre

and his new backup, Steve Bono.

Favre has said he won't hold out of camp despite the slow negotiations of his contract extension. He's seeking a seven-year deal worth upward of \$50 million to replace the final two years of his five-year, \$19 million pact.

Eighty players are expected to participate in the start of two-a-days on Sunday, and as many as 10,000 fans are expected to crowd the Oneida Street practice field.

The Packers return all but one player from their record-breaking defense that helped earn Green Bay its first NFL title in 29 seasons. Sean Jones retired to the broadcast booth, leaving Gabe Wilkins the right defensive end.

The only other projected new starter is Bernardo Harris, a third-year pro expected to fill in at middle linebacker while George Koonce rehabilitates from knee surgery.

The biggest question marks are flanker Robert Brooks' right knee and kicker Brett Conway's right leg.

Brooks, who blew out his knee in a game last October, took part in mini-

camp last month and will find out if his knee can hold up to the rigors of training camp.

If Brooks returns to the starting lineup, he will team with split end Antonio Freeman to give the Packers one of the most dangerous receiver combinations.

"We have our weaponry back in order," said Freeman, who caught an 81-yard TD pass in the Packers' Super Bowl victory over New England.

Conway, a rookie kicker from Penn State, is taking over for Chris Jacke, who wore out his welcome and finished his career in Green Bay just a field goal shy of Don Hutson's club scoring record.

Vying for the No. 3 receiver spot is second-year wideout Derrick Mayes, who was a training camp treat last year with his spectacular catches.

"Once the wheels touched down in Green Bay from New Orleans, I think that's when my training camp started," said Mayes, whose failure to grasp the intricacies of the West

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Rookie Packers, from left, Joe Andruzzi, Jermaine Smith and Tony Daniels, a former Texas Tech and Odessa Permian star, horse around after a workout.

Neumann leads U.S. Women's Open as Sorenstam has disastrous start

By Bob Baum
AP Sports Writer

NORTH PLAINS, Ore. — Annika Sorenstam's bid for golf history dissolved almost as soon as it began in Thursday's damp opening round of the U.S. Women's Open.

Instead, golf's "other" Swede, Liselotte Neumann, shot a 4-under-par 67 to take the first-round lead.

Neumann, winner of the 1988 U.S. Open, used precise putting and, over the difficult final four holes, a conservative strategy to forge a one-shot lead in the premier event of women's professional golf.

Susie Redman, Kelly Robbins, Deb Richard and Se Ri Pak were tied for second at 68.

Hall of Famer Nancy Lopez, who never has won a U.S. Open, was among four golfers at 69 after an erratic round that featured four birdies and two

bogeys.

The long first round was played in intermittent showers before the skies dried out in the final few hours of competition on the par-71, 6,365-yard Witch Hollow course. The 5-year-old course, one of two at the Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club, was carved out of groves of trees and weedy wetlands in the rolling hills 25 miles west of Portland.

Sorenstam's collapse to a 6-over-par 77, punctuated by a disastrous triple-bogey on No. 9, was as hard to explain as Redman's first ever hole-in-one, which vaulted her into contention.

In the kind of abrupt shift of fate that was common Thursday, Trish Johnson hit a miserable third shot into the reedy swamp in front of the 18th hole en route to a double-bogey 7 that left her tied

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Two-time defending U.S. Open champ Annika Sorenstam struggled Thursday as she started her drive for a third title. She shot a 6-over par 77 at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club in Oregon.

Astros' Kile shuts out Pirates, 7-0

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Darryl Kile pitched after the All-Star break just like he did before it, stopping Pittsburgh's seven-game winning streak as the Houston Astros moved into a first-place tie in the NL Central by beating the Pirates 7-0 Thursday night.

Kile (11-3) was chosen for the All-Star game, but did not pitch Tuesday night, allowing him to start against what was the NL's hottest team before the break. The Pirates had opened a one-game lead in the division by sweeping the Chicago White Sox in three games and St. Louis in four.

But Kile was dominating for the second consecutive start, pitching a six-hitter for his third shutout of the season, fifth of his career and his second in six starts. He had seven strikeouts and walked two.

Kile has given up only one run in two complete game victories over Pittsburgh this year and has won his last four decisions and 10 of his last 11.

In his last start before the All-Star break, Kile took a no-hitter into the eighth while beating Cincinnati 2-1.

NL Roundup

giving up two runs and a hit over eight innings on July 5.

Kile, a .166 lifetime hitter, also contributed a run-scoring single off Jason Schmidt (4-5) during a two-run second inning that put the Astros ahead 3-0.

Craig Biggio doubled in each of the first two innings during a 4-for-4 night and drove in three runs as the Astros, playing in Pittsburgh for the first time this season, continued to have success in Three Rivers Stadium. They are 5-2 there over the last two seasons and 18-8 since 1993, the year after the Pirates last won a division championship.

Biggio doubled and scored on Schmidt's wild pitch in the first, then followed Kile's RBI single with a run-scoring double in the second. He added a run-scoring single in the fourth and drew a bases-loaded walk for another RBI in a three-run fifth inning that chased Schmidt. Derek Bell also had a run-producing double in the inning.

Cardinals 3, Cubs 2
CHICAGO — Gary Gaetti led off

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the ninth inning with his second homer of the game as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Chicago Cubs to end a four-game losing streak.

Gaetti had four hits to back the pitching of Alan Benes (8-7), who worked eight strong innings. Gaetti's two-homer game was the 22nd of his career and first since last July 12, also at Wrigley Field.

Mets 10, Braves 7

ATLANTA — Manny Alexander, returning to New York's lineup following knee surgery, tripled home the winning run in the ninth inning, and also homered and singled to lead the Mets past Atlanta.

Greg McMichael (5-6) got the final out in the eighth for the victory, and John Franco struck out the side in the ninth for his 21st save.

The Braves scored twice in the eighth to tie it at 7.

Marlins 8, Phillies 7

MIAMI — Alex Arias' pinch single in the ninth inning gave Flori-

da a comeback victory over Philadelphia, the Phillies' 10th loss in 11 games.

After the Phillies tied it with two runs in the ninth off Robb Nen (6-2), the Marlins came back to end their three-game losing streak.

Bobby Bonilla led off the ninth with a single against Jerry Spradlin (1-5). Jeff Conine walked, and both runners moved up when Charles Johnson sacrificed against Ricky Bottalico. With the infield and outfield playing in, Arias hit a soft line drive into center field.

Padres 11, Rockies 5
DENVER — Ken Caminiti hit a pair of three-run homers as San Diego sent Colorado to its seventh straight loss.

In the first, Caminiti hit a 465-foot drive into the third deck in right field, the first player to twice reach that spot at Coors Field. Caminiti connected again in the fourth for the 14th career multi-homer game.

STEWART DOREEN

Hogan awaits City Council vote on adding nine holes

It is no secret that Hogan Park Golf Course, which is ranked among the top 50 public courses in the state, could use another nine holes.

Increased participation in the sport has more and more golfers flocking to Midland's only public course, leaving no doubt that more holes need to be added. Now, it is just a matter when the building might happen?

According to City Manager Mike McGregor, the earliest possible date for the addition of nine holes to Hogan's current 27 is January of 1998. That would be the first of two windows the city is shooting for, in terms of building the additional holes. Now, McGregor said, it is in the hands of the city council to allot the money needed.

"The city council will vote on it this fall," McGregor said. "What they will do is take a list of projects and prioritize those projects against the amount of money available."

Hogan's case for a new nine is a strong one. With part of the fiscal year remaining, the number of rounds played this year is already up 1,000 from a year ago, a figure that Hogan Park golf director Price Counter calls "significant."

"We are looking at 67,000 players (this fiscal year)," Counter said. "That is an increase of 2,000, which is significant. That is a three-percent increase."

Adding more holes would go a long way to cure some of the problems the increased golfing participation has caused. The biggest short-term problem is the long waits to begin a round and those that come around during a round. Another is help keep the course, especially the greens, in good shape. Overall, it would just give Hogan's staff more options, which in turn, would benefit the golfing public.

"It would allow us to do some things that the number of holes restrict us from doing now," Counter said. "It would give us the ability to do things as far as activities on the course."

McGregor agrees. "We are seeing tremendous increases in the number of golfers with the Tiger Woods thing. The number indicates that a new nine is needed."

Of course, the money factor is an issue. Rough estimates indicate that the addition of nine holes would cost around \$1.2 million. The reality is that the city will be paid back over a period of time.

From March of 1995, a Player Facility Charge (PFC) of one dollar was added to the existing green

fees. The PFC goes to the debt retirement of the new nine, and as of June 30, 1997, the net revenue of the PFC is \$109,600.

In McGregor's words, "the golf course is a break even proposition."

That's seems to be a heck of a deal. Let's just hope the city council thinks so.

CITY OPEN: The Midland Men's City Open will be held at Hogan Park (new nine or not) on Aug. 1-3. The format is the same as last year with six flights. The Championship Flight (0-3 handicap) and President's Flight (4-7) will be played over three days, while the 1st-4th flights will be two-day contests. Entry fees are \$85 for the Championship and President's Flights and \$75 for the remaining four. All entry forms can be sent to the Hogan Park golf shop at P.O. Box 10138, Midland, Texas, 79702. All entries must be received by July 30 at 6 p.m.

GREEN TREE WEEKEND: Some of those golfers participating in the city tournament will be in action today through Sunday at the Green Tree Jamboree two-man tournament.

JUNIOR SCHEDULE: The following is a list of North Texas PGA Junior Tournaments: Andrews County Golf Course, July 11; Midland Country Club, July 14; Green Tree Country Club, July 15; Ranchland Hills Country Club, July 16; Odessa Country Club, July 17.

Schedule of events

Midland Country Club	
14	West Texas Junior tour
18-20	Men's Stroke Play Championship
25-26	Junior Cup tournament
Green Tree	
July	
10-13	Jamboree
15	Haverly's Junior Tour
Andrews Country Club	
11	North Texas PGA Junior Event
12-13	Lions Club event
19	TU Electric
26	Andrews Ex's
Gaines County Golf Club	
July	
19-20	Jack & Jill Tournament
25	2-Lady Scramble
Big Spring Country Club	
July	
12-13	Men's Parent Child
9-10	Guys and Gals
Hogan Park	
August	
1-3	Men's City Championship
25	Boy Scout Pro-Am
Martin County Country Club	
July	
26-27	2-Person Scramble
McCauley Country Club	
July	
12-13	Couple Select Shot
Lamesa	
July	
12-13	Senior/Seniorita Couples Scramble

LOCAL SPORTS

Rebels sign letters of intent

Six players from the Midland Lee baseball team which reached the Region 1 semifinals last season have signed letters of intent to play college ball next season.

Two of them, right-handed pitcher Bryan Shores and first baseman Dusty Crowe, will be playing for Frank Phillips College in Borger.

John Purves, who led the Rebels with the top ERA in the postseason, has signed with Southwestern College in Georgetown. Outfielder David Smith, who hit safely in all 11 playoff games, will play at McMurry University in Abilene, while catcher Raymond Ibarra will play for Odessa College.

One player, third baseman Jimbo Valadez, will resume his career out of state, playing for Flagler College in St. Augustine, Fla.

Midland Mid-City Baseball Classic

The 1996 Mid-City Big League World Series team will headline the Midland Junior Baseball and Midland Mid-City Baseball Classic Saturday and Sunday at Christensen Stadium.

The team will be joined by other all-star teams from El Paso, Abilene, Odessa and Midland. The following is the schedule for this weekend's tournament.

SATURDAY — 9 a.m., Midland Mid-City vs. El Paso Coronado; 11:30 a.m., Abilene Bandits vs. Rebels Select; 2 p.m., Permian Black Cats vs. Abilene Bandits; 4:30 p.m., Rebels Select vs. El Paso Coronado; 7 p.m., Midland Mid-City vs. Permian Black Cats.

SUNDAY — 9 a.m., El Paso Coronado vs. Abilene Bandits; 11:30 a.m., Midland Mid-City vs. El Paso Coronado; 2 p.m., Permian Black Cats vs. El Paso Coronado; 4:30 p.m., Midland Mid-City vs. Abilene Bandits; 7 p.m., Permian Black Cats vs. Rebels Select.

Northern Texas PGA Junior Golf

ODESSA — Omar Sanchez won the boys 14-15 division, Brent Bennett won the boys 10-11, and Kelly Ford won the girls 10-11 division at the Westcott Northern Texas PGA Junior Golf Tournament held Thursday at the Club at Mission Dorado.

Sanchez shot a 77 to finish one stroke ahead of Abilene's Michael Watson. This is Sanchez's second win in a row, after winning at Hogan Park Wednesday. Dillon King was third in the division after he lost in a scorecard playoff.

Brent Bennett shot a 43 to finish three strokes ahead of Odessa's Ryan Barcena. Midland's Chance Finley finished second in the boys 16-18 division with a 75 score.

Ford shot a 58 in nine holes of play. Shelley Winchell finished second in the girls 15-18 division with an 84.

The NTPGA Tournament continues today in Andrews Country Club.

District 3 Little League Tourney

There are three teams remaining in the District 3 All-Star Tournament. And all are from the Tall City. Midland Tower, Midland Eastern and Midland Northern are still alive after Thursday.

In Thursday's quarterfinal action, Midland Tower All-Stars defeated Odessa Floyd Gwin, 6-5, with one run in the bottom of the sixth on a two-out bases loaded hit single and two-base error. Russell Leak pitched 3 2/3 innings and struck out seven for the win.

From Wednesday night, Midland Northern beat Midland

Eastern 5-3 as Ryan Snell pitched six innings, gave up one run, struck out three and allowed six hits for the win.

Midland Tower defeated North Ector 7-6. Joe Aylor ripped two doubles for Midland Tower.

Odessa Floyd Gwin beat North Central 6-3 as the game was called after 4 1/2 innings. OFG's Jacob Derington pitched a four-hitter through five innings of play.

Midland Tower faces Midland Eastern in a semifinal match-up at 7 p.m. tonight at Bluebird Park. The winner plays Midland Northern in the championship game Saturday at 7 p.m.

Thursday Results
Midland Tower 6, Odessa Floyd Gwin 5 W — Russ Leak, L — Josh Morris, 2B — MT, Joe Aylor, Russ Leak, Jason Brown, Todd Tucker.

Wednesday's Results
Midland Tower 7, North Ector 6 W — Jason Brown, L — Ricky Valadez, 2B — NE, Crennon Masters, Ryan Ogden, MT, Joe Aylor, 2B.

Midland Northern 5, Midland Eastern 3 W — Ryan Snell, L — Jeraldino Rendon, 2B — MN, Dillon Farrish, ME, Jeraldino Rendon, Jeraldino Rendon.

Odessa Floyd Gwin 6, North Central 3 W — Jacob Derington, L — Corey Jones, 2B — OFG, Jacob Derington, Josh Morris, Darren Rybolt, KC, Kevin Jumper, HR — OFG, Josh Morris.

Tall City Christian Track Club results

The following are the results of the Tall City Christian Track Club's participation in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation in the Region 10 Track Meet held June 27-28 at Odessa College, and the Tall City Track Club's participation in the U.S.A. Track and Field Junior Olympic Championships for the West Texas Association. The meet was held recently at Lubbock's Coronado High School Track Complex.

Results from the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation's Region 10 Track Meet:

Tierra Adams — long jump (5th), 1600 relay (2nd), Dreyfus Andrews — long jump (2d, 22.6), Tisha Clark — high jump (3rd, 4.8), 400 relay (2nd), 1600 relay (2nd), Tonya Carter — long jump (1st, 17.6), 200m dash (1st, 28.2), Weldon Cooks — 100m dash (1st, 16.0m), 400 relay (1st, 3.28), 1600 relay (1st), Allen Griffith — long jump (2nd), 100m dash (2nd), 400 relay (1st), Asia Haven — 500m dash (5th), 1000m dash (3rd), Ashley Haven — 100m dash (3rd), 400 relay (2nd, 5.3), 1600 relay (2nd), Lamar Hickey — 200m dash (2nd), Jordan Iglehart — 400m dash (2nd, 53.84), 400 relay (1st, 43.28), 1600 relay (1st), Corey Jones — 50m dash (3rd, 8.44), Roger King — long jump (1st, 17.8), 400m dash (1st, 53.9), 200m dash (1st).

Jimmy Martin — 400 relay (1st, 58.29), Jarrod Mayfield — 100m dash (1st), 200m dash (2nd), 1600 relay (1st), Jermaine Mayfield — 800m run (4th), 1600 run (2nd), Lee Mayfield — 1600 relay (1st), Matt Mayfield — 110 hurdles (1st), 300m hurdles (1st), 1600m hurdles (1st), Shanna Mayfield — 400 relay (2nd, 54.33), Danny Morris — 400m dash (3rd, 55.1), Jackie Ray Jr. — 1600 relay (1st), Leslie Ray — high jump (2nd, 3.10), 400m dash (1st, 12.15), 400 relay (1st, 58.29), Anthony Reano — long jump (1st, 15.3), 100m dash (1st, 14.1), 400 relay (1st, 58.29).

Shanna Sanders — long jump (1st, 10.46), 200 dash (2nd, 33.53), Lashae Simpson — long jump (2nd, 15.5), 200 dash (1st, 27.0), 400 dash (1st, 10.15), Leanne Smith — shot put (3rd, 21.9), Andre Strambler — long jump (14.7), Kim Strambler — 400 relay (2nd), 1600 relay (2nd), Maurin Strambler — long jump (2nd, 16.9), 100 dash (1st, 12.8), 200 dash (25.7), 400 dash (1st, 16.53), Weldon Cooks — 100 dash (1st, 15.29), Jayhen Taylor — 400 dash (1st, 112), 1600 relay (1st).

Results from the USA Track and Field Junior Olympic Championship for the West Texas Association:

Bentam Boys (Jesherrick Taylor, Anthony Reano, Jimmy Martin, Leslie Ray) — 400 relay (1st, 58.2), Youth Girls (Shanna Mayfield, Ashley Haven, Kim Strambler, Tisha Clark) — 400 relay (3rd, 54.90), Intermediate Boys (Weldon Cooks, Ray Hickey, Jordan Iglehart, Allen Griffith) — 400 relay (3rd, 4.56), Intermediate Boys (Matt Mayfield, Cooks, Iglehart, Hickey) — 1600 relay (1st, 3.42), 5), Jermaine Mayfield — 800 dash (5th, 2.36), Asia Haven — 100 dash (8th), Corey Jones — 50 dash (8th), Allen Griffith — 100 dash (2nd, 12.22), Keshia Sanders — 100 dash (3rd, 15.42), Stephanie Sanders — 100 dash (3rd, 16.53), Weldon Cooks — 100 dash (11.43), Marlon Strambler — 100 dash (1st, 13.62), Andre Strambler — 100 hurdles (4th, 19.23), Jimmy Martin — 100 dash (1st, 15.4), Jayhen Taylor — 200 dash (3rd, 69.4), Jackie Ray Jr. — 400 dash (6th, 72.0), Leslie Ray (4th, 83.1), Tisha Clark — 400 dash (6th, 1.08), Roger King — 400 dash (2nd, 55.06).

Lamar Hickey — 400 dash (6th, 59.5), Lashae Simpson — 400 dash (6th, 63.8), Shanna Mayfield — 100 dash (4th, 14.02), Matt Mayfield — 110 hurdles (1st, 16.5), Danny Morris — 400 hurdles (57.3), Corey Jones — 400 dash (6th, 1.49), Andre Strambler — 200 hurdles (4th, 30.8), Stephanie Sanders — 200 dash (5th, 35.04), Keshia Sanders — 200 dash (4th, 31.94), Jackie Ray Jr. — 200 dash (6th, 30.9), Jayhen Taylor — 200 dash (1st, 31.09), Anthony Reano — 200 dash (2nd, 31.3), Shanna Mayfield — 200 dash (37.9), Ashley Haven — 200 dash (31.06), Kim Strambler — 200 dash (31.6), Roger King — 200 dash (1st, 24.8), Matt Mayfield — 400 hurdles (1st, 1.01), Ray Hickey (1st, 22.7), Jesherrick Taylor — 200 dash (5th, 34.3).

Field Events

LONG JUMP — Dreyfus Andrews (1st, 21.9, YM div.), Maurin Strambler (2nd, 16.1, YW div.), Tonya Carter (1st, 16.4, YW div.), Lashae Simpson (4th, 14.5, YG div.), Jayhen Taylor (10.8, MB div.), Stephanie Sanders (2nd, 10.8, BG div.), Tisha Adams (6th, YG div.), Jackie Ray Jr. (2nd, 12.8, MB div.), Ray Hickey (3rd, 18 div.).

TRIPLE JUMP — Dreyfus Andrews (1st, YM div.).

HIGH JUMP — Leslie Ray (1st, 3.10, BB div.), Jimmy Martin (4th, 3.8, BB div.), Tisha Clark (4th, 4.6, YG div.), Allen Griffith (2nd, 42.1, IB div.).

SHOT PUT — Rianette Smith (4th, 24.8, YG div.), Allen Griffith (2nd, 42.1, IB div.).

Edmonds' three RBIs lead Anaheim past A's

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Jim Edmonds homered and drove in three runs as the Anaheim Angels defeated Oakland 8-4 on Thursday, keeping their record perfect against the Athletics this season.

Edmonds, who had not played in a week before of torn cartilage in his left knee, hit his 15th homer of the season leading off the second, had a sacrifice fly in the third, and doubled in a run in the fifth.

Jack Howell and Chad Kreuter had back-to-back solo homers in the sixth for the Angels, 7-0 against Oakland in 1997. Kreuter and Tim Salmon added RBI singles and Tony Phillips had three hits, including a pair of doubles.

Allen Watson (8-5) allowed four runs on four hits in six-plus innings and tied a career high with eight strikeouts. He was removed after allowing consecutive homers by Jason Giambi and Scott Spiezo in the seventh.

Twins 8, Indians 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Sandy Alomar had his 30-game hitting streak stopped, popping out to end the game as Cleveland lost to Minnesota.

Brad Radke (11-5) won his seventh consecutive start. He struck out Alomar in the second inning and again in the fourth, and retired Alomar on a grounder in the seventh. Alomar popped out to third for the final out.

Captains stun Angels

Staff Report

SHREVEPORT, La. — As it turned out, it was all over after the first inning for the Midland Angels Thursday night.

The Shreveport Captains touched Angels' left-hander Scott Schoeneweis for four runs in the bottom of the first inning, including a three-run home run by Jay Canizaro which carried them to a 5-2 victory over Midland.

The Angels drew first blood, scoring in the top of the first after Jed Dalton and Danny Buxbaum walked and Brett Hemphill drove in a run with a single. That was erased in the bottom of the inning as singles by Calvin Murray, Chris Singleton and Keith Williams tied the game and Canizaro's blast to left field put Shreveport ahead for good.

Schoeneweis was solid for the

next six innings, not allowing a single run until he gave up a leadoff triple in the eighth to Chris Singleton, who eventually scored. Shreveport's Joe Fontenot was more than a match, though, pitching 6 2/3 innings and striking out nine hitters.

The Angels scored their other run in the third on a base hit by Danny Buxbaum. It looked like they had a big rally going but the next batter, Hemphill, hit a screaming one-hop liner down the first base line which Brett King stabbed on one hop and he turned a double play to end the inning.

The two teams meet again at 7:35 p.m. this evening with Shreveport left-hander Troy Brohawn (6-4, 3.38 ERA) facing Midland's Faust to Macey (4-3, 8.08), who pitched for the Captains last season.

OPEN: Sorenstam struggles

(From 1C)

with Lopez, Muffin Spencer-Devlin and Lorie Kane at 69.

Sorenstam, seeking to become the first woman to win three consecutive U.S. Opens, began her round with a bogey, then things got worse.

On the par-4, 388-yard 9th hole, she hit her tee shot into a bunker. Then, using a 9-wood, she hit her second shot far to the right, into deep, clingy fescue that hid her ball so long she nearly had to give it up for lost before a member of the gallery found it.

"It was knee-high when we got there," she said of the grass. "When we left it wasn't that high."

She took a swing, and the ball traveled about three inches, then she swung again, finally getting back onto the course. She finished with a 7, her first triple-bogey in recent memory and leaving her stunned at 5-over-par 41 through nine holes.

"I was a little confused. I was a little upset. I didn't know what was happening," she said. "As far as I

could be the passing of the torch in two ways. Last year, Josh's brother, John, was a first team defensive back, and the Rebels' defense, which churned out three all-state performances, had the highest expectations that year. In both cases, the torch has passed.

With Norman's honor and all the other Lee offensive starters recognized as prospects in Campbell's magazine, there will be pressure for the offense to perform. Offensive lineman Brad Lofton (6-5, 260) and Paul Villarreal (6-1, 310) and tight end Brian Boyd (6-3, 249) are all considered prospects by Texas Football. Together, they anchor what Campbell calls one of the strongest rushing offenses in the region.

That offense will have to shoulder a burden caused the loss of 10 defensive starters, including three all-state players to graduation.

"It will be the opposite of last year when the defense carried the load," Norman said. "We have to rebuild the defense, so the offense will have to carry the load. I know I will have to carry the ball a lot. We will not have John and Antwan (Alexander) to throw the ball to. I will go out to receiver and help the team do what it takes to win."

The additional workload should mean that Norman's last season is a record breaking one. Norman, who rushed for 1,742 yards in 1996, is nine touchdowns shy of passing Farris Strambler's 47 on the all-time Lee rushing list. Also, if Norman rushes for 1,548 yards, he will pass Strambler, who rushed for 4,026 in three seasons, as the all-time leading rusher in school history. In fact, another 1,700-yard season will put him in fourth place of all rushers in 4-5A history and a season of 1,816 yards means only Permian's John Williams will have rushed for more Norman.

"I would love to leave a big impression on Lee by setting the records," Norman said. "The reason it is on my mind is that I remember an article that talks about my touchdowns and yards. Now, it is a goal of mine to break those records."

The big-time numbers are sure to attract many Division-I schools. Norman says that he has already

NORMAN: Reb wants 4-5A title

(From 1C)

received many pamphlets and other literature from colleges, and it is certain with every 100-yard game and every game-breaking touchdown, more are sure to follow. Seeing John go through the calls, visits and other ordeals that come with constant wooing from colleges has forced Josh to make his own plan. He will try to be as elusive off the field as he is on the field.

"I did learn something from John's recruiting," Norman said. "I learned not to be at home. I took all his calls last year, and I don't plan on taking as many."

He will just let his actions do the talking.

CAMPBELL'S NOTES: Nominees for the Campbell's All-Time Texas High School Team include five former Midland Lee standouts (Junior Miller, Jake Young, K.C. Jones, Tom Branahney and John Norman). Other former 4-5A standouts include Permian's Lloyd Hill, Britt Hager and Joe Bob Bizzell; Cooper's Dominic Rhodes and Jack Mildren; and Odessa High's Rodney Allison.

Abilene Cooper is ranked No. 7 in the state while Lee is picked to win the district... Andrews is ranked 24th in Class 4A... Stanton, not defending Class 2A state champion Irian, is picked to win District 6-2A...

Lee Career Rushing Leaders

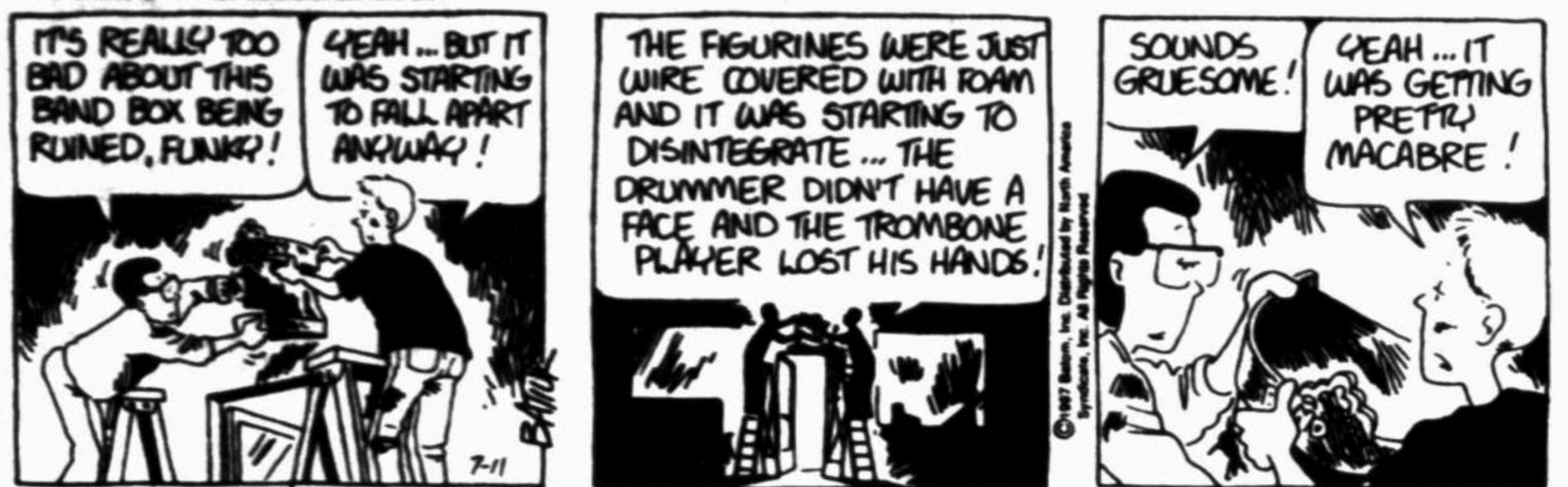
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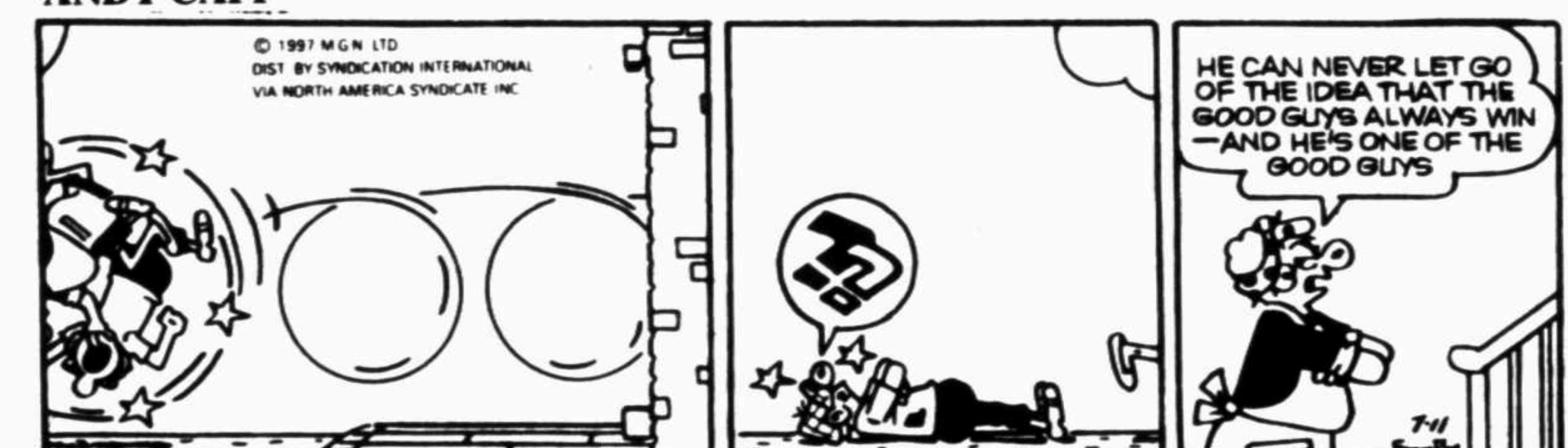
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FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 11, 1997:

You draw much inspiration from someone, who might serve as your muse. Creativity is high. You focus on security and long-term goals. You might move or make a major adjustment on the home front. Also, you might experience a lot of personal transformation. If you are single, you will want to become involved in a closer relationship. Much could open up for you during the course of relating with others. You not only learn about your inner self but improve your communication skills. If attached, a period commences in which you renegotiate the terms of your relationship, and bond anew. **LIBRA** triggers your emotions.

BORN TODAY
Singer Bonnie Pointer (1951), former boxer Leon Spinks (1953), actress Sela Ward (1956).

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Being a good listener is beneficial. You have a wild idea; put it on hold for the moment. Your energy and direction come from others and their feedback. Make plans with favorite friends. Tonight: You could be a party animal!
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Your efficiency startles a boss, though he probably should have known better. Determine your options when unusual things start to happen. You might not like having to work late tonight, but no one can beat your productivity. Tonight: Money on home.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your imagination breaks

past boundaries. Your sense of humor emerges when plans change. You work well with what is going on. Flirtation seems second nature to you; let it happen. If single, an acquaintance could become more. Tonight: Pack your toothbrush!
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Buckle down, and deal with domestic issues. The unexpected occurs with finances and a partner, though ultimately, it is in your favor. Be direct with a family member. Examine both sides of a problem. Be careful when making choices. Tonight: You feel great at home.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You have the most charming way of laying it on the line. Clearly state what is happening. You deal with an unpredictable partner effortlessly. Your sense of humor comes out when discussing a change. Take action, and talk about it. Tonight: Go to a favorite hangout.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Be careful with funds. Not everyone is on the same plane as you. A co-worker is erratic, which might upset you. Instincts are on with finances, so follow them. Refuse to overspend, even if you are frustrated. Stay focused. Tonight: Allow yourself cheap indulgences.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You are full of energy. A loved one shocks you with his bizarre behavior. Be assertive, and handle a challenge. A friend comes through for you in a peculiar way. You know you can count on him. Listen to feedback. Tonight: Ask for whatever you want!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Take a back seat. Allow what goes on to serve as a learning experience. Evaluate a change, and listen to your instincts, but don't act just now. A family member reveals more of his true colors. Use changes for your benefit. Tonight: Say little; mystery suits you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Reach for the pot of gold over the rainbow. Your imagination and intellect merge, making you a winner. Examine long-term goals. Unexpected news, events and calls make you smile; you like the excitement. Listen to a close confidante's wise words. Tonight: Be with friends.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Take the lead, and promote a positive interaction with those in charge. You understand the role of authority in your life. Remain direct, especially if you feel discouraged, confused or startled by a money matter. Take the lead. Tonight: Stay in the limelight!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Reach out for a partner. As usual, no one can predict your next move — or wants to! You have a tendency to create odd events. Someone might challenge your actions, and want to know why. Your openness makes all the difference. Tonight: Let another make the call.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Get together with others on an intimate level. Your rationale and point of view are very different from an associate's. A sudden flash of illumination provides a solution. An idea seems to work for you. Talk it over with a trusted associate. Tonight: Pull the shades.

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East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH			
♠ 9 8 6 4 3	♥ A 6 5 3	♦ Q 8	♣ A K
WEST			
♠ Q J 5 2	♥ 10 4	♦ A K 9	♣ Q J 9 8
EAST			
♠ A K 10 7	♥ K 2	♦ J 10 7 3	♣ 10 5 2
SOUTH			
♠ Void	♥ Q J 9 8 7	♦ 6 5 4 2	♣ 7 6 4 3

The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
Pass 1♣ Dbl 1♠
2♣ Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠

Aggressive bidding by North-South led to a touch-and-go game on this deal. A slight omission by the defense allowed South to get

home. North's original double said all there was to say about the holding; raising to three hearts was a distinct overbid despite partner's 'free' bid of two hearts. Even though South was expecting more, proceeding to game was equally pushy. An opening trump lead or a shift to a trump at trick two or three would have posed insurmountable problems for South, but West elected to cash the king and ace of diamonds and then lead the queen of spades. Declarer was now in control.

The spade was ruffed in the closed hand, and the ace and king of clubs in dummy provided the entries for two more spade ruffs.

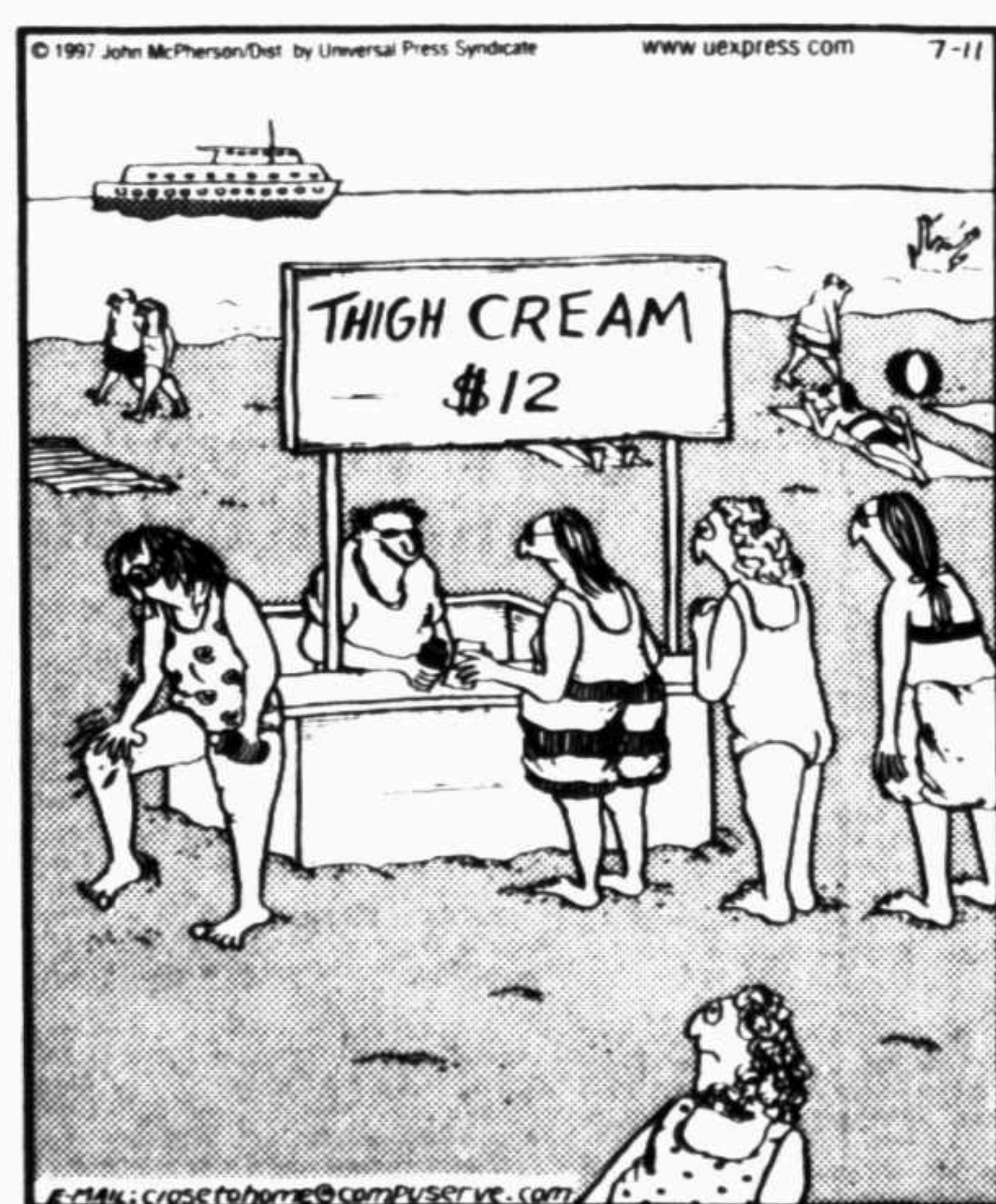
Declarer then crossed back to the table with a club ruff to trump a fourth spade. Next, declarer trumped a diamond on the board and led the fifth spade. East was helpless. Whether the defender ruffed with the king or not, declarer was destined to score the queen of trumps, and dummy's ace would then be the fulfilling trick. In all, South collected five ruffs in hand and two in dummy, two clubs and the ace of hearts.

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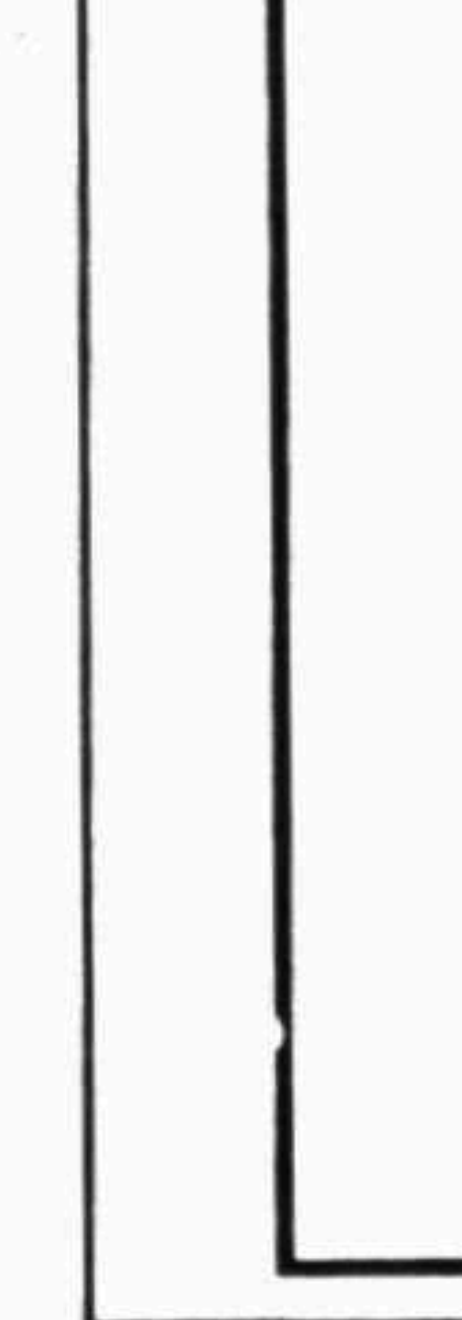
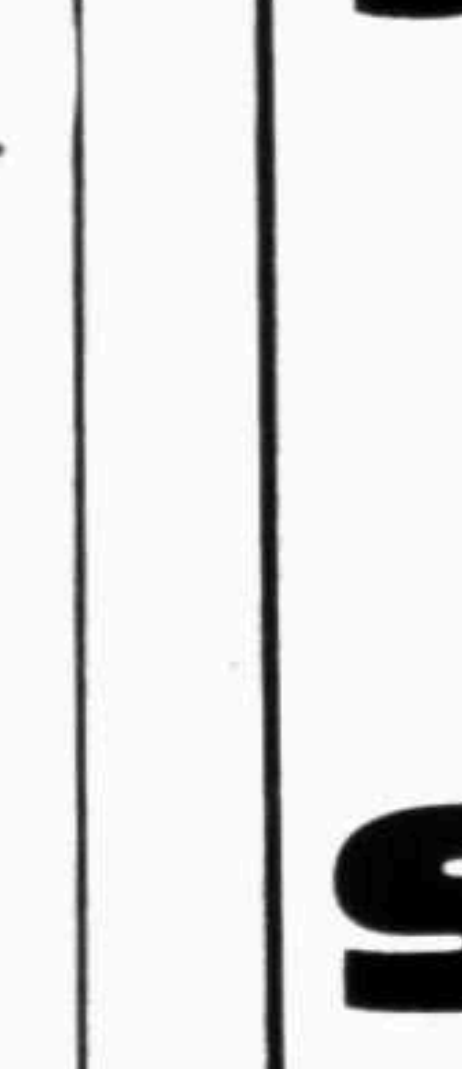
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FRIDAY

Broadcast	O	C
(3) KMD	2	3
(5) KPEJ	24	5
(7) KOSM	7	7
(9) KWES	9	9
(12) KMLM	42	12
(13) KOCV	36	13
Cable	O	C
(8) CNBC	8	8
(10) WGN	10	10
(11) WTBS	11	11
(18) BRAY	18	18
(20) BET	20	20
(21) DSN	21	21
(23) FAM	23	23
(35) CNN	35	35
(36) ESPN	36	36
(37) USA	37	37
(38) FX	38	38
(39) A&E	39	39
(40) TLC	40	40
(41) NICK	41	41
(43) LIFE	43	43
(46) OUTDR	46	46
(49) UNI	49	49
(50) HSE	50	50
(51) COM	51	51
Premium	O	C
(14) DISC	14	14
(15) AMC	15	15
(16) TNN	16	16
(17) TNT	17	17
(22) MAX	22	22
(29) VCI	29	29
(30) CHTS2	30	30
(31) CHTS1	31	31
(32) TMC	32	32
(33) SHOW	33	33
(34) HBO	34	34
(86) HCN	86	86

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Last	Chg	%Chg	Name	D
47½	+½	-3.1	BerkHe A	
8	- ¼	+6.7	BerryP	
13½	+¼	+32.9	BlkHlCp	1.4
231½		+18.0	BoisC ofE	3.3

25 7/8	...	+19.9	BrMsc pr	2.3
1 1/8	+1/8	-27.7	BrMySq s	1.5
27 7/8	+3/8	-7.8	BrwnFA	1.0
70	+3/8	+3.7	BrwnFB	1.0
77 3/8	+1 3/8	+32.3	BrTom	
56	5/8	-2.0	CMS	

50	- 4/8	+3.0	CNS	
89 3/4	+ 1/8	+11.3	Camelot	
46 3/4	+ 5/8	+10.3	CellxB	
61 1/4	- 5/8	-4.5	GenLAEI	1.5
33 7/8	+ 3/8	-4.8	Chevron	2.3
70 3/4	- 1/8	+10.2	Clayton	

76-964	+ 964	+112.9	ClayEng	
237/8	+ 1/8	...	CocaCl	.5
125/32	+ 5/32	-18.6	Cohernt	
136	+1	+14.3	ColgPal s	1.1

INDEXES

Index	Last	%
Dow Jones Industrials	7,886.76	+4.12
Dow Jones Transportation	2,812.21	+0.12

W Jones Utilities	232.10	+
SE Composite	476.27	+
Dax Index	631.70	
Nasdaq Composite	1,490.93	+
S&P 500	913.78	+
Small 2000	200.15	

ssell 2000	399.15	+
shire 5000	8,642.28	+5

0.7	Reebok	46½2+13½	+17.3	StarwD s 43
3.2	RegHit	14¾	+54.4	StateStr s 6

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST											
Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ARCOCo	2.80	16	47 1/2	+1/8	-3.1	BerkH A	...	52	47 1/8	-300	+38.1
AbleTel	...	...	8	- 1/8	+6.7	BerryP	.40	20	17 1/16	+ 1/8	+18.7
AbraGas	...	42	13 1/8	+1/4	+32.9	BlkHCh	1.42	13	28 1/8	-3/8	+7
AdaEx	1.72	23	21 1/8	...	+18.9	BioC pP	2.35	...	25 1/8	- 1/8	-7
AdrianR	...	...	1 1/8	+1/8	-27.7	BrHySq s	1.52	29	84 1/4	...	+55.5
AltCmpS s	...	28	27 7/8	+ 3/8	-7.8	BrunFA	1.08	20	49	- 1/8	-8.0
Alko	2.01	...	70	...	+3.7	BrunFS	1.08	21	50 1/2	+1/8	+5.4
AltHme	1.64	25	77 1/8	+ 1/8	+32.3	BrTrom	...	41	19 1/8	- 3/8	-10.4
Amgen	...	22	58	- 1/8	+3.0	CMS	...	13	8 1/4	+ 1/8	-8.1
Amoco	2.80	16	89 1/8	+1/8	+11.3	Camelot	...	...	7 1/2	...	-77.3
AmeyAs	.88	29	46 1/8	+ 1/8	+10.3	CellzBz	...	...	1 1/8	-1/8	-14.3
Anadrk	30	63	61 1/8	- 1/8	-4.5	CenLAEI	1.54	13	28 1/2	+ 1/8	+2.3
Apache	.28	19	33 1/8	+ 3/8	-4.8	Chevron	2.32	17	7 1/8	+1/8	+14.8
ApidMat	...	38	76 3/4	+ 1/8	+112.9	ClayCen	...	5	10 1/4	+1/8	-41.0
ATMOS	2.00	23	27 1/2	+1/8	...	CocaCI	.58	46	89 1/4	...	+32.3
Aurasy	...	...	1 1/8	+ 1/2	-18.6	Cocornt	...	22	47 1/8	- 7/8	+12.3
BergCa	11.50	...	136	+1	+14.3	ColgPal s	1.10	31	67 1/8	+1/8	+45.9
INDEXES											
High	Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg				
7,991.26	5,182.31	Dow Jones Industrials	7,866.78	+44.33	+57	+22.31	+42.86				
2,847.49	1,922.92	Dow Jones Transportation	2,812.21	+33	+1	+24.31	+36.47				
243.29	203.32	Dow Jones Utilities	232.10	+2.19	+95	+18	+37.40				
480.44	328.55	NYSE Composite	476.27	+3.24	+86	+21.40	+7.92				
835.23	508.94	Nasdaq Index	831.70	+68	+11	+10.37	+15.25				
1,494.89	1,008.44	Amexdaq Composite	1,490.93	+34	+29	+15.48	+34.76				
923.26	805.88	S&P 500	913.78	+624	+69	+23.36	+41.52				
399.05	258.82	Russell 2000	399.15	+1.75	+44	+10.08	+22.97				
8,670.44	6,099.34	Wallshire 5000	8,642.28	+50.88	+59	+20.06	+36.43				

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98.5 OncoMut	1%	-1%	6.6 Rivers	13%	+1%	+81.8 TherMrt	1%	+1%	+94.3 UnCap	17%	+1%	
OncoR			8.2 Roberts	13%	+1%	-7.1 TherBmt	101%		+1%	UMobH	11%	+1%
+2.9 OncoDet	13%		+27.2 Rogers	34%	-1%	+8.3 TherMed	16%	+1%	-25.7 USBossci	4%	-1%	
+2.7 Digenets	18%	+1%	-9.1 Rotonc	1%	+1%	-21.5 TCargo	23%	-1%	+5.4 US Cnt	29%	-1%	
+1.4 OncoQ	2%	+1%	-1.1 SCS	1%	-1%	-1.7 TCS	1%	-1%	+1.7 USFAZ	2%	+1%	
+1.1 PGC-PCP	3%		+39.0 SC Snp	13%	-1%	+7.4 ThmInf	10	-1%	+8.1 VKSLs	1%		
+1.6 PLC-SPs	21%	+1%	-3.8 SC BaboP	15%	+1%	+1.3 Thrmf	321%	+1%	+16.5 VNANU	141%	+1%	
+4.9 PNC	1%		-1.1 SCS	1%	-1%	-1.1 Thrmf	7%		-13.6 Vacon	29%	-1%	
+4.9 PNCCT	18%	+1%	+4.6 Sclss	12%	+1%	-18.8 Thrmf	7%		-13.6 VASB	32%	-1%	
PanCmCn	7%	-1%	-3.0 Sclfcarn	1%		-14.8 ThrmTm	11%	+1%	+10.3 VIcon			
+56.5 PanCmCn	12%	+1%	-1.4 Sclntfy	1%		-3.1 ThrmVts	8%	+1%	+10.3 Virc	30		
+2.4 PEGD	51%	+1%	-28.3 Shkshpnt	21%	-1%	-15.3 ThrmVts	13%	+1%	-4.5 Valtatg	4%	-1%	
+5.1 PenRC	23%	+1%	+4.6 ShkCmCn	12%	+1%	-8.2 ThrmVts	25%	-1%	-1.6 Vrcn	3%		
+5.9 PeopTel	3%	-1%	-5.9 Sclfwrds	1%		+11.5 Thrmrd	4%	+1%	+10.0 VYMN2	13%	+1%	
-5.8 Phoset	3%	+1%	-5.9 SclnSnp	2%	-1%	-8.8 Tippery	4%	+1%	+1.8 WRIT	17%	+1%	
+1.6 PNC	2%	-1%	+20.5 SclnSnp	5%	-1%	-3.7.5 TUSGP	1%	-1%	+28.2 WASHsvng	6%	+1%	
PndBcbs	10%	+1%	-4.4.4 scColoqen	1%		-1.2 TotPpt	101%	+1%	-1.1 Wabound	1%	-1%	
+5.6 PncBac	16%	+1%	-6.07 SpATf	1%	-1%	-3.3 TOnCly	1%	-1%	-1.4 WalGrd	4%	+1%	
+11.3 Polymad	8%	+1%	+23.8 SPDR	81%	+1%	-3.0 TWA	4%	+1%	+2.9 Welfeld	11%	+1%	
+7.4 Polych	1%		+16.8 SP Md	57%	+1%	-4.8 TWA	6%	+1%	+1.4 WIRET	13%	+1%	
+5.7.7 Polysys	2%	+1%	+1.1 Staridous	158%	+1%	+3.7.5 Transm8T	1%		+2.9 Wiressest	11%	+1%	
+34.9 Ppctg	24%	+1%	-3.3 StewvA	1%	-1%	+3.2 TmMed	13%	+1%	+4.1 WIRET	13%	+1%	
+7.7 ProCn	81%	+1%	-4.0 StewvA	1%	-1%	+5.14 Tmndch	6%	+1%	+14.0 WEBB	13%	+1%	
+2.1 Pridel	1%		-3.2.0 SubstAps	1%	-1%	+3.7. TUBMAd	1%		+3.7 WEBGR	17%	+1%	
+18.5 PRIBp	1%		-2.1.2 Sclux	1%	-1%	+5.6 TUNFC	1%		+4.1 WEBH	16%	+1%	
+2.05 PRIBp	7%		+1.6 SumT	11%	+1%	+4.4.5 UTTEng	51%	+1%	+3.87 WEBM	16%	+1%	
-9 PRIB11	19%		+14.8 SumT	11%	-1%	-3.0 Unapx	4%	-1%	-7.3 WEBsng	11%	-1%	
-2.6 PIGM21	12%	+1%	+4.05 Suprmd	8%	-1%	-1.9 Unnd	1%	-1%	+19.0 WEbSD	20%	+1%	
-26.3 QCPn Op	1%		+33.8 SunayQ	5%	+1%	+3.3 Unxwrt	4%	-1%	+17.3 WEbUK	17%	+1%	
+4.05 QCPn	5%	+1%	+2.1 Sclntfy	1%		-1.9 Unnd	1%	-1%	+18.7 XCL	1%	+1%	
-5.7 RsaGlo	1%		-1.0 TCOpSps	1%	-1%	-19.2 Unflax	6%	+1%	+10.0 Xytron	1%	+1%	
-1.8 Rslunn	24%	+1%	+7.21 Tsch	17%	-1%	-1.85 Unflax	1%	+1%	+50.0 Zewen	18	+1%	
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OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Thursday \$19.22
Previous Close \$19.48
Year Ago \$21.55

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Today \$17.25
Previous Close \$17.50
Year Ago \$20.00

NATURAL GAS PRICES

Thursday \$2.115

Prices drift lower

NEW YORK — Oil futures prices drifted lower Thursday ahead of a meeting in Iraq at which Baghdad will negotiate with U.N. officials over the resumption of humanitarian oil sales.

Crude for August delivery settled at \$19.22 per barrel, down 24 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The Iraq-United Nations meeting Sunday will deal with the resumption of an oil-for-food program that would allow Iraq to make a second round of oil sales to raise funds for food and medicine purchases.

Unleaded gasoline for delivery in August rose 0.57 cent a gallon to settle at \$8.80 cents. August heating oil fell 0.54 cent to \$2.11 cents a gallon.

Natural gas rose, with contracts for delivery in August up 1.7 cents to \$2.115 for each 1,000 cubic feet.

Dollar drops

NEW YORK — The dollar ended mostly weaker Thursday after top Bundesbank officials surprised the foreign-exchange market by calling for a strong mark and Britain's central bank increased interest rates. The dollar traded as low as 1.7461 marks in intraday dealings before settling at 1.7515 marks in New York, down from 1.7599 marks Wednesday. The pound cost \$1.6896, up from \$1.6880.

The mark's strength against the yen indirectly helped the dollar end higher against the Japanese currency. The dollar cost 113.18 yen in New York, up from 112.77 yen Wednesday.

Other dollar rates in New York, compared with Wednesday: 1.4493 Swiss francs, down from 1.4580; 5.9220 French francs, down from 5.9430; 1.712.00 Italian lire, down from 1,717.25; 1.3739 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3732.

Market rebounds

NEW YORK — Stocks rose Thursday, halting a one-day slide with help from some strong earnings reports and hopes that Friday's economic data will provide more justification for an optimistic inflation outlook.

The Dow Jones Industrial average rose 44.33 to close at 7,886.76, bolstered by strong profit showings from General Electric and J.P. Morgan.

Biotechnology shares stumbled despite a better-than-expected profit report from Compaq Computer, but the technology-heavy Nasdaq market posted a narrow gain for its sixth consecutive record close.

Although the Dow's advance was fairly modest, with 100-point swings growing so commonplace, the gain put the blue-chip barometer back in striking distance of the 8,000 mark. On Wednesday, the Dow edged within 10 points of 8,000, but quickly turned lower, sliding nearly 120 points amid worries that profit forecasts have grown too optimistic.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 5-to-3 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume was heavy again at 551.28 million shares.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list rose 6.24 to 913.78, and the NYSE composite index rose 3.24 to 476.27.

Setting new highs were the Nasdaq composite index, up 4.30 to 1,490.93; and the Russell 2000 index of smaller companies, up 1.75 to 399.15. The American Stock Exchange composite index, which is dominated by smaller companies, rose 0.68 to \$31.70.

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Jobless claims rise to 16-month high

■ First-time jobless claims increased by larger-than-expected amount.

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — More American workers applied for state unemployment benefits last week, posting the second consecutive weekly rise and highest level since March 1996, Labor Department figures showed.

First-time jobless claims increased by a larger-than-expected 40,000 to a seasonally adjusted 377,000 in the week ended July 5, although the rise may reflect temporary mid-season layoffs in the auto industry. The last time claims were this high was the week ended March 30, 1996, when they totaled 403,000.

Analysts surveyed by Bloomberg News expected new claims to increase by

3,000 to 340,000 for the week ended July 5.

In the previous week, claims rose an unreviewed 5,000 to 337,000. Meanwhile, the four-week average for jobless claims, a less volatile gauge in the weekly report, rose last week to 348,500 from 339,000 the previous week, the government reported. That's the highest level since January 18, 1997, when the four-week average was at 349,500.

The big rise in claims "appears to be attributed to the normal auto industry retooling layoffs" that come when car makers make changes to their assembly lines in July to set up for new models or changes to existing models, a Labor Department spokeswoman said. The department's seasonal adjustment factors possibly didn't fully account for the layoffs, the spokeswoman said.

At the same time, strikes likely added to the number of claims. Workers at the

General Motors Corp. plant in Pontiac, Michigan have been on strike since the end of April.

The drop in claims "implies a weak report," said Cary Leahey, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics Ltd. in Valhalla, New York. "If it stays at this level you would be talking about an employment market" that would allow Federal Reserve policymakers to leave interest rates unchanged, or possibly push rates lower at some point.

However, he said, "it may just be a bunch of people filing because of the auto retooling."

Separately, the Mortgage Bankers Association of America's weekly mortgage market index rose to 251.4 in the week ended July 4 from 239.5 the previous week, which suggests the housing industry is likely to continue showing

strength in coming months.

Elsewhere in the claims report, the Labor Department said 24 states or territories reported increased claims in the week ended June 28, while 27 states or territories said claims fell. Two reported no change. Also, the report said the total number of people receiving unemployment benefits rose by 159,000 to 2.478 million in the week ended June 28. And, the seasonally adjusted insured unemployment rate was at 2.1 percent for that week, up from the previous week's 2.0 percent.

The insured unemployment rate measures the number of people collecting unemployment benefits divided by the number of employed workers covered by the program. These figures, like state details and the total number of beneficiaries, are reported by the Labor Department with a two-week lag.

Weather, discounts lift retail sales

■ June sales rise modestly as retailers rebound from disappointing spring season.

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — U.S. retailers reported modest sales gains in June as warm weather and clearance sales helped them rebound from the disappointing spring season.

Retailers that rely on women's fashions, such as AnnTaylor Stores Corp. and Saks Holdings Inc., fared the worst as shoppers spurned their trendier offerings. Discount chains led by Wal-Mart Stores Inc. reported higher sales of hot-weather goods including air conditioners and gardening supplies.

Many retailers marked down prices to clear their shelves of clothing that didn't sell in March, April and May because of cool weather. While the discounts boosted sales, they also eroded profits — prompting Kmart Corp. and Talbots Inc. to warn of lower-than-expected earnings and analysts to shave estimates.

"Margins are not going to be as good in the second quarter as they were in the first," said Furman Selz analyst Kim Walin.

Same-store sales, a key barometer that measures sales at stores open at least 12 months, rose 4.9 percent, according to a Bloomberg index. That's the biggest increase since January's 7.6 percent gain and follows a 2.5 percent increase in May.

"The lack of hot weather hurt sales, but people have been revising earnings estimates downward, and I think it is already in the stocks," said Stephens Inc. analyst Elizabeth Pierce.

Not all analysts are so confident. The clearance sales that typically continue into July will cause other retailers to miss estimates, said Kurt Barnard, a retail consultant and president of Barnard's Retail Marketing Report.

Many retailers release their sales results the first or second Thursday of each month, giving investors and analysts an indication of how earnings might fare.

Department stores, which typically rely heavily on clothing sales, showed modest sales increases for the month, led by May Department Stores Co.'s 4.6 percent gain.

Federated Department Stores Co., operator of the Macy's and Bloomingdale's chains, said its sales rose 3.2 percent. J.C. Penney Co.'s sales rose 0.8 percent increase and Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s increased 3.1 percent. Dayton Hudson Corp.'s same-store sales fell 2.4 percent at its department stores and 0.7 percent at its Mervyn's chain.

Same-store sales at department chains rose 3.5 percent, according to a Bloomberg index, the highest since February's 3.9 percent increase.

Wal-Mart said its sales at stores open at least a year rose 6.4 percent, while sales rose 5.3 percent at Kmart and 4.5 percent at Dayton Hudson's Target chain.



After a 15-week grounding, the first ValuJet flight lands at Dulles International Airport in Chantilly, Va., Sept. 30, 1996. The airline, whose public image has suffered since a May 1996 crash in the

Florida Everglades, is buying AirTran Airways and plans to drop the ValuJet name, it was announced Thursday. The deal will be accomplished through a stock swap valued at \$61.8 million.

ValuJet buys AirTran, to drop name

■ New company will be called Air-Tran Holdings Inc.

Associated Press

ATLANTA — ValuJet Airlines, whose image suffered after one of its jetliners crashed into the Florida Everglades, is buying AirTran Airways and plans to drop the ValuJet name.

The deal, announced Thursday, will be accomplished through a stock swap valued at \$61.8 million. The combination of ValuJet and AirTran's parent company, would have 2,742 employees and serve 46 cities with 40 aircraft and 238 peak daily departures.

The new company will be called Air-Tran Holdings Inc. The location of its headquarters is under review, although Orlando, Fla., is the leading candidate. AirTran Corp. is based there.

The merger is expected to be completed within four months.

ValuJet has been losing money ever since the May 11, 1996, crash of Flight 592,

which killed all 110 people on board. The airline became the subject of an intense safety review after the crash, and was grounded by the Federal Aviation Administration for more than three months.

"The merged company will benefit from access to AirTran's maintenance facility in Orlando and the ValuJet launch order for 50 firm and 50 option McDonnell Douglas MD-95s," ValuJet president and chief executive D. Joseph Corr said. He will serve as president and CEO of the new company.

Robert D. Swenson, AirTran chairman and president, will serve as non-executive chairman of the combined company.

ValuJet will nominate four members to the new company's board of directors. AirTran will name three.

The companies didn't immediately say what role ValuJet chairman Lewis Jordan will play. Jordan, who gave up daily control of the airline when Corr took over in November, took the lead in trying to restore public confidence in Valu-

Jet after the crash.

"This merger should significantly enhance AirTran's growth prospects with the strong cash position of the merged companies and our combined operating fleet total of more than 40 aircraft," Swenson said.

Steven Lewins, an analyst who follows ValuJet for Gruntal & Co. in New York, said the merger is risky because both companies are expected to continue to lose money.

AirTran serves 23 mid-size cities from Orlando. It will have 11 Boeing 737 aircraft by the end of July. Atlanta-based ValuJet serves 24 cities from Atlanta with a fleet of 30 aircraft.

Terms of the deal call for ValuJet to pay one share of its stock for each AirTran share. Based on Wednesday's closing stock price, that comes to \$61.8 million.

The merger is subject to approvals from shareholder, bondholders, regulators and others.

Entering local markets to cost MCI more than expected

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — MCI Communications Corp. said it will have to pay more than it expected to get into the U.S. local phone business, hurting earnings this year and next, because of slowdowns caused by competitors.

The nation's second-largest long-dis-

tance company behind AT&T Corp. said the Baby Bell local phone companies have stalled its efforts to connect to the companies' networks, preventing MCI from profiting on its \$1 billion investment in local networks.

MCI said its losses on local market investments could be as high as \$800 million this year, more than double its ear-

lier estimates. The company said it could have even wider losses in its local business in 1998.

While earnings for the quarter ended June 30 are expected to meet analysts' expectations, results for the second half of 1997 and 1998 will be lower than current estimates, MCI said.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Outcome determines if investment choice good or bad

By Eric Tyson

Q: We held 50 shares of Boeing stock for several years. Its price was fairly constant during that time. Then we received a letter from the company offering to buy the shares back from us or allow us to buy 50 more so that we'd hold an even 100. We decided to sell, and within two months the stock price doubled! Was this a bad decision?



Tyson

A: No, believe it or not, I do not think so!

It's important to understand the difference between decisions and outcomes. Sound or good decisions sometimes lead to bad outcomes.

For example, suppose an employee receives stock from his employer. Over the years, the number of shares increases until the employee finds himself terribly undiversified. Therefore,

the employee sells some of his employer's stock and spreads that money out among other stocks in order to be more diversified.

Unfortunately, just after he sells some of his employer's stock, its stock price skyrockets when his company is bought out by a major corporation. Was the employee's decision to sell some of his stock a bad one? No — the outcome of his decision just wasn't as favorable as it otherwise could have been.

Likewise, I assume you had good reasons for selling your Boeing stock. It was a nuisance to retain such a small holding, the stock had underperformed the market, and perhaps you had a better use for the money.

You could not possibly have known, nor could anyone else, that the price was soon to double. Don't beat yourself up for what is simply impossible to predict.

Q: I am a 39-year-old professional musician. Somehow, I've managed to save \$130,000 after taxes. My motivation for saving has been to provide a home for my parents to live in after

they are unable to work. I want to make a large down payment to keep my mortgage payments as low as possible. I would like to buy within the next five years. Currently, all of my money is in two passbook savings accounts paying 3 percent. The more I read about investing, the more trepidation I feel about taking action. Should I take \$100,000 and buy into 10 different mutual funds and put the rest in a money-market fund?

A: All parents should have such caring and giving adult children as you! I understand your investing fears, especially given your relatively short time horizon. Five years is too short a time period to take much risk; you should avoid putting any of that money into stocks.

As a first step, you should move your money into a higher-yielding but still-safe money-market mutual fund. In the current market, you can easily earn in excess of 5 percent on your cash instead of just 3 percent.

Second, you might want to consider investing in some short-term bond

funds. Such funds will pay you about 1 percent more than a money-market fund. The downside of a bond fund versus a money-market fund is that the principal value of your investment will decline if interest rates rise.

However, short-term bonds are much less sensitive to interest-rate changes than longer-term bonds. And if interest rates do increase, they rarely stay high for long and eventually decrease.

If you're unwilling to risk losing principal in short-term bonds, you might also consider bank CDs or government Treasury bills or notes. If you go the CD route, be sure to shop around — rates do vary, sometimes significantly, among banks.

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Ernie Irvan raises the New Hampshire victory since his

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By Mike Recht
Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — Still recovering from a crash, Ernie Irvan, Winston Cup race car driver, returns this week speculation about

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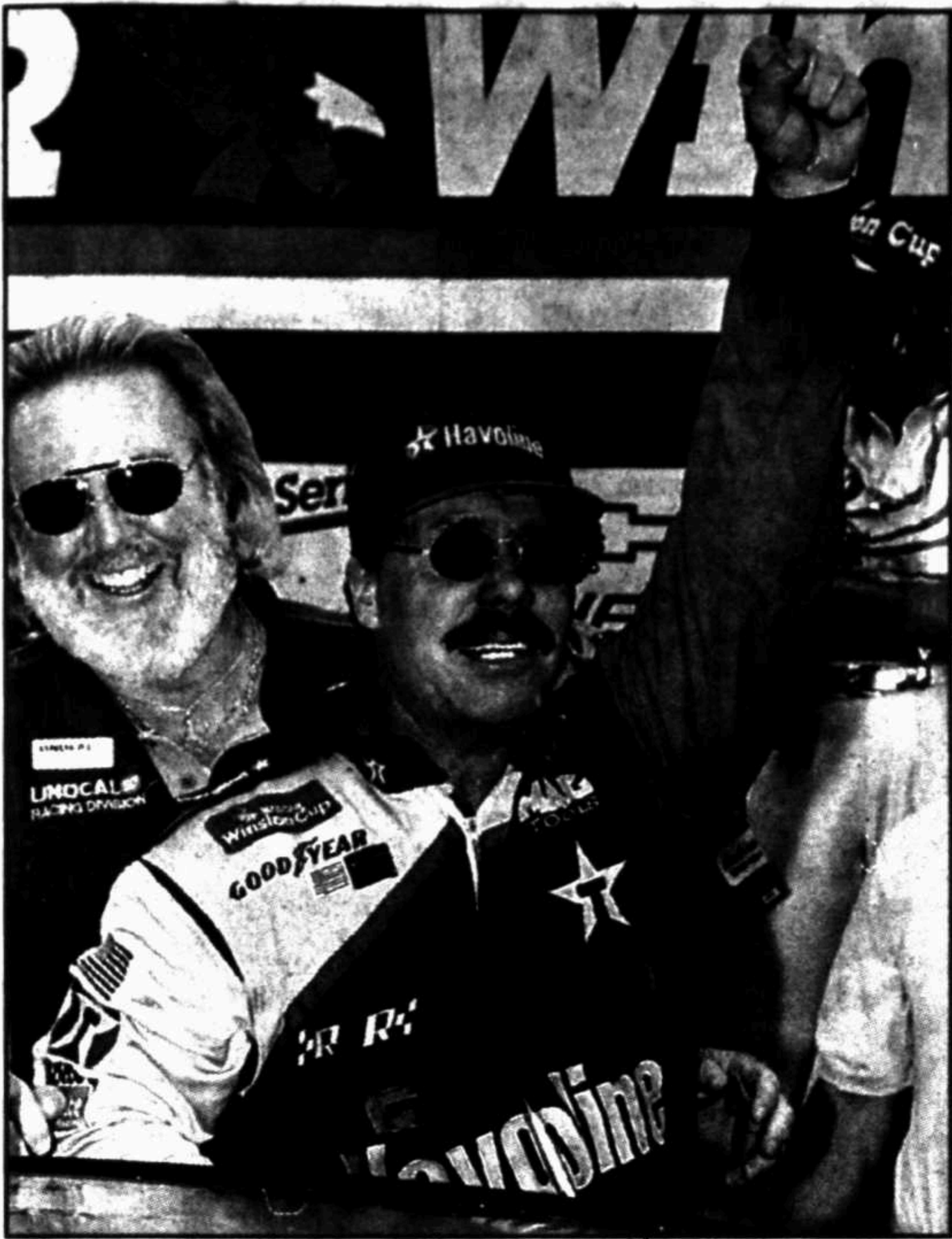
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Ernie Irvan raises his arm after winning last year's Winston Cup race at the New Hampshire International Speedway in Loudon, N.H. It was his first victory since his life-threatening crash in Michigan two years earlier.

Irvan faces uncertain future without team

By Mike Recht
Associated Press Writer

LOUDON, N.H. — A year ago, still recovering from a life-threatening crash, Ernie Irvan won a Winston Cup race at New Hampshire International Speedway. He returns this weekend amid new speculation about his future.

Robert Yates, owner of Robert Yates Racing, said earlier in the week he was not renewing Irvan's contract for next year. So Irvan is now a lame-duck driver at age 38 as he begins the second half of the season Sunday in the Jiffy Lube 300.

For now, he can take some comfort in his return to the one-mile oval at New Hampshire, where he won for the first time since he crashed at Michigan International Speedway on Aug. 20, 1994. That race nearly took his life and sidelined him for 13 months.

"Any time you go back to a race track where you've won the last race there ... it's like, 'Man, I know I can run good there,'" he said. "It really was a relief (to win). I didn't know if I was ever going to win a race again," he said.

On June 15, he returned to Michigan and scored another dramatic victory on the track where he was injured.

"I'd always run good at Michigan, but I'd just never been able to win there, so that brought a lot of relief being able to do that," he said. "It's obviously in the manufacturer's back yard. That's a major plus. Everybody wants bragging rights."

"Loudon was different. That was a win that was more about the team and me. We needed that one for confidence."

"It helped the team a bunch. We were kind of on pins and needles

IRL fines both Foyt, Luyendyk

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indy Racing League has fined A.J. Foyt and Arie Luyendyk for their victory lane altercation following last month's inaugural True Value 500K.

Foyt was fined \$20,000, while Luyendyk, this year's Indianapolis 500 winner, faces a \$14,000 fine, for unsportsmanlike behavior they demonstrated after the June 7 race, the IRL announced Thursday.

"The IRL must demand and receive discipline and courtesy from our drivers and teams both on and off the track," said IRL Executive Director Leo Muhl.

Following the race in Fort Worth, racer-turned-car-owner Foyt attacked Luyendyk when he entered victory lane after A.J. Foyt Enterprises drivers Billy Boat and Davey Hamilton were listed as finishing 1-2.

Luyendyk was listed as third. Convinced that he had won, the Dutchman charged into victory lane, prompting Foyt to strike him twice in the back of the head. The 62-year-old Foyt then wrapped his hands around Luyendyk's head, took two steps and shoved him to the ground.

Luyendyk was later declared the winner after race officials determined that a computerized scoring system had malfunctioned. Foyt has apologized for attacking Luyendyk.

Both A.J. Foyt Enterprises and Team Menard have filed appeals with USAC after their protests of the race results of last month's final were denied. The fines imposed by the IRL do not affect the USAC's appeals process.

The Indianapolis-based IRL said it will donate the fines to the American Red Cross.

Hallberg comes out of nowhere for lead

By Mike Nadel
AP Sports Writer

COAL VALLEY, Ill. — Gary Hallberg, who has missed the cut in his last 18 PGA Tour events, shot a 5-under-par 65 Thursday to take a one-stroke lead after the first round of the Quad City Classic.

"Where did that come from?" a smiling Hallberg asked reporters. "I can't expect to shoot that every day, or even again. Sixty-five is an awfully good score — for me."

As it turned out, 65 was the best anybody could manage at the 6,762-yard Oakwood Country Club.

Three golfers were tied at 66: Dave Stockton Jr., whose father won the event in 1974; Russ Cochran, whose lone tour victory was the 1991 Western Open; and former University of Iowa golfer Sean McCarty, who is making his PGA Tour debut. Billy Mayfair and Scott Verplank were among 20

players at 3-under.

Hallberg, a top-100 player as recently as 1994, has made the cut just once in 23 events since September 1995. His lone tour paycheck in that span was \$2,544 for finishing 63rd in last year's Hawaiian Open.

"I started getting hand problems a couple of years ago, carpal tunnel syndrome," said Hallberg, who grew up in the Chicago suburb of Barrington. "I had a lot of time off and lost my tour card."

So he has been spending time with his family and working for a company that manufactures synthetic putting greens.

"A guy has to make a living," he said.

Most top players who make a living on the PGA Tour skipped this \$1.35 million tournament, leaving things wide open for the likes of Hallberg, Stockton, Cochran and McCarty.

Gilbert, Quigley share lead at Senior Players

By Harry Atkins
AP Sports Writer

DEARBORN, Mich. — Larry Gilbert and Dana Quigley, both career club pros before turning 50, shared a one-stroke lead after the first round of the Senior Players Championship on Thursday.

Gilbert and Quigley each shot 5-under-par 67s over the 6,876-yard Tournament Players Club of Michigan course. Quigley, a rookie, is winless on the Senior PGA Tour and Gilbert has won twice since 1993.

South African John Bland and Dave Stockton were both at 68, one stroke better than Jack Nicklaus, John Schroeder, Vincente Fernandez and Larry Mowry.

Quigley, who has played in seven Monday qualifiers in an effort to gain entry into senior tournaments since his 50th birthday on April 15, birdied five of the final six holes. He curled in a 20-footer at No. 18.

"Nothing seems very hard in this game when you're on a roll like that," said Quigley, out of Crestwood Country Club in Rehoboth, Mass., and well-known around New England golf circles. "It's like no effort at all. Great players always

said that. I know. When a guy like me gets to that level, it's just really special."

Gilbert, winner of three PGA Club Professional championships before joining the senior circuit, played almost flawless golf. He missed only two fairways while hitting all 18 greens in regulation. It was Gilbert's 16th consecutive round of par or better.

"I had 31 putts, despite a three-putt," Gilbert said. "With a hot putter, I could have been maybe 8-under."

It wasn't that the Nicklaus-designed course is that easy. The low scores were mostly a combination of low wind and pleasant low-humidity weather.

"It's a course where ... you don't get too much ball out," Gilbert said. "It penalizes the guy that plays it safe all the time."

Hale Irwin, winner of four senior events this season, was well off the pace with a 1-over 73. Graham Marsh, a three-time winner this year, was tied with defending champion Raymond Floyd at 70.

Stockton, who won the tournament in 1992 and 1994, recovered from two quick bogeys and was even at the turn. He played almost errorless golf on the back side.

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LABORATORY SUPERVISOR. Midland company has an immediate opening for an experienced supervisor with chemical, medical or similar laboratory experience. Preferred qualifications for this position include a Bachelor's degree in chemistry or life science and laboratory experience. Compensation will be commensurate with experience. Please send resume listing education and work experience to: Director of Personnel, The Midland Certified Reagent Co., 3112-A W. Cuthbert Avenue, Midland, TX 79701.

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Nor-Lee General Hospital, a 28-bed acute care facility located in Lovington, New Mexico, is embarking on an ambitious project of rebuilding its complete information system infrastructure with a comprehensive state-of-the-art information system. To assist in the implementation of this project, we need a highly motivated individual with the ability to convert three independent systems from a conceptual model to reality. This position requires technical expertise, excellent communication and people skills, collaborative teamwork mentality, conceptual ability to create a comprehensive information system to include both hardware and software. Also should be able to troubleshoot and repair most types of hardware as well as software, including Lotus 123, Quattro Pro, Windows, Word Perfect, etc. A working knowledge of networks such as Novell 3.2, Windows NT, and LANtastic is required. Bachelor's degree and experience in a hospital setting preferred.

For further information, contact Carol DeArment, Human Resources Director at 505-396-6611 or mail a resume to the above address.

COSTILLA ENERGY, INC. Lease Records Analyst Immediate opening for an individual with 5-10 years experience in lease record maintenance. Enertech/Questa Software knowledge preferred. Submit resumes by mail or FAX. No phone calls please.

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312 Professional Help Wanted

WE ARE LOOKING For a strong professional individual seeking a career in the Consumer Finance Industry. This is an entry level position which will lead to Branch Management. Strong communication, analytical and sales skills are a must. Individual with a college degree required. Starting salary \$22,000 up to \$24,000 DOE. Periodic increases, liberal and complete employee benefits with a secure future. Mail resumes to: Northwest Financial 4612 Billingsly Blvd. #3-A Midland, TX 79705.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

LANDMAN Trainee. Land consulting firm needs talented, motivated individual, that is smart, energetic & ethical; knowledge of oil business (and experience helpful); Good computer skills, Windows 95, Word, Excel; education a plus. Start on admin side with opportunity for field training. Candidates are: landmen, land/legal secretaries, college grads with 2 years plus oil experience. Send resume to Box PJ-03031, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

MC LEAN I.S.D. has a head boy and girl's coaching job open. If interested contact MCLean I.S.D. at 1-800-288-2236 or Super John Griffin at 1-806-759-2513.

SOCIAL CASE Worker needed. Associates degree or field experience necessary. 25-30 hours per week. Apply at Salvation Army, 300 S. Baird.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

CLERICAL OPENINGS. At least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 683-5677.

CLERICAL - Local Oil Trucking Company seeks individual for office and dispatch position. Immediate opening. Send resume to: Person Call Oasis Oil Co. at 581-5823.

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INSURANCE SERVICE Staff and customer assistant. Permanent position for two. Requires two years college and successful aptitude test grade. We will provide training to become State Farm, 2611B N. Midland Drive or fax your confidential resume to 694-2868.

CORE ANALYSIS Personnel. Experienced and entry level require Geological background. Must have 11 to 17 years experience. Send resume to Box E-01043, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CORE LABORATORIES. oil field service company seeking individuals for two entry level positions. Excellent medical, dental and 401K benefits. LAB ANALYST. Requires degree in geology, petroleum engineering or scientific degree. CORE CHASER. Seeking individual with High School Degree or Associates Degree. General requirements for both jobs must have good driving record, willing to work weekends and able to lift 100 pounds. Drug testing required. EOC Send resumes or obtain an application at Core Laboratories, 2001 Commerce Dr., Midland, TX 79703.

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FIELD FOREMAN Aggressive independent needs. Foreman with excellent downhole skills. Must have 8 plus years experience with good knowledge of surface facilities. ESP experience a plus. Strong integrity. Good communication skills. Salary to \$55K. Box PJ-5028, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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"ATTENTION TELEMARKETING PROS..." Midland Reporter Telegram has 4 Immediate Part-Time Telemarketing Positions Available from 5:30-8:45, Monday-Friday Evenings. Good Commissions (Potential \$200 plus weekly) Contact: Bryan Blount (915)687-9011 or (915)631-2529

MACHINE TOOL TECHNICIAN Contractor to a fortune 100 Company with maquila operations in Cd. Acuna, Mexico and Del Rio, Texas that assembles and machines parts for the heavy vehicle industry is searching for experienced Machine Tool Technicians.

DUTIES: Responsible for troubleshooting and repairing, maintaining all types of machine tools including CNC.

QUALIFICATIONS: Five years maintenance experience in a machine shop environment with 3 years directory related to machine tools. Mechanical, electrical, hydraulic and pneumatic troubleshooting and repair experience. Ability to operate forklifts, drill press, grinders, air tools and welders. High School graduate or equivalent. Bilingual a plus.

Compensation includes a competitive salary plus a comprehensive benefits package including a 401K plan. Interested candidates may forward a copy of their resume to: H.R. Department, P.O. Box 420429, Del Rio, TX. 78842-0429 or fax to (210)774-7846.

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315 Oil Industry Help Wanted

PRODUCTION MANAGER \$50-\$60K, fee paid, high volume, manufacturing experience. Boren Personnel (806)797-2620, phone (806)797-4161 Lubbock area.

RESTAURANT MANAGERS Domino's is building new stores throughout Southern New Mexico & West Texas, and training their future store managers here in Midland! Upon completion of training & promotion to Manager, you can earn \$21,000-\$40,000 annually with unlimited advancement opportunities available in multi-unit supervision & franchising. Domino's is looking for applicants with high energy & a good driving record. Experience is helpful but not necessary. For more information call our Area Supervisor at (505)420-3031, or mail your resume to: P.O. Box 6030, Roswell, NM 88202.

316 Oil Industry Help Wanted

ENVIRONMENTAL DRILLER Need Driller for CME-75 Auger Drill. Must have experience with continuous sampling and air rotary. 2-3 Years Environmental Drilling preferred. Company located in Hobbs. Send resume to: P.O. Box 26116, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR To run air drilling equipment. International & domestic travel. Benefits. 401K. Fax resume to: M-H Air Drilling, 915-336-2512.

FIBERGLASS MANUFACTURER Seeks Production Manager, Gel Coaster, Mold Maker, Chopper Gun Operator. Send Resume to: Viking Pools Inc. P.O. Box 96, Williams, CA 95987.

FORK LIFT OPERATOR Needed for field work. Must be experienced, have class A CDL, clean driving record, good references and be able to pass D.O.T. drug screen and physical. Apply at McClatchy Bros. 3901 W. Industrial, Midland TX.

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MUDLOGGERS - Experienced for South Texas. Call 800-856-0237.

OIL FIELD SERVICE - Sandblasting. Some experience helpful but not necessary. Call 563-1472, 10 am - 2 pm Monday thru Friday.

OIL - Immediate Opening! Oilfield Electricians. Advanced Electrical Courses and Military experience a must. Requires a minimum of 8 years combined schooling and work experience, and current drivers license with no restrictions. Relocation a must. Excellent pay and benefits available for self-motivated applicant. Random drug testing company policy. Send resume to: Ridgeway Electric, P.O. Box 443, Big Lake, TX 76932. Only persons with minimum requirements need to apply.

RETAIL Sales help needed for import store. 30 Hours per week. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1441, Midland, Texas 79702.

SALES - "Hey Culligan Man" We are looking for Sales Representatives for the Midland area. If you think that you may be interested call Monday 563-1472, 10 am - 2 pm and ask for Wilda Scott. Culligan is an equal opportunity. Drug free employer. 563-2690.

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318 Management Help Wanted

HOTEL-MOTEL MANAGERS NATIONAL FRANCHISED, Ltd. Service Motel is looking for experienced, hands-on technician. Must have own tools and at least 2 to 4 years experience in the field. Call Ben at 505-393-5171.

ENGINEERING MANAGER \$50-\$60K, fee paid, manufacturing experience. ME degree preferred. Boren Personnel (806)797-2620, phone (806)797-4161 Lubbock area.

PART TIME Secretary for oil and gas operator. Experience with operations, regulatory filings, Microsoft office. Salary based on experience. Send Resume to P.O. Box 10159 Midland, Texas 79702.

W.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES - Clerical and

CHILD CARE needed in my home. Hours will vary. Some cooking & housecleaning. Call 522-2241.

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GOVERNMENT Foreclosed Homes from pennies on \$1. Delinquent Tax, Repro, REO's. Your Area. Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext. H-1523 for current listings.

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Welding Shop - Equipment - Partial Estate.

Home Furniture, Odessa, Texas.

Saturday, July 12th, 1997, 10:00 am.

TERMS: Cash, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express, Cashiers Checks, Personal and Company Checks accompanied by Bank Letter of Guarantee Dated 7-12-97.

Everything sold "As-is, Where-is" without warranty. Items subject to change without prior notice. All oral announcements supersede any printed material.

Property offered day of sale by owner: "Approximately 2 3/4 acres, '50' x 90' Metal shop, 2 bay doors, 1 entrance door, 2 air conditioned offices, 25' x 90' awning attached to shop, 110, 220, and 3 Phase Power."

AUCTION LISTING: "Office Furniture", Cherrywood Executive Desk, Cherrywood computer center, Golden Oak Executive desk, white washed home desk unit, 4 drawer legal file, Executive side chair, Roll around desk chair, Steno chairs, High back Executive chairs, Fax machine, Copier, "Equipment", 20 ft. tandem gooseneck trailer, Jet ski trailer, utility bed trailer, camper trailer, 4 sections of pallet racks.

"Guns" Charles Daily Model 500 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 97 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 12 12 Gauge, L.C. Smith 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 12 12 Gauge, Remington Model 81 12 Gauge, Smith & Wesson Model 1000 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 12 12 Gauge, Remington Model 870 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 12 20 Gauge, Marlin 30-30 Model 336, Ranger Model 30 12 Gauge, Winchester Model 101 12 Gauge, Stevens Model 94 30-30 Gauge, Remington Model 32 Pump, Winchester Model 94 30-30 (in box), Bat Masterson Sheriff, Dan Wesson 357 Magnum, Ruger 22 Caliber Automatic, Colt D.A. 38, U.S. Army Model Remington Model 1100 20 Gauge, "Household Goods" Bedroom suite, dresser, night stands, dinette set, buffet, china hutch, sofa & loveseat.

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1202 E. HICKS. Big Garage Sale. Plus sized women's clothes, leather bulletin board materials, birdhouses, lots of miscellaneous. Friday 10-5; Saturday 9-2. Reasonable prices, will bargain.

1611 HARVARD. Saturday only moving sale 8-7 lawn mower, bicycles, vacuum cleaner, good women's clothes size 12.

2800 W. KENTUCKY. corner of McGarvey, #329. Friday & Saturday 9-5. Furniture, stereo, CDs, records, weight bench, shelf unit, Nintendo and games, toys, books, dishes, linens, clothes, jewelry, hats, lots of miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE! Too many items to list Saturday, 8:30 am-2:00 pm. 1806 S Terrell.

1201 W. STOREY AVE. Saturday, 7:00 am-1:00 pm. VCR, camcorder, stereorecorder, microwave, appliances, Nintendo, cordless phones, Dogloo doghouse, mens/ladies clothes, edgers, 2-man raft (new), furniture, frames, miscellaneous!

WORK BENCHES, tractor, tools, trailer. 3709 Rankin Hwy.

WHAT A DEAL! Storewide Clearance... 2 Weeks Only... 75% Off Everything!!! July 7-19, 105 N Fort Worth, 687-3070.

DOUBLE ESTATE SALE
Of Emma & Martha Burke
3119 Barkley
Fri., Sat., Sun., 9 am-6 pm.
One block south of Illinois & Crestview.

Everything goes at below dealer cost & garage sale prices! Lots of collectibles from 100 year old house in Chicago & 47 years of accumulation. Glassware, antique & primitive furniture, tables, chairs, old lamps, decorative items, art supplies, frames, paintings, books, old velvet quilts, mirrors, old linens, pottery, household items, much more. Items from 1920's, 30's, 40's & 50's.

House for sale at the above location
1/2 block from Lamar Elementary
3 Bedroom-2 bath with spacious divided backyard, formal dining, large living with small study, ceiling fans- all rooms, new roof. Asking \$46,500. Call 689-4017 for house only.

BEAUTIFUL Queen size suite, writing table, computer, computer desk, entertainment cabinet with speakers, nice back to school girls clothing, kitchen items, much more! Friday only 8-7:20 PM. Call Drive.

2619 DELANO. Refrigerator, sofas, clothing, lots of great stuff. Saturday only 8-2.

1010 W. STOREY AVE. Saturday 7:00 am-1:00pm. New Health Rider and other equipment, cordless phone, recorder, King size comforter set, kitchen gadgets, hair and nail accessories, jewelry, pictures, men/women's clothes, shoes, hats and more! Priced to sell

MOVING SALE: 2305 Country Club, July 11th and 12th, 8 am till 7. Handicrafts, sewing, small appliances, utensils, furniture, clothes and much more.

Area Missions Outreach Services.
Bane and Blessings sale.
907 S. Loraine
Fri. 8 am-3 pm. Sat. 8 am-1 pm.
Household goods, children and baby items, linens, furniture, electronics.
Everything reasonable.
Saturday 2 for 1.

SATURDAY Only 8 am. Mens and ladies (size 3-5) clothes, miscellaneous. 3111 W. Illinois.

SATURDAY ONLY, 7 am-1 pm. Lots of furniture, household goods, encyclopedias with book case, stereo, pictures, too much to mention!! 2908 W Michigan.

2810 COUNTRY CLUB (Corner of Country Club/Ward). Thursday-Friday, 8-1. Air Strider, clothes, dishes, miscellaneous!!

79701

MULTI FAMILY Moving Sale corner of Ohio and Loraine. Saturday 8 am-3 pm only. Office desks and chairs, large color lamp, radial arm saw, arc welder, household goods and clothing.

SATURDAY 9-1. 3106 Princeton (corner of Princeton and Cessna). Clothes, toys, roll away bed.

79703

4713 THOMASON DR. 8 AM. Kenmore refrigerated air conditioner, bikes, baby items, clothes miscellaneous.

BACKYARD SALE. Clothes, shoes, dishes, miscellaneous. Saturday Only 8 am-2 pm. 4620 Pasadena Drive.

THREE FAMILY Garage sale, clothes for all ages, miscellaneous odds and ends and great stuff. 4610 Ric, Friday & Saturday 8-5.

HUGE GARAGE SALE 414 Sweetbriar, Friday & Saturday 8-1. Little Tikes and Fischer Price toys, books, videos & computer games. Boys & girls clothes, pet carrier, dishes, cookware, furniture, camper shell. Lots more, everything priced to sell.

GARAGE SALE. Little Tikes toys, boys and girls, toddler clothing, bassinet, high chair, women's golf clubs & bag, some furniture. Mens and womens clothing, summer and winter clothes, 2 truck tool boxes. Also Mary Kay products, discontinued shades and colors. Saturday only 8-4 4708 Country Club.

1102 MANOR, Friday 8-5 & Saturday 8-12. Three women cleaned house. Family clothing, women's items 12-20, some new. Household items, bicycles, toys. Laundry mangle, too much to mention.

SATURDAY ONLY 8-7 (2) Complete twin sizes beds, bikes, & miscellaneous. 315 Willowood Dr.

3805 KANSAS. Saturday all day. Furniture, TV, dishwasher, ceramic tiles, bikes, clothing and miscellaneous.

FRIDAY ONLY 7 am till it's gone. Coin operated video games, office desk, womens summer and winter clothes, dining set & 6 chairs. Honda XR185 dirt bike. Toys and games ceramic tile and wood flooring & too much to list. 5005 Leisure.

YARD SALE! Saturday, 9-3. 3904 Avondale. Kitchen stuff, cassettes, some furniture, something for everyone!!

BENEFIT SALE for the Girls Blue Team Allstars. Friday, 8-4. Saturday, 8-12. Bicycles, clothes, treadmill, much more! Also, baked goods, burritos, & lemonade! 4409 Wilshire.

1406 DELMAR Saturday Only 9-2. New 6 gallon electric water heater with fittings. Antique Montgomery Ward pressure canner circa 1930. Ladies & teens clothes, household items, lots of miscellaneous. CHEEPI! CHEEPI! CHEEPI! No early birds!!!!

INSIDE/ OUTSIDE Sale! Tools, electrical meters, filing cabinet, stereo, clothes and lots of miscellaneous!! Friday only, 9-1. 3303 Cunningham.

THREE FAMILY- all sizes clothing, computer, lots of miscellaneous. 509 Howard Thursday & Friday 8-5.

MICROWAVE. Table with chairs bakers rack, phone stand, fireplace accessories, vanity chair, coffee pot, toaster, many other miscellaneous items. All are in excellent condition at excellent prices. Saturday, 8 am. 1003 McDonald.

4704 SHADYLANE. Little Tikes toys, bikes, furniture, carseat, craft items. Saturday, 8-1.

SATURDAY 7-11 am. Baby items, lawn care, a/c motor, and more. 3309 Mariana.

4 FAMILY SALE. Water floatation bed, stove, furniture, lots of clothes all sizes, toys, baby items. Saturday 9-3. 3802 Bedford.

79703

304 GLENWOOD DRIVE. Saturday, 8 am. New electric stove, living room set, TV, stereo, boys clothes 0-10, mens & womens clothes, miscellaneous!! 520-8927.

★ 3401 W. MICHIGAN. Saturday 9-2. Mirrors, pictures, couches, book cases, Fun Machine organ, ladies sizes 10-12 clothes, and Lots of Miscellaneous.

CORNER MIDLAND DR. & Mercedes. Thursday- Saturday, 8-7 Organ, piano, furniture, girls, womens clothes, TV.

4 FAMILY YARD Sale 3402 Hill Ave. (off Midkiff toward Wall St.) Saturday only, bar stools, office supplies, recliner, tires, kids clothes, headboard, oclocline poles, Commercial display units, archery bow, tables, guitar and Kenwood tuner. Much more!

119 N. DEWBERRY. Saturday 9 am. Dining set, mens, ladies, boys & girls clothing, toys, games, softballs & pitching net, telescope \$50. Much miscellaneous. No early!!

3610 ANDREWS HWY. Friday & Saturday 8-6. Summer clothing, all sizes up to extra large. 2 baby beds, 32 inch Vent a Hood, 12 piece set dishes, couch & chair. Lots of miscellaneous items.

CHILDREN'S and women's clothes, trading cards, furniture, toy, misc. Saturday 8-5. 416 Sweetbriar.

ALL DAY!! Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 3500 Gaston. King brass bed, loveseat, antiques, bicycle parts, housewares, lawn tools, junk!

SATURDAY ONLY 8-2. clothes, stroller, stereo, dishes, and baby clothes. 4716 Country Club.

SATURDAY Morning Only 8-12. Remodeling- got to get rid of old stuff. 1600 McDonald.

MOVING SALE. Baby furniture, waterbed, microwave, clothes- all sizes, dishes, toys. Saturday only. 5108 Shady Lane Drive, #A.

79705

GARAGE SALE! Saturday only! Furniture, clothes, computers, lots of goodies! 8 am-2 pm only. 2813 Auburn.

4 FAMILY SALE, Saturday only, 8-7 208 E. Pine. 4 Performance Radial GT tires, lots of clothes, something for everyone.

SATURDAY ONLY, 8-1. Little Tikes toys, chest of drawers, recliner, miscellaneous!! 1305 Davenport.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 8:30. Exercise bike, treadmill, clothes all sizes, shoes, tools, misc. 4415 Crenshaw.

MOVING SALE! Friday all day, Saturday till 1. 4506 Crenshaw. Furniture, appliances, clothing, books, toys, etc.

FRIDAY- SATURDAY 8-3 2008 Sands Street. Microwave, Breadmaker, File cabinets, rocking chair, bicycle, toasters and miscellaneous!!

GARAGE SALE! 3203 Tealwood. Saturday, 8-12 Kids stuff, toys, games, clothes, Little Tikes Gym.

2310 HAYNES. REAR. Midland College Radiography Club. Adult clothes, wooden crafts, baby items and miscellaneous. Friday & Saturday 8-7.

2600 SPARTAN. Saturday, 8-1. NordicTrack, toys, small appliances, patio furniture, clothes and more!

✓ MOVING SALE + 3 Family Garage Sale! Saturday, 8 am. Books, decorative fabrics & scraps, Nintendo & games, CD's, Kirby vacuum, linens, bikes, jewelry, phones, household items, luggage, Christmas items, cheap name brand clothes- children, teen, womens & mens, formals, jeans! Tons of great stuff! 1608 Stanolind.

BACK TO School Sale! Boys clothes size 14-16, toddler girls clothes, boys stunt bicycle, rowing machine, etc! Saturday, 9-12. 1911 Ward.

79705

FRIDAY ONLY 2200 Bradford Court, Polo Park, turn off of Knights place, park in front. Sofa, love seat, jewelry TV, decorating items, roller blades, pictures, rugs, miscellaneous. 7:30 am.

MOVING SALE Friday - Sunday Oak table/chairs, China & Curio cabinets, sewing machine, couch/love seat. King size waterbed. Chest, 9 piece bed room set. Clothes, shoes, leather coat. Miscellaneous 1612 E. Pecan.

5014 MT. VERNON- South of Bluebird, near Santa Rita. Saturday only 7-11. Speakers, vacuum, typewriter, games, books, fitness, household, coats. Macintosh PC.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ LARGE GARAGE SALE. 2307 Sinclair. Thursday-Saturday 8:30-3. Twin beds, antique side board, 2 stereos/speakers, lots of pottery, brass, glassware, baskets, lots of fabrics, sewing notions, ladies/men's clothing, shoes, bags, rugs, linens, kitchen things, queen headboard, bicycles, cosmetics, much miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE! Good stuff and nice stuff! A little bit of everything. 101 W. Shandon, Saturday only, 7:30-4.

HUGE YARD SALE. 8:30 am-5. Saturday only. 2816 Haynes.

GARAGE SALE! Teenage & adult clothing, TVs, bicycles, miscellaneous!! Friday, July 11th only, 8 am. 2511 Stutz Place in alley.

MULTI FAMILY Patio Sale, 2608 Maxwell 8-5. Saturday only, enter side gate. Bed, sofa, glass, toys, clothes collectibles & too much to list.

3100 SEABOARD AVE. Saturday only 8-4. Furniture, bikes, dishes, houseware and glassware and more!

10 YEAR Accumulation!! - 2 families - We have everything!! Look for flags behind Emerson Elementary School, 2816 Northtown Place, Friday & Saturday, 8:00 am. No Checks!

5 FAMILIES! Rocker, crib, changing table, stereo, console TV, coffee table, BBQ, bicycles, twin bedding, dorm stuff, toys, womens clothes 3-12. Thursday-Friday, 7:30-1:00. #11 Linda Court (Wadley & Ward).

YARD SALE. Camping coats, lots of clothes, toys, bunkbeds. Friday & Saturday 8-1. 1615 Pueblo.

LARGE MULTI Family Sale, TV, bicycles, toys, baby items and equipment, clothing, many miscellaneous items. Saturday, 3222 Apperson, by Kimberly Pool.

1725 E. OAK, Friday & Saturday, 8:30 am. Boys school clothes, kitchen stuff, ceiling fans, toys. Little bit of everything.

446 W. PINE. Saturday only, 7 till 1. 2 Families! Refrigerator, VCR, CD player, garage door opener, treadmill, bicycle, women's clothing and shoes sizes 6/ 1/2. Much, much more! No early birds! Cash only!

★ LITTLE TIKES, boys bike, car seat, stroller, clothing girls 24 months to 3T and 6-7, boys, 4-6. Comforters, toys 1803 Kensington- In Polo Park, (enter alley from Devonshire Court). Thursday 8-1; Saturday 7:30-11.

79706

TOYS, furniture, 1401 E County Road 145-5. Take 715-3 miles South I-20. Saturday Only!

79707

GARAGE SALE. Friday & Saturday 8-12. Clothing and many odds and ends. 4910 Sunshine Parkway.

MOVING SALE. Love seats, recliners, twin beds & dressing table, washer-dryer, entertainment center, set of Frankoma, chain link fencing, many kitchen items, linens, pictures, miscellaneous. Friday 9-1; Saturday 9 till 4:05 Tanforan.

79707

★ GREAT GARAGE Sale! Friday, 4-8. Saturday, 8-12. 4505 Stillmeadow (alley). Oak wash stand, pair of upholstered arm chairs, high back wooden rocker, waterbed, double mattress & box spring, boys bike, wood framed mirror, dishes, linens, clothes- lots of quality goodies! Must see!!!

4400 HUMBLE, off Midland Dr. Moving Sale, Friday/ Saturday, Queen bed/ miscellaneous, everything must go.

5300 SCOTTS BORO LN. North Greentree, Saturday 8-12. Lots of good stuff.

4005 ANGELINA. Man's and woman's bikes, computer desk and chair, wall mirrors, doors, Little Tikes toy chest, turtle. Lots and lots of miscellaneous. Saturday only 8 am-12 pm.

SATURDAY 8-12. 4419 Humble Ave. (2) men's 10 speed bikes, chrome chandelier, white rocker, country collectibles, miscellaneous.

4200 BOULDER, Saturday 8 till noon. Wrought iron patio furniture, outdoor double rocker, Pioneer components & speakers, 24" Keepsake bar stools, king headboard/ bedding, dishes, glassware, bath items, & yard equipment, too much to list!

2703 WHITTLE WAY-Exercise equipment, childrens clothes, ladies clothes and miscellaneous items.

MOVING SALE. Green Tree north Saturday 8-1. Thru gates, second right Rustic, first right Island; first left Sunrise. Dixon ZTR mower, household goods, kids clothes, lots of toys, antiques, Mary Kay products, reloading supplies, archery equipment, furniture, 1993 4 x 4 Chevrolet truck. 6932 Sunrise Court.

MOVING SALE! 3007-A Mark Lane (Alley). Furniture, household items, much more! Saturday only, 8-5. Cash only please.

ANTIQUES & OTHER HOME FURNISHINGS

Wardrobes, linen chest, vanity, sideboard, dining table & chairs, buffet, wardrobe/ vanity set, QA display case, fire screen, beveled mirror, hall table, library desk, Barley twist chairs, & many other items.

Saturday, July 12th, 8 till 1
4317 Greenbriar

MOVING SALE 3604 Stanolind, Friday & Saturday 8 am. Furniture, clothing, and lots more.

TRAMPOLINE 14', \$150. Travel trailer, 18', \$5,000. Furniture, computer, clothes. 4206 Crestgate. Saturday, 7-12. 689-6519.

SATURDAY ONLY, home interior, kids clothes, ladies clothes, new jewelry, belts, purses, candles, New T-shirts, caps and sun glasses. 4005 Lehigh Dr. Off Midland Drive, by Target.

3705 EDMONT DRIVE. Saturday, 8-5. Sunday, 8-?? Desk, computer table, clothes, and miscellaneous!!

4505 DENGAR. Saturday only, 8-12. Sega Genesis, furniture, mens Wrangler jeans, womens & childrens clothes, too much to mention all! No early sales!

THREE FAMILIES- 2905 Maranatha Pl. Saturday 8-1, bicycles, furniture, sports equipment, clothing from kids to adults. No early sales!

GARAGE SALE! 3205 Mark Lane. Friday- Saturday, 8-12. '89 Corsica, large clothing, lots of odds n ends!

SUNDAY, July 13th, 8-5. 3305 Dencrest. Color TV, Exercise equipment, 35mm movie camera & projector- like new, sewing machine, miscellaneous clothing and junk!

79707

SATURDAY only 8 am-noon. Wide screen TV, waterbed, dryer, baby bed, highchair, misc. 3710 Humble.

GIGANTIC Garage Sale. Tools, hardware, men's, women's, children's clothes, toys, and much more. Friday & Saturday 8:30-? 7009 W. County Road 69.

JUST FINISHED Spring Cleaning! Cross Country skier, clothes, linens, games, all other sorts of good stuff! Friday- Saturday, 8-12. 3902 Fairwood Court.

SATURDAY 8-1. No Early Birds! Little Tikes items, baby items, boys & girl's clothing, men's and women's clothing, maternity clothes, wooden rockers, exercise equipment. 3500 Pinemont (alley).

KIDS MOVED! Left us with cars, furniture and lots more! Come see Saturday, 7-3. 4828 Timber Lane.

3 FAMILIES! Crafts, clothing, toys, roller, camping, miscellaneous items!! Friday- Saturday, 4304 Ferncliff.

THURSDAY- FRIDAY 9:30-4:00. Antique mantle, table & ice cream chairs, good leaf mirror, encyclopedias. 5618 Hathaway Court- Grassland- South of Abell School.

★ SATURDAY, 8-1. 3806 Fairgreen Court. 2 Family Garage Sale! Computer, end tables, toys, kitchen items, blinds, comforters, girls 7-14, junior 3-7, baby boy clothing, much more!!

SATURDAY 8:30-7:00 Sherwood (in alley). Dishwasher, mower, edger, lots of hand tools, welding supplies and other miscellaneous items.

3623 HYDE PARK- Down street from Lee High. Friday & Saturday 8-7. Lots of clothes and miscellaneous items.

AREA SALES

GARAGE SALE! Saturday- Sunday, July 12th-13th. TV's, bedding, pillows, linens, counter tops & sinks all inside hotel. Cash only! 9 am-5 pm. Ramada Inn- Midland Airport, 100 Airport Plaza Drive. 561-8000.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

\$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20
GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE \$20

*7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
*2 Days
*★♥♥ Stand Out Emblem
*Garage Sale Kit (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. \$5 Value)
*Package of Flavored Drink Mix (for the kids to Open a Drink Stand)
*\$3 Off Classified Coupon (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get \$3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only \$24!

Call 682-6222 Today!

\$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20

DON'T MISS OUT!

The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.

Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

Elsa, Tam, Pam, Brandi, & Jennika are ready to help you!

OPEN HOUSE

UPTOWN CONSIGNMENT

ANTIQUE MALL

404 ANDREWS HIGHWAY

July 12, 1997

10:00 am 'til 5:30 PM

DOOR PRIZES- REFRESHMENTS

*MOORE STUFF- Wardrobe trunk, Dolls, Toys, Collectibles, Old chum, Kitchen Cupboard, Art deco jewelry, Books- You name it- We have it!

PACKRAT ANTIQUES. R.S. Prussia, R.S. Germany and Limoge fine china, American Brilliant and Art glass, Large collection of cups and saucers, American Primitives, Frankoma pottery.

SHARON SUMRALL. Refinished antique furniture and collectibles.

MIDLAND ESTATE SALES AND AUCTION SERVICE. Call Judy Jackson 689-3638 or Emma Keith 683-8234.

VITO ALTO Saxophone. \$800. Excellent condition. Call for information. 570-1578 570-7244.

5. PIECE CB Percussion Trap Set includes high hat and ride cymbals with stool. \$475 or best offer. 686-1852.

BALDWIN SPINET Piano. Good condition, excellent tone. \$1,000. Call 689-6957, leave message.

6 FT BALDWIN GRAND Piano. Satin Ebony finish. Call 687-4636 or 683-8602.

TWO PIANOS For Sale, \$250 and \$400, 689-8455.

470 Musical Instruments

KING 603W BRASS Cornet with 5b Bach mouthpiece. Excellent condition. \$400 or best offer 689-7554.

WANT TO BUY used upright or baby grand piano. 697-0613.

480 Computers/Access.

Ti 486/50 NOTEBOOK. Active Matrix Color. Excellent condition. \$1,150. 683-4444.

THREE- 486 Computers, one 286 and one- 386 also for sale. Call 697-1549 after 5.

WORD PROCESSOR- SMITH Corona, brand new, paid \$300, asking \$200. 687-6336.

WE HAVE MOVED! Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, etc. 10am-8pm. 1015-B N Midkiff. 686-8635, 520-5917.

APPLE II GS, color monitor, printer, and 100's of programs for \$250. 694-7840.

3 YEAR OLD Border Collie needs country home to run. Great with kids! 689-2554.

3 YEAR OLD Calico Cat, declawed and spayed. 684-8819.

FREE KITTENS- fluffy & cute. Call 683-7135.

FRIENDLY, LOVING 3 year old male cat needs good home. Neutered front paws declawed. Litter box included. 683-5747.

FREE PUPPY, adorable runt, Labrador, Chow mix. Needs loving home with lots of room. 694-4514.

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BRAND NEW, Never Used! 200 MHz w/ mmx, 16mb/2gb/2mb video/ 16x cdrom/ 60 gb with speakers Windows 95, ms-golf, Money, works, Encarta 9

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, as amended by Senate Bill 1814, 75th Legislative Session, 1997, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a referendum on the propositions of: (1) whether or not cotton growers shall establish a boll weevil suppression program to begin in the fall of 1998 in the Southern High Plains-Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, which consists of Andrews, Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Ector, Garza, Garza, Hockley, Howard, Kent, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Motley, Terry, and Yoakum counties, all land in Borden County lying west of a line seven miles west of the Scurry County line running south from the Garza County line to the Howard County line, and that area of Midland County lying north of a line 15 miles south of Interstate 20 running from the Garza County line east to the Glasscock County line; (2) whether the zone's cotton producers will participate in cost-sharing for a boll weevil suppression program by paying a maximum assessment of \$5 per harvested land acre plus 2 cents per pound of harvested lint cotton, to be collected annually beginning in 1997 at the gin-point or by direct billing by the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, on a date set by the Commissioner of Agriculture through the year 2001; or (3) whether or not the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation should be allowed to contract with Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., to plan and carry out boll weevil suppression activities within the Southern High Plains-Caprock zone through the year 2001.

During the referendum a representative of the above-referenced zone will be elected to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The referendum and board election will be held by mail balloting. Voters will receive their ballots by mail approximately two weeks prior to the election date. All ballots cast by mail must be postmarked no later than August 1, 1997, in order to be valid.

Any cotton grower having cotton production in calendar year 1996 within the counties listed above is eligible to vote, and if he or she resides in the proposed Southern High Plains-Caprock zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, to have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board election. A cotton grower is defined as an individual, entity or joint operator who, as owner, landlord, tenant or shareholder is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm, or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm.

Any person eligible to vote in the referendum or board election that resides in the proposed Southern High Plains-Caprock zone and meets the seven year experience requirement may place their name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address below. The application shall be on a notepad form provided by the Department and must be signed by the applicant and at least ten other eligible voters. The nomination form must be filed by July 1, 1997, and must provide the legal residence of the applicant. A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county agent located in the voting area.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711, telephone 512-463-7593.

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to inform the public that the 1997-1998 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) Community Development Fund applications will be reviewed by the Permian Basin regional review committee on TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1997, AT 9:30 A.M. The meeting will be held in a conference room of the Planning Commission offices located at 29610 LaForce Boulevard, Midland International Airport, Midland, Texas. The 1997 allocation for the Texas Community Development Program Community Development Fund for the Permian Basin Region is \$1,819,255.

There will be seventeen applications reviewed and scored. They are from:

- 1 City of Toyah
- 2 City of Grandfalls
- 3 City of Pecos
- 4 City of Big Spring
- 5 City of Wickett
- 6 City of Seminole
- 7 City of Carmichael
- 8 Ector County
- 9 City of Crane
- 10 Reeves County
- 11 City of Lamesa
- 12 City of Fort Stockton
- 13 City of Monahans
- 14 City of Seagraves
- 15 City of Wink
- 16 City of Kermit

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Terry Moore, Ms. Liz Harrold or Mr. Jerry Tschauer at (915) 563-1061.

500 Machinery/Tools

1985 LINCOLN 250 Diesel Welder. Excellent condition. \$3,950. 686-7713.

AUCTION MACHINE & FAB SHOP. Call (817) 284-0617. Stone 12033.

JOHN DEERE 450c dozer. \$15,500. Cat D3 dozer. \$16,500. 1980 Cat 966c 4 yard wheel loader. \$39,000. Call (512) 321-4114. Mobile (512) 940-5200.

MUST SELL This week, damaged 14'x24' storage building, shop, financing, and delivery available 563-1807.

FOR SALE Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 152-1546.

3,000 SQ FT of 4 1/2" 1050# liner. \$550. 50' x 125' 500# of 1" Stainless Steel rods with spray metal coupling. \$100 per rod. 456-3050. Emco 521,500. Call Bob. 699-6960.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

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590 Legal Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 7628

An Ordinance amending Chapter One Title XI of the City Code of Midland, Texas, by permitting the property described in Section One thereof which is presently zoned "A-1" Agriculture-Estate District, to be used as a "Planned District" for a Shopping Center providing for such use to be subject to certain special conditions and restrictions as set out herein, providing that the property shall be improved according to the Ordinance, Site Plan and other specifications set out and referred to herein, containing a Cumulative Clause, containing a Savings and Severability Clause, providing for a maximum penalty of fine or two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and ordering publication.

City of Midland, Kaylah J. McCord, City Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary to the Estate of Robert Henry Pine, Deceased, were issued on July 7, 1997, in Docket Number 11847 pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Earlene Kruse Pine, Applicant. The residence of Earlene Kruse Pine is 2803 Exeter, Midland, Texas 79701.

All persons having claims against the estate of Robert Henry Pine, Deceased, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 7th day of July, 1997.

J.K. WALL, ATTORNEY AT LAW, P.O. Box 50123, Midland, Texas 79710-0123.

ORDINANCE NO. 7627

An Ordinance amending Section Three of Ordinance No. 7594 so as to revise the definition of a Manufactured Home, containing a Cumulative Clause, containing a Savings and Severability Clause, providing for a maximum penalty of fine or two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and ordering publication.

City of Midland, Kaylah J. McCord, City Secretary.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARY K. SHIRLEY DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary to the Estate of MARY K. SHIRLEY, deceased, were issued on July 7, 1997, in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to L. H. HAWES, Independent Executor, on the 7th day of July, 1997, in the proceeding styled "Estate of MARY K. SHIRLEY, deceased," No. P 11,857 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds said Letters.

All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executor, at the address given below, before said Independent Executor, on or before the date specified below, under penalty of being barred by the general statutes of limitation, before said Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. The address for presenting claims to the Independent Executor is: 2826 Stutz Place, Texas 79705.

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KEY To Abbreviations

Ac.	Acres
Bd.	Bedroom
Bk.	Bath
Cl.	Climate
Dr.	Driveway
Gar.	Garage
Hd.	Head of
Int.	Interior
Land	Land
Lot	Lot
Pl.	Plumbing
Pool	Pool
Prop.	Property
Rd.	Road
Sq.	Square
St.	Street
Twp.	Township
W.	Water
Yd.	Yard

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