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Lawless Yemen

When American diplomat Haynes Mahoney landed in the lair of Yemeni kidnappers, he was greeted with neither ransom demand nor brandished Kalashnikov. Instead, a poem was recited in his honor. It began, "Welcome, Mahoney, to Ma'rib..."

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McVeigh trial gets under way

Prosecution paints picture of maniacal 'patriot' out for blood

By Michael Fleeman

Associated Press

DENVER — Seething with rage against his own government, Timothy McVeigh blew up the Oklahoma City federal building in a twisted plot to spark a second American revolution, a prosecutor said in opening statements Thursday.

"McVeigh liked to consider himself a patriot," Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph Hartzler said. "Our forefathers did not fight innocent women and children. ... They didn't plant bombs and run away wearing earplugs."

Jurors listened grim-faced as Hartzler, who has multiple sclerosis, leaned forward in his wheelchair and spoke softly about the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

"It was an act of terror intended to serve selfish political purposes," Hartzler said. "The truck was there to impose the will of Timothy McVeigh on the rest of America ... by murdering innocent men, women and children in hopes of seeing blood flowing in the streets of America."

But in equally forceful terms, McVeigh attorney Stephen Jones declared in his opening statement: "My

client is innocent."

He accused the government of trying to elevate McVeigh's political beliefs — which Jones said many share — into a motive for mass murder.

Making no effort to soften the emotional power of the bombing, he began by spending six minutes reading off the names of each of the 168 people killed when the April 19, 1995, truck bomb tore apart the nine-story building.

As Jones solemnly read the names, bombing victim's relatives quietly cried in their special section of the packed second-floor courtroom.

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Take me out to the ball game

Photo by Tim Fischer

Mathew McDrano, 3, gets smothered in a hug from mascot Eugene the Parrot prior to the Midland Angels baseball game Thursday night at Christensen Stadium.

Controversial weapons ban clears Senate

■ 74-26 vote gives Clinton victory in massive lobbying effort to destroy chemical weapons stock.

By David Espo

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a foreign policy triumph for President Clinton, the Senate voted Thursday night to ratify a treaty designed to ban chemical weapons around the globe.

The vote was 74-26, seven more than the two-thirds needed for approval. All Democrats voted in favor of the measure, while majority Republicans were split.

The vote capped an arduous lobbying campaign by the White House, culminating in a last-minute letter to Majority Leader Trent Lott in which Clinton said he would "be prepared to withdraw" from the treaty if it resulted in the spread of chemical weapons technology, as some critics said it might.

"It is a close call," Lott, R-Miss., said of his own decision to support the pact, an endorsement the White House had courted ardently. "I believe the U.S. is marginally better off with it than without it."

The treaty, opposed by many conservatives, bans the use, development, production or stockpiling of all chemical warfare agents and requires the destruction of existing stockpiles over the next decade.

It has been signed by 164 nations thus far, and ratified by 75. With or without American ratification, the pact will take effect on April 29.

Opponents, led by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., argued the treaty is unverifiable and would open the United States to danger from nations such as Libya, North Korea and Iraq that refuse to sign it.

"The truth of the matter is it won't do a thing in the world to help the situation. It's not a comprehensive ban," Helms said.

But supporters noted that the United States was already in the process of destroying its own stockpiles of poison gas and said the only way to isolate renegade nations was through American participation in the treaty.

"The best way to affect the behavior of these states is to bring to bear the sanctions."

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Midland's most crowded school prepares for major renovations

By Myra Lee Salcedo

Staff Writer

The dust isn't exactly flying yet, but the process to modernize 13 Midland public schools — a \$32 million undertaking — has kicked off at Travis Elementary School.

Preparation started at Travis Elementary School on Wednesday with removal of some playground equipment to make way for the new building.

Built in 1953, Travis is showing signs of wear, plus, classrooms are not enclosed in covered walkways. Midland school board trustees recently approved a \$3 million bid to renovate Midland's most crowded school.

The first building renovation to go up for bidding, Travis' remodeling was awarded to N.C. Sturgeon, which bid \$219,000 under budget.

"Bond estimates work on averages, so some contracts may be bid higher or lower than we expected," said Wilson Heidelberg. MISD executive director of auxiliary service. "It's a good thing we started out below bid," he said, noting that construction supply costs increase as time goes on, and contractors bid higher as they become engaged in other projects.

"So far, we are right on track," Heidelberg said.

Travis is undergoing the most unusual renovation. A new building will be built around the old structure in an L-shape. The new building will also connect to stand-alone buildings on the campus — one built from a 1983 bond issue and another built from a 1989 bond issue.

"The new building will run east and turn in an L-shape fashion to the north," Heidelberg said, noting the office will face Gist Street.

The unique factor is that Travis' old structure will not be torn down for almost four years. Instead, the old building will be used to permit MISD to renovate 13 campuses in less than four years.

Traditionally, MISD renovates campuses during the summer months in order not to disrupt class time. Keeping with the traditional summer renovations would mean the construction would have taken six years to complete.

Instead, MISD now will have the option of moving Travis students into their new building in January 1998 and using the old building to house youngsters from other campuses as their campuses are being renovated.

"The first students to use the old Travis building will be from Pease Elementary School."

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MISD RENOVATION SCHEDULE

PROJECT	ARCHITECT	BID DATES	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
TRAVIS ADDITION	James Rigney	April, 1997	\$3,270,000.00
CROCKETT REN.	Assoc. Architects	Sept. 1997	\$2,282,000.00
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FANNIN REN.	James Rigney	April 1998	\$2,540,000.00
BURNET REN.	Assoc. Architects	July 1998	\$2,488,000.00
MILAM REN.	PSC	Dec. 1998	\$2,388,000.00
LONG REN.	Vandergift	May 1999	\$2,279,000.00
BONHAM REN.	James Rigney	April 1999	\$2,482,000.00
HENDERSON REN.	Assoc. Architects	July 1999	\$2,425,000.00
RUCK REN.	PSC	Dec. 1999	\$2,951,000.00
JONES REN.	Vandergift	May 2000	\$2,167,000.00
EMERSON REN.	James Rigney	April 2000	\$2,244,000.00
TOTALS:			\$32,188,000.00

Graphic by Laura Behar / Reporter-Telegram

Reports differ on last moments of Peruvian hostage standoff

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Two days after Peruvian forces freed dozens of hostages in a daring raid, conflicting versions emerged Thursday of the deaths of the leftist rebels who held them.

An opposition newspaper reported that some of the 14 rebels were killed even as they tried to surrender. Several of the rebels' bodies were riddled with bullets, suggesting the soldiers shot to kill from a close range, the newspaper said.

President Alberto Fujimori said the elite squad had undergone intense training for the raid Tuesday on the Japanese ambassador's mansion, and could take no chances.

"Facing an armed terrorist, none of the commandos was going to leave himself exposed," he said. Fujimori did not respond directly to reports that troops killed some of the rebels after they surrendered.

The newspaper, La Republica, reported that two young female rebels screamed: "We surrender! We surrender!" as the commandos charged the residence and bombs exploded around them. Covering in a corner, the young women were shot down seconds later, it said.

Rebel leader Nestor Cerpa, it said, was shot several times in the body and face — including a bullet to the forehead. Other rebels had similar wounds, the newspaper said, quoting an intelligence agent it described as an impeccable source.

Four rebels playing soccer in the main reception hall were killed first in a blast set off in a tunnel that the government had secretly dug right below. Four others, including the young women and Cerpa, tried to run up the stairs and were killed.

Some of the rebels' bodies, including Cerpa's, showed signs of having been shot after they had been rendered defenseless, La Republica said, citing intelligence officials.

Others already on the second floor and not injured by the blast were killed within minutes.

Two soldiers and one of the 72 hostages, Supreme Court Justice Carlos Giusti, were also killed in the raid as rebels shot back in a spectacular but short-lived fire fight on the second floor.

The commandos had been waiting in tunnels beneath the diplomatic compound for two days when Fujimori, angered by rebel threats, gave the order that trig-

gered the Tuesday afternoon raid. Fujimori had used martial music to disguise the sound of digging that began days after the rebels took over the compound during a Dec. 17 cocktail party. One tunnel led under the residence, four others to the yard.

El Comercio newspaper said the tunnels were 10 feet underground, equipped with electricity and ventilation systems. Commandos used about nine pounds of plastic explosives to blow holes in the floor and ground to stun the rebels above them.

Fujimori said Wednesday that hostages helped pull off the raid by opening a door onto a second-floor roof to escape and let the soldiers in. A guerrilla closed the door, forcing the commandos to blow it up and rush in to conclude the lightning raid.

Bolivian Ambassador Jorge Gumucio said the hostage-takers had begun to bicker in their final days during negotiations with the government.

Lieutenants like Roli Rojas, Eduardo Cruz, and a third known only as Salvador opposed Cerpa's willingness to accept less than the rebels' main demand: freedom for more than 400 jailed comrades.

Fujimori had offered the band

safe passage to exile in Cuba, but refused to free rebel prisoners.

"I think that Cerpa himself was a victim of his own lieutenants," Gumucio said.

When Fujimori toured the battered diplomatic residence after the assault, he stopped for a moment to stare at Cerpa's bloody body, lying face-up at the top of a curved stairway in the mansion's main hall. Another dead guerrilla lay partly under him.

A stunned Cerpa, who was playing soccer in his shorts when soldiers detonated a bomb under them, grabbed a gun and ran up the stairway. But soldiers were already above and below.

Intelligence agents said that in addition to several bullet wounds throughout his body, Cerpa was shot in the face and forehead.

La Republica said the two young women rebels, Maria Hoyos and Giovanna Esmeralda Vila, who were both playing soccer, were not killed in the initial assault. Listening devices picked up their pleas for soldiers not to shoot as they huddled in a doorway.

"They were so scared that they could only manage to scream, 'We surrender!'" an intelligence agent told the newspaper. Soldiers opened fire.

The agent spoke on condition of anonymity, but La Republica news editor Percy Ruiz told The Associated Press that the information came from a source "of utmost confidence."

Fujimori said the rebels' bodies would be turned over to their families. Ombudsman Jorge Santistevan said the government will help the rebels' families pay funeral costs.

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Cult leader blames disciples for Tokyo nerve gas attack

TOKYO (AP) — After a year on trial, doomsday cult founder Shoko Asahara finally broke his silence Thursday, denying that he masterminded the nerve gas attack on Tokyo's subways and blaming overzealous disciples.

Asahara's statement contradicted testimony by several cult members that they carried out the March 1995 attack on his orders. Twelve people were killed and thousands sickened.

Asahara acknowledged that his Aum Shinri Kyo cult produced the nerve gas, but told the court that top disciples ignored repeated orders in the days before the attack to call it off.

"I left it up to them," he said. In all, Asahara denied responsibility for 16 of the charges he faces, including murder for a nerve gas attack that killed seven in central Japan just months before the subway gassing. On one attempted murder charge, he did admit to giving an order to attack a man who had tried to help a member escape the cult in December 1994.

Thursday's statement was the closest Asahara has come to making a plea to the charges, although the trial began a year ago Thursday at the Tokyo District Court.

The case is being heard by four judges. Japan has no jury trials, and, given the snail's pace of the country's legal system, a verdict still could be years away. Asahara

has not yet been called to the stand.

The 17 charges against him include the murder of 26 people and the attempted murder of about 3,800, most of them injured in the subway gassing.

Asahara appeared calm and spoke quietly.

But in keeping with his odd

behavior in court since the trial began last April 24, he frequently alternated between English and Japanese. He was admonished by the court to speak only in Japanese, but refused to do so, insisting he was addressing "my friendly Russian people, the government and present supporters — maybe all of the world."

Asahara's cult had thousands of adherents in Russia, where cult members are suspected of obtaining weapons technology.

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Japan's lower house passes transplant bill

TOKYO (AP) — A 27-year-old man in the Parliament balcony looked on, pleased, while lawmakers below passed a bill Thursday that would allow lifesaving organ transplants in Japan.

Hirofumi Kiuchi had to go to Los Angeles in 1993 to get his new heart. "I prayed for the American who died," he said. "And I vowed to take really good care of this heart."

Passage of the bill — which still must clear the upper house — came a week after an 8-year-old Japanese girl died in Los Angeles, waiting for a heart transplant that never came. Her plight aroused a flood of sympathy at home.

But organ transplants long have been a volatile issue in Japan, where taboos remain about cutting into bodies and some fear doctors may be more intent on harvesting organs to perform a transplant than trying to save an elderly or disabled patient.

The only heart transplant in Japan was in 1968; it failed and the surgeon was accused of seeking frivolous fame.

The bill, which passed the lower house 320-148, recognizes brain death as the definition for death. It also states that organs from brain-dead donors can be used for transplants. The upper house has yet to set a vote.

Current law defines death as when the patient's heart stops beating. At that point, organs rapidly deteriorate and become unsuitable for transplant.

So transplants in Japan mostly have been limited mostly to corneas and kidneys, and to a lesser degree liver sections, which are not as prone to rapid deterioration or can be taken from living donors.

No law bans transplants from brain-dead donors, but without legislation explicitly permitting them, surgeons have been afraid to perform them.

While lawmakers debated the bill, about 20 protesters outside the Parliament building, some in wheelchairs, demanded the bill be thrown out.

"It could spread to the idea that the handicapped, the elderly don't deserve to live," said protester Yoshiko Aoki.

Even if the bill passes the upper house and becomes law, doubts remain about whether there will be many organ donations. In Japan, only one of every 20 people on the waiting list for kidney transplants finds a donor. In the United States, the figure is one in three.

The bill requires a written statement of intent from the donor as well as consent from the donor's family. Children under 6 cannot be donors.

Serbs sentence Muslims to up to 20 years

ZVORNIK, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — In a trial that a U.N. official called a travesty, a Bosnian Serb court on Thursday sentenced three Muslims handed over by the U.S. Army last year to 20 years each for murder.

Relatives of the Serb victims reacted with joy after the verdict was read in the packed courtroom. Some of them shouted "death to the murderers!"

When the trial opened last week in this town in the Serb part of eastern Bosnia, the defendants claimed they were tortured into confessing by Bosnian Serb police. The court denied the men their choice of lawyers, appointing its own.

The case of the Muslims has gained wide publicity. The men claimed to have escaped from a massacre of thousands of Muslim men when Bosnian Serbs captured the town of Srebrenica, south of Zvornik, in July 1995.

They said they had survived months living in the wild as a peace plan was finalized, and made their way to the line between Serb territory and the Muslim-Croat federation. They claim they surrendered when they spotted U.S. soldiers patrolling the former front line in May 1996.

Soldiers in the peace force were skeptical of the men's account. Some of them were wearing military uniforms, carrying weapons and had recent haircuts, and they did not immediately tell the American soldiers they were Srebrenica survivors, U.N. officials say.

Three of the seven, Nedžad Hasic, Ahmo Harbas and Behudin Husic, were charged with murdering four Serb civilians in the village of Krusev Dol, near Srebrenica, last May. They denied the charges.

Hasic said he would not accept the verdict and 20-year sentence "because I killed no one." His court-appointed lawyer said he would appeal to a higher court on Bosnian Serb territory.

U.N. and international officials criticized the trial.

Alexander Ivanko, spokesman for U.N. police who observed the trial, said in Sarajevo that international officials were "deeply disappointed." He termed it "a travesty of justice and a kangaroo court."

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Hostage treatment makes Yemen best place to be kidnapped

MA'RIB, Yemen (AP) — When American diplomat Haynes Mahoney landed in the lair of Yemeni kidnappers, he was greeted with neither ransom demand nor brandished Kalashnikov.

Instead, a poem was recited in his honor. It began, "Welcome, Mahoney, to Ma'rib..."

In the land where the Queen of Sheba once ruled over an empire of frankincense and myrrh, kidnapping tourists, diplomats and oil workers has become a national pastime. Nearly 100 foreigners have been seized in the past four years by armed tribesmen, who are virtually a law unto themselves.

The tribesmen, angry at government neglect, frequently come out with what they want — promises of jobs or government projects for their remote backwater region.

And it isn't so bad for the hostages either. After initial fear and bewilderment, foreigners often emerge in high spirits, sometimes with gifts of curved daggers or Arab robes from their gracious captors.

The government, though, is left frustrated with a phenomenon it can do little about, fearful of the tribes' power and unable or unwilling to address their longstanding grievances. In Yemen, a poor

country along the southern rim of the Arabian Peninsula, the government usually prefers making a deal to a confrontation with the tribes.

"Yemen will take all steps to provide for the peace and security of all tourists and visitors to our country," said Prime Minister Abdel-Aziz Abdel-Ghani. "No tourist who was kidnapped has been hurt. They haven't been beaten, or tortured, or killed."

And yet, the tourists keep coming, attracted by temples and other ruins from Yemen's heyday as the crossroads of caravan routes from East Africa, India and Arabia itself.

On a recent day, two pickups with guns mounted in back guarded a convoy of 18 trucks carrying British and French tourists on the three-hour drive east from San'a to Ma'rib's archaeological sites.

"You just have to do it," said Frank Hodieme, a 73-year-old tourist from Highwycombe, England. "At my age, if you don't make the trip now, you're not going to make it at all."

Along the road, two scarecrows dressed in soldiers' uniforms stood on the barren cliffs above. In each tourist vehicle sat a guard armed with a Kalashnikov and a traditional dagger known as a jambiya.

In the past four years, nearly 100 foreigners have been kidnapped by Yemen's tribesmen, who have been known to serve fresh goat and pita bread and send their hostages away with gifts.

Guard Mohammed Hassan offered assurances that the tourists would be safe in his care. "I'm only scared of God," he declared.

Humility might serve him better.

In a series of brash, daylight attacks, tribesmen have seized an American and 11 Germans so far this year. The last kidnapping — of four Germans in March — was prompted by a tribe's demands for government compensation for damage from last year's floods.

The tribesmen slaughtered a goat a day for their captives and fed them rice and freshly baked pita bread.

Mahoney, who was seized in 1993 in the capital San'a where he was serving as U.S. Information Service chief at the embassy, still recalls his kidnappers' hospitality.

"I always tell my friends if you're going to be kidnapped, Yemen is the place to be kidnapped," said Mahoney, who was

freed after spending six days in Ma'rib and has since returned to Washington.

He still keeps his poem.

Last year, a French diplomat was kidnapped, released, then seized again hours later by another faction of the same tribe. The second kidnappers demanded — and got — promises of 100 jobs for their men at oil facilities in Ma'rib, which has sizable reserves.

To say the tribes wield authority is an understatement.

Ma'rib is home to four powerful tribes with more than 70 branches. A tribe in Yemen may inhabit hun-

dreds of square miles and number as many as 40,000. The biggest tribal confederations control the same territory they did a thousand years ago.

To many, the government is nothing more than another tribe, however powerful, and kidnapping is justified as a way to draw attention to problems and to get some of the limited wealth that oil has brought to Ma'rib.

"What the region needs from the government hasn't been provided. Schools from the 1970s made of mud are about to fall over. These are basic things," said Sheikh Zayed Haidar, a young leader of one of the region's smaller tribes.

The kidnappings have become so frequent that a question about them is usually met with another question: "Did they take someone today?"

But some warn of a vicious circle. As long as Ma'rib stays wild,

investors will stay away. As long as money goes elsewhere, tribes will carry out kidnappings to seek redress.



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Taiwan cracks down on popular betel nut

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — The betel nut is under attack, not least for the scantily clad schoolgirls who sell it.

Last week, Premier Lien Chan ordered a crackdown on the popular snack, blaming the industry for mouth cancer and sidewalks fouled by people spitting out blobs of chewed nut. He also accused it of "fanning licentiousness" by attracting customers with young, female employees wearing revealing outfits.

The anti-betel nut campaign is one of the periodic bouts of official outrage and cleanup that punctuate Taiwan's traditionally liberal view on mixing business and sex.

At plushly decorated "barber shops," women "barbers" offer various services besides haircuts. Some real estate agents push new apartments by hiring women draped in nothing but shawls to perform a striptease.

The betel nut — a mild stimulant that stains the lips red — became the focus of suggestive marketing techniques about two years ago when competition heated up, pushing out the elderly women who used to run the snack stands.

The new saleswomen are a striking spectacle by contrast. One — her hair dyed yellow, her fingernails painted black, her leather shorts revealing a lot of leg — was

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furiously about the government's crackdown.

"Are we misbehaving?" she asked. "Are we any different from other stylish women you see on the street?"

With a police car parked near her stand on a nondescript Taipei street, the woman would not give her name. But she was probably safe from arrest, as her outfit was staid by industry standards. The cop, Wu Peng-yih, said three nearby stands had just been shut for employing miniskirted teen-agers.

Hundreds of stands have been ordered dismantled, and 20 under-dressed women arrested. Police

report catching salesgirls wearing see-through blouses or just bras. Some girls are known to lift their skirts for an extra-big tip.

An official report says 2.4 million Taiwanese, or 11 percent of the population, regularly chew betel nuts. Selling at \$3.50 for a pack of 15, the snack is Taiwan's biggest farm product after pork, rice and chicken.

The report says the habit has led to a death rate from mouth cancer that is double the United States' and four times higher than Japan's.

Chen Yih-hsin, a betel nut store owner, says the nuts are no more unhealthy than booze or cigarettes, and that many factory workers and motorists chew them to stay alert. The nuts are chewed with a slice of betel pepper, either daubed with a lime-based paste or wrapped in its leaves.

Betel nut salesgirls have taken to keeping overcoats handy in case the police show up, newspapers say. According to cabdriver Lee Peng, they have also stopped waving to motorists.

"Men enjoy seeing their good looks and fair skin," Lee chuckled. "I'm an old man and it doesn't bother me, but to those young men — I am afraid such a tempting sight could lead to traffic accidents."

India distances itself from statement blaming Saudis

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — An Indian diplomat may have spoken too soon when he said Indian pilgrims in Saudi Arabia died because their Saudi guides locked them in an encampment that caught fire, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said Thursday.

Talmiz Ahmad, the spokesman, said he was in Saudi Arabia as part of a relief team and that none of the Indian survivors he met complained of being trapped during the April 15 fire near the Muslim holy city of Mecca, which killed more than 500 people.

"It is too premature to take that view," Ahmad said. "We feel the causes need to be examined."

Afzal Amanullah, India's consul general in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that the scores of Indians who died in the fire could have fled the flames. But he said their Saudi guides locked the gates to their campground, which was walled with corrugated metal.

Based on what he said were interviews with survivors, Amanullah said the guides apparently believed the fire from another compound would not reach the Indian encampment, and locked the gates to prevent a stampede.

The official death toll for Indian pilgrims is 46, but many bodies were charred beyond recognition when flames swept through the

encampments of Muslims making the annual pilgrimage Islam's holiest shrine. Some 265 Indians are missing.

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Mexico overhauling its troubled program in war against drugs:

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico is overhauling its troubled drug-fighting program, creating a new agency, setting up an organized crime unit and — in the days before President Clinton's visit — beefing up field operations.

On Wednesday, police confiscated 10.7 tons of cocaine in a truck heading toward the U.S. border in the largest seizure in Mexico since 1990. Clinton is to arrive on May 3 for a three-day visit.

U.S. officials say they are pleased with Mexico's renewed anti-drug efforts, and are confident they now have a core group of Mexican agents they can trust on sensitive cases. But they warn much more needs to be done.

Widespread corruption still runs through Mexican law enforcement agencies, and counternarcotics agents are especially vulnerable to

bribes because of the large amounts of money traffickers spend for protection.

Mexico's new anti-drug agency will replace the corruption-ridden National Institute for the Combat of Drugs. A U.S. official said on condition of anonymity that it will open in the next several weeks.

The new agency — its name has not been announced — will be led by a special prosecutor who will report to the attorney general.

For months, U.S. officials have been quietly suggesting that Mexico replace the institute.

A panel of leading Mexican jurists recommended the move this month, telling President Ernesto Zedillo that the 3-year-old institute "has been in an advanced state of deterioration ever since it was founded."

The institute's head, army Gen.

Jesus Gutierrez Rebollo, was fired in February after authorities charged him with being on the payroll of Mexico's No. 1 cocaine trafficker, Amado Carrillo Fuentes.

Mexico vowed to revamp its drug fighting effort after the embarrassing arrest of Gutierrez Rebollo, which came just weeks before the deadline for Clinton to recommend to Congress whether to certify Mexico as a drug-fighting country worthy of continued U.S. aid.

Mexico was recertified after contentious debate by American lawmakers.

American law enforcement agencies have been training small groups of Mexican agents they hope will bolster the joint campaign against illegal drugs, the New York Times reported Thursday.

The unit described by the Times appears to be the new organized crime unit, which U.S. officials say began operating in the Mexican capital several months ago.

The unit, which will report directly to the attorney general, focuses on drug-related crimes such as money laundering and the trafficking of precursor chemicals used to manufacture narcotics, the U.S. official said.

It was established by a new anti-racketeering law that set up a witness protection program, authorizes wiretaps on suspects' telephones and lets prosecutors try suspects under broader crimes such as conspiracy. Its 45-member staff eventually is expected to grow to 115.

Prospective agents for the new agency are undergoing drug and psychological tests as well as

extensive background, financial and even polygraph tests, the U.S. official said. It will employ up to 1,500 agents.

Mexico has been conducting widespread roadside inspections over the last two years to search for stolen vehicles, illegal weapons

and drugs. Authorities said they were intensifying field operations before Clinton's visit.

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British parties talk schools in campaign

SLOUGH, England (AP) — Rahul Nath is furious. His 5-year-old son has just started kindergarten at a crowded, rundown state school where government figures show teaching in key subjects is poor.

"If you are rich, you get into the best schools; but if you are not, you have no choice."

With many working class Britons sharing his feelings, education has become a key issue in Britain's May 1 election campaign.

Labor Party leader Tony Blair tells voters that after 18 years of Conservative government, nearly half of 11-year-olds in England and Wales failed to reach expected standards in English and math in national tests in 1996.

Blair says his party's No. 1 election issue "education, education and education."

Yet neither Labor, which leads opinion polls, nor the governing Conservatives is promising to spend more on improving schools. The small, centrist Liberal Democrats, who stand no chance of winning power, are alone in vowing to raise income taxes to put more money into education.

Britain has a smaller percentage of 17- and 18-year-olds in full-time education than any other major industrial nation.

It spends \$3,800 a year on each primary and secondary pupil — eighth among the 15 members of the European Union. Ireland is top with \$5,300.

In 1992, 25 percent of primary school students were in classes of 31 or more; today the figure is more than 31 percent. Teachers complain about lack of books, crumbling buildings, poor sports facilities — and stress.

Labor, the traditional party of the working class, officially opposes selection. But it will retain 160 academically exclusive state schools, known as grammar schools.

Conservatives repeatedly note that Blair put his 13-year-old son, Euan, in a selective school, not in the local public school.

Prosecution opens in trial of 2 ex-Nazis

ROME (AP) — The prosecution opened its case Thursday against two former Nazi officers by calling them "willing executioners" in a World War II massacre of 335 civilians.

Erich Priebke and Karl Hass are on trial in military court for the killings in a cave outside Rome in retaliation for an Italian partisan attack on occupying German forces.

It is the second trial for 83-year-old Priebke. The former Nazi captain was convicted of murder last August but cleared of premeditation and cruelty — the aggravating circumstances needed to override Italy's 30-year statute of limitation. The verdict, in effect, acquitted him.

Hass, 84, originally was to testify against Priebke in the first trial but backed out and then was indicted himself.

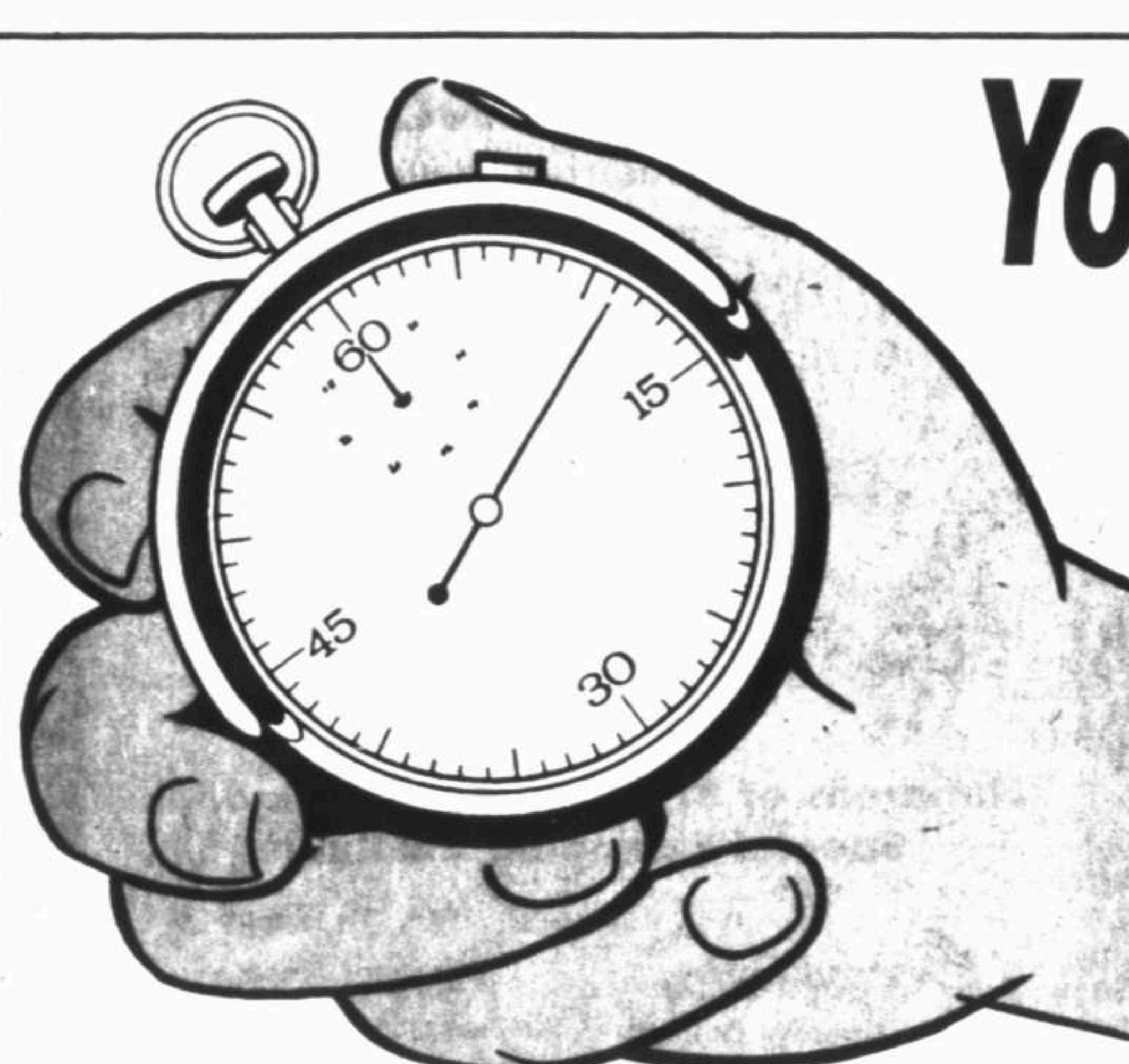
Both men have said they were just following orders.

Prosecutor Antonino Intelisano hopes to convince the tribunal that those orders were illegal — and show that Priebke and Hass carried them out with premeditation and cruelty.

Intelisano told the court the order was criminal because of its "cruelty" and the "ferocity" with which it was followed. It was an order that should have been disobeyed, he said.

The victims, who included old men, young boys, Jews and Roman Catholic priests, were led one by one into the Ardeatine Caves outside Rome and shot to death on March 24, 1944. The caves were then dynamited.

Rome's Jewish community had sought to have Priebke retried in a civilian court so that a genocide charge could be added to the case. But the tribunal on Thursday refused to transfer the case.



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Oldest new mother raises ethical questions

LOS ANGELES (AP) — At 63 years old, the world's oldest new mom is dealing with night feedings and diaper rash. She will be 65 during the terrible twos, and 76 during the rebellious teen-age years. And maybe, just maybe, she'll be around at 85 to see her daughter graduate from college.

When doctors confirmed Wednesday that the woman gave birth at 63, it raised questions about the ethical and practical ramifications of having a baby so late in life.

"I don't know if she's going to have energy for a baby," said Maryann Fiore, who had triplets at age 45 and is now 50.

Speaking by telephone from her home in Caldwell, N.J., as her children yelled, "Mommy! Mommy!" in the background, she said: "I was bestowed with a lot of energy. But at 63 it will be a little overwhelming, I think."

"It raises a lot of moral and ethical questions. What are we doing to society? If we're bringing a baby to an older woman, later in life, when she's older, who's going to take care of her child?" asked Dr. Matan Yemini, co-director of the Diamond Institute for Infertility and Menopause in Millburn, N.J.

Dr. Mark Sauer, an infertility specialist at Columbia University's medical school, said: "I lose my comfort level after 55, because I have to believe that there are

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quality-of-life issues involved in raising a child at the parent's age. When the baby born in November is 5, her mother will be 68. And I have to believe that a 78-year-old dealing with a teen-ager may have some problems."

For the doctor who heads the fertility program where the unidentified woman conceived, one of the more troubling questions is how to verify age.

The University of Southern California's Program for Assisted Reproduction allows women up to 55 to participate, and this woman went to great lengths to hide her age.

At the outset, she presented doctors with "multiple medical records" indicating she was 50, when she was actually 60. It wasn't clear whether she altered the records or simply gave other doctors the bogus age, too.

"I think we're going to look at the medical records very carefully, and now we're going to consider the possibility someone might be deceiving us," said Richard Paulson, director of the USC program. "But I think if someone wants to

deceive you, they will."

The woman conceived after an anonymous donor's egg was fertilized with sperm from her husband. Her own eggs had probably deteriorated by the time she tried to become pregnant around 47, Paulson said.

The healthy baby girl was delivered late last year by Caesarean section, and the mother breast-fed her.

Paulson said he learned the woman's true age when she was 13 weeks pregnant and never considered advising her to terminate the pregnancy. He said he wasn't angry when he found out.

"If I were a guide taking someone up to Mount Everest and I said, 'You couldn't go unless you were under the age of 55,' and I found out that I had taken someone up and back and they turned out to be 63, I'd say, 'Gosh. Good for them,'" Paulson said.

Doctors developing the in vitro fertilization procedure set USC's age limit of 55 several years ago. That is about five years beyond the average age of menopause. USC arrived at 55 because there are no

data on the risks of becoming pregnant and giving birth beyond that.

Paulson defended the age limit as "right about where the limit ought to be," and said he would oppose a government-set ceiling on when women can obtain a doctor's help in conceiving.

"You'd run into all the other kinds of ramifications of a decision like that" — such as allegations of sexism, Paulson said.

After all, men can and do father children well into old age, and there's no move to stop that.

Yemini said there is no reason to think the woman helped at USC can't be a good mother. There is a good chance she will live well into her 80s or 90s, or even beyond. And becoming a mother may extend her life, he said. Doctors noted the woman's own mother is still alive.

Older people who raise their grandchildren are usually financially and emotionally stable, he said. "My experience is they are very mature, they are excellent parents," he said. "They give a lot to their kids."

Dr. Stanley Korenman, associate dean for ethics and medical science at the University of California at Los Angeles, noted that in a society where many mothers are poor and still in their teens, children are often raised by their grandparents. And the grandparents often do a better job, he said.

Bladder infection vaccine shows promise in studies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Human tests may begin next year on a vaccine to protect against painful bladder infections that annually affect more than 7 million Americans, mostly women, and cost more than \$1 billion to treat.

In studies on laboratory mice, the vaccine disarmed nearly all strains of a bacterium, called E. coli, that causes more than 90 percent of all urinary tract infections.

Researcher Solomon Langermann said Thursday that the vaccine is being tested in monkeys and should be ready for human trials in 1998, if the federal government approves.

Bladder infections are one of the most common of all infections, affecting 7 million to 8 million Americans. E. coli is a common bacterium in the colon, where it has a beneficial effect.

The infection usually occurs when E. coli is transferred from the rectum to the urinary tract and then up that tract to the bladder. About 95 percent of all such infections are in women.

Bladder infections can cause fever, painful and frequent urination, and blood and pus in the urine. They usually are treated successfully with antibiotics, but some E. coli are becoming increasingly resistant. In uncommon cases, usually in

patients who already are seriously ill, bladder infections can spread to the kidneys and can be a contributing factor in deaths, experts say.

Langermann was lead author of a study to be published Friday in the journal Science. His co-authors include researchers at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis.

Dr. Jerry Blaivas, a professor of urology at Cornell University's New York Hospital, said a vaccine against E. coli urinary tract infections "would have an enormous impact" on general public health.

"It is the second-most-common cause of morbidity (illness) in the country," said Blaivas. "If there was a vaccine to prevent 90 percent of urinary tract infections, that would be fantastic."

But Blaivas cautioned that such a vaccine would have to be carefully tested to assure that it does not alter the normal action of E. coli in the gut or allow other bacteria to bloom and cause other types of infections.

The researchers also gathered a number of different strains of E. coli from women and children patients, he said, and test tube experiments showed the vaccine was effective against 94 percent of all these strains.

More expectant mothers drinking alcohol, government report says

ATLANTA (AP) — Pregnant women are drinking harder than they did four years earlier, raising the risk their babies will suffer mental retardation, learning disorders and other problems, the government reported Thursday.

A telephone survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that 3.5 percent of 1,313 moms-to-be in 1995 admitted they had seven or more drinks per week or binged on five or more drinks at once within the previous month. That's up from 0.8 percent of 1,053 pregnant women in 1991.

"Even though those numbers seem small, that's a pretty significant increase," CDC statistician Beth Luman said.

The sample suggests that 140,000 pregnant women nationwide were frequent drinkers in 1995, compared with 32,000 women in 1991, she said.

The CDC also said 16.3 percent of the pregnant women in 1995 had at least one drink in the preceding month, compared with 12.4 percent in 1991.

Louise Floyd, chief of the CDC's fetal alcohol syndrome prevention section, said the reason for the increase is unclear. CDC

researchers are going back through the survey to find out.

Drinking while pregnant can cause fetal alcohol syndrome, a lifelong condition that can include retardation, facial abnormalities, stunted growth and learning disorders.

Ms. Floyd said researchers are finding some harmful effects from three or four drinks a week. "No drinking is safe while you're pregnant," she said.

The 1995 survey questioned 33,585 randomly selected women — pregnant or not — ages 18 to 44. Of the total, more than half said they drank at least once within the past month and 12.6 percent were frequent drinkers, or those who have at least seven drinks a week or five or more at once. The percentages were similar to the 1991 figures, the CDC said.

The drinking rates among women in 1995 were highest in Wisconsin, Iowa and Pennsylvania.

In 1981, the U.S. surgeon general first urged women — pregnant or planning to be — not to drink. Those warnings were repeated by the secretary of health and human services in 1990 and 1995.

Claire Coles, an expert on fetal

alcohol syndrome, speculated that people may simply be more honest about owning up to their drinking. But she said that in any case, obstetricians and gynecologists need to talk to their patients about alcohol.

"Anyone who is working with pregnant women should look at a

3.5 percentage and realize they should be asking women more questions," said Ms. Coles, a professor of psychiatry at Emory University in Atlanta.

"We keep talking about this, yet I'm not sure everyone is convinced drinking while pregnant is dangerous."

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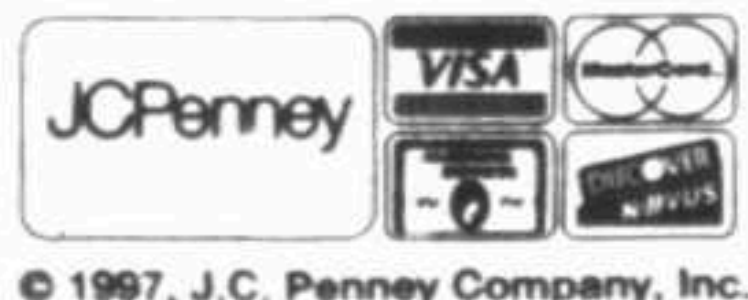
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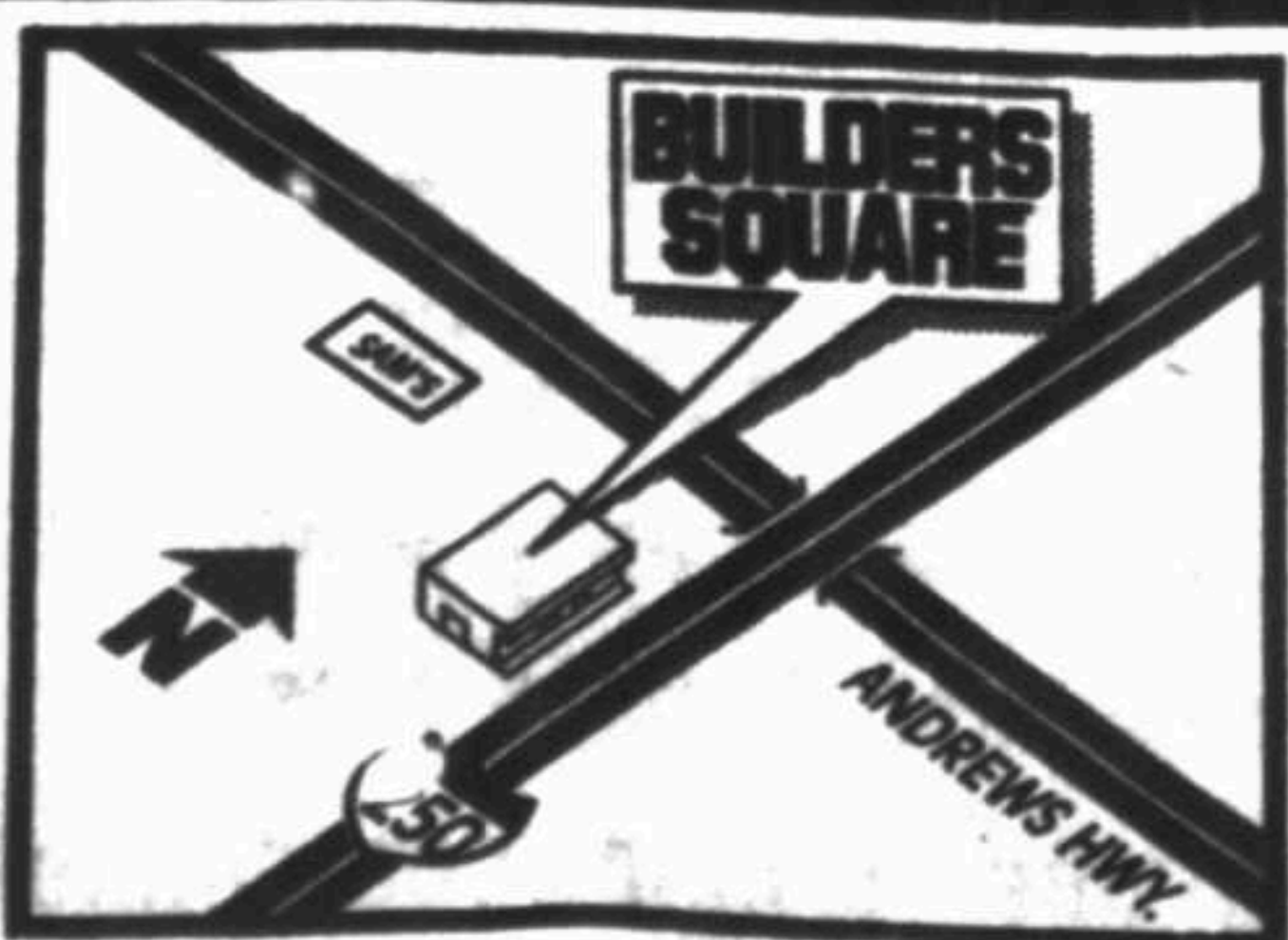
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A smiling water tower looms above Salvation Army officials taking a tour with the National Guard through flooded Grand Forks, N.D., Thursday. Some residents were allowed to return to their homes for a brief time before cleanup.

Flood evacuees return for a look at homes

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Slogging through streets caked in stinking mud, families chased from their homes nearly a week ago by the Red River returned for the first time Thursday to fetch some belongings and look over the damage for a few painful hours.

Brent and Roxanne Miller trudged five blocks, passing mailboxes, baseballs, sandbags and garbage that had been swept through the flooded streets, and nervously approached their two-story house, not sure what to expect.

Peeking in the door of the home they bought three years ago, they caught the stench of soaked, soiled carpet and walls. Miller took one step inside and glanced down at his recently refinished basement.

"I can't believe how much water is still sitting there. Good God," he said.

Passing through National Guard checkpoints meant to keep out looters, family after family entered a 1½-square-mile area evacuated last weekend.

Only the southwestern part of town, the least damaged, was opened. Other sections will open as the water recedes, and families will find homes much worse off than the Millers'. Some houses are believed to be floating.

It will be weeks before families

will be able to move into their homes for good. About 95 percent of the city, North Dakota's third-largest at 50,000, was evacuated. Power is out, and water and sewer systems are still inundated.

Farther downstream, the crest of the worst Red River flood on record pushed on toward Canada in a slow-motion disaster, swamping small towns and tabletop-flat farmland in the remote northern prairie.

In towns like Drayton and Pembina, N.D., volunteers frantically stacked sandbags and nailed together wooden walls atop earthen dikes. The river was already more than 13 feet above flood stage in Drayton.

Canadian authorities ordered the evacuation of 17,000 people in Manitoba's Red River Valley, mobilized soldiers for sandbagging duty and cleared out a neighborhood near Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, population 660,000, is the largest city on the Red River. The crest is expected to reach it around May 5, but Winnipeg is counting on a large floodway to spare it the kind of damage seen in Grand Forks.

In the Millers' basement, two bedrooms, a family room, bathroom, office and laundry room were filled with 4 feet of filthy floodwater.

Her husband opened the garage door and stared in disbelief at a freezer. "That's not where it goes," he said. "I suppose it floated."

Neighbors George and Linda Wolf, who brought over a video camera to document the Millers' damage for the insurance company, found their own basement flooded too.

"We had stuff floating all over the place," Mrs. Wolf said. "All the kids' toys and everything else."

Her husband agonized over having to leave his beloved Washington Redskins jacket in the basement.

The Millers, married 15 years, have been staying with relatives in Carrington, about two hours away.

Their children, Tom, 11, and Tara, 14, did not come back to see the house. And they will not show them the videotape.

"They don't want to see that," Mrs. Miller said. "Tom had his Barry Bonds baseball cards down there. That's your life for a kid. He was pretty crushed."

The Millers watered their plants, packed clothes, insurance papers and blank checks, then left, unsure of when they would return.

At the least, the 1½-hour inspection offered a certain amount of relief.

"We're two hours away. You feel so out of touch," Miller said. "We had no idea for sure what it was. Knee-high? Waist-high? Now today we actually know."

Board declares Zapruder film property of United States

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government board declared the famous Zapruder film of the assassination of John F. Kennedy the permanent possession of the people of the United States, taking ultimate ownership of it from the heirs of the Dallas clothesmaker who made the film.

Thursday's action of the Assassination Records Review Board left it up to Congress and possibly the courts to determine how much the Abraham Zapruder family will be compensated for what some experts call the single most important piece of evidence concerning Kennedy's murder.

James Silverberg, the family's lawyer, said in an interview that the Zapruders already have offered to accept "very, very, very substantially less" than the appraised value of the 26-second film.

He would not say what value appraisers have put on the film, and neither would the board.

Board Chairman John Tunheim, a federal judge in Minnesota, said there has never been a historical artifact like it, so its monetary value could be hard to agree upon.

The original piece of film has been in the custody of the National Archives, storehouse of the nation's records for years, under an agreement with the Zapruders. It is stored at 25 degrees Fahrenheit.

The board's action, on a 5-0 vote, constituted a step toward a legal "taking" of the film — a step that requires compensating the

Zapruders. The board's action is effective Aug. 1, 1998.

Over the years, the piece of film has shrunk and deteriorated to the point that it cannot be shown through a projector. But Tunheim said it retains enormous "symbolic value."

"We're hopeful the family ultimately will donate the film to the government," he said. Silverberg's comments appeared to rule that out.

James Lesar, president of the Assassination Archives and Research Center, a private collection of Kennedy assassination documents, said it is important that the government retain possession of the original.

"This is paramount evidence," he said, adding that it would be peculiar for the government to hold millions of other pieces of evidence but not the film.

Lesar told the board earlier this month that technology someday could be developed that would yield new information about the assassination from images between the sprocket holes on the film — 20 percent of the exposed surface of the film's 486 frames.

The movie — shot by Abraham Zapruder on a home camera as the Kennedy motorcade moved through the streets of Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963 — was cited by the Warren Commission in its conclusion that a single gunman, Lee Harvey Oswald, acting alone, was Kennedy's assassin.

But the film has also been cited

by the commission's critics, who said it proves that Oswald alone could not have fired three shots as quickly as they were fired. Some conclude he had help — or was not even involved.

Lesar also told the board earlier this month that the Zapruders may have already earned close to \$1 million from selling reproduction rights over the years, "an enormous windfall." The Zapruders own the copyright, so those who have reproduced images from the film commercially have had to pay royalties.

In its resolution, adopted after brief discussion, the board said it would do all it could "to ensure that the best available copy of the Zapruder film shall become available to the public at the lowest reasonable price."

Silverberg said the family makes copies available for non-commercial use for \$50 plus shipping costs, a fee waived for those unable to pay it.

Lesar said that in his view the

board's action immediately opened the way for Freedom of Information Act requests for copies. He said his organization may file such a request. "It is now a government record," he said.

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Gingrich arts stand draws actress's fire

WASHINGTON (AP) — Actress Jane Alexander, who chairs the National Endowment for the Arts, attacked as "elitist" Newt Gingrich's suggestion that entertainers become the main financial backers of the arts.

The House speaker said earlier this month that celebrities who lobby for more federal arts spending should fork out money themselves instead of burdening taxpayers.

"I feel that is a particularly elitist view, in that this (NEA) is really an agency that belongs to all the people in America and if you ask only a few very wealthy individuals, ... you are actually becoming more elitist," Ms. Alexander told a Senate panel Thursday.

Ms. Alexander, an award-winning actress herself, did not mention Gingrich by name, but was referring to remarks he made at a news conference two weeks ago attended by Republicans demanding an end to NEA funding.

Gingrich, R-Ga., said at the time: "The money's available for the wealthy stars to finance the arts if they want to, but they should not come here to ask us to raise taxes on \$24,000-a-year workers in order to transfer the money to New York and California."

In her testimony before a Senate Appropriations subcommittee that deals with the NEA, Ms. Alexander cited the agency's support for broadcasts by New York's Metropolitan Opera as an example of how it benefits ordinary Americans.

"That reaches many people who can't afford a \$200 seat," she said of the opera broadcasts.

The subcommittee chairman, Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., warned that there may be reductions in the \$136 million that President Clinton has proposed for the NEA in the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

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When will this government get serious about reforming the welfare program?

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Anderson

Nevertheless, the FBI's Columbia office is headed to the suburbs, and the reasons for the

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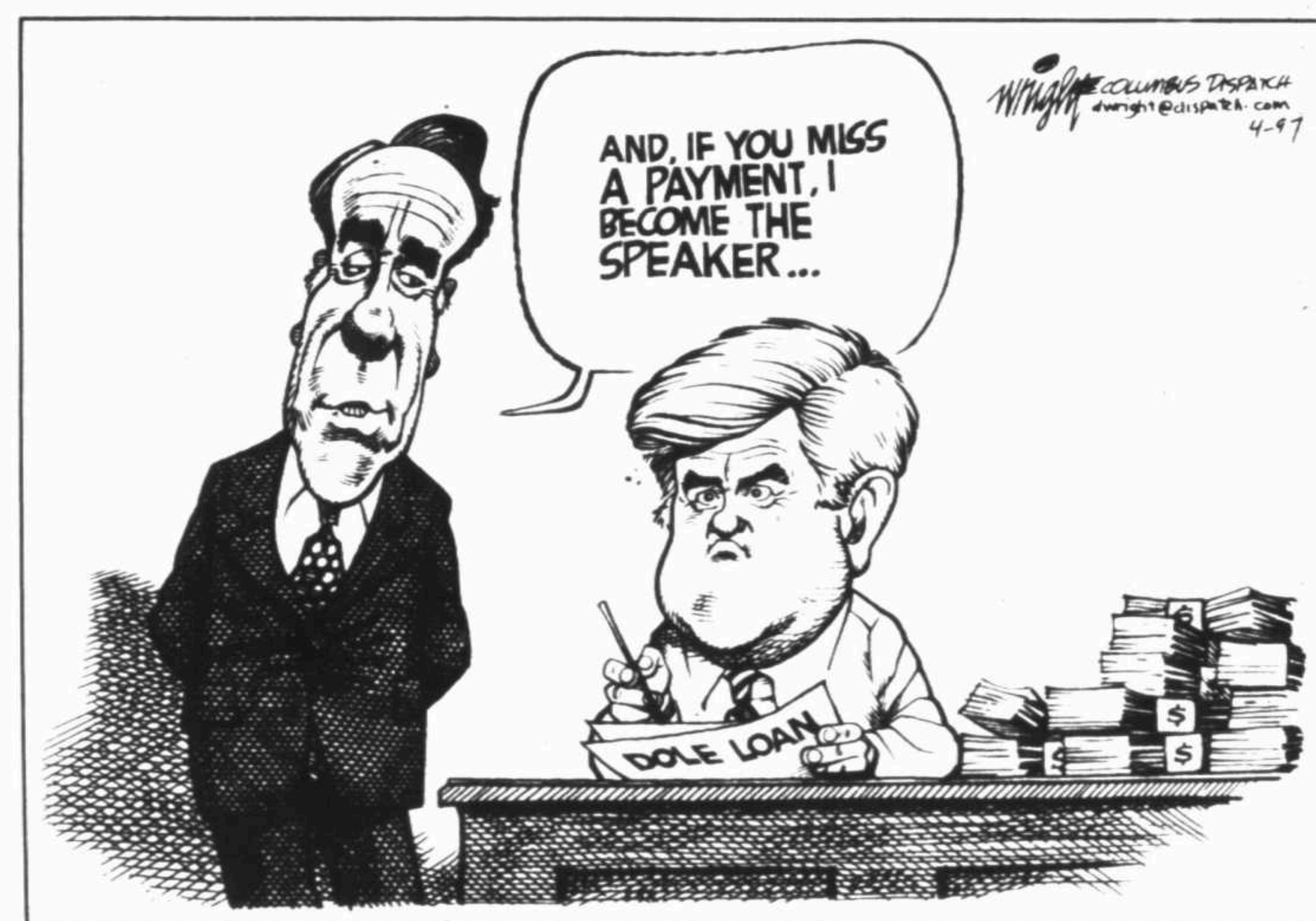
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But fear can cause us to hurt people, and hurt is a hurt regardless of the motive that produced it. And it is easy to be afraid when we see people as an abstract symbol rather than as individual human beings.

"Too bad the FBI never asked to inspect the hotel," says Rich Roberts of Choice Hotels, Comfort Inn's parent company. "It's their loss. We'll always welcome their business, howev-

Weierman said the FBI doesn't think the move sends a negative message. "We gave first preference to the sites located within the central business area of Columbia," she said. "None of those sites could meet our criteria. ... Therefore we had to go outside of the city."

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The question certainly wasn't asked in Texas, even by Bush. The dubious correlation of government spending and educational achievement was never called into question, notwithstanding that family involvement, a thing government policy can't touch, is regarded as the best predictor of academic success. The submissive assumption was that whatever we're spending now, we have to spend more.

Now was Texas state government as a whole

Texas' load, assuming no evaluation of what and how much the government is doing, will grow heavy. In time, as they always do, taxes will slow the economy, and heads will wag disbelievingly. How'd we get here? The same way Americans always reach that forlorn destination: by assuming that high taxes are the price of civilization, that government does things better than the private sector, that we can always squeeze somebody with a little more money than we ourselves.

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Reese

But fear can cause us to hurt people, and hurt is a hurt regardless of the motive that produced it. And it is easy to be afraid when we see people as an abstract symbol rather than as individual human beings.

The federal government itself plays group politics with a vengeance. We have groups now competing with each other for the prize of most victimized. That's a really stupid argument — whose ancestors were the most badly treated

Let us therefore concern ourselves with individuals and not with abstractions, which exist only in our heads. You can't touch an abstraction. You can, a person.

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In 1995 Tucker was on the staff of the President's Council on Chemical Arms and the President's Committee on the Gulf War Illnesses. As a member, he was skeptical of government claims about chemical weapons and went to Iraq to investigate. "The channels for most of the information that the superiors tried to give me were not good," Tucker said, and he was "not convinced" by him from the start. "I was not satisfied," he testified, he had "a lot of negative performance" as the search for the illnesses afflicted by Gulf War veterans continued. "Tucker's testimony was the strongest support that Iraq fired chemical weapons during the 1990-1991 Persian Gulf war. Among the evidence," he said, "Tucker:

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Rapist may stalk college campuses

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Four women have been raped and two others sexually assaulted on college campuses in four Midwestern states, and police suspect the attacks are the work of the same person: a man who likes to spit on his victims, question them about their sex lives and ask them to pray for him.

The attacks took place in February and March, on campuses 10 minutes to six hours apart.

The rapes have led schools to step up security and have unnerved students and faculty members with the idea that a rapist is targeting women working alone in computer labs and music rooms.

"It is a terrifying thought to me that college campuses would be the preying grounds for a serial rapist," said Heidi Hess, 30, who quit her job as a part-time journalist and business teacher after she was raped on March 5.

Ms. Hess was chatting on the Internet alone one night in a computer lab at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, a campus

where she had worked and studied for 10 years without fear. She heard rapid footsteps behind her. A man in a ski mask grabbed her, threw her to the floor and raped her.

Ms. Hess — who decided to speak publicly because "people need to know it happens to people we know" — said her attacker talked through the whole ordeal.

Police investigating the other attacks in Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin began to link the cases because the attacker used similar language and spoke as if he were educated. He also used a ski mask or covered his victims' heads with a knit cap, although one of the women was able to see her attacker, police said.

DNA evidence has provided a solid link between attacks in Nebraska and Iowa, Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady said. Further genetic tests are under way.

The first attack occurred at Union College in Lincoln on Feb. 6, when a man wearing a ski mask raped a woman who was playing the piano at night in the basement

of an administration building.

Three days later, someone tried to rape a young woman in an art studio at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill. Another student walked in and scared off the assailant.

The next day, a 19-year-old woman at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis., was raped as she played the piano and sang in a music practice room.

On Feb. 16, a 24-year-old woman was raped while working alone in a computer lab at St. Ambrose University, a small religious school in Davenport, Iowa.

Just four hours before the Davenport rape, a man tried to sexually assault a 31-year-old teacher at Augustana College in nearby Rock Island, Ill., in a teacher's office. A faculty member stopped the assault and pulled the attacker's mask off before he fled.

Ms. Hess' rape was the last reported assault.

The FBI is helping to coordinate the four-state investigation, and experts at the FBI's National Academy in Quantico, Va., are drawing up a suspect profile.



Daughters at work

Kaitlyn Rodgers, left, and Erin Campbell adjust their fathers' New Jersey State Trooper hats on their heads, as they watch a demonstration during the annual "Take Our Daughters to Work" day at the State Police headquarters in Ewing, N.J., Thursday.

Researcher: Iraqi chemical weapons use evident

WASHINGTON (AP) — Contrary to repeated Pentagon denials, Iraq may well have fired chemical weapons on U.S. and allied soldiers during the Persian Gulf War, a researcher who was fired from a presidential commission told lawmakers Thursday.

"Considerable evidence suggests that the Iraqi forces engaged in sporadic, uncoordinated chemical warfare during the Gulf War," said Jonathan Tucker, now director of a chemical weapons non-proliferation project at the Monterey Institute of International Studies.

Testifying before a House committee, Tucker said the swift coalition victory in the Gulf, the breakdown of communications among Iraqi commands and a shift in the wind that would have blown poison gases back over Iraqi lines averted what could have been much larger-scale attacks.

Statements by intelligence officers and forward-deployed troops during the war, as well as operations logs and command chronologies, indicate that chemical weapons were, in fact, used, Tucker said.

In 1995 Tucker served on the staff of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses. As he became more skeptical of government explanations and went outside of official channels for more information, his superiors tried to stop his efforts, Tucker said, and eventually fired him from the staff. Until then, he testified, he had never received a negative performance review.

As the search for causes of the illnesses afflicting thousands of Gulf War veterans continues, Tucker's testimony represented the strongest suggestion to date that Iraq fired chemical weapons during the 1991 Gulf conflict. Among the evidence cited by Tucker:

■ Coalition intelligence forces intercepted Iraqi military communications indicating that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein had authorized front-line commanders to use chemical weapons once the coalition offensive began.

■ Numerous military records recount chemical weapons detections by various sensors placed in the field by a coalition force keenly aware of the risk of such attacks.

■ A captured Iraqi military record provides what Tucker called circumstantial evidence that Iraq may have contaminated some of the burning oil wells with chemical agents. The document includes orders to Iraqi saboteurs to send a representative "to receive the chemical preparations distributed to your units."

Other Iraqi documents indicate the likelihood that chemical munitions were stored much more widely in Iraqi front-line areas than has been acknowledged by the Pentagon.

Earlier in the hearing before the House Government Reform and Oversight human resources subcommittee, Air Force Maj. Michael Donnelly, an ailing Gulf

War veteran, said his assignment officers told him to expect that the bombing runs he made would take him over targets that included chemical weapons stores.

"The munitions we used against weapons facilities and the way that we bombed them was supposed to wipe the stuff out," Donnelly said. "From the evidence we have now, it obviously didn't do that."

Donnelly speculated, though he cannot prove, that his F-16 fighter may have flown through plumes of chemical weapons thrown up by the air raids.

The Pentagon has said repeatedly that it can find no evidence that Iraq unleashed chemical weapons on coalition forces. That assertion has been backed up in recent testimony by retired Gen. Colin Powell, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and retired Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the former Gulf coalition commander.

Bernard Rostker said the Pentagon is now devoting considerable resources to solving mysteries about what happened in the Gulf.

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FCC attorneys acknowledge one potential way for residential customers to avoid the multi-line charge might be to put each line in a different name. Local phone companies are concerned about that.

U.S. District Judge William Osteen of North Carolina will declare whether the FDA has authority to regulate tobacco, and if its planned advertising and marketing restrictions are constitutional. Whichever way he rules will be appealed, but his decision was due three weeks ago — the same week that Philip Morris and R.J. Reynolds chief executives suddenly began negotiating with attorneys general for 24 states suing the industry.

But in a secret meeting with seven House and Senate health leaders Wednesday, White House aide

Officials involved in the negotiations say cigarette makers agree to FDA advertising regulations — even going further to ban characters like Joe Camel and the Marlboro Man from all ads. But Philip Morris Chief Executive Geoffrey Bible insisted Thursday that the company remains opposed to any FDA regulation.

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Linda Finch's Electra touched down in Dubai, United Arab Emirates at 17:30 GMT (12:30 p.m. CST) Thursday. At an average of 140 nautical miles per hour, the flight took eight hours and 50 minutes. She met with some difficulties, beginning with a delayed departure because of customs. She had equipment malfunction that affected position reports from her plane and she had to obtain a special permit to fly over Saudi Arabia. In Egypt, she rode a sailboat across the Nile, visited the Valley of the Queens, the Valley of the Kings and the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. She was amazed that many children in Egypt do not go to school but learn a trade from their parents. Ms. Finch and her navigator, Peter Cousins, will depart today for Karachi. For the latest pilot log, call Cityline at 560-2400 and enter category 3200. Related story and curriculum Page 5C.

Cultural Arts Day

Bush Elementary School will host Cultural Arts Day 8:15 a.m.-3 p.m. today. The event will feature 33 performers, including the Abell Junior High School Choir, the Midland Freshman Band, cloggers, American Indians, face painting, storytelling, the Lee and Lee Freshman high school bands, and the Kitchenettes band.

Children donate

Children in the Camp Fire Kids Care at Jones, Bush and Parker elementaries collected \$100 — through donations and their allowances — which they donated Thursday to "Paws Across Texas." Under the program, trained animals "visit" patients in hospitals and nursing homes.

Project showcase

ODESSA — Permian Basin junior and senior high school industrial technology students are to showcase their projects 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday at Odessa High School. Top entries will qualify for the Technology Student Association state contest May 5-6 in Waco.

Collector's Club

An organizational meeting for a local Dept. 56 Collector's Club is set for 4 p.m. Saturday at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store. For more information call 689-7192.

Money, life goals

Money and life goals are the topics at Community of Joy, set for 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Cole Theater. For more information call 682-3701.

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Senate bill targets young smokers

Minors could face \$500 fine for smoking under bill approved by Senate

AUSTIN (AP) — Minors would face up to a \$500 fine and could lose their driver's license for smoking or possessing tobacco products under a bill approved by the Texas Senate Thursday.

The measure, if passed by the House, would give Texas one of the toughest anti-smoking laws for minors in the country. Currently, the state prohibits minors from smoking, but has no criminal penalties.

Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, the sponsor of the bill, said she used to be against penalties for minors who smoke. But she said her mind changed after interviewing 14- and 15-year-olds about the subject.

"One in particular told me, 'Nothing happens if you get caught,'" Ms. Zaffirini said. "That showed me kids had no respect for the law. They could break it and nothing happens."

"That changed my position. Today I stand here and support penalties for children. If they break the law, they must be held accountable and they must be punished."

Minors convicted of using or possessing tobacco products would be required to attend a tobacco awareness program or face suspension of their driver's license. After completing the awareness program, the minor could apply to the court to have the conviction cleared from their record.

Currently, the only penalties are for retailers who sell to minors.

The bill was approved on a voice vote after adoption of an amendment that would create a new \$160 fee retailers would have to pay for a two-year permit to sell tobacco. Currently, retailers pay nothing for tobacco permits.

The fees would be used for programs

that educate children on the ill-effects of smoking.

A number of steps are taken in the bill to limit minor access to tobacco, including prohibiting outdoor advertising of tobacco products within 1,000 feet of a school or church.

Retailers would face losing their permit to sell tobacco if employees were caught selling to minors four times during a 12-month period.

Lynton Allred, executive vice president of the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association, said retailers are unfairly targeted in the bill.

"Our industry has long supported the concept of no tobacco sales to minors," Allred said. "The thing we were concerned about in Sen. Zaffirini's bill is that it addresses the problem of tobacco sales to minors with more harshness toward retailers than the same regula-

tions that control alcohol sales to minors."

Walker Merryman, of the Tobacco Institute in Washington, said he hadn't seen the bill but added that the industry supports efforts to limit minor access to tobacco.

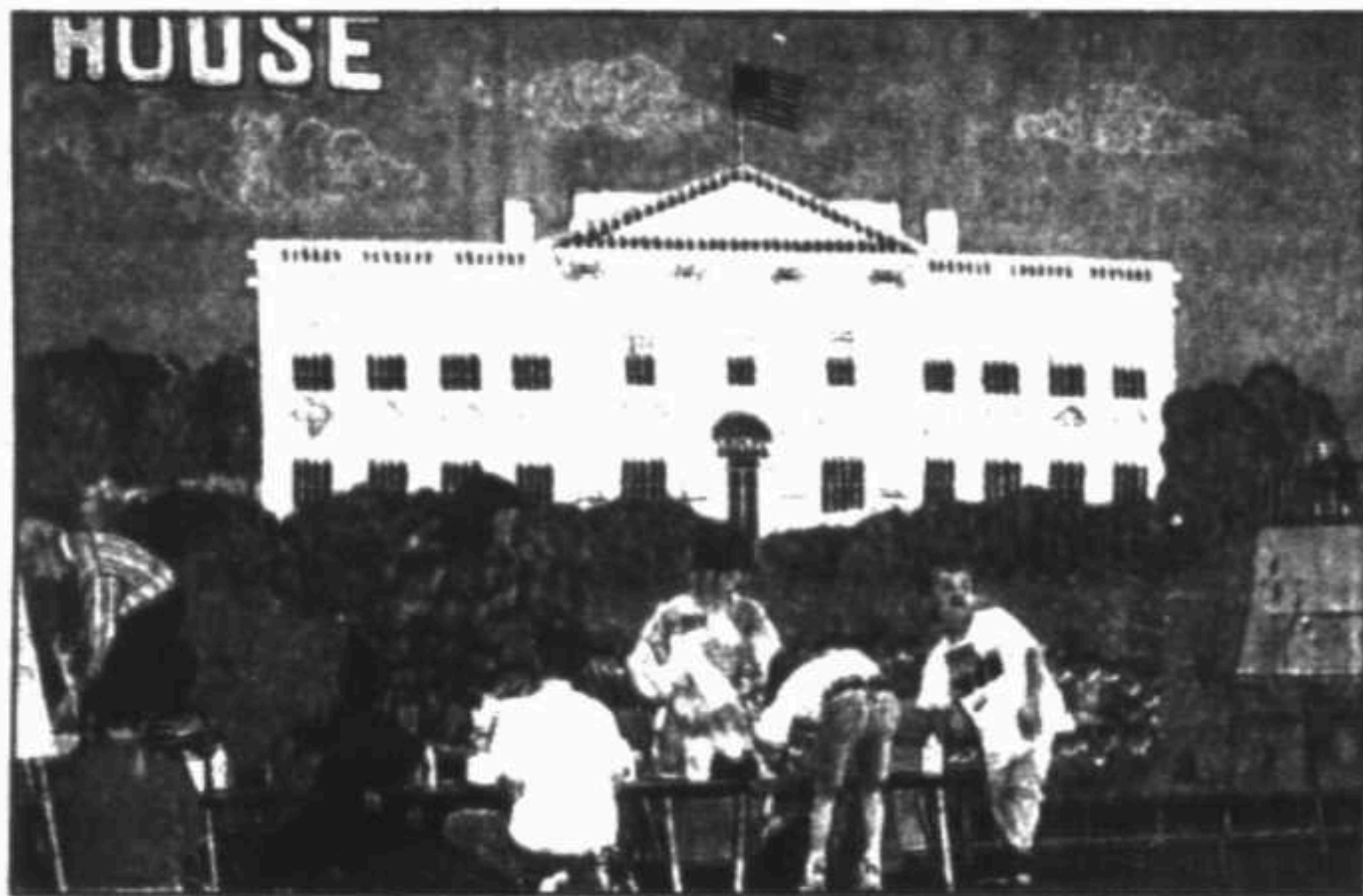
Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, said the bill is necessary to combat efforts to recruit children to smoke.

"It's a war for our children against the tobacco industry, and our children are losing that war," Moncrief said.

"They try to convince young people that smoking is cool and try to get them addicted as soon as possible to make them long-time consumers. This is a good bill."

Ms. Zaffirini said if the bill doesn't pass, the state could lose more than \$61 million in federal substance abuse funding.

AMERICAN CULTURE



Midland Independent School District elementary students periodically visit Carver Center to study the culture and history of nations around the world. This week, first-graders studied the United States.

Above Right: Sam Houston student Rhys Lockard paints a picture of the White House.

Above Left: Teacher Sandy Hamontree tells students about the White House.

Right: Carver teacher Sandy Hamontree places a paper sailor's hat on the head of Okeisha Glover, a student at Ben Milam. Children made hats after learning about uniforms worn by members of the armed forces.

Photos by Curt Wilcott



TxDOT asking for public input on highway improvements

From Staff Reports

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and its consultants will be asking for public input to help prioritize improvements that have been identified in each of five corridors defined for the Lubbock to Interstate 10-Amarillo North route study, including a corridor from Lubbock to Bakersfield that runs through the Midland-Odessa area.

Local residents are urged to attend a meeting set for 7 p.m. May 14 at the Holiday Inn Parkway in Odessa.

Other meetings are scheduled for San Angelo, Snyder, Big Spring, Dumas and Pampa.

"The May public meetings were originally intended to identify a single route in each corridor and then pri-

oritize proposed improvements for that route," said TxDOT spokesman Glen Larum.

"But after evaluating our data and reviewing public input from the round of December 1996 meetings, it became apparent that there was a consensus among the public that, for the most part, the ultimate routes should follow existing roadways between towns," Larum said.

"As a result, the next meeting will identify specific improvements needed between towns, evaluate projects to improve traffic flow through each city, and see whether generic reliever routes are needed around some towns on the routes," he added.

The meeting will feature a brief overview of the study

by representatives from TxDOT and HDR Engineering Inc. of Dallas, the consultant coordinating the two-year study. Then, the meeting will break into working groups to discuss the needs for the various improvements.

The meeting will reconvene in a final session to attempt to reach a general consensus on the priorities for the corridor. A spokesman from each working group will summarize their findings and present priority rankings.

Persons unable to attend the meeting can call a route study hotline — 1-800-661-3234 — or submit written comments to Jose E. Morales, P.E., Odessa District Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation, 3901 E. Highway 80, Odessa, Texas, 79761, before May 31.

Student wins prize for solar-powered model car

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Midland Christian School student Leah Patton's solar-powered model car did not finish in the top three of the championship race last weekend, but she still came away a winner.

Miss Patton's car received the "Best Use of School Mascot" prize, including \$50 and a ribbon.

She said she was surprised to receive the prize because "putting the mascot on the car was one of the last things I did."

After receiving solar panels, motors, axles and other moving parts from TU Electric, the ninth-grader fashioned a body of balsa wood and painted it blue with the school's Mustang mascot in white on the front of the car.

"In building the car, I mainly thought about shaping the car and getting it to go as fast as I could," she explained.

The project taught her about aerodynamics and how air propels objects, said Miss Patton, an honors physical science student.

Her car took third place in TU Electric's West Region race in March, qualifying her for the championships in Irving at TU Electric's Energy Park on April 19. The championship race was a highlight of the EarthFair at Energy Park to commemorate Earth Day.

First place in the regional race was won by Crane Middle School; second went to Trinity School and Abell Junior High took fourth place.

Miss Patton said she enjoyed the events at Energy Park, noting that the overcast skies made participating in the race tricky at times.

"We had to wait a bunch of times for the sun to come out," she said.

She was impressed with the displays of solar-powered machinery such as ovens, a tractor and "sheep" — solar-powered mowers that wander around a lawn trimming the grass. Also on display were solar-powered turbines and shingles that collect and store solar energy and a full-size solar-powered car and an electric car.

"I learned that solar power can be good for some things," Miss Patton said. "I learned that with it

Please see CAR/2B



Leah Patton, a ninth-grade honors physical science student at Midland Christian School, received the "Best Use of School Mascot" award at TU Electric's Solar-Powered Model Car Championship race in Irving last weekend.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Wednesday

Theft: A black satchel was reported stolen at Midland International Airport. It was reported at 2:55 p.m.

Theft: One person was transported to Midland County Jail on charges of theft under \$50 at Best Buy, 2511 W. Loop 250 North. The report was made at 3:53 p.m.

Theft: A saw was reported stolen from B&B Wrecker, 1607 W. Florida Ave. It was reported at 4:07 p.m.

Vandalism: Rocks were reported thrown into the pool at 5006 Whitman at 3:36 p.m.

Thursday
Burglary of a residence: An attempted burglary was reported at 4821 Ric Drive by

Shelby Wilson at 11:53 p.m. Entry was made through a rear dining room window.

Burglary of residence: A burglary was reported at 902 W. Kentucky Ave. by Paul Watts at 7:46 a.m. Entry was made through an east side door.

Burglary of a vehicle: Tami Meadows, 3212 W. Wadley Ave. reported burglary of a vehicle at 11:48 a.m.

Graffiti: Cloyd Shanks, 4301 Monty Drive, reported graffiti painted on the back of his fence. The report was made at 8:16 a.m.

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

OBITUARIES



Robert Hellinghausen

Robert Francis "Bob" Hellinghausen was born July 22, 1924, in Breckenridge, Texas. He gradu-

ated from St. Gregory's High School and the University of Tulsa, studying business. He played football (1943-1947) for the Golden Hurricanes of Tulsa. He was Missouri Valley Champion Best Tackler and Best Defense, played in the Sugar Bowl, Oil Bowl and Orange Bowl in 1945, and was a member of the 1947 College All Stars. Mr. Hellinghausen was inducted into the Tulsa Hall of Fame in February 1997. He married Su Derrick on January 5, 1946, and they moved to Monahans, Texas. The family lived in Monahans until May, 1968, when they moved to Midland. Mr. Hellinghausen operated Cen-Tex Supply Inc. until 1971. He belongs to SFOA, Knights of Columbus and St. Ann's Catholic Church. He was an avid golfer and football fan.

He is survived by his wife, Su of Midland; one brother, Don M. Hellinghausen of Midland; a sister, Betty Lauer of Granbury, Texas; six children, Greg H. Hellinghausen of Austin, Sonia Belcher, Jill McDaniel, Hillary Hellinghausen, Sid Crouch and Marc Hellinghausen, all of Midland; 13

Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 4:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorials be directed to the St. Vincent DePaul Society, P.O. Box 711, Midland, Texas, 79702.

Mr. Hellinghausen died early Wednesday at Memorial Hospital in Midland.

Pallbearers will be David Williamson, John McDaniel, Mike Thornton, Jim Crouch, Boyd Ben-

ton and Bill Wolfe.

Honorary pallbearers will be Haney Atyia, John Pulte, Kenneth Avary, Lee Johnson, Harlan Huddleston, Boyce Holder and Fred Williams.

Funeral services have been set for 1 p.m. Friday April 25, 1997, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Monsignor T.J. Murphy officiating. Interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Gladys Edwards

Gladys Cabe Edwards died Wednesday, April 23, at her Midland residence.

Services have been set for 10 a.m. today, April 25, at First United Pentecostal Church with T.H. Chapman officiating and the Rev. Travis Starnes and F.R. Johnson assisting. Graveside services are to be at Restlawn Memorial Park in El Paso under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Feb. 16, 1901, in Summers, Ark.

She was a teacher in Oklahoma. She lived in El Paso and Amarillo before moving to Midland in 1983.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ulysses G. Edwards,

in 1951.

She is survived by two nieces, Betty Detrick of Higgins and Dr. Yvonne Carmichael Riley of Alva, Okla.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702 or First United Pentecostal Church, 5110 W. Illinois Ave., Midland, 79703.

Oma Hunter

Oma Newnham "Stubby" Hunter died Thursday, April 23, at an Odessa hospital.

Services have been set for 11 a.m. Saturday, Apr. 26, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the

Rev. G.A. Magee officiating. Burial is to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 6, 1910, in Stephens County.

She worked for Ford Motor Co. before moving to Midland during World War II. Mrs. Hunter was a private secretary for Midlander Ida Beth Oliver. She was a member of Belmont Baptist Church and the Order of Eastern Star No. 253.

She was preceded in death by her husband, S.S. Hunter, in 1985, and by a brother, Hollis Newnham, in 1980.

Survivors include two sisters, Opal Ponder of Midland and Lula Lasater of Odessa; and many nieces and nephews.

Lee student awarded Gold Medal of Achievement

From Staff Reports

Lee High School junior Matthew Sullivan is to receive the Gold Medal of Achievement during a ceremony 6 p.m. Sunday at Harvest Time Church on Highway 191.

The Gold Medal of Achievement, the highest award that a boy can earn in the Royal Ranger Ministry, is the equivalent of an Eagle Scout award. Royal Rangers is a min-



Sullivan

istry associated with the Assemblies of God denomination.

Sullivan, 16, the son of Clay and Sandra Sullivan, is an honor student with a 5.3 grade point average.

He has belonged to a "Bible Quiz" program since he was in the third grade and has memorized 16 books of the New Testament. He is captain of the Harvest Time Bible Quiz Team, a member of the Theater Group, The Young Republicans, Junior Classical League at Lee High School, the National Honor Society, and is an offensive lineman for the Lee High Rebels.

Sullivan is a National Merit runner-up, a regional UIL finalist in journalism and a junior commander in the Royal Ranger Outpost No. 103 at Harvest Time Church.

Supreme Court hears arguments in 7-year-old ponytail dispute

Associated Press

AUSTIN — If not for the polished marble, black robes and the eight pairs of eyes staring down at the offender, the Texas Supreme Court on Thursday could have been mistaken for the school principal's office.

There they were. Eight justices hearing the mightiest of cases — whether Bastrop school officials discriminated against Zachariah Toungate when they sent him home seven years ago because his hair was too long.

"This is a matter of local control," argued Eric Schulze, attorney for the Bastrop Independent School District. "This is an issue left up to the school district."

Not so, countered Paul Knisely, attorney for Zachariah's mother September Toungate. She successfully sued when her son's then 7-inch ponytail flunked the school district's dress code.

Barring certain clothing is one thing, Knisely argued before the justices. It's a less intrusive requirement because barred cloth-

ing can be worn at home.

But the Bastrop school district overstepped its bounds by setting limits on a body part — namely a boy's hair length.

"You can't require to have short hair at home, then long hair at home," said Knisely.

The court didn't indicate when it would rule on the matter. Cases often take weeks to be decided by the Supreme Court.

Knisely conceded that there are times when boys and girls should be treated differently in school. Separate bathrooms for instance.

Hair length, however, is not something that interferes with the school's teaching of students. Therefore, Knisely argued, a boy student should be offered the same rights under a dress code as girls.

Schulze argued that any curtailment of school district rights "micromanages" or undermines the schools' authority.

"This is not sexual discrimination in this case," Schulze said. "The state judiciary should not intervene in hair length disputes."

"I think it's a lesson about how you should not treat other people based on the way they look. I still prefer to wear my hair in a ponytail. It's just the way I prefer to wear it."

— 14-year-old Zachariah Toungate

Zachariah's ponytail violated the school district's rule against male students having hair below the top of the collar. The then-third-grader was sent home and a lawsuit began.

"Your rights are very important to protect. They're very precious. You have to stand up for them and do what you believe to be the right thing," said Zachariah, who at 14 still sports a ponytail, now halfway down his back.

"I think it's a lesson about how

you should not treat other people based on the way they look," he said. "I still prefer to wear my hair in a ponytail. It's just the way I prefer to wear it."

The Toungates won a state district court decision against the hair length rule, and the 3rd Court of Appeals in Travis County last year upheld that decision, saying the Bastrop school district's rule is discriminatory because it applies only to boys.

But the school district appealed the case, which landed it in the Supreme Court's lap on Thursday, just in time for dozens of children of court workers to see what their parents' job was all about.

Thursday was "Take Your Daughters To Work Day," but many places include boys in the celebration.

"I don't think we would be here if it wasn't for this case," said Brenda Gunn, archivist at the Texas Bar Association, who brought about 30 sons and daughters of employees across the street to the court to watch the case.

Bookstore to host events

From Staff Reports

Barnes & Noble Booksellers will host three events Saturday.

Keep Midland Beautiful will celebrate Arbor Day with readings of "Have You Seen Trees" and "Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf." The program, set for 10:30-11 a.m. will be interpreted for people who are hearing impaired.

Members of the Midland-Odessa Transplant Education and Support Alliance will promote National Organ & Tissue Donor Awareness Week, during a presentation 10 a.m.-noon.

Midland High School drama students will read prose and poetry and local poet Colleen Beeson will also recite poetry between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

CAR: Student learns about solar energy

(From 1B)

overcast, if you're in a real solar car, it would take a long time to get anywhere.

First place in the race went to St. Mary's Junior High, Gainesville; second to Cameron Junior High, Cameron; and third to Pearl C. Anderson Middle School, Dallas.

Azle Junior High School, Azle, was cited for Best Use of Recycled Materials and Park Crest Middle School, Pflugerville, was awarded Most Creative Design.

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A busy Midland was snapped to attention last Tuesday evening. It was not "a test of the emergency systems", it was a full blown storm warning. The ominous clouds were black and threatening. As we quickly drove home, just about everyone in residential areas was outside and watching. The TV announcement soon told us that it was not an alert. It was real. The instructions: move to a hallway or basement. Do not drive your car. Stay inside. Is it coming? If such a storm had filled city, could we survive it? Fortunately, it was all over in 90 minutes or so with spotty hail and funnel clouds sighted northwest of the city. These natural acts form in our atmosphere due to weather conditions, and we cannot control them; they happen in the heavens as a natural process.

But the real question is, "are we ready?" An event will occur some day when Christ returns to end this world, and open eternity. Matthew 24:37-51. We don't know when. But we must be ready. And God tells us how to prepare. But you cannot wait until that moment. Do it now.

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LOCAL IN BRIEF

■ 'Jesus Heals' revival concludes

Special services for the "Jesus Heals!" revival at Greater St. Luke A.M.E. Church, 401 S. Adams St., conclude today at 7:30 p.m. Evangelist is Lonnie Ray Lampkin. Also active in the services is Mother Scott Williams.

The church's pastor, the Rev. I.C. Cooper, invites the public to attend.

■ Meet pastor candidate at barbecue

Hope Lutheran Church, 2003 N. A St., will meet at 3 p.m. Saturday for games and barbecue. The meal will be served at 5 p.m. The purpose of the fellowship is to meet Mike Masterson and his family. Masterson is a candidate for pastor of the church. Masterson will conduct the 10:30 a.m. service Sunday. All members and guests are welcome.

■ Counselor to speak on drug abuse

Bruce Cooper, a counselor with the Palmer Drug Abuse Program, will speak at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. at Midkiff Road, at 9:45 a.m. Sunday.

Cooper will speak on the drug abuse problems among youth and adults in Midland. He also will talk about PDAP.

The public is invited to attend. Religious education for children and youth is provided during the presentation.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Neighbors wary after bomb plot targeting gas plant

BRIDGEPORT, Texas (AP) — The sprawling industrial target of a bombing allegedly planned for next week stands just 300 yards from Dawn Fuller's front door.

Until this week, when the FBI accused four people of scheming to blow up the natural gas processing plant as cover for an armored-car heist, the mother of three was never afraid of the tank farm.

"Now, we will be," she said Thursday. "What bothers me the most is they (the suspects) should have known that children live here. There are toys in the front yard. If I could, I would move."

Ms. Fuller was one of many residents on edge in this town of 3,800 people a 90-minute drive northwest of Dallas.

On Wednesday, the FBI said the three men and one woman planned to bomb the Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. gas processing plant to divert attention from their robbery of an armored car they believed would be carrying \$2 million to a bank in nearby Chico.

As described by a confidential informant, the attack would take place on May 1, the FBI said. Authorities said at least one of the four arrested Tuesday, Edward Taylor Jr., was a known member of a faction of the Ku Klux Klan.

The four, who were ordered held without bail, planned several secondary explosions to kill law-enforcement officials responding

to an initial bomb threat, FBI agent Robert Garrity said.

The suspects had already collected bomb-making materials and had set off trial explosions, the FBI said.

Authorities refused to describe the political bent of the group, which had been under surveillance for about six weeks after police received a tip from the informant. Agents decided to act Tuesday when the informant reported that the group planned to rob a drug dealer, and the FBI feared the dealer might be killed.

Taylor, 34; Shawn Dee Adams, 37; his wife, Catherine Dee Adams, 35; and Carl Jay Waskom Jr., 34, were charged with federal conspiracy to commit robbery. Further charges are possible, officials said.

Few details about the four were available on Thursday.

Adams had worked at Nemo's Tattoos and Piercing in Arlington for three years, said Ray Angel, the shop's owner.

He said he was shocked to hear the allegations about his employee, whose forearms Angel had tattooed with a bronze bracelet and a dragon wrapped around a dagger.

"This guy knows how to get along with people," said Angel, who met Adams 15 years ago when the two were high-school students attending "The Rocky Horror Picture Show."

Adams had served in the Air Force and Mrs. Adams had

worked at United Parcel Service, he said.

Outside Bridgeport in the nearby town of Boyd, neighbors of the Adamses described them as quiet, with Mrs. Adams a pleasant woman who volunteered to babysit.

"She was pleasant, but I only saw her husband once," said a woman who lives across the street from the couple's double-wide trailer.

However, none of the neighbors would identify themselves. Some feared reprisals.

"I think this thing is a lot bigger than we've heard," said a next-door neighbor. "I think they mean business."

In town, people said the Adamses and Waskom were strangers to them.

Tom Willis, a longtime Boyd resident, said neither he nor other residents he had talked with knew the Adamses.

Waskom, a plumber who lived in Boyd but who had a Breckenridge address on his driver's license, is not licensed by the State Board of Plumbing Examiners, a board spokeswoman said.

Wise County Sheriff Phil Ryan said the KKK made a stab at organizing in Boyd with rallies 1993 and 1994.

"Instead of getting support they got heckled and booed," he said. "It sort of faded."

The sheriff, who identified Taylor as "one of our open Klan members," said local Klan members are "not a criminal problem, they're an aggravation."

In Bridgeport, the True Knights of the Ku Klux Klan conducted a July 1994 rally in a city park before about 150 spectators — some amused, some hostile.

One former True Knights member told KXAS-TV in Dallas-Fort Worth that Taylor and the Adams couple were high-ranking members of the white supremacist group.

Whether Bridgeport residents were in as much danger as the FBI suggested was still a question Thursday.

FBI agents said the group was targeting tanks containing hydrogen sulfide, in a plot they believed could "wipe out half of Wise County."

Bill Ainsworth, a spokesman at Mitchell Energy headquarters, said the tanks at the 20-acre plant contained only "propane, butane, natural gasoline and condensate, also known as crude oil."

If ignited, the liquid chemicals would explode and burn, but would not release noxious gases, he said.

House adds provision to tax plan limiting property appraisals

AUSTIN (AP) — Debate on a proposed overhaul of the state tax system shifted gears Thursday as the Texas House approved limits on property appraisals and a reconstruction of how property values are determined.

The pending tax plan would lower local school property taxes by about 50 percent. It would pay for the cuts by expanding the state business tax, adding to the number of goods and services subject to the state sales tax and dedicated \$1.3 billion in additional state funds for education.

The tax cuts — combined with the new and expanded state taxes — would amount to a 2 percent local and state tax cut for most Texans. Wealthier residents would get a slightly bigger cut than middle-class Texans.

Lawmakers concerned with the

plan have said reform of property appraisals is needed to ensure that any savings from the plan aren't lost.

Rep. Kenny Marchant, R-Carrollton, added a new provision to the proposal to limit residential property appraisals to no more than once every three years. Property values could go up only by 5 percent each year for a total possible increased value of 15 percent every three years.

"They can go in and raise your value every year right now," Marchant argued before his amendment was adopted.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee that wrote the tax plan, said he also wants property appraisals to be changed. But he suggested that such changes be done in a separate bill. He said the House hadn't got-

ten enough public input on the proposal.

"There are consequences to appraisal reform," he said, adding that those results couldn't be known without public hearings.

The Senate earlier this week approved an appraisal limit bill. That has not yet been considered in a House committee.

Debate on the bill comes after a long night Wednesday in which the Texas House haggled over and then approved the constitutional amendment allowing the changes proposed in the bill. Sections of the bill would not be allowed without the proposed constitutional amendment.

Most debate fizzled Thursday over issues expected to draw heated arguments, like public funds

going to private schools.

One so-called school voucher program was rejected after little debate and others were not even considered.

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AROUND TOWN

TreeKeepers, Keep Midland Beautiful, Texas Forest Service, City of Midland and All-dredge Gardens will host a tree care workshop and tree planting ceremony April 26 at Windlands Park, in celebration of the 125th anniversary of Arbor Day.

At 9 a.m. Mayor Bobby Burns will read a proclamation for Arbor Day and dedicate a multi-trunk live oak.

Afterwards, Nick Harrison, urban forester, will conduct a tree care workshop. Topics will include tree identification, suitable tree types and sites for planting, tree care and pruning.

After the workshop, participants will assist in a tree planting at the park. Self-guided tour of trees through Windlands Park will be available.

Information concerning volunteer opportunities with TreeKeepers and Keep Midland Beautiful will be provided. For more information call 688-4190.

...LT. WILLIAM BREWER chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, will have a luncheon meeting noon May 6 at Midland Woman's Club. Scholarship recipient will be guest of honor. New officers will be installed. Reports on state conference and Continental Congress will be given. Members are urged to attend.

...AMERICAN LUNG Association's Better Breathing Club will meet 11:30 a.m. May 6 at Westwood Medical Center. For more information call 522-2273.

...MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY Association is seeking applications from volunteers who wish to work for a week as counselors at the MDA summer camp in Happy. Each volunteer will work as a companion to a camper, child or teenager, during the camp session planned for June 1-6. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and able to lift a child.

MDA is a national voluntary health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for 40 neuromuscular diseases affecting more than a million Americans. For more information or to volunteer call (806) 793-5632 or 1-800-572-1717.

...PERMIAN BASIN Poetry Society will have a fund-raiser 5-10 p.m. April 27 at El Chico's Mexican Restaurant in Midland. Persons attending are asked to tell the hostess they are there to benefit the poetry society, and a percentage of the restaurant's proceeds for the evening will be donated to the society. For more information call 520-4679.

...FLATLANDERS SKI Club will meet 6:30 p.m. May 1 at The Market (Bar and Grill), 1006 E. 7th in Odessa. All interested persons are invited to attend. Members promote such sports as snow and water skiing, river rafting, boating, scuba diving, bowling and golfing, as well as sightseeing and social gathering. For more information call 550-5665.

...PERMIAN PLAYHOUSE Theatre Guild will host its "Waltz Across Texas" style show and luncheon 11:30 a.m. May 10 at the Radisson Hotel in Odessa. Tickets are \$15 each. One line for ticket purchases in May. For more information call 333-8009, 362-0057 or 362-2329.

...MIDLAND CHURCH Women United's May Fellowship Day will be May 2 at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas. This year's service will be entitled "CWU: Sowing Seeds in Prepared Soil." Executive session will be 9:30 a.m. with community worship service to be 10:30 a.m. Salad luncheon will be served. Reservations are not required; women attending are asked to bring salads, breads or desserts. Coffee and tea will be provided. Nursery care will be available. For reservations call 684-7821.

...WEST TEXAS Writers will meet 2 p.m. May 3 in the second floor meeting room of Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri. All interested persons are invited to attend. Program will be a mini-workshop for writers. For more information call 682-5376 or 684-6122.

...FRIENDS OF the Library Book Drop is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2305 W. Missouri.

FAMILY MATTERS

Parents' living conditions worry daughter-in-law

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: We went to visit my husband's parents during this last spring break. I was absolutely appalled by their living conditions and the way they treated each other.

They are both in their mid-70s (My husband isn't exactly certain!) but they look even older than that. Neither one of them was very clean and his father wore the same shirt for both days we were there.

You wouldn't believe the way their house looked. There were dirty dishes all over the kitchen and some even in their bedroom! His mother has this cat that she lets on the counters and it eats off the dirty dishes! I insisted on washing the dishes myself before we ate on them.

Then they have all of these newspapers and magazines that they've obviously kept for years stacked in their living room and the spare bedroom. The place is a fire trap! I just knew that I was going to be bitten by some strange bugs in my sleep.

The bathrooms were beyond description. I was afraid to touch the toilet seat, much less sit down on it!

My husband said that all of this was different for his parents, but then he hasn't visited them in nine and a half years, since his uncle died. I wasn't with him because I was pregnant with our daughter.

The entire time we were there they argued with each other about everything. They didn't say one kind word to each other about anything. They just barely asked how we were (only once).

His mother did make an attempt to talk about our kids,

but his father cut her off, complaining about what was on television.

I think that there is something wrong with someone when they live and act like that. Shouldn't we try to do something? My husband thinks that we should just leave them alone and let them live the way they want to live.

We live so far away that there isn't a lot we can do about it, but he does have a brother living in the next town. Even though I don't know his parents very well, I could not imagine letting my parents live in those conditions without doing something. **CONCERNED DAUGHTER-IN-LAW**



May

DEAR CONCERNED: You are very kind to be concerned about the well-being of your husband's parents. As you may know, men in this country rarely are involved with the care of their parents. Instead, this responsibility usually falls to the daughter(s) or daughter(s)-in-law.

I gather that his parents only have two sons, so that duty maybe passed to you and your sister-in-law if his brother is married. This is an important consideration in developing any plan for intervening with his parents.

The living situation that you describe could be associated with such things as depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder and/or dementia, among things. In order to get a proper assessment, his parents should be evaluated by a physician, preferably one specially trained to minister to the elderly.

Often getting the elderly in their situation to go to the doctor is very difficult. They simply do not perceive a problem exists. A delicate balance exists between their right to live how they choose and what is safe and appropriate for them.

I encourage you to continue discussing possible approaches to helping his parents with your husband. What-

ever you decide, it should involve him.

One idea that I encourage him to explore is asking his parents' minister to visit them, and then talk to the minister for his impression.

He may also consider contacting their physician to ascertain if their doctor knows of their living situation.

You have done a very good job in bringing the actual situation to your husband's attention, but now it is up to him to take some action. As you know, different families have different family rules. His may be "hands off."

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

Careless drivers trace paint by opening their cars' doors too far

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Although I have read your column for many years, I am not sure that this topic has ever been addressed.

Why are people so careless when opening their car doors? I don't know how many times I've witnessed people carelessly opening their car door, only to let it slam into the car next to them. Not only do they leave very noticeable dents on other people's cars, I'm sure they can be damaging their own car doors.

I have taught my two small children never to let the door hit the car next to ours. I'm hopeful this message will make people stop and think the next time they open their car doors.

Thanks for letting me get this off my chest. You may use my name. — **LYNDA GOVEDNIK, MINOOKA, ILL.**



Van Buren

DEAR LYNDA: People who open the doors to their vehicles, allowing them to strike the cars parked next to them, are thoughtless and inconsiderate. And they rarely expect to be caught. I put them in the same class as shoppers who allow their grocery carts to scrape or "ding" cars in the parking lot.

The only consolation is the knowledge that, in most cases, what goes around comes around. But it's small consolation, and never soon enough.

DEAR ABBY: The letters you printed from people sharing memories of President Harry Truman delighted me. May I add my own:

I was 10 years old. It was summer, and I was visiting my aunt and uncle, who happened to live just a mile west of the Truman Library in Independence, Mo. One afternoon they took me for a tour. To top it off, we walked around to the northwest side of the building where the former president's office was.

To our amazement, there he stood with his chauffeur, getting ready to leave in the biggest, shiniest black car I had ever seen. Instead of leaving, he greeted me, told his driver to unlock his office, and invited us inside for a visit! My only regret is that none of us had a camera.

Mr. Truman sat me down with him at his huge desk and told me I reminded him of his daughter, Margaret, because of my long blond hair and blue eyes. I was spellbound, to say the least.

Then I noticed his big, black piano, and he asked me if I could play. I told him yes, and he insisted that I play something for him. I told him my favorite piece was the U.S. Marine Corps Hymn because my brother had joined and I had practiced long and hard on it. Mr. Truman said, "Play away!" Believe it or not, I made it through the whole hymn without missing a chord.

Today my husband and I live only 16 miles from Truman's birthplace, Lamar, Mo. I have visited it often and have shown it to every out-of-town visitor we've had.

I will always treasure the memory of one of America's most important men, a U.S. president who made time for an awestruck 10-year-old from southeast Kansas. — **JEANNE ECCHER, LAMAR, MO.**

DEAR JEANNE: Thank you for sharing your heartwarming encounter with Harry Truman. And you didn't have to pony up a dime for it. My, how times have changed!

DEAR ABBY: I found this little poem about volunteering in The Bulletin of the Athens County (Ohio) Historical Society and Museum. I thought you may want to share it with your readers. I think it is wonderful. The author is unknown. — **BOB BIGLEY, CINCINNATI**

DEAR MR. BIGLEY: I think it's wonderful, too — and well worth sharing with my readers.

VOLUNTEERS

Many will be shocked to find, When the day of judgment nears, That there's a special place in Heaven Set aside for volunteers.

Furnished with big recliners, Satin couches and footstools, Where there are no committee chairmen, No yard sales or rest area coffee to serve, No library duty or bulletin assembly, There will be nothing to print and staple, Not one thing to fold and mail, Telephone lists will be outlawed.

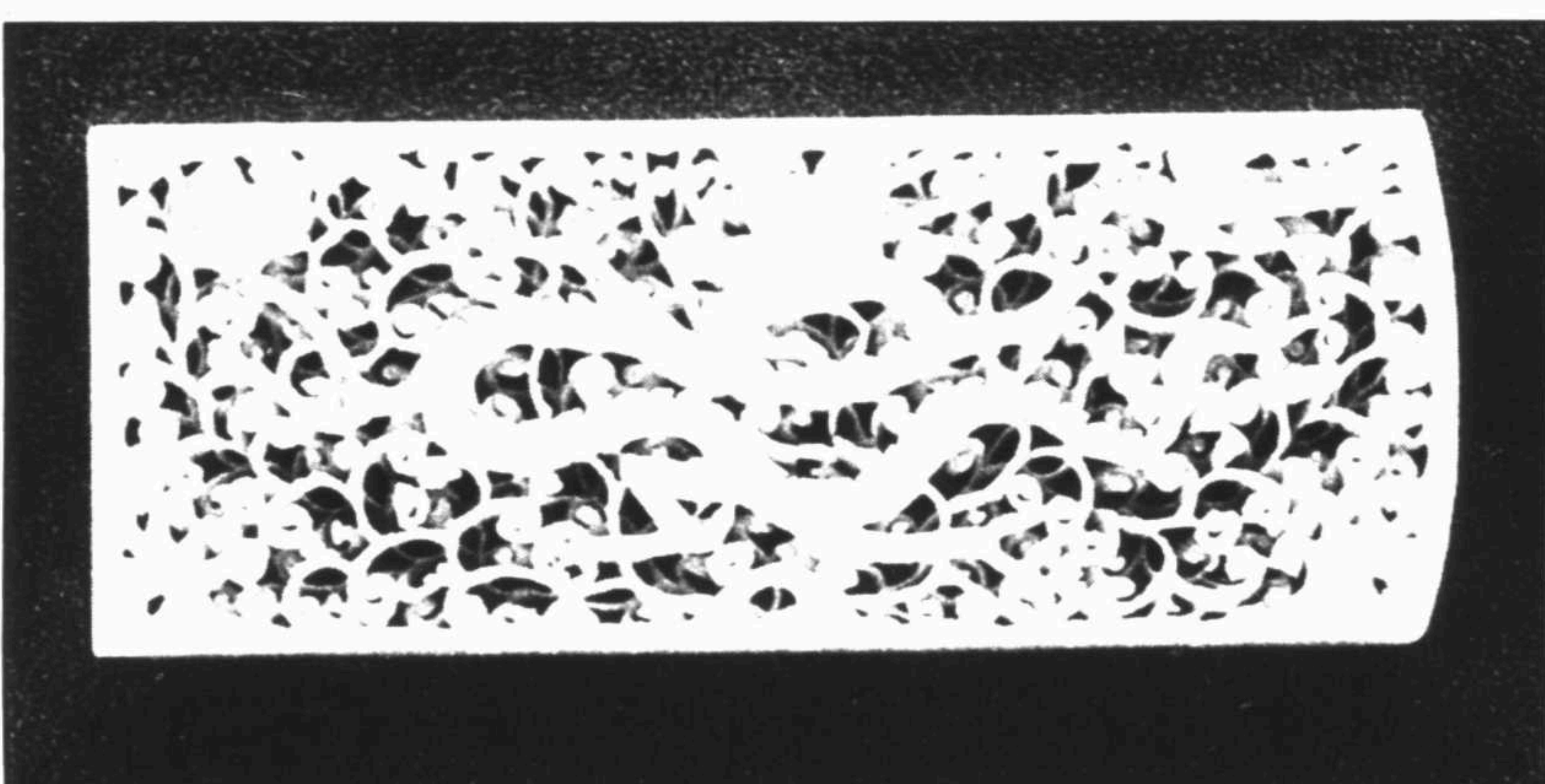
But a finger snap will bring Cool drinks and gourmet dinners And rare treats fit for a king.

You ask, "Who'll serve these privileged few And work for all they're worth?"

Why, all those who reaped the benefits, And not once volunteered on Earth.

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

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A jade plaque from a Ming belt set is deeply carved with a design based on a dragon floating on a floral background. A belt of leather or silk may have been used as a backing for the 10-piece belt set. This is the largest piece, and is about 5 inches wide. The jade of the set proclaimed the owner to be of the highest rank. A traveling exhibition now at New York's China Institute, "Adornment for Eternity: Status and Rank in Chinese Ornament," includes the set and about 113 other works from ancient China.

Traveling exhibition displays elegant items from ancient China

By Joan Brunskill

NEW YORK (AP) — The comb is an understated slice of translucent jade about 3 inches long, fine-toothed in silver, embellished with delicate gold beading, pearls and stones. Lovely to touch, to cradle in your palm, to run through a lock of hair, you think:

Not a chance: the comb is in a museum exhibition, out of reach, and its message as a powerful status symbol belies its modest size.

The privileged woman who may have used it more than 2,000 years ago in China to manage the veil of hair she never cut would have been recognizable to peers as someone of great consequence.

The comb's owner is actually unknown: it may even have been a man, for men also wore their hair long. The materials used to make such adornments indicated rank: jade for the highest, gold for the next down. This rare use of them together proclaims "prestige" loud and clear.

The comb is among some 113 works in a traveling exhibition at the China Institute, "Adornment for Eternity: Status and Rank in Chinese Ornament," headed for further showings in Richmond, Va., Honolulu and Hong Kong.

The pieces are from the Mengdiexuan Collection, Hong Kong, a renowned private collection.

"In its quantity and quality, I don't know of any other collection to equal it," institute curator Willow Hai Chang said. "And this is the first time it has been shown to the public in a museum tour."

On show are earrings, hairpins and combs, hand mirrors, garment and belt hooks and belt sets. The prevalent material used is metal, including bronze, gold and silver worked in fine detail.

The earliest piece is a pair of simple earrings made in the 13th century B.C., of beaten gold, each hung with a single turquoise bead.

The latest in date is a Ming dynasty (1368-1644) belt set. Its 10 plaques of milky jade are carved with breathtaking perfection into three-dimensional dramas alive with miniature dragons, bats and birds swirling over deep tangles of vines, peonies, lilies and chrysanthemums.

The variety of the works on view, with their eye-

seducing detail, is a tribute to artists and metalsmiths of extraordinary skill. Over the centuries they refined their craft, beating and hammering, beading and chasing, decorating surfaces with tiny facsimiles of phoenix and lotus, wolf and camel, rampant lions and luxuriant plant tendrils.

The exhibit labels and the even more detailed exhibition catalog give the background to the beauty, explaining that the adornments tell a lot about the people who wore them and the society they lived in.

Precious personal accessories often served in the afterlife, too, being buried to accompany the owner into eternity. Many of the pieces in the show were recovered from tombs, Ms. Hai Chang said.

The choice of what to wear would be limited at different periods by laws written or unwritten, curator Julia M. White explains in the catalog.

The belt hook was popular from the 4th century B.C. on, used to fasten fashionable court robes. On show is a stunner in bronze, a slender 8 inches long, lavished with turquoise scales, over which writhe gold dragons outlined in silver, their wings inlaid with lapis lazuli. But in A.D. 59, a court edict reduced belt hooks to inappropriate dress. And belt sets, used with cloth or leather belts as backing, came into style.

Hairpins, too, began as functional objects, then literally flowered as elaborate personal jewelry. One opulent set of 11 large, striking hairpins with floral motifs and eight flower-shaped buttons in gilded silver dates from the Song dynasty, 960-1279, and is a guaranteed crowning glory.

In ancient China, exhibition co-curator Emma C. Bunker explains, "polished jade was the favorite material for the manufacture of personal ornaments," its quality indicating status and rank.

Metal came into use later and its hierarchy developed, from gold down through silver to bronze, copper and iron, but metal never completely supplanted jade.

Jade belt sets like the one in this exhibition "visibly proclaimed the owner to be of imperial rank," Ms. White says.

The exhibition is at the China Institute through June 28.

Get the 'scoop' on new low-fat ice cream

By Beverly Bundy

N.Y. Times News Service

It's a cruelty of life that ice cream season is also bikini season.

But ice cream companies, even premium ice cream companies, are sympathetic to cellulite concerns. Just in time for ab-flashing weather, Pillsbury has introduced Haagen-Dazs Low Fat Ice Cream.

The new line of Haagen-Dazs (in vanilla, chocolate, coffee fudge and strawberry) has substantially less fat than the original ice cream — in fact, 80 percent less.

A half-cup serving of regular vanilla Haagen-Dazs yields 18

grams of fat and 270 calories (which means that 60 percent of the calories are from fat). The low-fat stuff has 2.5 grams of fat and 170 calories (or 13 percent from fat).

As nice as those numbers are, the best news for diabetics is that the sugar counts (in all but the low fat coffee fudge) are about a third of those in the full-fat flavors. The low-fat vanilla, for instance, has 15 grams of sugar, compared with 21 grams in the full-fat vanilla.

Now for the all-important flavor element. Well — it's not bad.

The vanilla has a lighter mouth feel than the full-fat vanilla. The

cream that lingers on the tongue and leaves that luxurious coating is all but missing. That happens when skim milk becomes the main ingredient.

The chocolate looks like chocolate and smells like chocolate, but it has the icy crystalline feel of a Fudgecicle.

The coffee fudge fares better, probably because of the rich swirl of fudge syrup whirled through the ice cream.

Our recommendation? If you eat ice cream daily, low-fat Haagen-Dazs is a good choice. If you splurge on the calories just once a month, eat the real deal.

ACTIVE

CASA DE AMIGOS
Casa de Amigos, 1101 E. Garden, information about activities call 682-2100.

Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 10:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. gem and mineral show; 11:12:15 p.m. bingo.

Wednesday: 9:45 a.m. exercise; advisory meeting; 12:15 p.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Thursday: 9:45 a.m. adult class; 12:15 p.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Friday: 9 a.m. crafts; 11:12:15 p.m. Bible study.

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The Midland YMCAs offer many activities. Prime Time activities and information regalia activities and classical YMCAs, 800 N. 2551, Alamo YMCAs, 694-2251, Alamo YMCAs, 2301 Butte.

SOUTHERN SENIORS

The Southeastern Seniors, 1803 E. Indiana, 11:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, information about activities call 685-2100.

Monday: 9:30 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Wednesday: 9:45 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Thursday: 9:45 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

Friday: 9 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

MIDLAND SENIORS

The Midland Seniors, located in Kingsway, Illinois, Space #18, information call 681-7631, April 28-May 2 inclusive.

Monday: 9:30 a.m. dominoes; 11:30 a.m. cards; 12:15 p.m. dominoes and cards.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. exercise; 11:30 a.m. cards; 12:15 p.m. dominoes and cards.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. exercise; 11:30 a.m. cards; 12:15 p.m. dominoes and cards.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. exercise; 11:30 a.m. cards; 12:15 p.m. dominoes and cards.

Friday: 9 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

COMMUNITY

Midland juniors

By Alexandria L.

The Midland Area ends of the age span a unique celebration can traditions, the

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game" on April 28, their first ever enjoy daytime ball

Bob Flannery, day is so much fun do this again next

There will be included in this food eating and to bring banners and ball teams to

Tickets may be cost of this fun for a game ticket popcorn and cotton

To top that deal sons) card-carrying shop and receive sections, and even says we can't have

Spread the word group tickets and house at Midland over the weekend day as well as du

Alexandria L. "The can Association of

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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.

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 April 28-May 2 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes and exercise; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; noon Angels baseball; 12:30 p.m. ceramics for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. line dancing for fun; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, cards, billiards and ladies billiards.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, ceramics, cards, dominoes and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch and Pam Valle, music evangelist; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. 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; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exer-

cise, cards and dominoes; 10 a.m. advisory board meeting; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. creative writing class, bridge, dominoes and cards; 8 p.m. dance with band at banquet site.

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.

■ Wednesday: 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.

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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:

■ Habitat for Humanity director needs office assistant to work three days a week, helping with filing, answering telephones and sending out information. Basic computer skills and ability to work in businesslike environment needed.

■ American Air Power Museum needs registrar assistants to catalogue video collection and library. Previous library work experience helpful. Individual training will be provided.

■ RSVP needs fund-raising assistants to help recruit golfers for the third annual RSVP Golf Classic, scheduled for 1 p.m. June 23 at Mission Dorado Country Club.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Midland Angels invite seniors, juniors out to 'old ball game'

By Alexandria L. Rose

The Midland Angels have issued invitations to Midlanders at both ends of the age spectrum — pre-schoolers and retirees — this week, for a unique celebration of our diversity at that most unifying of American traditions, the "Old Ball" Game.

"Take Me Out to the Ballgame" is going to be sung by old and young alike on April 28, right here in Midland. The Midland Angels are having their first ever noon baseball game with the hopes that we too can enjoy daytime ball just like the big leagues.

Bob Flannery, who is coordinating this event, says, "We hope this day is so much fun, especially with our retirees, that we will want to do this again next year."

There will be an all-you-can-eat two-hour picnic (11 a.m.-1 p.m.) included in this festivity. It is a day that can be enjoyed with friends, good eating and baseball. Seniors who come in groups are encouraged to bring banners and display them in the picnic area, allowing the media and ball teams to acknowledge those who are attending.

Tickets may be purchased on an individual basis or by groups. The cost of this fun ranges from \$2 per person for game ticket only to \$5 for a game ticket and a picnic meal of drink, hot dog, chips, peanuts, popcorn and cotton candy. Where else could you get such a bargain!

To top that deal, any AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) card-carrying member may make a purchase at the souvenir shop and receive a 10 percent discount. Talk about community connections, and even the Midland Angels want to get in on the show! Who says we can't have fun while serving our community!

Spread the word so that no one is left out of this exciting day. For group tickets and picnic reservations, call Bob Flannery or Ray Fieldhouse at Midland Angels' office, 683-4251. They will be at the ball park over the weekend so your calls will be welcomed on Saturday and Sunday as well as during the week. See you there!

Alexandria L. "Alex" Rose is district coordinator for District 10, American Association of Retired Persons.

Volunteering runs in the family

By Lana Cunningham

Her grandmother did it, her mother did it, and her two daughters have done it.

Mary Jean Maloney is no stranger to "it," but her face is to most Midlanders. "It" is volunteering, which is what she has already jumped into after moving here about two months ago. She will be training to become a Disaster Services worker with the American Red Cross.

"They've taken me under their wing here," she said at the Red Cross office after picking up her name badge that morning.

Although a newcomer, Ms. Maloney has noticed the attitude in Midland of "people caring about people. It's even in the little things. If someone opens a door for you and you say 'thank you,' they reply, 'you're certainly welcome. I like the idea of people being responsive to one another.'"

After all, the Indiana native grew up watching her mother and grandmother help others. Her grandmother lived near the railroad in a small farming town.

"Hoboes used to know where to go for meals in various towns. They would go to her kitchen door. She would give them a meal and they would always do some work, like cut wood or weed the garden," recalled Ms. Maloney.

Her mother, in turn, always took in the neighborhood child who kept running into trouble and talked with him. "Even with her grandchildren, she would take under her wing the one who needed more encouragement," said Ms. Maloney.

"Even my daughters do things like donate blood and judge science fairs. My daughter in Minnesota worked on Christmas Eve in a kitchen to prepare meals for people with HIV. I'm proud of my daughters for this work, not so much because of what they do professionally."

It was no surprise, then, when Ms. Maloney decided several years ago to get a degree in social work. After raising her two daughters, she returned to school. "I'm kind of a late starter," she joked. At one time she and the two girls



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Mary Jean Maloney, 62, believes that volunteering is an important part of life. A social worker by education, she soon will be training to become part of the Disaster Services team with the Midland chapter of the American Red Cross.

were all in graduate school.

"I was competing against young agile minds, but this (social work) is one area where life experience makes a difference," she said with a laugh.

"With time and experience, one has a tendency to mellow a bit and to be open-minded."

She worked with Catholic Charities in Gary, Ind., and saw that it was difficult finding volunteers to work on the inner-city problems. Society has changed from her childhood days during the Depression, when people helped each other. "What has happened to the values? People used to know their neighbors and to care about them. They would sit out on the porch and cook out and share their food."

When Ms. Maloney's daughter and son-in-law, along with their 2-1/2-year-old son, moved from Houston to Midland, Ms. Maloney decided it was time to leave the

cruel, cold Midwest winters behind for the warmth of West Texas. Besides, she wanted to watch her grandson grow up.

Shortly after the move, the 62-year-old woman contacted the Area Agency on Aging. "I wasn't sure what I wanted to do," but she knew that sitting around was not on her agenda and that volunteering would be one way to meet people. With some background in Red Cross work, it was suggested she try the agency here. "They asked if I wanted to help with Disaster Services, and if called out I can do counseling. I want to take advantage of my training."

And the Red Cross training will help her know what she is expected to do in a disaster, she added. "I'm a bit apprehensive to get out in a disaster, but it's something I feel I should do. I got into this (social work) late in life and I should use it as long as I can."

During her second week at the agency, Ms. Maloney helped with the state conference. "I met a lot of people at the conference. I really enjoyed that. Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet people."

And meeting more people is what she is planning to do, along with forging new friendships like the ones she left behind in Indiana. "I hope to have a long future here," she said. "It feels good, it feels comfortable here. The people I see in the stores are very helpful and very friendly."

Getting settled into a new home and finding new friends may bring some homesick days. But Ms. Maloney knows the best way to shake that feeling is to do what her grandmother, mother and daughter do — do something for others.

"When you help other people," she said, "you're helping yourself. When I feel down, I think 'It's time to get out and work with people.'"

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TV-Free Week: Everything in moderation

By John Levesque
N.Y. Times News Service

Sick and tired of situation comedies that promise McDonald's fries but serve up Burger King? Frustrated that you can't distinguish between the sexy sizzle of "Caroline in the City" and "Spin City"?

Well, here's a sitcom idea that's fresh and different: A civic activist tries to get people to stop watching TV because it's harmful to their physical and mental well being. Each episode centers on the activist's attempts to persuade family and friends to substitute another activity, such as making a quilt (hilarity ensues as everyone tries to sew like Martha Stewart), planting a garden (hilarity ensues as everyone tries to sow like Martha Stewart), writing a letter (hilarity ensues as everyone uses the appropriate tone-on-tone monogrammed stationery to complain that they've never encountered a pretentious so-and-so like Martha Stewart), etc.

Can't you picture what's his name as the civic activist? You know, that comedian you saw on Letterman or Leno who wasn't very funny but would be perfect starring in his own half-hour series?

It would have a clever title like "Don't Watch This" and would have "can't miss" written all over it. Critics would welcome the concept as "unusual," "distinctive." The network would reap accolades for having the moxie to poke fun at itself. Advertisers would knock each other over in the rush to be associated with something so cutting-edge.

And Henry Labalme still wouldn't tune in. He'd be kayaking on the Potomac River. Or reading a little history. Or simply engaging a friend in conversation.

Labalme is the co-founder and executive director of TV-Free America, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit group that's asking Amer-

TV By the Numbers

According to A.C. Nielsen Co., the average American watches more than 4 hours of TV programming each day. That's 28 hours a week; two months a year. In a 72-year life, that person will have spent 12 years in front of the tube. Some other numbers to ponder:

- 6,000,000. Number of videotapes rented daily in the United States
- 200,000. Number of violent acts seen on TV by age 18
- 20,000. Number of 30-second TV commercials seen in one year by the average TV-viewing child
- 8,000. Number of murders seen on TV by the time the typical child finishes elementary school
- 4,000. Approximate number of studies examining TV's effects on children
- 1,680. Average number of minutes per week that a child watches TV
- 84:1. Ratio of Chinese who own a TV set to those who have hot running water
- 70. Percentage of day-care centers that use TV during a typical day
- 66. Percentage of U.S. homes with three or more TV sets

Source: TV-Free America

icans to turn off their televisions for a week, beginning April 24.

This is the third year for National TV-Turnoff Week.

Labalme is guessing that 4 to 5 million people will heed his call to turn off, tune out and use the newfound time to pursue other activities. TV-Free America's own sta-

tionary offers hints: Go for a walk. Play the piano. Build a birdhouse. Begin a diary. Talk to a friend. Go on a picnic. Repair a bicycle. Make lemonade. Start a family. (Considering that the average American watches four hours of television a day, the lemonade idea apparently encompasses traveling to Florida to harvest the lemons. As for starting a family, most guys may be hard-pressed to, uh, well, never mind.)

Schools are TV-Free America's prime target. Labalme expects about 35,000 public and private institutions to embrace TV-Turnoff Week this year. Thousands of libraries, church groups and community organizations are on board, too. Next year, who knows? Labalme, who has never owned a television, says he is in this for the long haul.

"By getting kids involved at an early age, you can have a tremendous effect," he said. "The elementary schools love it. The students love the challenge."

Very often, the challenge is to persuade parents to go along with the idea of quitting the "plug-in drug" for seven days.

"Parents have greater addictions than kids do," Labalme said. "It's not the children who pay the cable bill every month. Think of the savings if parents could wean themselves of the habit."

Don't think too hard, or I might be out of a job. But Labalme's point is worth considering, because he is not suggesting all-out abstinence. Though that's his own preference, the message of TV-Turnoff Week is moderation.

"Everybody has a different opinion about what's good, what's educational," Labalme said, "but everyone can agree four hours (a day) is too much, so we built a broad consensus about reducing viewership and taking a break from TV."

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CHEADLE: Supportive family, friends helpful

(From 8B)

Since the two actors' scenes together are largely on the telephone, they naturally rehearsed — on the telephone.

"The first time I met Tommy was on the set," says Cheadle. "He had been in New York making 'Men in Black,' and I was in Toronto shooting a film. He and I rehearsed our lines over the phone, which actually worked out pretty good, because that's what we do in the movie. Ninety percent of our scenes together are on the phone."

"It was more realistic in rehearsal than during the movie. Because then, I wasn't talking to him, I was talking to Mick Jackson, the director."

"Volcano," which opened Friday, marks the biggest movie yet for Cheadle, who a few years ago was merely part of the mass of Hollywood actors looking for a break. It came for him in "Devil in a Blue Dress," a whodunit based on the Walter Mosley novel, starring Denzel Washington as a 1950s private investigator, Easy Rawlins.

The movie did moderate business, but Cheadle won rave notices as Mouse, Rawlins' trigger-happy friend. The Los Angeles film critics' association named him best supporting actor of the year, and some writers complained when he wasn't nominated for an Academy Award.

"I got a lot of press out of it," Cheadle said, quite happily. "I also got 'Rosewood.' John Singleton (the director) called me as soon as he got out of a screening."

Largely as a result of "Devil," Cheadle enjoyed five film assignments last year. He also appeared for two years as District Attorney John Littleton on the acclaimed TV series "Picket Fences."

Cheadle spent his childhood in

"I heard 500 no's before I heard a yes. Fortunately I had a very close, supportive family who very often helped me out here. It is very often not a sane place to be."

— Don Cheadle

Kansas City, Mo., Lincoln, Neb., and Denver, his father moving the family as he won scholarships to pursue his psychology studies. Cheadle knew he wanted to be an actor from the time in Denver when he played Templeton the Rat in a sixth-grade production of "Charlotte's Web."

"I was really knocked out," he recalled, "not just from the applause and the adulation. I really liked playing something else and seeing my friends becoming a spider or a pig or a goose. There was a lot of singing, and I'm pretty musical."

His parents, Donald and Betty Cheadle, encouraged his talents and helped him win a partial scholarship to the California Institute of the Arts in nearby Valencia.

After graduation, he and some classmates began pounding on Hollywood's door. They often attended auditions together, and for one film, "Colors," all were chosen.

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heard a yes," he remarked. "Fortunately, I had a very close, supportive family who very often helped me out here. It is very often not a sane place to be."

Cheadle, 32, helps maintain his sanity by living in a quiet section of Venice with his two young daughters and their mother. Since he looks different in every role, he is rarely recognized. He'd like to keep it that way, but realizes that may not be possible.

After "Volcano," what? "I don't know," he said. "It depends what I am offered, what I see. I'd like to continue doing a lot of different work. That's the most fun: to go from 'Rosewood' to 'Boogie Nights' to 'Volcano' to 'Devil in a Blue Dress.' To be able to span the globe and expand myself as an actor."

"To me, success would mean longevity. I want Paul Newman's career, Morgan Freeman's career, Gene Hackman's career. He's been working for 30 years. That's what I mean by success."

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PATTERSON: Goldie Hawn on the list? Get real

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movies, but so has just about everyone else in Hollywood. Putting her in the Top 50 would be like including Jerry Seinfeld in a list of the Top 50 Actors.

Jack Ingram update: Jack Ingram, who put on an incredible performance last Friday at Dos Amigos in Odessa, blew out of Texas quicker than the funnels over town Tuesday night. Amid a string of dates in the

east and midwest, Ingram is slated for appearances at Tramps in New York City, May 1, and the legendary House of Blues in Chicago, May 23. For now, his only scheduled Texas stop between now and Labor Day puts Ingram in Kerrville, July 4. ... Apologies are also due to Ingram's parents, Peggy and Bill Ingram, whose names were listed incorrect in an article last

Friday. ... The "Unofficial Jack Ingram Homepage," compiled by a Texas A&M student, Jeremy Elliott, is at <http://http.tamu.edu/~jre9972/ingram/ingram2.html>. Although "unofficial," the site comes with Ingram's cooperation.

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By Jeff Wills
Associated Press

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Rimes kicks Brooks & Dunn from spotlight

By Jeff Wilson
Associated Press Writer

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. — The Academy of Country Music's entertainer of the year is a duo — again.

Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn, who won the top honor last year, also were awarded the prize for top duo at the academy's 32nd awards show.

"We're two of the luckiest guys in country music," Dunn said Wednesday night.

Brooks & Dunn may have won two awards, but Texas teen-age sensation LeAnn Rimes hauled away the most hardware. The 14-year-old was crowned country's best new singer and her rendition of "Blue" was picked top single and best song.

Up to the end of the three-hour show, which aired on NBC, it appeared that fellow Texan George Strait might emerge the big winner. He had already won the male singer and album ("Blue Clear Sky") prizes and was a nominee for entertainer of the year.

"It was kind of feeling like a George Strait night to me," Brooks said.

But the night clearly belonged to Rimes, the blonde wearing a white gown with plunging neckline and who spoke with poise far beyond her years.

"I guess I've had to grow up in an adult world all my life," said the Patsy Cline-Brenda Lee sound-alike who won best new artist and female country vocalist Grammy Awards earlier this year.

After winning her second consecutive best female singer award, Patty Loveless said she felt sure Rimes "was going to take it this year. I'm shocked."

Garth Brooks, who had two nominations but left empty-handed, kicked off the show with his hit "Fever."

"Welcome to the night Hollywood turns country and you all come along," said "Wings" star Crystal Bernard, who shared hosting chores with Strait and Jeff Foxworthy.

Roy Clark got the academy's prestigious Pioneer Award in recognition of outstanding achievements in country music.

"That puts you in pretty tall company. It's hard for me to believe that anyone looks up at me the way I looked up to my idols," Clark said. Past recipi-

ACM Winners List

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) — The complete list of winners at the 32nd Academy of Country Music Awards Wednesday night:

ENTERTAINER: Brooks & Dunn.

ALBUM: "Blue Clear Sky," George Strait.

SINGLE RECORD: "Blue," LeAnn Rimes.

SCNG: "Blue," LeAnn Rimes.

MALE VOCALIST: George Strait.

FEMALE VOCALIST: Patty Loveless.

GROUP: Sawyer Brown.

DUET: Brooks & Dunn.

NEW MALE VOCALIST: Trace Adkins.

NEW FEMALE VOCALIST: LeAnn Rimes.

NEW GROUP OR DUET: Ricochet.

VIDEO: "I Think About You," Collin Raye.

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INSTRUMENTALISTS: Bass: Glenn Work.

DRUMS: Eddie Bayers.

FIDDLE: Stuart Duncan.

GUITAR: Brent Mason.

KEYBOARD: Matt Rollings.

SPECIALTY INSTRUMENT: Terry McMillan (harmonica, percussion, cow bells).

STEEL GUITAR: Paul Franklin.

ents include Johnny Cash, Roger Miller, Minnie Pearl, Roy Acuff and Roy Rogers.

Winners in top categories were selected by the 4,000-member academy.

Country's elite arrived for the show at the Universal Amphitheatre in boots, denim, rhinestones and cowboy hats. Tourists clutching cameras hooted and hollered, especially for Rimes and Gene Autry, who was wearing a white hat and using a cane.

"I'm doing all right," Autry, who turns 90 in September, told the crowd.

VOLCANO: Where 'Dante's Peak' failed, this film erupts successfully

(From 8B)

(Anne Heche), geologist. She describes the geology of the Los Angeles basin with authority. She calculates the speed of flowing lava with cool aplomb. She drives a Humvee as if it were a Honda. God, she's great.

Sadly, her much less attractive sidekick gets swallowed up by a crack full of super-heated volcanic gas in an early scene. We hate to see her go, but it does give us the chance to enjoy that really cool special effect you see at the end of "Raiders of the Lost Ark" when the Nazis open up the box and all these spirits and whirlwinds and stuff come out and melt the faces off the bad guys and then get sucked back in again.

But we digress.

Jones, Heche and Don Cheadle, who plays Roark's second-in-command at the Los Angeles Office of Emergency Management, perfectly execute the clever banter from the screenplay written by Jerome Armstrong and Billy Ray.

Cheadle's ambition for his boss' job is entertaining, especially when it becomes apparent that Jones' position may soon be vacant.

It's the little things that make "Volcano" succeed where another overly hyped volcano movie released this year failed so miserably. The way the tree roots hang down in a creepy utility tunnel under MacArthur Park. The way the manhole covers on Wilshire Boulevard get launched skyward one after another, then come crashing down after hanging in the air for a few unbearable seconds. The joke about Hieronymus Bosch.

Where "Dante's Peak" had deafening explosions, brilliant fireballs and towering plumes of smoke, "Volcano" has the kind of special effects that really do the trick. The movie's four humors are blood, flames, fire and ash, mixed together in a you-are-there pastiche that's just this side of stomach-turning.

The only part of the movie that's particularly painful to watch is near the end, when friction develops between a burly cop and a wise-mouthed youth. Naturally, their better natures prevail and they work together to save the city.

Also bothersome is the film's not-so-subtle implication that the extension of a subway tunnel into ritzy Beverly Hills led to all this trouble. The tunnel opened some kind of vent or fissure, you see, creating a path to daylight for the hot, gooey lava.

REUNION: Transparent fashion trends avoided

(From 8B)

big cocktail rings worn on several fingers. May said they were designed by an L.A. jeweler named Trina Tarantino, but you can find real gem look-alikes at Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue and on-the-cheap plastic versions at Rampage and Contempo Casuals.

Although May came close to making Sorvino and Kudrow's characters look like dress-up dolls, she drew the line at the transparent fashion trend.

"They just aren't flattering," said May. "They're too trendy and cross the line into bimbo territory."

It's a fine line between Barbie and bimbo. Even makeup artist Collier Strong was challenged.

"My concept was Barbie doll, but the characters have different personalities, and the make-up had to reflect that. For instance, Sorvino's character is stronger and a tad bossy, so we used darker, richer lipstick and eye shadow; while Kudrow's character is more feminine, so she's in lots of frosty pinks. But both girls have lots of thick black eyeliner, fake lashes and arched brows, which are in keeping with the Barbie doll look."

Brand names? Strong isn't a gossip, but he spilled. The makeup artist said he used Kiehl's skin products (available at Barney's and Fred Segal), Christian Dior eye shadow, Prescriptives cosmetics and lipstick by Mac, Christian Dior and Chanel.

The nail polish is kid stuff — Hard Candy, Urban Decay and Krazee Kandee (found in beauty supply stores), painted in alternating colors on fingers and

toes. According to May, it was the stars' idea and a trend we'll probably see on the beach this summer.

Hair was a big issue in the film, too. According to hairstylist Richard Marin of Cloutier Agency in Los Angeles, "These were party girls, and all they care about is hair, makeup and clothes ... and a bad-hair day would have meant their hair looked normal."

So, to achieve the big hair 'dos, Marin was heavy-handed with Bumble & Bumble pomade and Redken and Loreal hair spray.

"All the hair is their own, done with lots of teasing — except for the Madonna ponytail on Sorvino," said Marin.

For those fashion fans who want to follow Romy and Michele's shopping strategy, check out the designer boutiques along Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills and Max Studio on Main Street in Santa Monica ... or

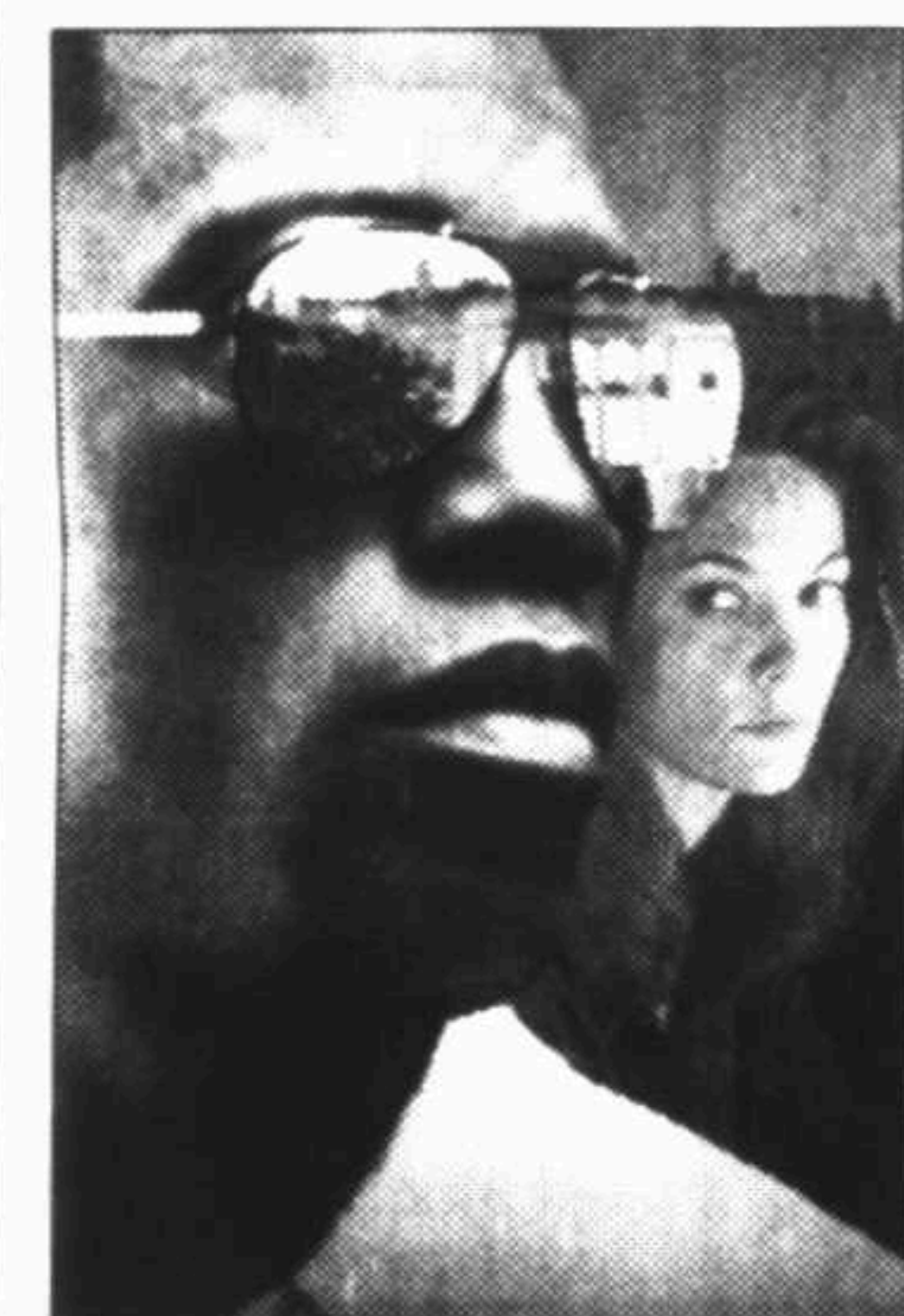
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GILL: Country pair picture of true love

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Tanya Tucker's tell-all biography.

They kept their marriage and their careers separate entities. They didn't duet or tour together much. They weren't big hand-holders or public fawners like Waylon and Jessi, or Johnny and June Carter.

The only public displays were Gill's frequent, tearful awards acceptance speeches (and he's made so many) referring to his marriage and family.

One recent night at the Country Music Awards, the heavily honored Gill sent an entire audience fishing for Kleenex when he dedicated his award to his wife. "She NEVER gets awards,

she NEVER gets the recognition she deserves," he sobbed.

He was right. Janis Gill's career with Sweethearts of the Rodeo has been marked by integrity and innovation, but little public acclaim. The duo's most recent acoustic album was considered a hallmark, but was mainly released to the fringe Americana-Triples crowd.

Whether it was Janis' long years in Vince's shadow, or the loneliness of a two-career road life that finally did them in, we'll never know, nor should we even speculate.

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Worlds Apart: Gill's divorce could be seen coming

Singer's music shifts from optimism to anguish in recent years

By Shirley Jenkins
N.Y. Times News Service

We saw it coming, in a way, even those of us who don't keep up with Nashville gossip sources and celebrity news.

Vince Gill's wife, Janis, filed for divorce last week in Nashville. And lately, Vince Gill had turned his artistic voice from the steady romanticism of "Look at Us" to the enigmatic "Worlds Apart," for which he just won a Grammy.

The two multitalented musicians were married 17 years and have a daughter, Jennifer, 14.

Janis is one-half of the Sweethearts of the Rodeo duo, along

with her sister, Kristine Arnold.

In separate interviews over a period of years, they both talked about how a two-career touring couple has to juggle child-rearing responsibilities and still find some time to themselves.

One memorable time, the two of them were scheduled to perform in the Fort Worth area on the same weekend — by design, I figured. Vince would be playing Six Flags, while Janis and Kris were headlining at Billy Bob's Texas.

I asked Janis about that, during a phone interview.

"Oh, really," she said, hiding the surprise in her voice, then covering with a quick comment about

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the vagaries of touring schedules. As it turned out, Vince made a surprise appearance at the Sweethearts' show that night, and I felt like a jerk for ruining his plan.

The Gill breakup is particularly sad because of the Everycouple aspect of their long union. Vince and Janis seemed like people in your church, the family down the street. So far as we could see, there was no wild partying, no extramarital flings.

He didn't get a single mention in

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SHORT TAKES

Openers

"Volcano" and "Romy and Michele's High School Reunion" open today at the Tall City 10.

Top weekend movies

Weekend of April 18-20, 1997

All dollar figures in millions

Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens

Weekend gross

1. **Anaconda**

\$32.7, two weeks, 2,456 screens

2. **Liar, Liar**

\$13.5, five weeks, 2,910 screens

3. **Murder at 1000**

\$7.96, one week, 2,152 screens

4. **The Saint**

\$4.12, three weeks, 2,500 screens

5. **Grosse Pointe Blank**

\$13.6, two weeks, 1,236 screens

6. **The Devil's Own**

\$36.1, four weeks, 2,004 screens

7. **Michele's Navy**

\$2.1, one week, 1,868 screens

8. **That Old Feeling**

\$13.2, three weeks, 1,583 screens

9. **8 Heads in a Duffel Bag**

\$2.02, one week, 1,505 screens

10. **Chasing Amy**

\$2.2, three weeks, 519 screens

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. "The First Wives Club," (Paramount)
2. "Sleepers," (Warner)
3. "The Long Kiss Goodnight," (New Line)
4. "Courage Under Fire," (Fox)
5. "The Chamber," (MCA-Universal)
6. "William Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet," (Fox)
7. "Supercop," (Dimension)
8. "Glimmer Man," (Warner)
9. "Fargo," (Polygram)
10. "Extreme Measures," (Columbia TriStar)

Top Singles

1. "Hypnotize," The Notorious B.I.G. (Bad Boy)
2. "Can't Nobody Hold Me Down," Puff Daddy featuring Mase (Bad Boy) (Platinum)
3. "You Were Meant For Me," Jewel (Atlantic) (Gold)
4. "For You I Will," Monica (Rowdy Warner Sunset) (Gold)
5. "I Want You," Savage Garden (Columbia) (Gold)
6. "Wannabe," Spice Girls (Virgin) (Platinum)
7. "Return of the Mack," Mark Morrison (Atlantic)
8. "Hard to Say I'm Sorry," Az Yet featuring Peter Cetera (LaFace) (Gold)
9. "Where Have All the Cowboys Gone?," Paula Cole (Image-Warner Bros.)
10. "My Baby Daddy," B-Real & The Bizz (Tony Mercedes-LaFace)

Top Albums

1. "Life After Death," The Notorious B.I.G. (Bad Boy-Arista)
2. "Spice," Spice Girls (Virgin) (Platinum)
3. "Space Jam" Soundtrack, various artists (Warner Sunset) (Platinum)
4. "Bringing Down the Horse," The Wallflowers (Interscope) (Platinum)
5. "Ultra," Depeche Mode (Mute-Reprise)

Country Singles

1. "One Night At a Time," George Strait (MCA)
2. "On the Verge," Collin Raye (Epic)
3. "Another You," David Kersh (Curb)
4. "Sad Lookin' Moon," Alabama (RCA)
5. "Better Man, Better Off," Tracy Lawrence (Atlantic)
6. "Rumor Has It," Clay Walker (Reprise)
7. "When I Close My Eyes," Kenney Chesney (BNA)
8. "Good As I Was to You," Lorie Morgan (BNA)
9. "If She Don't Love You," The Buffalo Club (Rising Tide)
10. "I Miss You A Little," John Michael Montgomery (Atlantic)

Latin Tracks

1. "Solo En Ti," Enrique Iglesias (Fonovisa)
2. "Mi Sangre Prisionera," Los Tigres Del Norte (Fonovisa)
3. "Secuestro De Amor," Los Tucanes De Tijuana (EMI Latin)
4. "Ya Me Voy Para Siempre," Los Temerarios (Fonovisa)
5. "O Soy O Fuí," Marcos Antonio Soto (Fonovisa)

Reviews and Previews Editor
JIMMY PATTERSON



Los Angeles' famed Wilshire Blvd. gets burned in 'Volcano'

'Volcano' formulaic disaster film, but it's not all that bad

By Matt Crenson
Associated Press Writer

First, to dispense with the sheer ridiculousness of the premise.

The idea behind "Volcano" is that Los Angeles lies atop a slumbering giant. And one day, right in the middle of city emergency manager Mike Roark's well-deserved vacation, the giant awakes.

A couple of earthquakes readjust the faults beneath the City of Angels and lava spurts forth, consuming buildings, palm trees and, of course, automobiles.

Sadly, this fate is not likely to befall Los Angeles. True, it is a city rich in natural disasters, but volcanic eruptions are not among them. Earthquakes, brush fires, mudslides — yes, yes and yes.

But volcanoes? Not a chance.

Glad we got that out of the way. Because, once you get over the fact that Wilshire Boulevard could never in a million years be transformed into a seething river of molten lava, "Volcano" isn't so bad.

Formulaic? Of course. But what do you want, Tommy Lee Jones playing chess with death?

No, you want him playing chicken with a superhot lava flow that comes spurting out of the La Brea tar pits (geologists are permitted a brief chuckle at this point) and that threatens to destroy one of La La Land's most cherished institutions, the Beverly Center shopping mall.

Fireman, save my baby!

Which is exactly what Jones does, with the levelheaded collaboration of Dr. Amy Barnes

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Cheadle emerges unsinged

By Bob Thomas
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Don Cheadle doesn't even get singed in the new spectacular "Volcano." He spends most of the movie on the phone to his beleaguered boss, Tommy Lee Jones, who is in the field fighting lava, panic and other haz-

ards. In the movie, both men work for L.A.'s Office of Emergency Management, which has a new kind of disaster: a volcano erupting out of the La Brea Tar Pits on Wilshire Boulevard's Museum Row.

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JIMMY PATTERSON

We were wrong all along: Leno, Carson not funny

Well, well, well. *Entertainment Weekly* has come out with another one of those all-encompassing lists. This one is devoted to the staff's opinions of the 50 funniest people alive.

It's always a lot of fun to pick apart *EW*'s lists. This one is no exception.

First and foremost, it is a losing battle to rank funny people 1-50. As we've said so often here in the past, humor is in the ear of the beholder. What's funny to one person may be high drama to the next. Putting a number next to the comedians is really quite futile. I suppose the magazine's reasoning is to draw letters of ire from readers who disagree. It's a nice little way to gauge readership, but lists like this accomplish little else.

But let's nitpick anyway...

Robin Williams is No. 1. No argument there. None whatsoever.

But the agreement ends there.

Where are Jay Leno and Johnny Carson? How can a reportedly reputable entertainment magazine compile a list of the funniest people alive and proceed to leave off the two men responsible for the last 36 years of "The Tonight Show"? That alone makes this list irresponsible to the point of being laughable, if you will. Leno's people say he'll have no comment on the



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slight. Carson probably couldn't care less. Carson is responsible for the success of many of the comedians on this list, not to mention his own comedic talents, but is given only a brief mention in an accompanying article. Last I heard, he is still alive and well. Few others have had his timing and his deadpan stare when a joke hit, but especially when one fell flat. To leave either Carson or Leno — both comedy giants — off the list immediately renders the article meaningless and riddled with holes.

Also left off: Don Knotts, Paula Poundstone and Bill Engvall. Knotts may be the funniest comic actor ever on TV. Although quiet of late, Poundstone is one of the reigning female stand-ups, and Engvall is the thinking redneck's Jeff Foxworthy. In fact, his new album, "Here's Your Sign" is almost an hour of non-stop laughs. His bits on Texas, marriage, family life and stupid people are very, very funny. And, most of it can be listened to with the kids, though not all of it.

Phil Hartman's left off, too. He may be the funniest man in prime time today with his Bill McNeil character on "Newsradio." Plus, he had some above average moments on a below average Saturday Night Live.

Roseanne is in at No. 3. That's great. If you find crotch-grabbin' National Anthem singers funny, she's perfect.

Jim Carrey's No. 4. Carrey might be worthy of the No. 4 ranking if not for a little comedian by the name of Jerry Lewis, who's not on the list. Carrey hardly has an original bone in his body, but he can certainly contort himself like few others. In fact, he'd be No. 1

Rimes a big winner again

LeAnn Rimes, right, continues to add to her trophy case, winning four Academy of Country Music awards Wednesday night. Story, winners list, Page 7B



The Blonde leading the Blonde

Mira Sorvino and Lisa Kudrow costar in "Romy and Michele's High School Reunion."

By Barbara DeWitt
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — The next big fashion trend is straight out of your preteen fantasies.

It's like Barbie's wardrobe. A cool ensemble for every moment of her busy life, with matching mules and cutesy accessories. Remember those plastic diamond rings?

If you've forgotten the details of Barbie's fashion stance in the late '60s, it's all detailed for you in "Romy and Michele's High School Reunion," the trendiest fashion flick since "Clueless."

In this case of blonde leading the blonde, Mira Sorvino and Lisa Kudrow star in the movie opening today as two live dress-up dolls with "Clueless" tastes on minimum-wage budgets. Without sugar daddies to dress them up, Kudrow's character designs couture clothes and whips them up on the sewing machine.

These babes are stylin' in super short, body-hugging dresses selected by costume director Mona May (she worked on "Clueless" and its spinoff TV series) who was inspired by fashions on the runways of London, Paris and Berlin.

"Some of the looks you'll see in the movie are now in stores, but when we started making the film more than a year ago, the only suitable fashions I found were on European runways," May said. "I bought some original designs, particularly from Christian Lacroix, and then redesigned them to fit differently — to be shorter or tighter — in other words, less serious and more humorous than originally intended."

The designer said she got ideas for the costumes from dance clubs, fashion trade shows, boutiques on Melrose Avenue and thrift stores on Ventura Boulevard in Studio City and Sherman Oaks.

"The Valley thrift stores were a great source for accessories, including the vintage cherry necklace and earrings that Lisa wears. And I also bought several of the little purses," she said, "but we often camped them up with spray paint and glued-on rhinestones. It was the same with the shoes. None of the brightly colored mules you see in the film were bought that way, although you'll find colorful shoes in stores this season."

One of the fashion trends spotted in the film are



Lisa Kudrow, left, and Mira Sorvino.

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SPORTS

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TV Sports

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GOLF — Senior PGA Las Vegas Senior Classic, first round, 2 p.m., ESPN.
PGA — Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic, second round, 3 p.m., USA.
BASEBALL — Pittsburgh Pirates at Chicago Cubs, 2 p.m., WGN.
Chicago White Sox at New York Yankees, 6:30 p.m., WGN.
Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins, 7 p.m., FSS.
NBA — Eastern conference quarterfinals, game 1, Detroit Pistons at Atlanta Hawks, 6 p.m., TBS.
Eastern conference quarterfinals, game 1, Washington Bullets at Chicago Bulls, 7 p.m., TNT.
Western conference quarterfinals, game 1, Phoenix Suns at Seattle Sonics, 8:30 p.m., TBS.
Western conference quarterfinals, game 1, Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m., TNT.
NHL — Eastern conference quarterfinals, game 5, New York Rangers at Florida Panthers (if necessary), 6:30 p.m., ESPN.
MOTOR SPORTS — Monster Truck Challenge VII (same-day tape), 7 p.m., TNN.

Texas Scores

TEXAS LEAGUE — El Paso Diablos 6, Midland Angels 5.
BASEBALL — Texas Rangers 4, Detroit Tigers 2.
NBA — Houston Rockets 112, Minnesota Timberwolves 95.

Sports Today

AREA SOFTBALL — Class 5A area tripleheader playoff in Fort Stockton, City Parks: El Paso Eastwood vs. Lubbock Coronado, 2 p.m.; El Paso Hanks vs. Lubbock High, 4 p.m.; Midland Lee vs. El Paso Bel Air, 6 p.m. RADIO: KCRS (103 FM).
PREP TRACK — Region I-5A Meet, 9 a.m., City Fuller Track, Lubbock.
Region 3A Meet, 11 a.m., Ratliff Stadium, Odessa.
GOLF — Ranchland Hills Country Club Stampede, day.
DIVING — U.S. Masters Diving, 10 a.m., City of Midland Aquatics Center.
TEXAS LEAGUE — El Paso Diablos at Midland Angels, 7 p.m., Christensen Stadium. RADIO: KCRS (550 AM).

Masters Diving

Midland's Mabey Aquatics Center will host the United States Masters Diving National Championships this weekend.
The event, organized by the United States Diving Masters Diving Association, will start today at 10 a.m. and will go through Sunday at 2 p.m.

Divers aged 21 and up will make the trek to Midland with 26 national titles on the line in 14 different men's and women's age divisions. The oldest diver is 95 years old.

Many of the divers have experience at the national and NCAA levels. The Grand Masters events are for national champions and NCAA champion divers.

Approximately 50 swimmers will come to Midland from around the nation. The field will also include international competitors from Russia, Australia and Mexico.
The schedule for the U.S. Masters National Diving Championships which will be held at the Mabey Aquatics Center.

Today
10 a.m.: Women's 50-over 1-meter, 65-over Men's 1-meter, Men's 50-64 3-meter. Noon: Women's 21-34 3-meter, Women's 35-49 1-meter, 2 p.m.: Men's 21-34 3-meter, Men's 35-49 1-meter. 4 p.m.: Grand Masters III, IV, V.

Saturday
10 a.m.: Men's 21-34 1-meter, Men's 35-49 3-meter. Noon: Women's 21-34 1-meter. 2 p.m.: Men's 50-64 1-meter, Women's 50-over 3-meter, Men's 65-over 3-meter. 4 p.m.: Grand Masters I, II.

Sunday
10 a.m.: Women's 40-over platform, Men's 40-over platform. Noon: Women's 21-39 platform, Men's 21-39 platform. 2 p.m.: Synchronized Diving Events (Men, Women, Mixed Pairs).

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Lee softball team takes on surprising Bel Air

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

FORT STOCKTON — The Midland Lee softball team, by virtue of winning the District 4-5A championship, enters the state area softball playoff picture here today at 6 p.m. against El Paso Bel Air as the Lady Highlanders hope to pull off another Region I shocker.
Lee drew the first round bye in the playoffs as a district champion and had to sit back and watch some of the strange happenings take place in the Region I bi-district field. Bel Air, a third place team from District 2-5A, upset El Paso Franklin, the No. 2 seed from District 1-5A, in bi-district play.
Also in the bi-district round, Lubbock High stunned

Odessa Permian, 10-8, as a District 4-5A team was eliminated from the state playoffs in the bi-district round for the first time in history. Abilene High, which met El Paso Andress Thursday in the area round in Monahans, did survive the upset fever with an 8-1 win over Lubbock Monterey.

Asked if he was concerned about the rash of first round upsets in the playoffs, Lee coach Perry Young just yawned at the thought.

"We don't really worry about those things. There's nothing you can do about that," Young said. "We just have to go play our game and we'll be OK."

If you want to see the shape of a big portion of the Region I field, today's action should be the place to be. Lee will meet Bel Air in the third game of this area

tripleheader.

At 2 p.m., El Paso Eastwood will take on Lubbock Coronado while El Paso Hanks will meet Lubbock High at 4 p.m. prior to the Bel Air-Lee meeting at 6 p.m. The Bel Air-Lee winner will meet the Lubbock High-Hanks winner next week in the region quarterfinals.

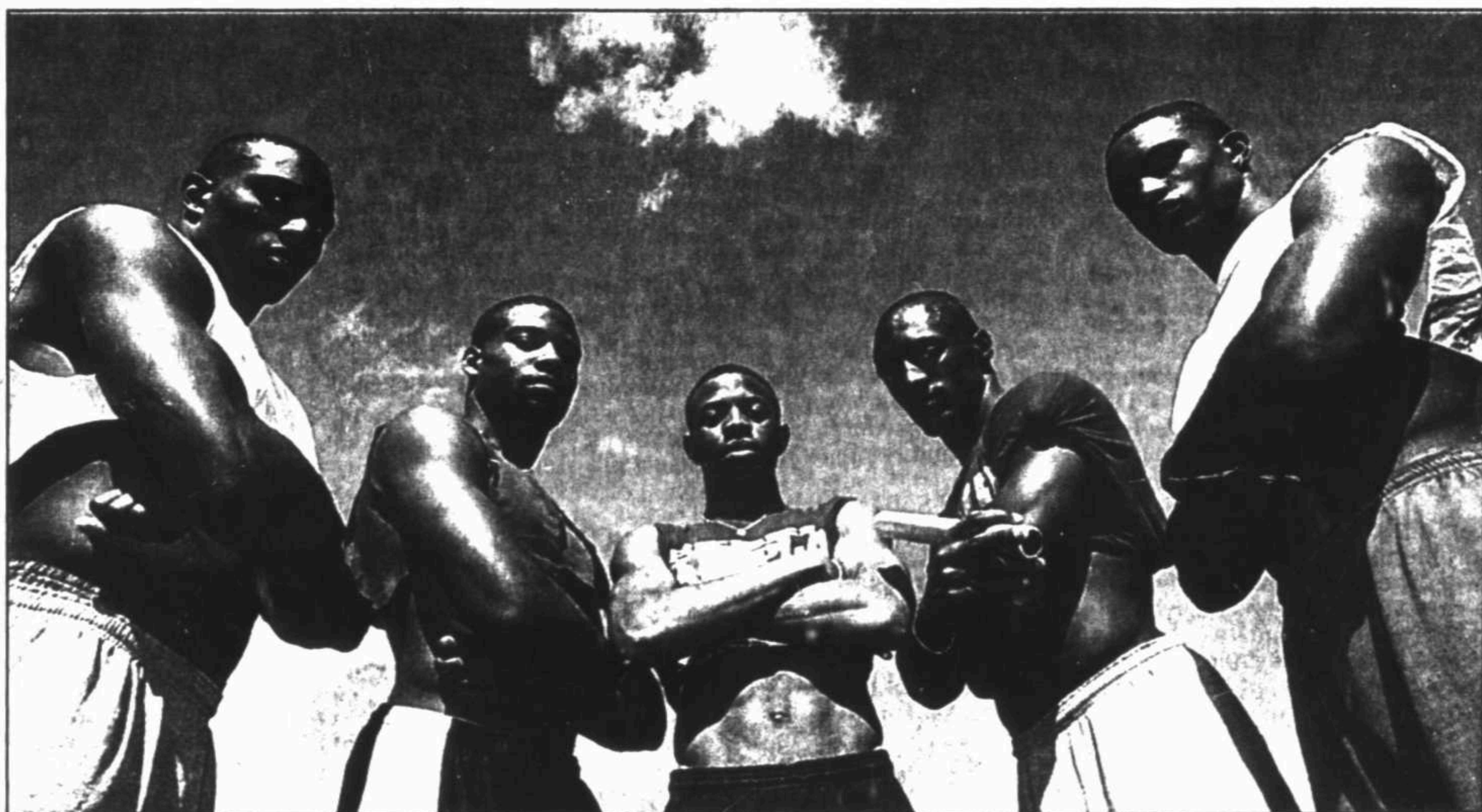
"I would guess that we could be back in Fort Stockton next Tuesday if we win," Young said. "Both teams will play right before us, so we will all be there to decide, but I would think we would come right back to Fort Stockton."

Lee, in the state playoffs for the third consecutive year, has never gone less than four rounds deep into the

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REGION I-5A TRACK MEET

Lee's Fab 5 gets long-awaited shot at state



The 'Fab 5' track stars of Lee High School, from left, John Norman, Antwan Alexander, Dreyfus Andrews, Fred Pertile, Cory Pertile, aim to qualify for the state meet when they compete at the Region I-5A Track and Field Championships Friday and Saturday in Lubbock.

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

It is not hard to hear the call of the "Fab 5" around the Midland Lee track. After two district championships this year, it has actually been hard to ignore.

"Fab 5" is the nickname given to triple jumper Dreyfus Andrews and 1600-meter relay members John Norman, Antwan Alexander, Fred Pertile and Cory Pertile. They have teamed up in track, football and choir. And this weekend, they will take their act to Lubbock for the Region I-5A Track and Field Championships where a top-two finish in their respective events will place them in Austin for the state meet. Nothing would be more fabulous.

"This is something that we talked about all summer. It would be the bomb," Alexander said. "We have taken the theme from football, 'Hungrier than ever.'"

So far this season, the "Fab 5" have turned their hunger into success, riding undefeated records into this weekend's action. Making it past regionals will demand more effort. In fact, the only moment of pleasure will come only after a state berth is posted.

"It is not nothing but a business trip to me," said Norman, who will also participate in both hurdle events. "I have a chance to go (to state) in three events. I will go to Lub-

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Sprint relay team shows MHS' improvement

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

Midland High track coach Wes Cope did not need a regional qualifier to remind him what an improvement this season has been. But since his 4 X 100-meter team did qualify, he can't help but be a little happier.

"The fact that we got somebody in and that the somebody is a team shows the importance of having a track team and not individuals," Cope said. "I am extremely happy with the way my kids competed. With the state of this program, where it started and finished, you have to be happy."

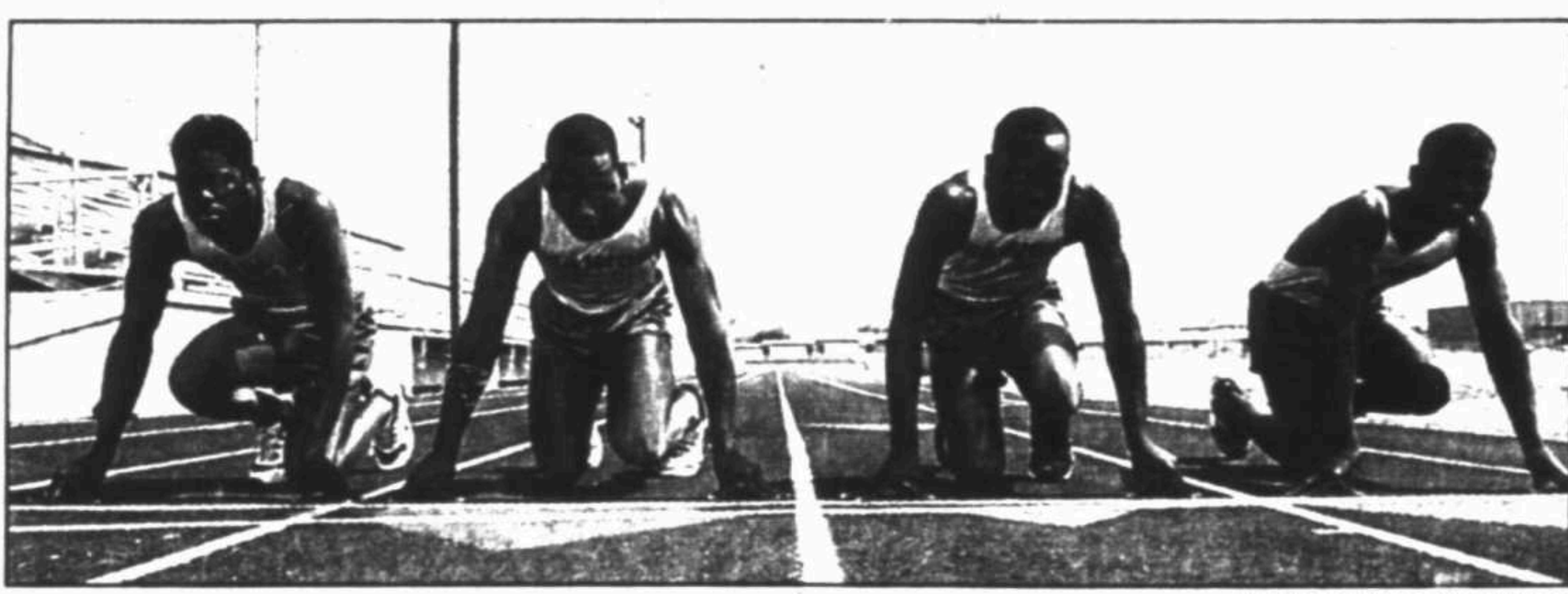
The relay was just a part of the

success of this year's team, which won meets in El Paso and Midland. In addition to winning meets for the first time in recent memory, the program saw a rise in the number of runners. There was also an increase in the number of total points scored in the District 4-5A meet from eight in 1996 to 39 in 1997.

"When we were in El Paso, I knew everything changed," senior Tommy Marrs said. "We got better, and as it went on, I thought we would make it this far. Now, we feel we can take it to another level."

This trip is a bonus for Marrs and Jerome Eldridge, the relay team's two seniors.

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The Midland High 400-meter relay team of, from left, Tommy Marrs, Jerome Eldridge, Raji Hickley and Weldon Cooks hopes to make the best of their chance at the Region I-5A Track and Field Championships Friday and Saturday in Lubbock.

Davis Racing succeeding in first year of existence

Staff Report

It's not often a racing team can undergo major changes in the off-season and still come out for the first race of the season without missing a step.

It's even rarer when the changes involve the major elements of ownership, drivers, engines and sponsors. But that's what Midland's Davis Racing team did at the PPG CART World Series opener in Homestead, Fla.

First-year team owner Gerald Davis guided his new team through its sometime-painful birth to a spirited 15th place finish in the March 2 Marlboro Grand Prix of Miami with Brazilian rook-

ie Gualter Salles doing the driving. While the team did not score PPG Cup points, the run was still remarkable considering the team was nearly defunct just four weeks earlier.

A year ago, Davis Racing wasn't a thought in Davis' mind. Instead, he was focused on his position as team manager for Midland's Hall Racing, overseeing Gil de Ferran's effort in the CART series.

Davis had assembled a highly-talented crew to work with de Ferran, who gave the team two wins in 1995 and 1996. But by the end of last season, the winds were changing within the team. Owner

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Rebels battle Central for third playoff berth

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

There are no ifs or maybes to ponder today, just the following simple fact: The winner of the Midland Lee-San Angelo Central baseball game at 4:30 p.m. will claim the third and final playoff spot from District 4-5A.

Neither the Rebels nor Bobcats have to depend on anybody else if they are going to continue their seasons beyond this afternoon. They just have to worry about beating each other.

Yet, had Central held on to a seventh-inning lead against Abilene Cooper Tuesday afternoon, this game would be nothing more than the final game of the regular season for both

teams. However, with the Bobcats (7-4 in district) losing to Cooper 14-11 and Lee (6-4-1) beating Permian 8-7, today's game means the winner goes to the playoffs.

"I feel pretty good right now mainly because we've got the opportunity to play for something in this game," Lee coach Jesse Benavidez said.

While Central's loss to Cooper gave the Rebels a reprieve, Lee could have made things easier on itself last Saturday. The Rebels couldn't hold a five-run lead in the seventh against Abilene High and lost 13-12, leaving them no margin of error in their final two games.

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Diablos triumph, 6-5, after two-hour delay

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

The Midland Angels' 10-game homestand got off to a rough start Thursday night as their game with the El Paso Diablos was delayed by weather, but the two teams got back on the field after 10 p.m. in an effort to save the outing.

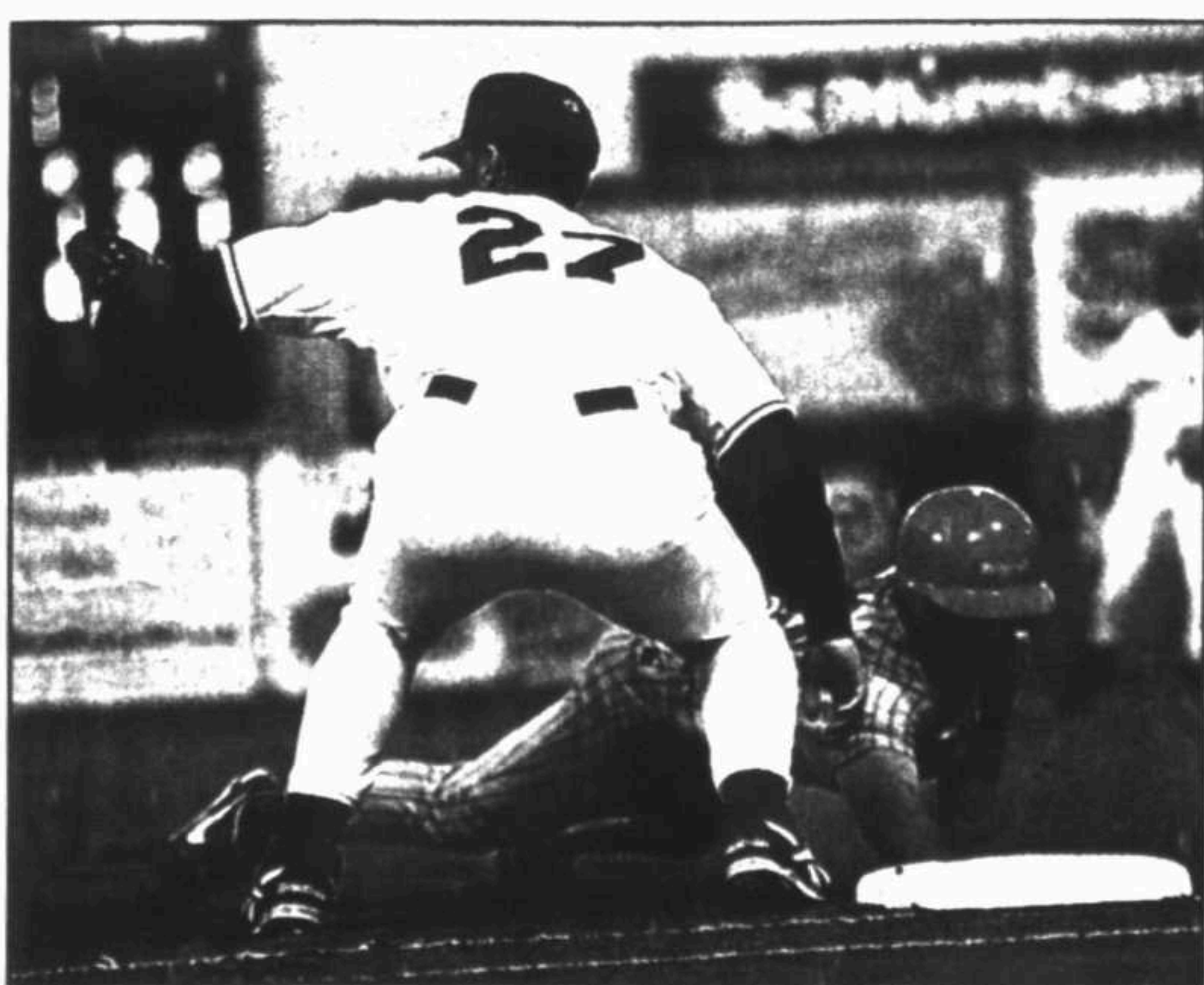
El Paso came away with a 6-5 victory after scoring three runs in the top of the ninth. El Paso held a 1-0 lead in the top of the fifth inning when the game was halted at 8:08 p.m. due to high wind and some rain.

The two teams resumed play after more than a two-hour delay.

The two teams will play again today at 7 p.m., but more weather problems are expected when Midland's Scott Schoeneweis (1-0, 5.61) goes against Jason Dawsey (2-1, 3.86).

The Diablos have lost four games in a row, going 1-4 in a swing through San Antonio while Midland

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An El Paso Diablos player dives safely back into first base before Midland first baseman Danny Buxbaum receives a pickoff throw. The Diablos rallied for a 6-5 win Thursday at Christensen Stadium.

Greenwood sends several athletes to regional meet

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Greenwood girls track coach Patti Purser is feeling pretty good going into this weekend's Region I-3A Track and Field Meet at Odessa Ratliff Stadium.

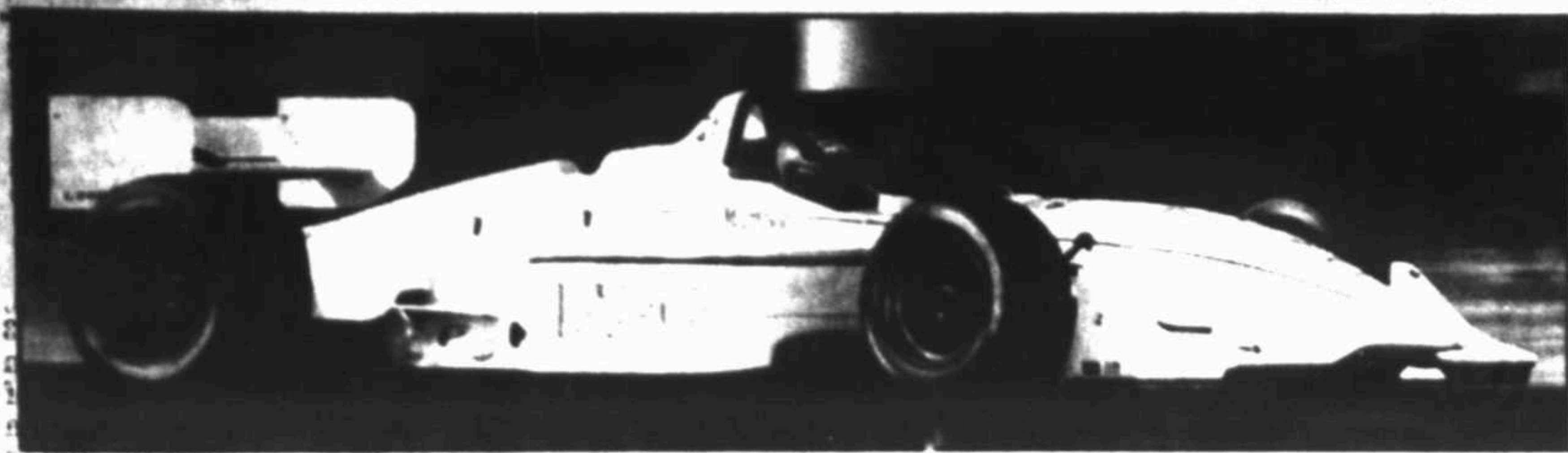
The reason is that her Rangerettes, although still young, have some experience behind them and talent to boot. The 400-meter relay team of Cassie Henkel, Caanon Johnston, Jennie Smith and Kahra Bruton comes into the meet with the second-best time (51.14) — the team from Abilene Wylie owns the best time (49.94).

"I think our chances are real good. We're looking at hopefully going to state after being in the regionals for the past few years."

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Brazilian Gualter Salles drives this car for Davis Racing, a team co-owned by Gerald Davis.

Courtesy photo

DAVIS: Racing team starts off well

(From 1C)

Jim Hall, a winner of two Indy 500 races as an owner, announced his retirement and de Ferran left the team.

That's when Davis stepped up to the plate. He purchased the team's assets from Hall and formed Davis Racing, quickly landing an engine contract with Ford to use the powerful Cosworth XD engine that won five CART races in 1996. Davis also looked for a driver to build the team around and found Salles, a promising Brazilian with three wins in the fiercely competitive Firestone Indy Lights Championship.

Perhaps most important, Davis was able to keep the core of his race crew intact, a vital commodity for any team.

"I never really had any aspirations of owning a team," Davis said. "It's hard to get a good group of guys together like we have, and when you have the personnel, you do what you can to keep them together. That's a tough thing in this business, keeping continuity, but it's important for the team and personally for the guys."

The team is fiercely loyal in its belief in Davis.

"Gerald is the glue that keeps us together," says assistant team manager Alex Hering. "This team was going nowhere fast until Gerald joined us (1993). He put the team together and made us winners. That's why we're still with him."

But Davis Racing still had one major hurdle to clear: capital. A failed partnership forced the team to skip CART Spring Training in February and return to its base in Midland.

That's when Brazilian business-

man Jorge Cintra, the president of Intag and promoter of the Rio 400 CART race, stepped into the picture. Davis and Cintra met when Cintra introduced Salles to Davis at Laguna Seca. At the same meeting, Cintra also expressed an interest in owning a CART team, but Davis' plans were already set.



Davis

With the team's future in question, Davis contacted Cintra to see if the interest was still there. Cintra jumped at the chance to join the fledgling team, bringing along his business acumen to help the team attain needed sponsorship. Davis became co-owner and managing director of the team and Cintra was named co-owner and chairman of the board. Shortly afterward, Davis Racing named Peter Dufay as team manager and marketing director.

Davis Racing came together at Homestead as an unknown entity, but left as a player in the PPG Cup series and Salles a legitimate contender for CART Rookie of the Year honors. Salles qualified 19th, but just 0.8 seconds away from the pole.

In the race, Salles was bedeviled with boost problems, leaving him short on power. The team then lost a lap in the race when Salles was forced to pit with a flat tire and later lost a second lap on a pit-lane speed violation. Still, Salles put on a spirited run to 15th, dueling with three-time CART champion Bobby Rahal in the latter stages of the race and passing him with a few

laps remaining.

"It was a terrific learning experience," Salles said. "Everything about this race will serve me throughout my racing career."

"I couldn't ask for a better team than Davis Racing to start my Formula Indy career. Everything here is so professional. Gerald Davis knows more about these cars because he spent time working on them. Jorge Cintra is a major asset to the team. He is very easy going and honest. He knows exactly what is happening and what he wants, but he is also patient and very open. We will start at one point and just get better."

"I like everyone on the crew because they are professionals and know what they are doing. I can talk with my engineer (Chuck Matthews) and with the team and I get along with them very easily. It is a very comfortable place."

Davis Racing may be comfortable, but Davis doesn't want his team to get too comfortable. Instead, he wants his team hungry for good results and winning.

"I didn't form this team to go racing around every week," Davis said. "This team knows what it feels like to win and we want to get to that level again and reach even higher."

Davis Racing and Salles will be at the Bosch Spark Plug Grand Prix in Nazareth, Pa., this weekend. It is the first short oval of the young 1997 season after back-to-back street races at Surfers Paradise and Long Beach.

Salles was 15th in his last oval test at Homestead. Nazareth is the first of four oval races in a row with the Rio 400, Gateway and Milwaukee to follow.

Lee's dark horses find spotlight

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

At the District 4-5A track meet, Lee coach Kelvin Ratliff called high jumper Matt Cobb and 800-meter runner Robert Douglas his "dark horses."

However, those "dark horses" stepped into the regional limelight with top 2 finishes to qualify for the Region 1-5A Track and Field Championships this weekend at the R.P. Fuller Track Field.

"I am proud of both," Ratliff said. "They know they have worked hard to get out and will have to do their best to go farther. I'm glad both are here."

Both runners managed to break through the district barrier to make it to Lubbock after barely missing in 1996. This season, Douglas improved on last year's third place finish, moving one step higher. His time of two minutes, 1.47 seconds wasn't a season's best, but he was good enough to outkick a Cooper runner for the final spot.

"He has just missed the last two years, so this is good for him," Ratliff said.

Douglas is looking forward to his first trip to the 1-5A meet and is setting his goals one day at a time.

"I will worry about (Friday's) preliminaries first," Douglass said. "It will be hard race, and I will put out my best effort and not hold back. This is my first time running in Lubbock. I have never been there and never even watched."

Cobb is another making his first appearance. He got there with a performance at the district meet that almost was good enough to grab the district title. Cobb jumped six-feet, five inches for second and barely missed on 6-6. This weekend he wants to go higher than that.

"I'm hoping for 6-7," said Cobb, whose personal best is 6-6. "At the district meet, I knew I could get 6-6, and 6-7 is a step up."

A No. 1 city ranking demands it. Last week at the TAPPS 1-4A meet, Midland Christian's Alex Awtry jumped 6-6 to grab this year's city best.

"I have a good friend at Midland Christian that went 6-6," Cobb said of Awtry. "He is shorter than me, and it wouldn't be good if I don't go higher."

"My goal is to go to state, but if



Lee's Matt Cobb works on his high jump technique in preparation for the Region 1-5A Track Meet Friday in Lubbock.

I go 6-7 or 6-8, I will be happy."

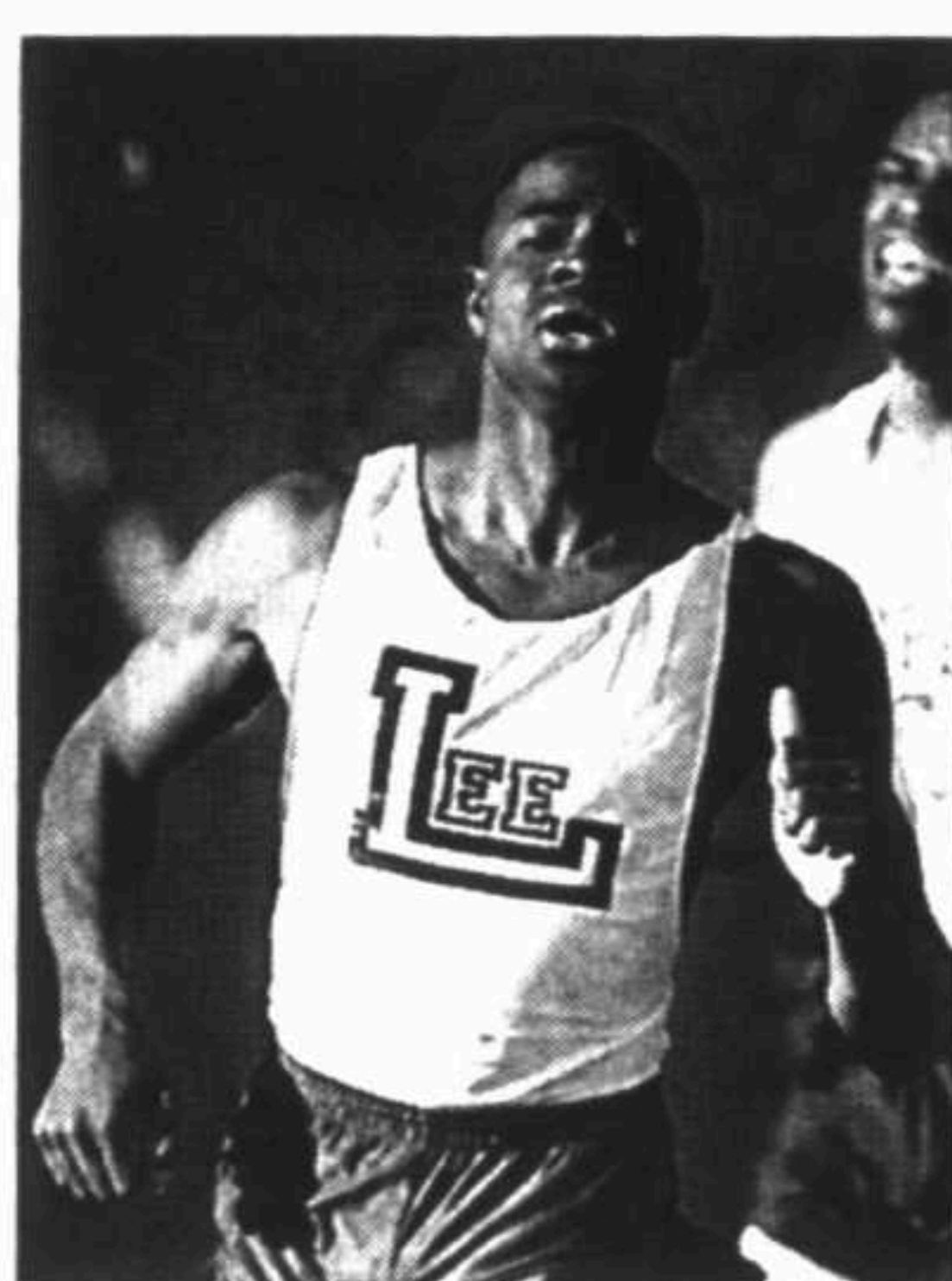
Ratliff says that having Cobb at regionals means a lot. Cobb gave up basketball to focus on the high jump and thinks that his potential — now and in the future — is limitless.

"He could have a very good regional and if that happens, you never know what can happen," Ratliff said. "If he jumps in the future, he could be strong enough to jump 7-0."

Douglas and Cobb join Lee's 1600 relay (John Norman, Antwan Alexander, Fred Pertile and Cory Pertile) and triple jumper/long jumper Dreyfus Andrews in Lubbock. All seven athletes are seniors, so this class will leave a serious void in Ratliff's program. Don't think he doesn't know this.

"This is our class," Ratliff said. "I would like to see the kids do well, because next year we will be rebuilding. That will be tough."

Today's 1-5A Schedule: Six field event finals will be conducted today. The girls' discus, boys' triple jump, boys' pole vault, boys' high jump, girls long jump and boys' discus will get the meet



Lee's Robert Douglas strains for the 800-meter finish line at the District 4-5A Track Meet April 12 in Midland. He finished second and qualified for the Region 1-5A Meet Friday and Saturday in Lubbock.

underway. The discus and triple jump start at 9 a.m. The running event preliminaries begin at 1:30 p.m. and will last until 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL: Lady Rebels face Bel Air

(From 1C)

playoffs. Lee is a heavy favorite over Bel Air.

The two teams haven't met this year, but both played in the West Texas Classic tournament in Midland back in February. Lee did, however, meet Franklin in that tournament, winning 8-0. Bel Air played in the consolation side of the tournament while Lee went to the finals before losing to Richland, a team Lee could face again down the playoff road.

It's been a long wait for the Lady Rebels, who have posted a 19-4 overall record this year. Lee had only one scrimmage game, a 3-2 win against Mesquite Potet, a Class 4A school. Young said that the game produced a mixed bag of results.

"Mesquite is a pretty good 4A team," Young said. "We got good pitching and we played good in the field, but offensively, we were a little flat. After all, we had been open 10 days."

Chrystal Smith, 14-3 on the season with a 1.38 ERA, will again get the mound call today.

Shortstop Jessica Garcia is leading the Rebel hit parade this season, batting .500 with 13 RBIs. Center fielder Marcie Villa has been the most productive at the plate with a team high 34 RBIs while hitting .434. Second baseman Jennifer Aman, a junior, is hitting at a .352 clip and has driven in 27 runs. Catcher Adrian Nobles may be the hottest hitter on the team coming into the game, batting at a .448 clip with 21 RBIs.

Rounding out the Lee starting lineup will be left fielder Michelle Primeaux (.357, 5 RBIs), right fielder Patricia Carrasco (.352, 11 RBIs) and first baseman Gracie Villa (.267, 6 RBIs). Either freshman Jennifer Bryant (.373, 11 RBIs) or junior Andrea Rodriguez (.308, 7 RBIs) will start at third base. Smith, the pitcher, carries a .236 average, but has 10 RBIs.

MHS: Bulldog relay team at regionals

(From 1C)

"This is the last year that we had," Marrs said. "If we didn't make it, that would have been a sad feeling. Now, we are this far and aren't left out."

MHS' sprint relay of (Marrs, Eldridge, Raji Hickey and Weldon Cooks) ran a season-best 42.22 to place second in the district meet by Abilene Cooper. The Bulldogs got a needed break when district favorite San Angelo Central dropped the baton and did not finish, but that is the nature of the race and doesn't change what the team needs to do this weekend.

"It is all focus," Eldridge said. "This is a team thing. We work as a team and win as a team. Now, we

can do what we need to for a win." Eldridge and Marrs were joined by two sophomores, Hickey and Cooks, two of the runners which the program will revolve around for the next two years.

"We get to go as sophomores and now we have a chance to go to state," Cooks said. "I can't wait until we are juniors and seniors. We will be dominating."

Hickey said, "It gives us more experience for the future. We will now what to look for when we go again."

The combination of runners pleases Cope. He says that having two sophomores gives them a taste of what the future can hold while the two seniors get a bonus for

sticking with the team through thick and thin. It also puts MHS in the same category as the other three city programs by having an entry in Lubbock.

"I am extremely proud of the way we competed this year and now we have a chance to compete (at regionals)," Cope said. "Also, this puts the city's four teams at the track meet. It is a tribute to all the coaches. We have programs that can come to this point."

Once the team gets to Lubbock, it could be hard to enjoy the feat of making the field, especially as all the teams will be of the highest caliber. However, the kids should take in everything, as it could be the first of many trips.

LEE: Rebels' Fab 5 seeks more fame

(From 1C)

back with the mentality that I am going."

The 1600 relay is full of names familiar to Lee football fans and ability that District 4-5A coaches can't wait to see graduate. Norman, Alexander and Fred Pertile were all-state players and Cory Pertile was a unanimous all-district pick. All four have also signed to play Division I football — Norman and Alexander with Texas Tech and the Pertiles with North Texas. But even with the individual honors, there has been something missing from their Lee Rebel resume — a trip to state.

"I'm wanting to go to state in something," Cory Pertile said. "It is do or die. We will do it, or there is no tomorrow."

Fred Pertile said going to Austin to watch the state meet was the inspiration the foursome needed.

"We have been talking about this since last year," Fred Pertile said. "I think we have a chance to win the whole thing and put one in the bag for (Lee coach Kelvin) Ratliff."

Last year, Norman, Alexander, Fred Pertile and John McAfee, who now runs for Baylor, placed

third in the relay after running a season-best 3:15.14. Last week, the team peaked with a 3:17.6 at a qualifiers' meet in Lamesa. Ratliff knows they will have to do better.

"They will run their best time in Lubbock," Ratliff said. "I think they will run 3:15. The question is whether they will get out of the region. (3:15) didn't get out last year."

Unlike his counterparts on the relay, Andrews had not achieved the fame of the other four until this spring — and he only jumped three times to do it. His jumps have put him at the top of the state rankings, landed him a Tall City Relays record, and earned him a district title. Don't think people haven't noticed.

"This is his glory," Ratliff said. "He knows if he can get a big jump, he will not have to take a back seat to anyone."

Andrews, a wide receiver on the football team and member of the Rebels basketball team, says that he was not looking to one-up anyone else but to establish his own name. Being in the state's top five all season long has done that. Now, he wants to go to state. He thinks that regionals will be a three-horse race, with Cooper's

Chris Cherry and El Paso Austin's Ross Fontenette.

He will not let a strained groin that has him at 85 percent affect him or use it as an excuse. He doesn't care what it takes.

"Right now, if I jump 43 feet and win, I will take it," Andrews said. "It is fun to be ranked and there are high expectations. I am competitive and looking forward to whoever, whenever. There are three of us, and one of us is going home. It will not be me."

Andrews is trying to get one thing that his relay comrades have, and that is all-expense-paid trip to college. He has heard from Houston and Texas Tech, but right now, nothing is certain.

"This weekend is important, not only to get to state, but he needs the exposure," Ratliff said. "If he goes 50 feet, he will get more looks. I think he is a 50-foot jumper."

After a qualifiers' meet last Friday, the Rebel track team stopped to eat at a restaurant in Lamesa. During their stay, the "Fab 5" broke out into vocal act that had the attention of the team and many people in the restaurant. If their on-the-track harmonizing is as good, their next tune could have an Austin flair.

I-3A MEET: Rangerettes will give 100 percent

(From 1C)

I just don't know if we have enough horses to do it," Purser said. "It's not going to be an easy job, but I have no doubt that they'll give it 100 percent. I know they have the work habits and the drive to do it."

Other events the Greenwood girls have qualified in are Bruton in the 100-meter hurdles; Henkel in the 400-meter dash; the 800-meter relay team with Bruton, Johnston, Smith and Cara Watzl; Jill Stanley in the 800 and 1600-meter run; Kristie Brown in the discus; Nikki Smetzer in the 300 hurdles; and Henkel and Bruton in the long and triple jump events.

There was a possibility that the sprint relay team might not even qualify for regionals after injuries kept hampering the team and constantly changing the running combinations. Purser said that once they got to the District 4-5A meet, the regular lineup was back in place to win the meet.

The relay team is led by Henkel, who's a senior and also will be competing in the 400-meter dash and the long and triple jump. Henkel is one of the Rangerettes that has that experience competing in regionals before, as she has made appearances the past three years.

"Cassie maybe hasn't been run-

ning as strong as she should be, but she is a great competitor, she's a three-sport letterman and she is a hard worker," Purser said.

Having that type of experienced leadership on the team will certainly help get through the tough competition Greenwood will face. Johnston and Smith are also seniors.

"The seniors will help the young ones get over the jitters of competing in regionals because they've been there before," Purser said.

Even though Bruton is just a sophomore, she, along with Henkel, makes a return appearance in regionals. They placed third and fourth respectively in the long jump.

The Greenwood boys 1600-meter relay team of Steven Hester, Philip Morrison, Scott Reed, Justin Brooks and Jonathan Bigley, were the only qualifiers for

regionals for coach Ronnie Fowlkes. Their road to state might be a little tougher.

"Every team in there has been running pretty good," Fowlkes said. "I think we could be running better than what we have been running. The last times I saw were between 3:24 to 3:26. The best that we've run is 3:29.8, so we have to cut a bunch off."

Last year the mile-relay team finished seventh. They're counting on some senior leadership to help guide them in Hester, who's making his third trip to regionals. But with the top competition coming from Dimmitt and Crane, Fowlkes knows that he needs a good effort from the whole team.

"Without a doubt, they have to run the best they have all year," he said.

Today's preliminary events start at 11 a.m. On Saturday, the events get underway at 10 a.m.

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Pavlik's good outing sparks Rangers

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Texas manager Johnny Oates let out a big sigh of relief when Roger Pavlik had a 1-2-3 first inning Thursday. It was going to be a good day.

Pavlik rebounded from two awful starts and Ivan Rodriguez broke a seventh-inning tie with a two-run double, carrying the Rangers to a 4-2 victory over the Detroit Tigers.

"He'll let you know after the first inning every time," Oates said. "If we could figure out why, we would've done it a long time ago."

A lot of players started for Texas. Rodriguez had three hits and three RBIs. Bill Ripken had a pinch-hit RBI to tie the game. Rookie Danny Patterson struck out the side in the eighth. John Wetteland rebounded from his first blown save to pitch a perfect ninth for his fifth save.

But the key was Pavlik (2-2), who went a season-high seven innings after getting only 10 outs — total — in his previous two starts.

Pavlik didn't make it out of the first inning Friday, setting an AL record by walking the game's first four batters. He was taken out after giving up five runs on just one out.

On Thursday, Pavlik got the first three batters on groundouts. He also had a perfect second inning and didn't let anyone get past second base until Travis Fryman's two-out homer in the sixth put Detroit up 2-0.

Pavlik wound up allowing six hits, striking out seven and walking none as he lowered his ERA from 12.10 to 8.10. He had allowed 13 earned runs with six walks in his last two starts.

Baseball Roundup

Detroit starter Justin Thompson, pitching in his home state for the first time and with lots of relatives in the stands, allowed seven hits in 6 1-3 innings. He struck out five — four looking — walked one and hit a batter.

Thompson (1-2) allowed an RBI single to Rodriguez in the sixth, then a 24-minute rain delay followed. The left-hander was knocked out in the seventh when Mike Simms doubled with one out and Mike Devereaux walked.

Reliever A.J. Sager walked pinch-hitter Lee Stevens to load the bases, then Ripken tied the game with an RBI single off Mike Myers.

"I wish I could've faced one more hitter," Thompson said. "I would have liked to see if I could get a ground ball double play."

After Mark McLemore struck out, Rodriguez hit Myers' next pitch into the left-field corner.

"He threw me a slider that I could hit and I hit it," said Rodriguez, who has nine hits in his last 17 at-bats and a 10-game hitting streak. "I'm a constant threat."

Detroit manager Buddy Bell was ejected by plate umpire Dale Ford in the top of the seventh after arguing Raul Casanova's strikeout from the dugout. It was his second ejection this year.

"He just wanted to run me," Bell said. "It's a joke. It shows no respect. They have to understand what my job is. I have to show support for my players. I handled things the way they should've been handled."

Rangers notes: Devereaux left

the game with a strained right hamstring. He's not expected to miss any more time. ... This was the first of three weekday afternoon home games for Texas this year, not counting opening day. Despite a light pregame rain, stiff wind and 65-degree temperature, there was still a crowd of 31,902. ... Melvin Nieves had struck out in five of his last six at-bats before singling in the seventh. ... Palmer returned to the cleanup spot for Texas after hitting .308 with four homers in seven games at the No. 5 spot. ... Simms, who started at DH Thursday, has three pinch-hit RBIs this year, one more than the team had in 1996.

Athletics 12, Twins 11

OAKLAND, Calif. — Rick Aguilera gave up a pair of ninth-inning homers, then threw a wild pitch that allowed the winning run to score in the 11th as the Oakland Athletics beat the Minnesota Twins.

Oakland led 6-0 after two innings and 8-2 entering the seventh. But Terry Steinbach's three-run homer against his former team highlighted a seven-run eighth as Minnesota took an 11-8 lead.

Brent Mayne hit a solo homer in the ninth off Aguilera (1-1) and Matt Stairs hit a two-run drive.

Don Wengert (1-2) pitched 3 1-3 innings. Minnesota outthrew Oakland 21-19.

Indians 6, Brewers 3

MILWAUKEE — Brian Giles and Tony Fernandez hit two-run homers as Cleveland sent Milwaukee to its fifth consecutive loss.

Charles Nagy (3-1) allowed three runs — two earned — and eight hits in six-plus innings,

struck out eight and walked three. Jose Mesa quickly got the save, allowing the Brewers to load the bases with two outs in the ninth before retiring Mark Loretta on a popout to second.

Cal Eldred (2-2) gave up four runs and nine hits in six innings.

National League Pirates 4, Cubs 3

CHICAGO — Jason Kendall scored from second on a throwing error by shortstop Rey Sanchez as Mel Rojas blew his first save chance for the Chicago Cubs, allowing the Pittsburgh Pirates to rally for a victory.

It was the only game played Thursday in the National League.

The Cubs, who at 2-17 have the worst record in the majors, are 0-7 at Wrigley Field and have lost nine straight home games dating to last season.

Steve Trachsel took a no-hitter into the seventh, but Chicago didn't go ahead until Doug Glanville's two-run double in the bottom half.

Rojas (0-1), who signed a \$13.75 million, three-year contract as a free agent, entered with a 3-2 lead in the ninth. Al Martin singled leading off, advanced on a passed ball by Tyler Houston and took third on Kevin Elster's flyout.

Kendall's double tied the score, and Jose Guillen singled to Sanchez, whose throw the ball past first for the Cubs' major league-leading 27th error.

Rich Loeiselle (1-0) pitched two innings for the win. He intentionally walked Sammy Sosa to five Chicago two on with two outs in the ninth, then struck out Glanville.

Trachsel wound up giving up three hits in seven innings with five strikeouts.



Chicago Blackhawks wing Bob Probert (24) hits Colorado Avalanche defenseman Alexi Gusarov in the nose with an elbow during the first period of Game 5 of the Western Conference quarterfinals, which was played late Thursday night in Denver.

Roy produces shutout as Avalanche routs Chicago

Associated Press

DENVER — His team reeling after two straight losses, its confidence shaken, Patrick Roy did what great goaltenders are supposed to do.

Roy set an NHL record with his 89th career playoff victory, recording his 10th career playoff shutout in leading the Colorado Avalanche to a 7-0 rout of the Chicago Blackhawks Thursday night to take a 3-2 lead in the Western Conference series.

Game 6 is Saturday night in Chicago.

Valeri Kamensky broke a post-season scoring slump with three goals and Peter Forsberg and Joe Sakic each had three assists as the defending Stanley Cup champions rebounded from poor performances in Games 3 and 4.

Roy eclipsed the record of 88 wins held by former New York Islanders goalie Billy Smith.

Roy, who had 25 saves, posted his second shutout of the series, having blanked the Blackhawks in the opener 6-0.

"It's a great honor," Roy said. "It's nice to pass a guy like Billy Smith who had a fantastic playoff career. Hopefully, I can add to the record in our next game in Chicago."

Roy admitted his team was desperately in need of a turnaround. "If we had lost this game, we would have been shaky," he said. "But it seems like every time we face pressure, we respond well."

And, in particular, Roy responds well. "As good as we played, we gave up some quality chances, a couple

NHL Roundup

of breakaways," Avalanche coach Marc Crawford said. "But Patrick was real solid, solid on some point-blank chances. That's what great goaltending is about. It comes up big at crucial times in games, and he's a master at that."

"He's going to win a lot more games. If he chooses to, he probably could play well into the next century. If he does that, he's going to set some records that are going to be pretty tough to beat."

Kamensky, who had scored only one goal in 14 previous playoff games, also had an assist.

Canadiens 4, Devils 3, 3 OT

MONTREAL — Patrice Brisebois scored at 7:37 of the third overtime as the Montreal Canadiens avoided a sweep of their playoff series by beating the New Jersey Devils.

The Devils lead the series 3-1. Game 5 is Saturday in New Jersey. The Canadiens have only been swept three times — most recently by Boston in 1992.

Montreal has won a league-record 13 consecutive overtime games in the playoffs dating back to their 1993 Stanley Cup win, when they won 10 in the extra period.

Montreal's Saku Koivu swept a pass in front of the Devils' goal. Brisebois kicked the pass off his skate to his stick and directed it over Martin Brodeur.

Montreal rookie goalie Jose Theodore, making his first playoff appearance, stopped 56 shots for the win.

LOCAL SPORTS

Greenwood pair wins regionals

ODESSA — Greenwood High School's junior identical twins Melinda and Melissa Wade successfully defended their Region 1-3A girls doubles tennis title by defeating Vernon's Meredith Gooch and Tandy Martin 6-2, 6-4 Thursday at Odessa College.

The Wades advanced to the finals by defeating Ginny Andrews and Kristin Webb of Brownfield 7-6, 4-6, 6-2 in the semifinals. The Wades will compete at the state tournament in Austin, where they were defeated in the first round last year.

Greenwood lands softball honors

GREENWOOD — The District 4-3A champion Greenwood softball team placed eight players on the all-district team, including the district's Most Valuable Player, Katy Walker.

Walker hit for an .875 average with 10 RBIs, a home run, a triple and two doubles in district play for the Rangerettes (3-1 in district, 10-13 overall). Joining Walker are pitcher Kim Mauldin, shortstop Kristin Equinones, first baseman Morgan Stroud, third baseman Shiloh O'Donnell, outfielder Crystal Walker and designated hitter Jessica Hagelstein. Freshman Ashley Hall was named the district's Newcomer of the Year.

Greenwood also had second baseman Becca Moody on the second team. Outfielders Misty Biggs and Erin McDonald were selected as honorable mention performers.

Greenwood fell to Alpine in the bi-district round of the playoffs. Greenwood's eight first-team selections led all teams. The Rangerettes return all but two players.

The District 4-3A softball team selected by the coaches.

MVP: Katy Walker, Jr., Greenwood. Newcomer of the Year: Ashley Hall, Jr., Greenwood. Utility Player: Autumn Roberts, Sr., Kermit. Pitchers: Kim Mauldin, Jr., Greenwood; Carina Morris, Sr., Kermit. Catcher: Sandy Neil, Sr., Kermit. 1st Base: Morgan Stroud, Jr., Greenwood. 2nd Base: Amanda Rivers, Soph., Col. City. Shortstop: Kristin Equinones, Jr., Greenwood. 3rd Base: Shiloh O'Donnell, Jr., Greenwood. Outfield: Crystal Walker, Jr., Greenwood; Shay Madison, Sr., Kermit; Heidi Taylor, Jr., Col. City. DH: Jessica Hagelstein, Jr., Greenwood.

Second team and Honorable Mention (Greenwood only): Second team, Becca Moody, Sr., 2nd

Base Honorable Mention: Misty Biggs, OF, Jr.; Erin McDonald, OF, Jr.

MC playoff dates set for Monday

The Midland Christian softball and baseball teams will play their first TAPPS 4A playoff games Monday in a bi-district doubleheader of sorts against Garland Christian.

The softball team (14-12) will play at 2 p.m. at the Bill Williams Softball Complex.

The baseball team (14-7) will play at 6 p.m. at Christensen Stadium. The boys defeated Lubbock Christian, Monday night to win the district's No. 1 seed.

Albright-Larsh have low gross

The team of Trina Albright and Flossie Larsh had the top gross score in the first flight of the Triple Jeopardy Tournament at the Green Tree Country Club with a two-day score of 203. Doris Schultz and Hazel Harbert had a 169.

Results from the Triple Jeopardy Tournament at the Green Tree Country Club:
First flight: 1st gross, Trina Albright-Flossie Larsh 203; 2nd gross, Shirley Newman-Nancy Fowler 212.
1st net, Doris Schultz-Hazel Harbert 169; 2nd net, Mary Brown-Ginny Smith 174.5.
Second flight: 1st gross, Frankie Johnson-Marilyn Paly 237; 2nd gross, Betty Williams-Bernice Varnier 239.
1st net, Kathy L. Thompson-Linda Campbell 175.5; 2nd net, Bonnie Stewart-Evelyn Davis 177.5.
Third flight: 1st gross, Nancy Hines-Susan Brazan 259; 2nd gross, Sharon Brose-Sarah McDonald 266.
1st net, Bobi Lloyd-Jean Gray 173; 2nd net, Patty Fuller-Anelle Mack 182.
Closest to the pin: Shirley Newman, Sharon Brose, Marilyn.

Midland Stars take Blowout

ODESSA — The Midland Stars under-nine girls soccer team won the West Texas Blowout Tournament this past weekend by defeating the Midland Bumblebees 3-2 in the final. Alexandra Ochsner scored the first two goals for the Stars while Elizabeth Gates scored the final goal.

The Stars beat the Midland Defenders 3-2, the San Angelo Conchos 4-0 and the Odessa Tornados 4-0 to advance to the semifinals, where they defeated the Midland Strikers 2-1.

ANGELS: Diablos win after 2-hour delay

(From 1C)

is coming off a brief 2-3 trip to Wichita.

It was too bad that Tuesday's game was delayed. It was an interesting battle. El Paso's Travis Smith, a 1995 product of Texas Tech, had shut down the Angels through four innings, allowing four hits. Meanwhile, Angels' hurler Mike Bovee gave up only one run through 4 2/3 innings and that run was unearned when Mickey Lopez scored from second base with two outs when Midland left fielder Aaron Guel dropped a fly ball hit by Greg Martinez.

For the early going, these two pitchers had hurled gems, considering that the wind was blowing hard to center and left. The wind shifted in the bottom of the fourth, straight in to home plate. At that point, a howitzer couldn't have launched a ball out of Christensen Stadium.

Both teams have some interesting things

going on. For instance, Frank Bolick was named as Texas League Batter of the Week with an eight-for-22 (.364) performance for four homers and 11 RBIs.

However, Bolick is hitting at a .375 clip as a designated hitter, but only .143 when he plays third base. His six homers have come in the DH role as has 16 of his 17 RBIs.

True to form, Bolick was the DH Thursday and he had a single and a walk in two trips to the plate.

Then there is the case of El Paso third baseman Mike Kinkade. Kinkade has 18 errors in 17 games with the Diablos this year, a statistic that is almost unheard of in pro ball.

However, Kinkade is hitting at a .338 clip with two homers and 17 RBIs, which is tied for the team lead with Danny Klassen. And Klassen is hitting .415 in 18 games this season.

The real minor league season has arrived.

The Angels made their first roster move when Jack Johnson was released. Chris Norton, a DH, first baseman and catcher, has been added to the roster to replace Johnson. Norton hit .380 in 51 games with the Lubbock Crickets of the Texas-Louisiana League last season, hitting 15 home runs. He also played 47 games with Double-A Norwich in the Eastern League last season, hitting .279 and another seven homers. He drove in 82 runs last season.

Actually, the first roster move was on opening day when Jamie Burke was placed at Midland and Ty Bilderback was sent to Lake Elsinore.

The Diablos lead the Texas League in both hitting (.317) and pitching (3.66 ERA), the only team under 4.00 and still stand in second place after losing four in a row to the Missions. One wonders if it is possible not to win the West Division title and win both the team hitting and pitching statistics?

BASEBALL: Playoffs on line for Rebels

(From 1C)

None of that matters today as the two teams firmly control their own destinies. Abilene High and Cooper have clinched the top two 4-5A spots and only Lee and Central, coached by Lee grad Ted Leps, can claim the third. It's almost as if today's situation had been scripted from the start.

"You always think in the back of your mind that the last week is going to have some kind of impact on the playoffs," Benavidez said. "At least that's the way it seems like it's always been."

In Benavidez' previous six years as Lee's coach, the Rebels' season stopped short of the playoffs only once, in 1992. After Lee started district 3-0, a playoff slot looked like a foregone conclusion. Pitcher Mike Hale hadn't given up an earned run in two outings (including a 2-1 eight-inning win over Cooper) and the Rebels were getting just enough clutch hitting to win.

Then, the good fortune which seemed to be riding with the Rebels suddenly left town. Hale suffered two losses in which the Rebels didn't score a run, including a 1-0 defeat at Central. In games against Cooper and Abilene High, Lee got plenty of offense, but

Hale didn't last past the second inning in either game, and the Rebels lost both.

Still, Benavidez hasn't lost confidence in Hale, who will likely receive the starting call today. Hale's recent troubles could be attributed to some tightness in his right arm, which Benavidez doesn't think should be a problem.

"The kind of game this is, that's something the kids tune out," said Benavidez of dealing with injuries. "This is a playoff game."

And one in which, if nothing else, Lee will enjoy the advantage of playing at home. The catch for both teams is that they had been counting on playing it on Saturday at 2 p.m., but for some unexplained reason, the minutes taken at the preseason district meeting proclaimed that all games scheduled for Saturday would be played on Friday instead. While an inconvenience, the situation doesn't bother Benavidez.

"It's kind of like playing on a Saturday," Benavidez said. "I can see where it might be kind of difficult where if you only had one stud pitcher. We have a bunch of guys who are well-rested."

If Hale starts and falters, Benavidez said he will probably turn to junior right-hander Aaron Erdwurm as his first relief option.

Despite a 2-3 district mark, Hale has a 2.28 ERA. Central left-hander Neil Justice has had similar mixed fortunes in district, sporting a 3-3 mark and having pitched the shutout against Hale.

The most consistent phase of Lee's game in the second half of district has been hitting. In each of the last six district games, the Rebels have scored at least six runs. Benavidez isn't expecting a repeat of the last Lee-Central game when Hale and Justice — slated to start today — combined

to give up only one run.

"We kind of stressed that we needed to hold up our pitching and it finally happened," Benavidez said. "Our pitching has let up a little bit. (Hitters) have faced so much live pitching now there should be more runs."

The Rebels will have to get by offensively without sophomore Ryan Klatt, who had been hitting .355 and was moved into the lead-off spot. Klatt broke his hand against Abilene High and will be out the rest of the season.

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By Michael A. AP Sports Writer

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Rockets open playoff series with easy win

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Matt Maloney and Mario Elie took up the scoring slack for Houston's big three in the first half, and the Rockets went on to spoil Minnesota's playoff debut, 112-95 Thursday night.

Winning the opener of the best-of-5 series bodes well for the Rockets, who are 15-0 in playoff series when they win the first game.

While Charles Barkley (10 points), Clyde Drexler (four) and Hakeem Olajuwon (eight) combined for only 22 points in the first half, Maloney and Elie totaled 25 as the Rockets took a 61-48 lead.

Maloney was 4-of-5 from 3-point range in the first half, when he scored 12 of his 14 points. Elie scored 13 of his team-high 21 points in the first half. Both players finished 4-of-7 from long range.

Olajuwon had 18 points and 11 rebounds before leaving the game with 5:36 left after poking himself in the eye. Barkley finished with 15

points and 11 rebounds for the Rockets, who outrebounded Minnesota 58-36.

Rookie Stephon Marbury led the Timberwolves with 26 points. Kevin Garnett added 21 for Minnesota.

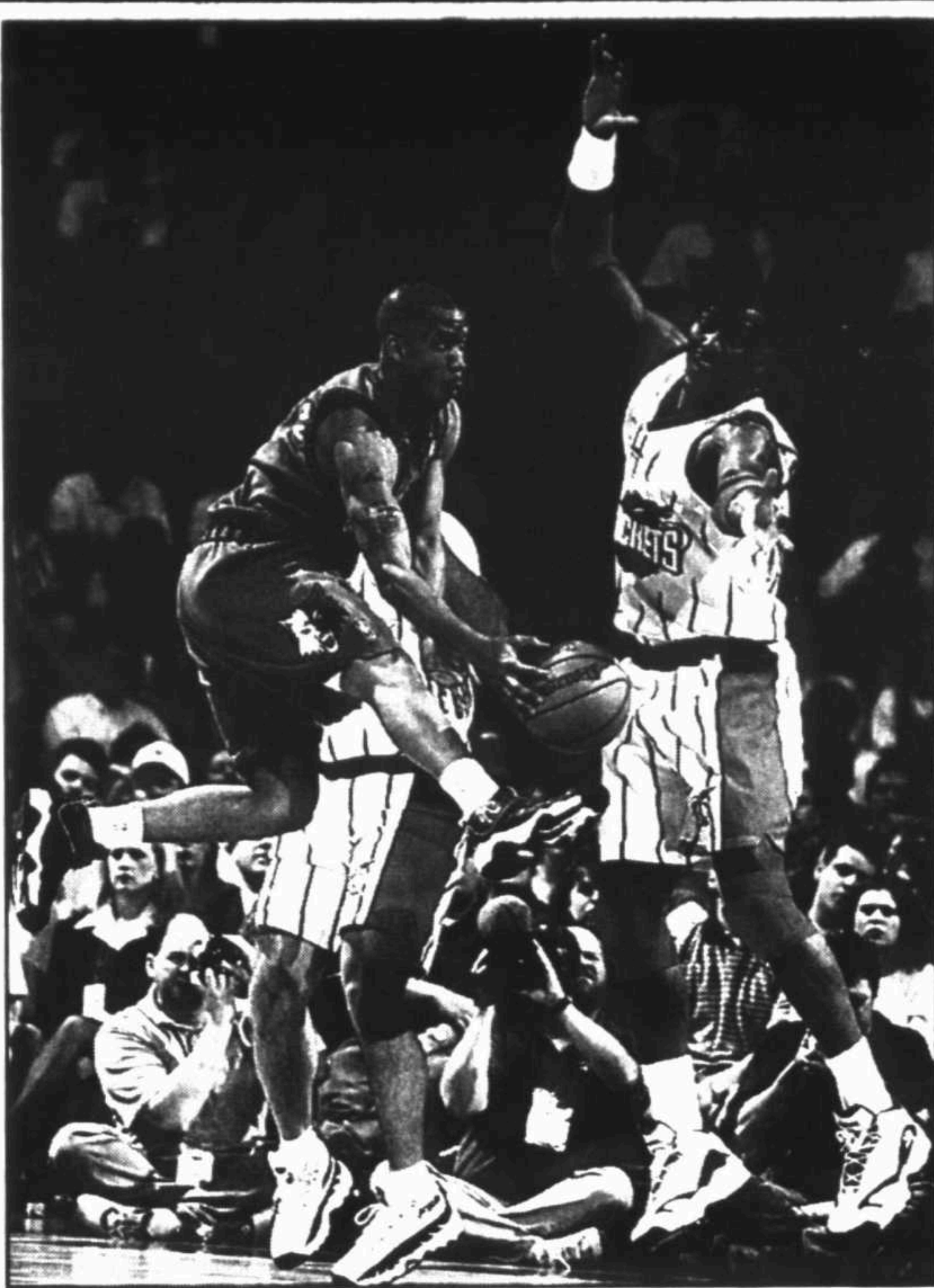
The Rockets went on an 18-7 run over the final 3:55 of the second quarter to take command. Barkley scored the final seven points of the period.

Maloney had two 3-point baskets, while Elie and Barkley each had one during the Rockets' charge.

The Rockets' bench also made a key contribution. Kevin Willis scored 15 points and Eddie Johnson had 13 to lead the Houston reserves, who outscored Minnesota's subs 36-23.

Minnesota came out cold in the third quarter, scoring only seven points over the first 5:29 of the period, all by Garnett.

The Rockets led 31-25 at the end of the first period despite 12 points by Marbury.



The Minnesota Timberwolves Stephon Marbury, left, passes off as Houston Rockets Hakeem Olajuwon stops his penetration during the Rockets' 112-95 victory Thursday in Houston.

Heat blows away Magic with early 25-point lead

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — The Miami Heat made certain that the Orlando Magic had no shot.

Smothering defense helped Miami build a 25-point first-quarter lead Thursday night, and Orlando tied an NBA record for fewest points in a playoff game by losing 99-64.

Miami earned its most lopsided victory of the season in the first playoff game between Florida's two NBA teams. The Magic missed 15 consecutive shots during one stretch and hit a season-low 30.6 percent.

"In the middle of the second quarter, they were ready to give up," Miami forward P.J. Brown said. "You see the shoulders drop, the heads shaking, confusion on their faces, and they're looking at the bench like, 'We don't have a solution.'"

With a 35-10 advantage, the Heat held the second-largest lead after one quarter in league playoff history. Milwaukee led Philadelphia 40-14 in 1970.

"It feels good, but we only won one game," Miami's Alonzo Mourning told reporters. "You want us to jump up and down? We'll let y'all party. We've got plenty of time to do that later."

The Magic have never won a playoff series after losing the first game. Game 2 will be Sunday in Miami.

"Hopefully we've got the heart to bounce back after a loss like this," Magic coach Richie Adubato said. "They beat us in every aspect of the game, no doubt about it."

Voshon Lenard, playing in his first playoff game, outscored Orlando 11-10 in the first period and finished with 24 points, including six 3-pointers.

"Tonight was Vo's night," Mourning said. "You leave him open, and he's going to burn you. You leave anybody on our team open, and they're going to burn you."

Mourning had 12 points, 11 rebounds and six blocked shots. Tim Hardaway added 13 points and 11 assists.

The Magic, meanwhile, missed 59 of 85 shots.

McIlvaine deal produces little

N.Y. Times News Service

SEATTLE — The Seattle SuperSonics aren't expected to collect much tonight on an investment of more than \$33 million.

A few boos, maybe. But no interest and a whole lot of apathy.

Center Jim McIlvaine, benefactor of a stunning seven-year contract last summer, will be on the bench tonight as Terry Cummings, a minimum wage veteran, starts against the Suns in the opener of a first-round playoff series.

"Where I am right now and where I'm going to be is far away," McIlvaine said.

But at McIlvaine's price, it's fair to assume that the Sonics were expecting dividends to arrive much earlier. Like, maybe, this season.

The Sonics were searching for a big man who would be the final piece in their quest for an NBA title.

The news of the Los Angeles Lakers' acquisition of Shaquille O'Neal only intensified their need.

That led to the 7-foot-1, 260-pound McIlvaine, who had been toiling in relative anonymity with the Washington Bullets. In two seasons, he averaged 2.08 blocks but fewer than 2.5 points.

Sonics management saw the body and apparently, potential. Seattle signed him, then a free agent, to a seven-year deal said to be worth as much as \$35 million. As it turned out, not much about McIlvaine changed, other than his bank account.

Knicks' shooting guards key victory over Hornets

NEW YORK (AP) — The Sixth Man Award winner and the man he usually replaces shot the New York Knicks past the Charlotte Hornets 109-99 Thursday night in Game 1 of their playoff series.

John Starks, who was presented with his Sixth Man Award trophy prior to the game, put the Knicks ahead for good with one of their five 3-pointers in the fourth quarter.

Allan Houston, the player Starks lost his starting job to at the start of this season, added three 3-pointers and scored 13 of his 25 points in the final quarter as the Knicks pulled away with a 23-8 run after blowing a 13-point halftime lead.

Game 2 in the best-of-5 series is Saturday afternoon.

Starks and Houston led five Knicks in double figures on a night when Patrick Ewing scored only 15 points. Larry Johnson had 20 points, including 17 in the first half. Starks had 19 and Chris Childs 14.

Vlade Divac had 27 points for Charlotte and Anthony Mason added 12 points, 13 rebounds and five assists. Glen Rice had only six points in the first half and finished with 22 — almost six below his average.

The game turned New York's way after Charlotte outscored New York 29-16 to send the game into the fourth quarter tied at 75.

Starks put the Knicks ahead 78-77 on a 3-pointer with 11:13 left.

then scored on a fast break layup to start a game-breaking 12-0 run. Houston had an alley-oop layup and a 3-pointer. Charlie Ward scored on an uncontested layup after Johnson deflected a loose ball in the backcourt, and Ward made the Knicks' third 3-pointer for a 92-79 lead with 6:20 left.

Rice's layup ended a string of seven straight missed shots by the Hornets, but Houston answered with consecutive 3-pointers to bump to lead to 15.

SEVENTH IN A SERIES From Africa to Athens

Linda Finch's arrival in Africa was a marked contrast to other landings. The field was virtually deserted as she landed at 7:35 in the morning. There were no school children, officials or musicians to meet her.

After a brief tour of Dakar, she took off to Las Palmas, in the Canary Islands, flying mostly over the Atlantic to avoid Western Sahara because of a civil war there. Farther north, she swung toward land and got a view of the Sahara. Sand stretched as far as the eye could see. What must it be like to live there?

There wasn't much time for touring in Las Palmas, but Finch learned that Columbus stopped there on his way to the Americas to repair the Pinta.

On the way to Malaga, Spain Finch flew over semi-arid Morocco. The highlight of the day was Gibraltar the great black rock that guards the entrance to the Mediterranean Sea. Many of Malaga's centuries-old houses are of Moorish design. Its sights include a Roman amphitheater and a church that was never finished because the money was sent to America in the 1770s to finance the revolution. Malaga is also the birthplace of the painter, Pablo Picasso.

Next, Finch flew to Tunisia. Everyone was surprised at how green and hilly northern Africa is. In Tunis, she visited the Mosque

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Lyle shares opening lead at Greensboro

By David Droschak
AP Sports Writer

GREENSBORO, N.C. — It got so bad for Sandy Lyle last week that his own caddy "sacked him" after missing yet another cut.

On this side of the Atlantic, that means the caddy quit on the former Masters and British Open champion, who hasn't won on the PGA Tour since Augusta in 1988.

So the struggling golfer from Scotland, the former No. 1 player in the world who won two majors by the time he was 30, turned to his wife, Jolande. She carted his bag around Forest Oaks Country Club for Thursday's first round of the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic.

She hadn't caddied for her husband in about four years, but it turned out to be a perfect match as Lyle carded a 6-under-par 66 for his best round on tour since August 1996.

"She's very cheerful, you've got to keep in a cheerful mood," Lyle said of his wife's demeanor on the course. "But she'll give you a

thump on the back of the head if you're not careful."

Lyle's round, which started in the morning on the back nine with three straight birdies, was good enough to share the opening-day lead with Mike Hulbert, who birdied his first five holes, and 24-year-old tour rookie Robert Damron.

Eight others were one shot back of that trio on a crowded leaderboard, including top money winner Steve Elkington.

In addition to Lyle's golfing woes for the better part of the last decade, both of his parents died last year to unrelated illnesses and, he contracted chicken pox, a rather serious virus for someone approaching 40.

His season-low 18 holes and only his second round in the 60s in his last 18 outings was a welcome sight for some other golfers because Lyle is considered one of the tour's gentlemen.

"It's really a thrill to see Sandy Lyle up there," said David Ogren, who was one shot off the pace after carding a 67.

Woods accepts apology over Zoeller's comments

NEW YORK (AP) — Tiger Woods said Thursday he was stunned by Fuzzy Zoeller's racially insensitive remarks, but believes no offense was intended and accepts Zoeller's apology.

"At first, I was shocked to hear that Fuzzy Zoeller made these unfortunate remarks," Woods said in a statement released by the Los Angeles office of IMG, his management agency. "His attempt at humor was out-of-bounds, and I was disappointed by it."

"But having played golf with Fuzzy, I know he is a joker, and I have concluded that no personal animosity toward me was intended."

Zoeller, 45, had an endorsement contract terminated by Kmart and withdrew from the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic on Wednesday. He also said he wanted to talk

to Woods about the remarks before picking up another golf club.

Zoeller's remarks came in a CNN interview about an hour after Zoeller finished his fourth round in the Masters, which the 21-year-old Woods won by 12 strokes in becoming the first black to win a major title. The interview was first broadcast a week after the Masters.

"That little boy is driving well and he's putting well," Zoeller told CNN. "He's doing everything it takes to win. So, you know what you guys do when he gets in here? You pat him on the back and say congratulations and enjoy it and tell him not to serve fried chicken next year. Got it?" Zoeller snapped his fingers, turned to walk away, then added, "Or colard greens or whatever the hell they serve."

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of the Olive Tree, which dates from the 8th century and a crafts market that dates from the 13th century. Some of the crew went to Carthage and were fascinated to hear that the ruins in Luxor Egypt will make Carthage's seem puny.

The next flight took Finch across Mediterranean to Athens, where the crew marveled at the Acropolis and wandered along cobblestone streets where vendors were selling everything from sugared doughnuts to Byzantine-style paintings. They also saw two soldiers, the elite Evzones, perform a ceremonial march at Greece's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

From Athens, Finch will travel to Luxor Egypt.

Newspaper Activity

While in Malaga, Finch visited a variety of interesting sites; an ancient amphitheater an unfinished church and a birthplace of a famous artist. Look through today's paper and find three places that have special interest and/or unique significance. Why did you choose these places? Identify what makes each site special or significant. Would you visit this site if you were a visitor? Why or why not?

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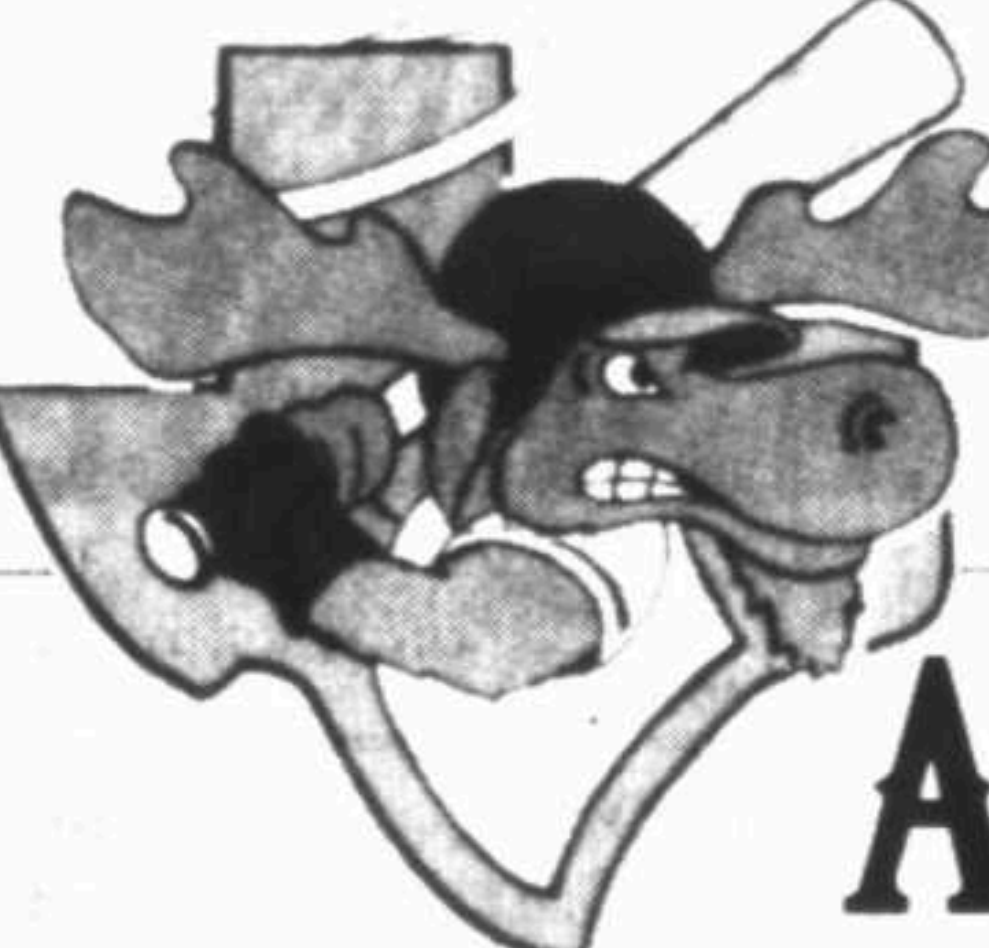
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Midland's Hall inducted into racing Hall of Fame

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TALLADEGA, Ala. — In retirement at age 61, driver/designer Jim Hall shook the dust of his beloved Midland off his boots Thursday long enough to participate in induction ceremonies at the International Motorsports Hall of Fame at Talladega Superspeedway.

Hall is a member of the Class of 1997 that includes four-time Indianapolis 500 champion Rick Mears, drag racing pioneer "Big Daddy" Don Garlits and NASCAR legends Richard Petty, Buddy Baker and Ralph Earnhardt.

For Hall's fans, the day was a reminder of the myriad innovations he and partner Hap Sharp brought to racing under the name of Chaparral. Hall's Chevrolet-powered cars pioneered racing uses of the automatic transmission,

ultra-light chassis, the adjustable rear "wing" or airfoil, and the "vacuum cleaner" auxiliary motor that was the forerunner of the modern ground-effects Indy-car.

Hall's Pennzoil-sponsored Chaparral 2K won the Indianapolis 500 and four other races in 1980. His "Yellow Submarine" arguably ranks as Indy-car racing's most important innovation since the introduction of the rear-engine

Lotus-Ford in 1963.

Fort Worth's Johnny Rutherford drove the 2K to the third and last of his Indy 500 victories in 1980, as well as to the Championship Auto Racing Teams and U.S. Auto Club's national titles.

"Jim is a super guy, and a Texan. And he was one of the leading innovators of that period," said Rutherford, a 1996 inductee. "You had Dan Gurney with the Eagle

and Tyler Alexander and Teddy Mayer with McLaren and Jim Hall with the Chaparral. By today's standards, the car was a little primitive. But that was state-of-the-art at the time — a very straightforward, no-nonsense race car you could count on as a driver."

Those words also serve to describe Hall, a mechanical engineer who once described auto racing as "a game of wits."

"People always ask me what I think is the reason for our success," Hall said during an interview at the Midland shop during his team's heyday. "In my own analysis, I think we just work harder at it than everybody else. It's a game of wits, to try to figure out what the best deal is."

Many people say this year's class is the hall's most talented group of inductees.

They make up the seventh induction class for the hall, which opened in 1983 outside Talladega Superspeedway to honor contributors to all types of racing.

Petty's entrance into the hall is just another in a long string of accolades he earned while winning 200 races in 1,177 Winston Cup starts from 1958 through 1992.

The success helped him form a loyal following of American fans and his persona kept it going. He was rarely seen without his trademark black cowboy hat and sunglasses.

Over a 35-year career, Petty won seven Winston Cup points championships and 127 poles; set records for wins in a season (27), consecutive wins (10) and most wins from the pole (61); and won the Daytona 500 seven times.

He was voted most popular driver by NASCAR fans nine times and was named driver of the year in 1971.

Among the other inductees, Baker is best known as the first driver to surpass 200 mph on a closed course. It happened March 24, 1970 while Baker was testing a Dodge Daytona at the then-Alabama International Motor Speedway. He turned a lap around the 2.66-mile course at 200.477 mph.

Ironically, the proliferation of fast cars and accidents forced NASCAR to implement restrictor-plate racing at Talladega to keep cars below 200 mph.

Earnhardt won more than 350 races in NASCAR's Grand National, Sportsman and Modified divisions in the 1950s and 1960s. He died of a heart attack in 1973 at age 45.

Garlits stands as the most important figure in the history and development of drag racing. He was the first drag racer to top 170, 180, 200, 240, 250 and 270 mph.

In 1985-86, Garlits — known by many as "Big Daddy" — became the first person to win the NHRA's highest honor, the top fuel world championship, in consecutive seasons.

Mears is being inducted for his success in Indy-cars. He began his career as a substitute for Mario Andretti, then went on to win the pole position and the Indianapolis 500 in 1979. He went on to win another three 500s, matching the record of A.J. Foyt and Al Unser. He was generally considered the top oval track racer of his generation.

Mears had 123 top-10 finishes in 203 starts. He won 40 poles, including a record six at Indy.

Restrictor plates will get examination at Talladega

By Eddie Pells

Associated Press Writer

TALLADEGA, Ala. — The restrictor plates that were supposed to enhance safety might really make things more dangerous. They'll be under scrutiny this weekend at Talladega Superspeedway, where a near disaster 10 years ago first made them necessary.

Over the last few months, NASCAR officials have been testing different versions of the plates used at Talladega and Daytona, the fastest tracks on the Winston Cup circuit.

The tests have dealt with figuring a way to decrease the stability of the cars by adjusting the rear spoiler and front air dam. That would make handling more important and force drivers to lift off the accelerators more frequently.

In turn, the holes in restrictor plates could be enlarged. The effect would be to increase horsepower without necessarily increasing speed. Racers figure if changes are implemented, drivers could spread out more and accidents would likely decrease.

"I definitely see a change in the rules for restrictor plate racing," said Winston Cup points leader Dale Jarrett, who finished second at Talladega last July after getting caught late in a single-file group of cars that he couldn't accelerate away from.

"It's going to put the race back in the hands of the driver and the crew, and that's the way it should be."

Since the plates were introduced in 1988, they've undergone five design changes, so another adjustment wouldn't be revolutionary. What would be new, however, would be if NASCAR changes them to increase horsepower.

It could be looked upon as a concession that the plates as they're currently designed may cause more problems than they solve — a conclusion most racers agree with.

"From a driver's standpoint, you'd like to somehow get it back to where the driver is more in control," said Steve Grissom. "When you think of auto racing, the first thing you think about is speed. But NASCAR is good about keeping

safety in mind. They're not going to do anything unless they know it will be safe."

NASCAR officials decided to use restrictor plates after a May 1987 crash at Talladega in which Bobby Allison's car went airborne while racing at 210 mph with an unrestricted engine. It careened off the fence, and just avoided flying into the packed grandstand. NASCAR felt it was time to slow the cars in the interest of fan and driver safety.

As mechanics have tinkered with motors to make the cars go faster, NASCAR has tinkered with the restrictor plates, managing to keep the cars below 200 mph. But by slowing the cars and making them all more-or-less the same, there's a greater chance for tight bunching.

That's trouble at Talladega, a 2.66-mile, high-banked trioval where drivers can and will race five wide if they have to. Clusters of cars traveling at 170 mph — instead of 210 mph — still run into each other. The accidents they produce are frequently serious and they are difficult to avoid since there's no way for a driver to accelerate out of a pack.

Three accidents last year proved the point.

The worst came at the Winston 500 in which Ricky Craven was injured after a 14-car crash that sent his car barrel-rolling into the catch-fence high above the first-turn wall.

In July's Sears DieHard race, seven-time Talladega winner Dale Earnhardt fractured his collar bone and sternum after being involved in an 11-car crash at 190 mph.

NASCAR spokesman Kevin Triplet said it won't take another bad accident to bring about a change. He said NASCAR will move at its own pace, but warned that a move to increase horsepower in the name of safety is a risk that shouldn't be taken lightly.

"To be honest, with everything we do, you don't know how it's going to work until you try it," he said. "You have to be prepared to go out on a limb. It's a fine line you have to walk when your main goal is to enhance competition and control speeds at the same time."

So, overconfidence was no factor when he jumped into his Newman-Haas Lola Ford Cosworth that pleasant spring afternoon and set out in search of his 31st career victory. Practice and a record qualifying lap of 190.737 had established Penske-Mercedes' Tracy as an overwhelming favorite.

It was his race to lose, and he did just that with a frightening pit-road blunder that nearly resulted in a serious injury to one of his crewmen.

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The 'Runnin' Rebel' Basketball Camp will be conducted during two sessions this summer. There will be two sessions are June 2-5 and 9-12. Each day will have a fundamental camp from 9 a.m.-noon for \$55 and a shooting camp from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for \$50. The camps will be held at Abell Junior High and each camper will get a ball t-shirt. Call coach Jon House at 699-5528 or 689-1463 for more details...

The Lee Rebel Football Football Camp is June 2-6 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$55. For more information, call Coach Greg McClendon at 689-0537...

The Lee Rebel Weight Training Camp is June 16-July 3. There are two sessions from 8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 9:30 - 11 a.m. Cost is \$55 and contact Coach Greg McClendon at 689-0537. The cost for both the football and weight camps is \$95 total...

Tennis...

The USTA adult season runs from through June 1. MXD season is from May-July. For more information call Juannell Fort at 686-0277 or Lance Armstrong at 687-4046...

The Midland College Tennis Center is offering individual and group lessons for all ages. Call Toby at 687-4046 for information...

The Texas Tech Tennis Camps for boys and girls ages 9-17 will be held this summer by Director Tim Siegel, the head men's and women's tennis coach at Tech. The Day Camp is June 9-13. The Overnight Camp is June 29-July 3. For more information call 742-3355 ext. 277...

Green Tree Country Club is offering J.D. Spring Session II through May 2 for the following: Pee Wee, 8-under, Thursdays 3:30-4:15 p.m., \$30 per month; Beginner, 9-up, Tuesday and Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., \$65 per month; Advanced Beginner, Wednesday and Friday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., \$65 per month; Advanced Intermediate, Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., \$65 per month; The Edge (Advanced), Wednesday and Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., \$65 per month. Call Mike or David at 697-7806...

Tennis clinics start April 28 for all levels at Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. For information call 689-2237 or 683-5360...

Softball...

The Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association is now recruiting any interested individuals wishing to umpire slow and fast pitch softball this spring and summer. For further information please contact Howard King at 684-7595, Joe Guerra at 686-8445 or Freddie Ezell...

The Midland YMCA is now taking late registration for youth softball. The program is for boys and girls from kindergarten through sixth grades. The fee is \$25 for YMCA members and \$38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

A United States Slowpitch Softball Association qualifier for Men's Classes C-E and Women's B and C is scheduled for UTPB April 26. Call 550-2722, 367-2824 or 550-3708...

Spring Training Co-ed Softball Tournament is April 26 in Crane. Entry fee is \$100 per team and entry deadline is April 24. Call 1-915-558-2621 for information...

The Midland A's men's softball tournament will be held May 17-18 at Hidalgo Park. The entry fee is \$110 and deadline is May 15. For more information call 697-7440...

Tryouts will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 4 at Elmer Park for the West Texas Heat Wave, an ASA fast-pitch 18 and under team. For more information contact Sandy Saukner at 570-4243...

Budweiser Cinco de Mayo Tournament is May 3-4 at the Burl Huffman Complex in Lubbock, B/C and D/E divisions. Entry fee is \$125. Call Robert at 1-806-792-5037 to enter...

Lamesa Cinco de Mayo Festival Softball Tournament is May 3-4. Call Pete Lucio at 1-806-872-6217 to enter...

A Cinco de Mayo Tournament is scheduled for May 3 starting at 8 a.m. There will be a \$100 entry fee. ASA rules will apply. For more information, call Marcos Garza at 336-8943 or Armando Trevino at 336-7833...

Memorial Day Softball and Jambalea State Hispanic Qualifier is May 24-25 at Slaton Dusty Diamonds for D teams. Top 25 percent qualify for Hispanic State. Entry fee \$115. Call 1-806-763-3841 to enter.

Menudo Sports and Music Festival is July 25-27 at Lubbock Burl Huffman complex. For soft-

ball teams B/C, D/E, Co-Ed and Women's recreational. Also, volleyball, soccer, horseshoes and washers. Call 1-806-763-3841 for information...

Golf...

McCahey Country Club will host the Charlie Shepard Memorial two-man low ball event May 17-18 for \$130 per team. Parent-Child Select Shot is June 7 at 11 a.m. with 10-under 9 holes and 11-over 18 holes. \$10 per person. June 21-22 is the 2-man (4-9 hole format) with 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee times. July 12-13 is the Couple Select Shot with 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee times for \$70 per team. August 2-3 is the Club Championship at \$25 per person for medal play. Tee time is noon for both men and women. Sept. 6-7 is the 4-man select shot with tee times at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. for \$260 per team. Sept. 20 is the Ona Lee Sharp Classic (4-Lady Select) for \$35 per person. Oct. 18 is the 3-person 18-hole select shot tournament for \$35 with a 10 a.m. tee time. Call 1-915-652-8904 for more information...

The Andrews County Golf Course is hosting a three-man scramble April 26-27 for \$55 per person. Call (915) 524-1462 for more details...

The Texas Tech Red Raider Club is holding the Permian Basin Red Raider Golf Classic May 5 at The Club at Mission Dorado. The cost is \$100 per person. Individual dinner tickets are available for \$20. Head football coach Spike Dykes will be joined by other Tech coaches and staff participating in the event. Dinner starts at 6 p.m. Entry deadline is May 2. For more information, call Dal Watson at 570-6644 or Brad Walker at 335-5110...

The Sixth Annual Scottish Rite Scholarship Golf Tournament is April 26 at the Hogan Park Golf Course. Tee times begin at 11:30 a.m. Entry fee is \$150 per team. Call Bill Dornady at 683-6222 or Bob Cain at 683-1707 for more information...

Masters Golf is holding Ladies Clinics until May 29. Cost is \$99 per person and includes unlimited range for 60 days and four 90-minute clinics. Call 570-4499 for details and to sign up...

The Midland West Rotary Club will host a scholarship golf tournament on May 9 at Hogan Park. The "Clarence Kerth Memorial" is a 4-person scramble with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start and a \$50 entrance fee. For information call Raymon Nicholas at 682-0958...

Big Spring Country Club has released its WGA/MGA Tournament Schedule for 1997: Women's Golf Association — June 24 Cloverleaf, Aug. 9-10 Guys and Gals, Men's Golf Association — April 26-27 Two Man Scramble, May 17-18 Two Man Low Ball, June 7-8 Two Man 6-6-6, July 12-13 Parent-Child, Sept. 27-28 Two Man Scramble, Oct. 25-26 Two Man Scramble (combined teen age of 80 & over). For additional information and tournament registration please call the Big Spring country Club Golf Shop at (915) 627-5354...

The Martin County Country Club of Stanton will host the following tournaments: May 17-18 3-Person Scramble, May 31-June 1 Parent-Child Tournament, June 28-29 2-Person Scramble, July 26-27 2-Person Scramble, August 23-24 4-Person Scramble, Sept. 20-21 3-Person Scramble, Oct. 18-19 Jack & Jill Scramble. For more information call 915-756-2556 or 915-756-2314...

The Spikes and Spurs Celebrity Classic Golf Tournament is scheduled for Green Tree Country Club June 1-2. The tournament benefits the West Texas Expo Center and the Midland Cerebral Center. The tournament will be a four-man scramble starting at 8 a.m. with three players grouped with a celebrity. Lamar Hunt, Hank Stram, Bum Phillips, Kat. v Whitworth, Spike Dykes, Walt Garrison and Mike Singletary are some celebrities who are expected to attend. There is a \$200 entry fee per player which includes a reception and breakfast and lunch. Deadline is May 23. For more information, call the West Texas Expo Center at 682-6405 or Nancy Swallow at the Chamber of Commerce at 683-3381...

A two-person tournament is scheduled for Hogan Park Golf Course May 18 starting at 10 a.m. The tournament will be a 27-hole format with nine holes a scramble, nine holes low ball and nine holes as an alternate shot. The entry fee is \$40 a person and limited to the first 40 paid teams. All players must have an established USGA handicap. Deadline for entry is May 15 at 6 p.m. Entry forms are available at the Hogan

Park golf shop...

Hogan Park Golf Course is conducting ladies clinics May 13-15 from 6-8 p.m. Clubs will be provided for anyone who needs equipment. The first two days will be devoted to the putting green and driving range stressing fundamentals. Each person will be videotaped on the driving range and give the tape for personal use. The third day will be spent on the course playing and explaining the rules. The cost is \$60 per person. For more information, call 685-7360...

Soccer...

Texas Christian University will be the site of a No. 1 Goalkeeper Camp and a No. 1 Striker Camp June 1-6 or June 7-12. Camp is available for beginner, intermediate and advanced players. Call 1-800-MACHNIK or (203) 483-9839, e-mail at nolcamp@snnet.net or check the Website at www.nolsoccercamps.com for more information...

Midland will host Bobby Moffat's Techniques Soccer Camp June 9-13. The camp will be divided into three sections: day camp for recreational players 6-14 years-old from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; intermediate level for older recreational and club players 16-18 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. and for goalkeepers 4:30-8:30 p.m. Whole teams are invited to attend with 10 or more players from the same team receiving a discount. For more information, call 570-4949 during the day and 697-4204 in the evenings...

The Houston Hotshots professional indoor soccer team is giving a clinic at the Windlands Soccer Complex June 1. The clinic consists of a three-hour instructional session with two sessions that day. Clinics are for boys and girls ages 6-15. Registration is \$45 and includes a ball, t-shirt and autographed pictures. The coaching clinic consists of a two-hour session with two sessions that day. Registration is \$25, with Houston coach Trevor Dawkins conducting the clinic. For more information, call Barbara Baca at 687-3251 or Isobel Barden at 563-2425...

Adult soccer sign-up is now taking place at the Midland Soccer Association for individuals or teams Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at 1909 W. Wall St., Suite N. Women play Thursday evenings at Windlands Soccer Complex at 6:30 p.m. Play begins May 15. Men play Sundays at 5 and 7 p.m. at Hogan Soccer Complex starting June 1. Cost is \$44. For more information, call the MSA office at 684-5425 or Carolyn Sheffield at 682-9090...

Running...

The annual ECISD Run/Walk 5K, co-sponsored by UTPB Kinesiology Club, benefiting ECISD Special Olympics, is June 7 at 8 a.m. at UTPB. The run and walk are over a 3.1 mile course with seven age divisions from 15-under to 60-over. Early entry fee is \$12 per person and \$15 on race day. Call 334-7172 or 334-0734 for more information...

The Midland YMCA Corporate Cup Challenge is "6 events over four days in April and May. The following events are available: Bowling Tournament, co-ed team (2); Midland Park Lanes, 6 p.m. (2); Volleyball Tournament (min. 6, max 12); Central YMCA, 7 p.m.; May 1; Bench Press Competition (2); Central Y, 7 p.m. May 1; 3-on-3 Basketball (min. 3, max. 5); Central Y May 2, 6 p.m.; 200-meter Swim Relay (4, at least one female); May 3, 1 p.m.; COM; Horseshoes (1-male, 1-female); May 3 at 5:30 p.m.; Hogan Park; Softball Throw (male and female divisions), 6 p.m. May 3; Hogan Park 1-mile Time Predict (min. 1, max. 6); May 4 at 1 p.m.; Memorial Stadium; 4 X 100 Relay (4, min. 1 female); 1:30 p.m.; May 4; Memorial Stadium; Tug of War (16 men, 6 women); 3 p.m. May 4; Memorial Stadium. Call 682-2551 for information...

The 14th annual Westwood Medical Center Run for the Arts is scheduled for three categories May 17 starting at Centennial Plaza and finishing in downtown Midland. The divisions are the 5K road race and 5K fitness walk starting at 8:30 a.m. and a 1-mile children's fun run at 9:15 a.m. The cost for both the 5K events is \$12 before May 13 and \$15 afterward. The fun run is \$10 before May 13 and \$13 afterward. There is a special family rate of \$30 before the 13th and \$35 afterward. The top three finishers in each event will receive a \$50 gift certificate while the children's race is non-competitive. For more information, call Mmike Liebert at 685-5642 (day) or 520-2055, (night) or

Christie Lammers at 694-6314...

Track and Field...

The West Texas Christian Track Meet is May 10 at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Opening ceremonies are at 7:45 a.m. and events, which include running long jump, softball throw and races and relays of several distances, begin at 8 a.m. Entry fee is \$5 by April 18. Please call 563-9333 for more information...

Rugby...

The Midland Mad Dogs Rugby Football Club will be holding its practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Daryl at 697-6418 or E-mail: indyhome@juno.com.

Baseball

The Famous Chicken will be on hand for the April 27th game between the Midland Angels and the El Paso Diablos at 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased now from the CENTERS staff at 1031 Andrews Hwy., Suite 200, for \$4.50 each. Tickets will be \$5 at the game. A portion of the proceeds benefits program for CENTERS for Children and Families. Call 699-4262 for information...

Midland High will host an alumni game on April 26 at 3 p.m. at Zachery Field, honoring the 1973 state championship team. A special sign will also be dedicated. Former MHS players wanting to play in the game, call Jim Dawson at 684-4017. A barbecue will also be offered during the event...

Football...

The Midland Colts of the United States Independent Football League have one home game left, May 18 at 3 p.m. at Stanton High against the Stampede. For more information, call Curtis Conder at 686-0065...

Basketball...

The Midland YMCA is taking registration for Youth Summer Basketball for boys and girls in grades 3-6. Registration begins April 21 with a deadline of May 24. The fee for members is \$25 and for non-members \$38. For more questions, call 682-2551...

North American Youth Basketball is holding its 12th annual tournament in Longview again this year. The tournament will be held July 23-27 at Kilgore High. Tatum High and other area sites. Brackets are for boys and girls in fourth and fifth grades, sixth grade, seventh grade, eighth grade, 9th and 10th grades and 11th-12th grade categories. There will also be three-point shooting, and slam dunk contests as well as clinics. The entry fee is \$450 with a May 23 deadline. For more information, call the NAYB at 1-800-787-3265 or Tommy or Lance Aldridge at (903) 845-5192...

In-line hockey...

Sign-ups for inline hockey league play are from 4-6 p.m. on weekdays at Sticks n' Kicks Sports Center at 3918 W. Wall. League games begin the third week of April. Call 520-6633 for more information...

Fishing...

The Sweetwater Bass Club is holding its annual Open Tournament Saturday, May 10 from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Sweetwater. There is a \$1,000 cash prize for first place and other cash awards based on 100 entries. The three-fish stringer entry fee is \$35. The Big Bass Calcutta pays 60/40 with a \$5 entry fee. Weigh-in begins at 2:45 p.m.

The second annual Texas Fly Fishing and Outdoor Show is scheduled for May 16-18 on the Guadalupe River in Louise Hays Park in Kerrville. Over 30 exhibitors will be displaying their goods and 40 classes, lectures and demonstrations will be given covering all levels of fly fishing along with paddling and camping activities. A three-day pass is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children ages 8-14. The daily cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 8-14 and free for all children seven and under. For an advance registration package, call (210) 792-3535...

The Bad As Bass Tournament, an open bass fishing tournament to benefit the Midland Association for Retarded Citizens will be May 10 at Lake O.H. Ivie at the Concho Park Marina from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entry fee is \$40 per person prior to May 1 and \$50 after May 1. First place pays \$1,500. Top 10 places and big bass will be paid. Set a lake record and win a bass boat, retail \$20,240. Call 682-9771 for information...

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NEW YORK prices rose Tuesday. Reports that Kurds had monitors in the country.

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Prices rise

NEW YORK — Crude oil futures prices rose Thursday on unconfirmed reports that Iraq or Iraqi-backed Kurds had arrested up to six U.N. monitors in the northern part of the country.

Crude for June delivery rose 30 cents per barrel to \$20.03 on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

By late Thursday, the United Nations had not verified reports about the monitors. Nevertheless, they caused a wave of buying. Traders reasoned that any increased belligerence by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein could jeopardize future sales of oil by Iraq under a U.N. pact.

Oil prices also rose on rumors of a fire at Exxon Corp.'s Baytown refinery near Houston. Exxon and fire officials denied the rumors.

Unleaded gasoline for delivery next month rose 1.10 cents to 62.84 cents per gallon.

Natural gas prices were also higher. The May contract settled at \$2.122 per 1,000 cubic feet, up 6.2 cents.

Dollar rebounds

NEW YORK — The dollar rebounded from early weakness and settled steady to mostly higher against key currencies Thursday on news that a large Japanese life insurer was in financial trouble, which weakened the yen.

Tame German inflation data and remarks by Federal Reserve Board Governor Laurence Meyer also contributed to the dollar's recovery.

The dollar rebounded from an intraday low of 125.89 yen to close at 126.13 yen in New York, unchanged from Wednesday. The dollar cost 1.7150 marks, up from 1.7130. The pound recovered a bit from its decline on Tuesday to settle at \$1.6263, up from \$1.6226.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with Wednesday: 5.7850 French francs, up from 5.7770; 1.4604 Swiss francs, down from 1.4630; 1,705.00 Italian lire, up from 1,703.00; 1.3920 Canadian dollars, down from 1.3924.

Long distance

WASHINGTON — Americans could save at least \$1 billion a year in monthly phone charges under a plan federal regulators are considering. But bills could go up for customers with more than one phone line who make few long-distance calls.

The changes could come about as the Federal Communications Commission revamps a labyrinth of subsidies that make local phone service affordable to poor people and to those living in high-cost rural areas.

The FCC is expected to adopt a plan May 6.

Fed warning

WASHINGTON — A leading moderate on the Federal Reserve Board warned the economy may be overheating, underscoring the widespread expectation that the central bank will raise interest rates further.

"The economy appears to be growing at an unsustainable above-trend pace," Laurence H. Meyer, a Clinton appointee, said Thursday.

Before the Fed's last tightening move, on March 25, Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan dropped broad hints it was coming. The quarter-point increase in the benchmark rate charged on interbank loans, and the anticipation of more, roiled markets for weeks afterward.

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Bell Atlantic-Nynex merger approved

■ Justice Department clears way for creation of nation's second largest phone company.

N.Y. Times News Service

The Justice Department Thursday gave its approval for Bell Atlantic Corp. to acquire Nynex Corp. for \$23 billion, a move that clears the way for the creation of the nation's second biggest phone company.

The deal still needs to be approved by the Federal Communications Commission, but that is expected to be a formality. New York State Attorney General Dennis Vacco could still challenge the deal on the grounds that it will reduce competition in New York.

The new company, which will be based

in New York, will provide local phone service from Maine to Virginia, a territory that includes 39 million customers. It will also serve 4.5 million cellular customers through Bell Atlantic Nynex Mobile.

"Clearly these two companies will have the economies of scale and service territory to make them a formidable player," said Berge Ivazian, a telecommunications analyst with the Yankee Group in Boston.

The telephone market was changed dramatically last year when Congress passed a telecommunications law that freed local, long distance and cable companies to get into each other's businesses.

That regulation touched off a wave of mergers. The combination of SBC Communications and Pacific Telesis, two former "Baby Bells," won easy approval

from the government. The Bell Atlantic-Nynex combination was a trickier case, because the two companies occupy contiguous territory. As such they could have moved into each other's domain and become competitors.

Both federal and state regulators asked the question: Would the combination of the two giants stifle competition and be a bad deal for consumers?

The issue is particularly relevant in New York where prices are already high and Nynex has been criticized for poor service. In testimony last fall, staff members of the state's Public Service Commission called Nynex's service "deplorable" and warned that it might get worse under the combined company. The commission ultimately approved the deal, however.

Just last week, Vacco, the New York attorney general, said he would oppose the acquisition unless the companies promised better service and a freeze or a reduction in rates. It remains to be seen whether Vacco will go to court to get his way.

Vacco is not the only one with reservations about the Bell Atlantic-Nynex deal. Mark Cooper of the Consumer Federation of America told the Associated Press Thursday, "It is going to be extremely difficult to get competition in the local phone business because the best chance of that was for Bell Atlantic to invade Nynex's territory and vice versa."

The companies are not promising lower rates, but they have said consumers will benefit from more choice and technological improvements.

Dow declines despite boost from IBM stock

Associated Press

NEW YORK — IBM's profit report spurred an early rally Thursday but the advance sputtered, leaving most stock measures little changed as investors began focusing on next week's barrage of economic data.

Even with the equivalent of a 36 1/2-point booster shot from IBM, the Dow Jones industrial average fell 20.47 to 6,792.25.

Early in the session, it seemed the Dow average had rediscovered Tuesday's momentum, which produced a 173-point surge. But the Dow quickly surrendered an opening 78-point gain as interest rates rose in the bond market amid worries that next week's economic reports will intensify the inflation fears that have gripped investors since mid-March.

"It looked like we were back off to the races. But when bonds are under pressure, it's tough for stocks to rally," said Ronald J. Hill, investment strategist at Brown Brothers Harriman & Co.

Broader stock indicators ended mixed, with technology shares and smaller-company issues outperforming the blue-chip sector.

As expected, IBM reported a small drop in its first-quarter profits. But the results, released after Wednesday's

close, exceeded analyst forecasts and the computer maker's stock soared 8 percent, rising 11 1/4 to 153 5/8.

While investors did react enthusiastically to IBM's results, there was again little applause for the latest in a series of strong earnings reports from other members of the Dow 30.

Procter & Gamble beat forecasts by a small margin, and AlliedSignal met expectations, but both were among the Dow's weakest issues, along with United Technologies, DuPont, and Disney, all three of which reported better-than-expected results on Wednesday.

There was little action to Thursday's news that first-time claims for jobless benefits dropped by 8,000. The decline wiped out an 8,000 increase a week earlier and restored the total of new claims to 324,000.

Declining issues outnumbered advanced by a 10-to-9 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 485.41 million shares.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list fell 2.46 to 771.18, and the NYSE's composite index fell 1.09 to 403.62.

The Nasdaq composite index rose just 0.96 to 1,228.10 after retreating from an early 15-point gain, and the American Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.59 to 543.95.



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Thursday. Blue chip barometer IBM provided the equivalent of a 36-1/2 point booster but the Dow Jones Industrial Average still fell 20.47 points on the day.

Jobless claims fall in tight labor market

■ Strong labor market could soon send labor costs higher, threatening to increase inflation.

N.Y. Times News Service

Washington — New claims by U.S. workers for unemployment benefits dropped last week as help-wanted advertising remained at a high level, the latest signs America's vibrant economy could push labor costs higher.

First-time jobless claims fell a greater-than-expected 8,000 last week to a seasonally adjusted 324,000, a historically low level. Labor Department figures showed Thursday. Additionally, the Conference Board, a New York-based business research group, said help-wanted ads in major newspapers last month appeared at a pace that's been little changed for two years.

Low U.S. unemployment and a greater number of jobs than job seekers together suggest that a period of restrained labor costs could be ending. "Inflation is often initially transmitted from labor market excess demand to wage change and then to price change," Fed Gov. Laurence Meyer said in a speech to the Forecasters Club in New York.

The next reading on labor markets comes Tuesday when the government releases its broadest measure of wages and benefits, the employment cost index.

The ECI is expected to register its biggest increase in four years — a 0.9 percent gain for the fourth quarter. That's likely to be viewed by investors and Federal Reserve policymakers as evidence the kindling for an inflationary fire is stacking up.

The index weighs heavily in the Fed's interest rate decisions because it's more

reliable than other gauges of employment costs, such as average hourly earnings.

"The first quarter ECI bears watching for signs of a further rise in wage change and possibly a bottoming out of the recent slowing in the pace of increase in benefit costs," Meyer said in his speech.

In appearances before Congress, Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan "has pointed the finger at wage costs as the potential source of higher inflation," said former Fed Gov. Lyle Gramley, now a consulting economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association of America. If Fed officials see the employment cost index going up, "They know it's time to worry," Gramley said.

A 0.9 percent gain in the ECI — which would translate to an annual increase of as much as 3.5 percent — would affirm the Fed's March 25 decision to raise the overnight bank lending rate by a quarter point to 5.5 percent, analysts said. And it would lay the groundwork for further short-term interest rate increases at the Fed's next policy meetings May 20 and July 1-2.

Greenspan and other Fed policymakers want to prevent the economy from racing ahead at a pace that would cause inflation to accelerate. Labor costs account for about two-thirds of U.S. consumer prices.

There are a few signs of wavering in the economy. Even as jobless claims fell last week, the less volatile four-week average for new claims increased, said Cheryl Katz, an economist at Merrill Lynch in New York. As a result, she said, "We look for payroll employment to rise 210,000 for April, lower than the first quarter average of 242,000."

Even so, Katz said, "The expected slowdown in employment growth is not

enough to preclude further Fed rate increases.

And, although businesses have yet to pass along higher labor and production costs to consumers thanks to improvements in efficiency and global competition, a shift may be in the wind.

Broad economic indicators such as the consumer price index remain tame. At the same time, however, "We're seeing inflation pressures in wages," Fed Gov. Susan Phillips said last week in an interview with Bloomberg News.

The economy's recent period of vigorous growth has fueled demand for manufactured goods and triggered the highest level of factory overtime on record in March, an average 4.9 hours a worker per week. Average hourly earnings, meantime, are rising at a 4 percent clip — the fastest annual pace this decade.

In Dayton, Ohio — in the heart of the industrial Midwest — unskilled workers are being offered \$1 or more above the new federal minimum wage of \$4.75, the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland recently reported. The Minneapolis Fed has seen increased evidence of "substantial pay increases for some computer and engineering specialists."

General Motors Corp. and Chrysler Corp., meantime, have been slowed by local strikes as unions protest over a variety of issues, including the use of cheaper contract workers and outside manufacturing firms.

Moreover, benefit costs may be poised to move higher after recent gains were among the smallest in decades, which helped offset the rise in wages. In March, consumer health-care costs increased 0.4 percent, the largest rise since a similar increase in December 1995.

Airlines see profits, traffic rise

N.Y. Times News Service

Chicago — Delta Airlines Inc. and Southwest Airlines Inc. reported better-than-expected profits for the recent quarter, as a healthy economy spurred more leisure and business travel.

Delta's fiscal third-quarter profits tripled, while Southwest's first-quarter profits climbed 54 percent. Both far exceeded analysts' estimates. The results for both airlines were for the quarter ended March 31.

Delta and Southwest were the latest U.S. airlines to report stronger-than-expected earnings on booming traffic figures, higher ticket prices and a mild winter.

Delta's profit from operations rose to \$221 million, or \$2.95 a share, from \$63 million, or 80 cents a share, a year earlier. Per-share figures are after payment of preferred-stock dividends.

Revenue rose 15 percent in the quarter ended March 31, to \$3.42 billion from \$2.96 billion.

The Dallas-based airline said net income rose to \$50.9 million, or 34 cents a share, from \$33 million, or 22 cents, a year ago.

The earnings beat the average estimate of 23 cents from 17 analysts polled by IBES International Inc. Revenue increased 15 percent to \$887.1 million from \$772.5 million.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Investing at young age will pay dividends in future

By Eric Tyson

Q: Thanks to your advice, I have paid off my auto loan and credit-card debts and bumped up my 401(k) contribution to the 16 percent maximum allowed.

I am 20 years old and have set a goal of retirement at age 50.

I have started investing \$100 per month each into two separate mutual funds outside my 401(k). Is this wise, or should I invest in an individual retirement account or something altogether different?

A: Congratulations on getting your finances in order at such a young age! Decades in the future, your discipline is bound to be amply rewarded.

How you should invest the additional \$200 per month depends on what you envision doing with that money in the



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future. For example, if you desire to buy a home at some point, you'd want penalty-free access to the money.

The fewer the years you plan on having that money invested, the less risk you should take with it. If you are saving the additional money for a down payment on a home you expect to buy in, say five years, the stock market would be too risky a place to invest it; a sudden downturn in the market could delay your purchase. Short- to intermediate-term bonds are a safer harbor for shorter-term investments.

If you desire to invest the additional money for your retirement and you don't need penalty-free access to it before you retire, you should consider investing up to \$2,000 per year in an IRA. Even if your contributions are not tax-deductible, money in the account would compound without taxation until withdrawal.

Should you be successful in accumulating enough money to allow you to retire by age 50, be aware that IRA

withdrawals before the age of 59 1/2 are subject to federal and state penalties. The federal penalty for early withdrawals is 10 percent of the amount withdrawn; state penalties vary.

However, you can avoid early-withdrawal penalties if you commit to at least a five-year continuous withdrawal schedule that is based on your life expectancy. A tax adviser or tax advice book can provide more details.

An alternative to investing in an IRA would be to invest in tax-friendly mutual funds in a regular taxable account. At your young age, the bulk of your contributions should be going into stock funds. Focus on funds that don't do a lot of trading, which can generate taxable capital gains distributions. Also look for funds that don't invest in stocks that pay high dividends.

Q: Is the Vanguard Star fund a good choice for an IRA for a beginning investor in her 30s?

A: Generally speaking, yes, although the fund is a bit conservative for most 30-somethings.

One of the many excellent "fund of

funds" offered by the Vanguard Group, the Star fund typically has no more than 65 percent of its assets in stocks. Of its stock investments, exposure to international markets is minimal.

As an alternative to the Star fund, a more aggressive IRA investor might consider Vanguard's LifeStrategy Growth fund, which generally has about 80 percent of its portfolio in stocks, with about 20 percent of those stocks overseas.

The Vanguard LifeStrategy funds of funds primarily invest in index funds that replicate broad market averages and maintain low operating expense ratios.

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13.8	AFC Cbl	20% +1

74.8	AACT	91% +
38.7	APS Mid	91%
-1.7	ASA Hold	21% +
39.0	ASM Int'l	13% +
51.3	ASM Litho	75% +1
23.1	AST	5% +
87.5	ATC Com	4% +1
28.4	ATL Pr n	8% +2
28.8	Abcan	6% +3
18.7	AbacDir n	2% +1
10.8	AbleTel	8% -1

+3.8	Abraxas	10 ^{1/4}	+1
72.5	AccentS	1 ^{3/4}	+9

+3.8	Adorax	10 1/4	+
72.5	AccentS	1 3/4	+9
69.8	AccesHR	13 1/2	+
+1.9	Acclaim	3 1/4	+5
14.3	Accom	1 1/2	+2
27.9	Actel	17 1/8	-5
23.6	ActPart s	22 1/4	+
44.0	Accom s	13 7/8	+15
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+4.7	AirExp	33 3/4
+2.2	Akron	69 + 1 1/4

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-46.9	Alanco	11 ¹ / ₁₆	-1 ¹ / ₁₆
+4.8	AlaxBld	26 ³ / ₁₆	+15 ¹ / ₁₆
52.2	Alkerm	11 ¹ / ₁₆	-4 ¹ / ₁₆
-45.1	AlianPh	7 ³ / ₁₆	+1 ¹ / ₁₆
-5.3	AlnSem	8 ³ / ₁₆	-
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-17.7	AltaGid	d22 ³ / ₁₆	-
-33.3	Ateon	3 ¹ / ₁₆	-
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45.5	AmerEco	7 1/4	+1 1/2

43.8	AmBion	07/48	-
33.8	AmBion	2 11/16	+ 1/2
45.5	AmerEco	7 1/4	+ 1 1/2

+7.9	AGreel	30%	-5%
-9.7	AHitthcp	10½	+½
-5.5	AHomstrs	17¼	+½
38.0	AmIntPl	17½	+½
-8.9	AMS	22½	...
38.0	AmMidTc	17½	-5½
20.7	ANcolss	8½	+½
31.7	APwrCnv	18½	+½
48.9	Amerign	3	-7½
23.8	Amern	19½	+1½
88.6	AmernDS	7½	-7½

+6.4	Amgen	57 1/2	-1 1/2
+2.1	Amresco	15 1/2	-3

+6.4	Amgen	57%	-1%
-42.1	Amresco	15 1/2	-3%
15.4	Amylin	11	-
+1.9	Anadig s	26%	+3%
37.3	AnchGm	d25 1/4	-1%
29.0	Andrew s	25 1/8	+1%
54.6	Ansys n	8 1/8	+1%
11.1	Artec	d8	-3%
13.9	ApexPC n	7%	+1%
23.3	ApogeeE s	15 1/4	-1%
24.6	ApplGn	17%	-

14.4	AppleC	17 ¹ / ₈	-7
-7.4	AppiSou	12 ¹ / ₂	
20.5	Applebee	21 ⁷ / ₈	

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Apple	177 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
AppSou	12 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Applee	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
AppAni	13 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2

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AL Mutual A:		
Bond	9.55	-02 +32.2
CaGr	20.71	-04 +82.5
McDSt	12.50	+04 NS
MuBd	10.83	-01 +37.9
AL Mutual B:		
IntB p	11.30	+02 NS
ARP Invest:		
CaS&B n	18.43	-06 NS
CaS&B	64.56	-03 -90.0

CAST n	44.36	+03	+90.0
Davinc n	14.97	-02	NA
Griffin n	14.81	-02	+31.3

GrnMn	44.38	+03+30.0
DwGrn	14.97	-02 NA
GrnMn	14.81	-02+31.3
GblGrn	16.65	+01 NS
GrnGrn	46.95	+17+113.5
HQ Bdr	15.64	-03+37.4
TSF Bdr	17.67	-02+37.7
JSStk	14.68	-05 NA

IM Funds:

Aggr v p	35.77	+10+165.3
	21.27	+22+20.6

BaIAp	21.21	-03	+98.5
BaIB1	21.25	-02	NS
BaCm-A	25.54		06.8

Chap	21.27	-0.3	+38.5
BaB1	21.25	-0.2	NS
BChnAp	25.54		+95.8
CapDev p	10.07	+0.3	NS
ChartB1	11.05	-0.1	NS
ChartAp	11.07	-0.1	+79.5
Const p	23.38	+0.4	+112.9
GioAgGp	15.51	+0.2	NS
GAGB1	15.29	+0.2	NS
GnB1	13.83	+0.2	NS
HydAp	9.59	+0.1	+69.7

Hydro	9.59	+01	NS
Incop	8.00	+53.5	

YnfAB	9.59	+01	NS
YnfCo p	8.00		+53.5
YnfEgA p	15.83	+01	+95.7
YnfEgB	15.54	+01	NS
YnfM p	9.96		+27.1
YnfN p	8.06		+37.2
YnfN	11.87		+87.6
YnfV1	28.89	+08	NS
YnfV p	29.19	+08	+117.4
YnfWgB	18.14	+02	NS

MF Funds:

Wang:	18.37	+32+74.9
JMF Funds:		
Asm'n	9.96	+29.5
Com Funds:		
Acc'n F	14.58	+32+109.9
Ent'n	19.84	+31 NS
etna Select:		
Gre'nco	14.46	-33+96.5
lger Funds:		

Gnath1	9.40	-0.05	+116.9
SmCap1	7.99	-0.01	+78.4

Swth1	9.40	-05+116.9
SmCap1	7.99	-01+78.4
Alliance Advisor Ct:		
GwthAdv	34.45	NA
Alliance Cap A:		
Alan p	6.51	-04+102.9
BondAp	13.52	-03+82.0
GortAp	7.30	-01+31.8
Grnc p	2.88	-01+95.0
Grnc p	34.47	NA

UmgAp	8.38	-0.1	+35.1
UmgCAA	10.43		+40.7

MgAp	8.38	-0.1 ± 35.1
MCAp	10.43	+40.7
NMAp	10.38	-0.1 ± 41.1
NAGVAp	7.82	NA
QusaAp	23.51	-0.7 ± 118.2
ST Map	7.69	-0.1 ± 17.1
TechAp	43.74	-0.8 ± 198.8
WdPrvD	12.07	NS

GovtB p	7.30	-0.01	+27.4
GovtB i	28.53		+107.7

GrwB p	15.92	-01	NS
GovB p	7.30	-01	+27.4
GrwB t	28.53		+107.7
GrwC p	2.86	-01	+87.0
MrgB p	8.38	-02	NA
NAGB t	7.82		NA
PGTB p	16.84	-07	NS
TechB t	42.42	-08	NS
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GrwC t	28.54		NS
NAGC t	7.32		NS

ReInCl	11.27	-11	NS
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Balance	13.28	-02	+67.6
Equity	18.97	-02	+94.3
Core Vintage:			
Equity	16.98	-11	NS
Mer AAdvant Instl:			
Bal	14.02	-02	+79.0
Century:			

Balanced	n = 16	96	-10	+51.3
EdGroup	n = 16	34	-72	+116.7

19th Century:		
Balanced	16.96	-10 +51.3
EqGro	16.24	-02 +16.7
GGoldEq	9.34	-14 +41.6
noGro	20.63	+116.3
Value	8.58	-02 NS

20th Century:		
Gift	18.83	-08 +20.3
Growth	21.96	+03 +54.2
Heritage	11.77	+4 +3.79.7
ProGen	7.88	-11 NS

IntGto n	8.52	+02	+81.6
Select n	40.82	+18	+88.6

Parameter	Mean	SD	95% CI
Intact Gn	8.52	+0.61	6.6
Select n	40.62	+1.8	+68.6
Ultra n	27.99	+0.7	+20.1
Vista n	11.15	+1.2	+51.6

Century Bench:

CaLgTf n	10.98	+3.43
CaLgTf n	11.08	+0.40
GNMA	10.33	+0.37
ITreas n	10.05	+0.32
ESGaw n	9.37	+0.36

Tg2000 n	81.74	-12	+49.9
Tg2020 n	22.32	-20	+81.6

Year	Mean	SD	95% CI
2020	81.74	12	+49.9
2020	22.32	20	+81.6

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Year	Mean	SD	95% CI
2020	8.85	0.3	+114.0
2020	5.08	0.1	+55.8
2020	9.90	0.3	+57.0
2020	9.00	0.1	+97.5
2020	11.64	0.4	NS
2020	12.66	0.2	+88.1
2020	4.12	0.1	+88.6

FanA	4.94	-35.1
GbaA	6.00	-01+53.1

FdaA	4.94	-35.1
GBA	6.00	-01+53.1
GbaA	6.80	-01+45.8
GetaA	25.98	+121.3
HeyA	4.46	+34.9
IrsA	5.39	-01+36.0
IrsA	10.24	+53.5
MgaA	11.33	-01+70.0
MnnA	5.20	+35.8
MunA	13.51	-03+75.2

NewA	20.75	-03+112.1	0
ProgA	8.08	+86.8	

NewDA	20.75	-0.3	+112.1
ProgA	8.08		+86.6
SelectA	8.88	-0.2	+48.0
StockA	23.18	-0.7	+89.7
StrAgA	18.02	-0.1	NS
TEBdA	3.91		+35.6
UtilinA	7.29	-0.5	+89.1



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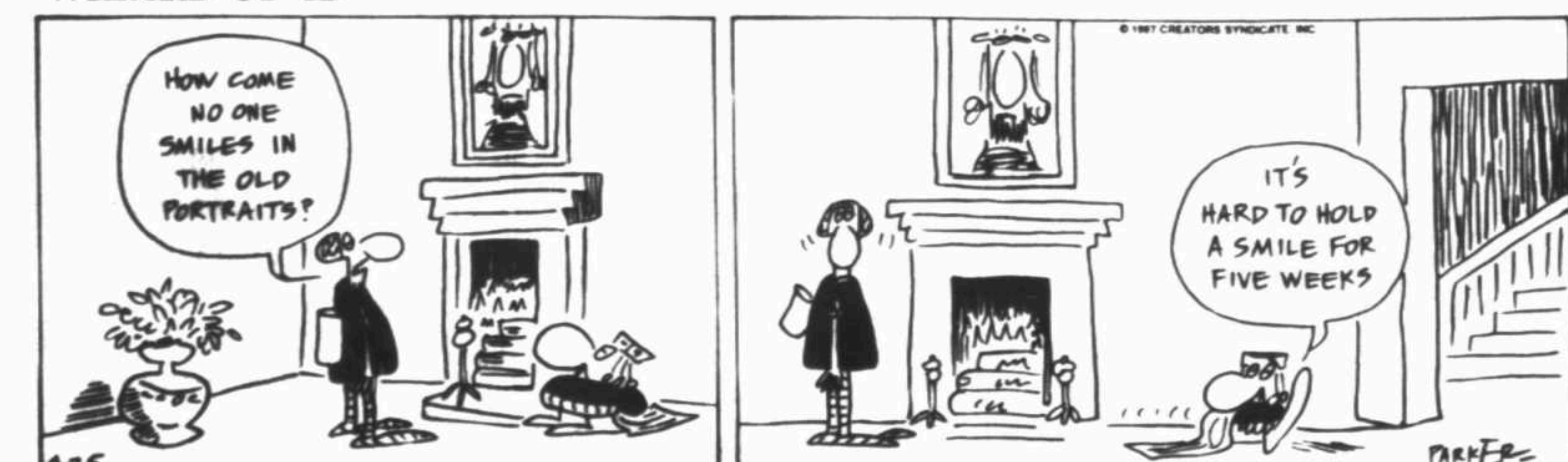
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FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, April 25, 1997: You are unusually verbal and direct this year. Others clearly receive the messages you send. You might decide to structure your financial partnerships and agreements differently. Use your instincts and inner knowledge as a resource. You will need to be flexible with bosses. Some of you might opt for your own business in 1997. If you are single, you certainly are desirable, and others let you know. You might be overly cautious about allowing new people into your life. If attached, the two of you could make an important decision that would affect your finances. **SAGITTARIUS** helps you understand different ideas.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** Because of your ability to gain perspective, you see this week's events in a new light. Discuss financial commitments with a partner. Lady Luck smiles on you. Stay anchored as you choose your path. Make time for a special person. Tonight: Go away for the weekend. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ***** You are more expressive than usual. Others respond to your dynamic thinking. Not everything is as you see it, though. Ask questions, especially if a boss gets flaky with you. Your instincts are right about a partnership. Tonight: Stoke the fires of romance. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ***** Brainstorming brings dy-

namite ideas. Don't hold everything in; share what's on your mind. Others respect your opinions. Accept an invitation; it opens a door to news and travel. Take risks. You are sure about your desires. Tonight: Run out of the office ASAP, to begin TGIF! **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ***** Buckle down to responsibility. Fill in where a boss doesn't want to. Focus on long-term goals, though you want to toss your hat in the ring now. Do nothing radical; stay on a preplanned course. Your flexibility is your strong suit. Tonight: Run errands on the way home. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Your loving side emerges in response to someone's scattered reaction. A loved one feels insecure. It may take work to see his point of view, but it is still necessary. Maintain a sense of humor, but don't forget work! Tonight: It could be a great night. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Take the lead with a domestic matter. Once you present your idea clearly, another cannot help but agree with you. You are building a strong foundation, and looking at greater security. Let a partner know how important he is to you. Tonight: Push the broom. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Reach out for others, and be clear about your expectations. An associate is aloof and changeable; be level with him. An intimate discussion helps him thaw. Let loose your creativity and imagination. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Take another look at expenses. What you thought was a financial advantage might not pan out as you expected. Humor goes a long way with a partner. Make solid decisions for the future. Take a leap of faith. Tonight: Pay bills. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** A loved one is serious and wants your feedback. Your loving, intelligent response strikes a chord within him. Focus on work, and evaluate what looks like a brainy idea. Be spontaneous. You can deal with whatever is tossed your way. Tonight: Just ask! **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Maintain some decorum with a potentially difficult loved one. You want to say a lot of things, but hold: ing your tongue is more positive in the long run. A child reveals a lot when you play with him. Creativity is high. You will solve an issue soon. Tonight: Take a night off. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Your perceptions are important to a friend. Someone may baffle you by the way he seeks your opinion. Solid discussion with a family member is needed; you'll feel closer as a result. You seem to have a magic touch. Tonight: Aim for what you want. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** You are in the limelight. Others seek you out for money; making ideas. Uncharacteristically, your response is conservative. Keep the conversation going, as brainstorming opens up other ideas. Be a mediator rather than a decision maker. Tonight: Stay out late.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

9 + 0 = 9

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

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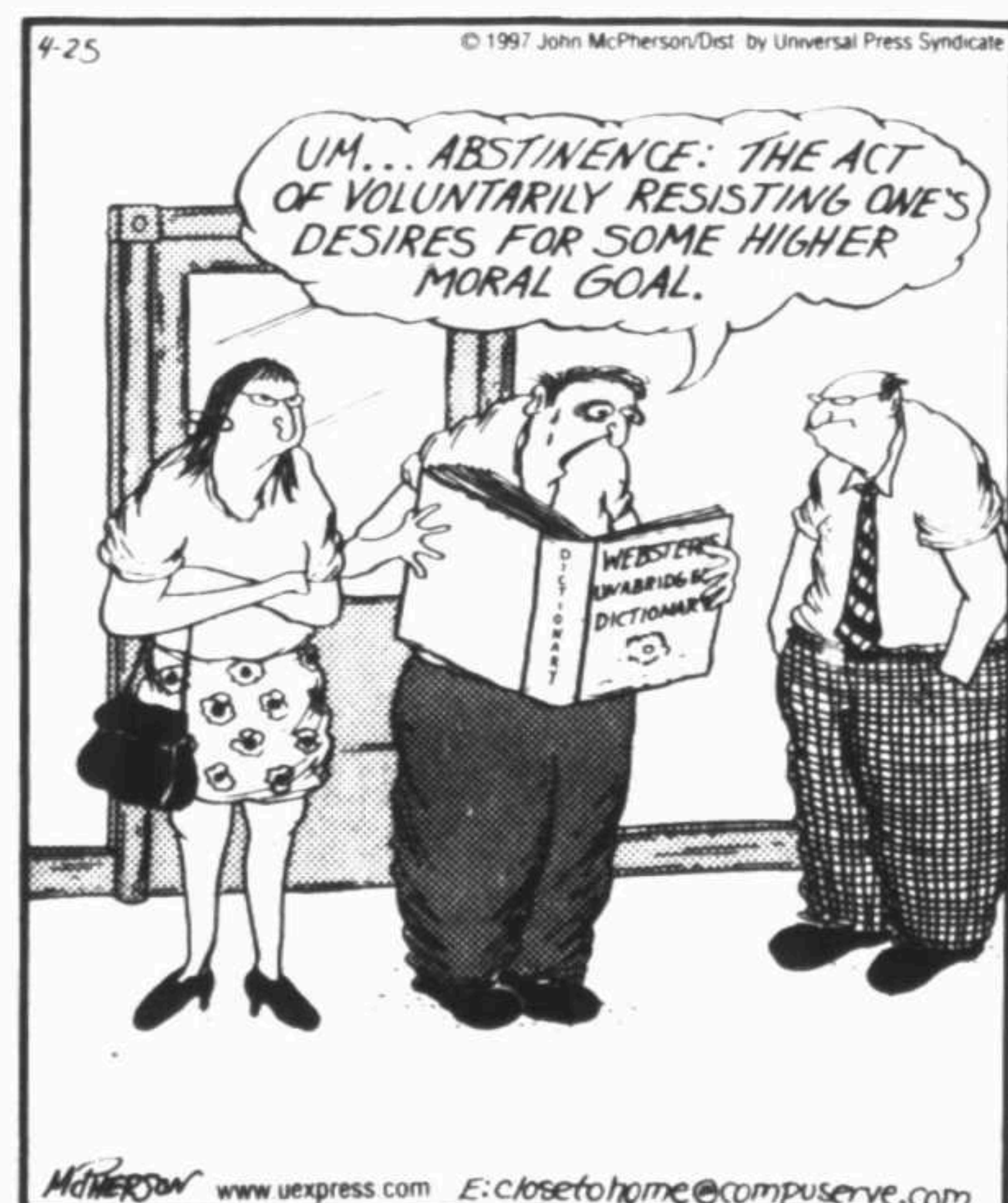
Opening lead: Ace of ♠

We like to think that bridge is a game of skill. That luck also plays a role is eloquently illustrated by this hand from rubber bridge. In a sophisticated relay system, South might be able to discover that North is void in spades and holds the king of diamonds and ace of clubs. That makes slam a bad proposition. Employing more mundane meth-

ods, we think that South's blast to six spades has a lot to recommend it. West led the ace of diamonds, and South did not like what came down in dummy. Reverse the minor-suit high cards and the slam would have depended either on finding East with the ace of clubs or a singleton king of spades in either defender's hand. As it was, the defenders rubbed salt into declarer's wounds. At trick two, West continued with

a diamond. East ruffed and shifted to the king of hearts. There was nothing declarer could do. With no entry to dummy and the king of spades guarded in the West hand, declarer still had to lose a trick in each major. Down three less 100 honors, for a net loss of 400 points. "Don't worry," North offered in consolation. "You started out with nine tricks in hand, and ended with nine tricks." A few more results like that and South could file for bankruptcy.

CLOSE TO HOME



Before taking her out, Charlene's dates were required to take a brief vocabulary lesson.



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OKAY, LET'S SEE, WHERE WERE WE BEFORE ALL THE EXCITEMENT?

I THINK I WAS SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT THIS BEING THE PERFECT DAY AND NOW... NOTHING COULD RUIN IT...

THAT STILL STANDS, AND THE REASON I'M SITTING RIGHT HERE NEXT TO ME—THIS REMARKABLE ADJMAN, RADIANT, NISE, NITTY...

OH, PLEASE. SHE'S A TEENY-BOPPER.

I KNOW! IS SHE EVEN WEARING ANYTHING UNDER THAT DRESS?

Burchett

524 GRAND WILD

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DENNIS THE MENACE



"Can we hang the swing on it now, Daddy?"



"I SEE YOU'RE GETTING SOME OF THOSE
'LAUGH LINES' AROUND YOUR KNEES, TOO."

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"Now I don't want to do it anymore because I work too hard. I don't want to work 14 hours a day" or stay away from his family that long, said the comedian and star of the HBO series "Dennis Miller Live." "I go insane. I just want to go home and sleep."

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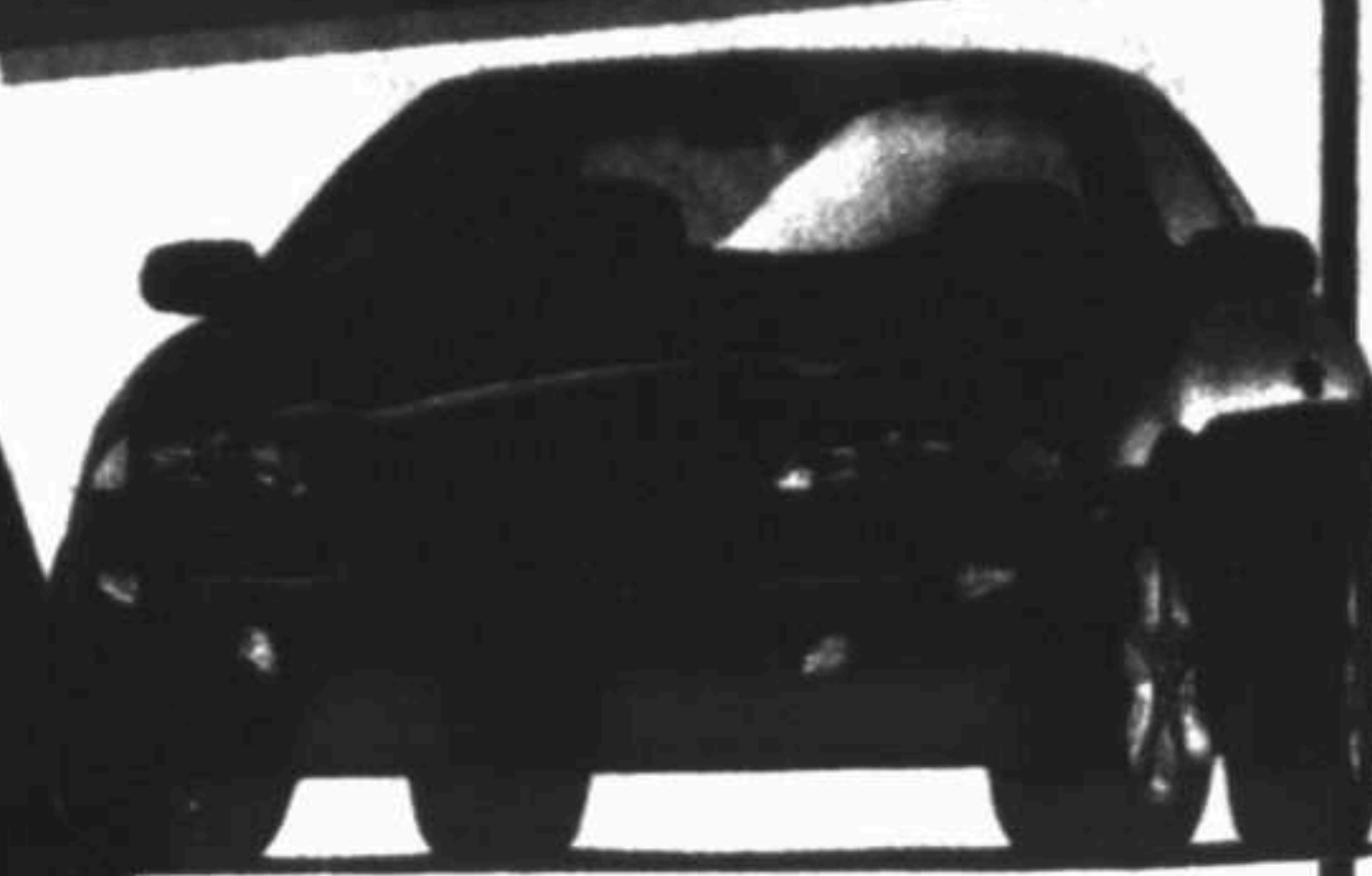
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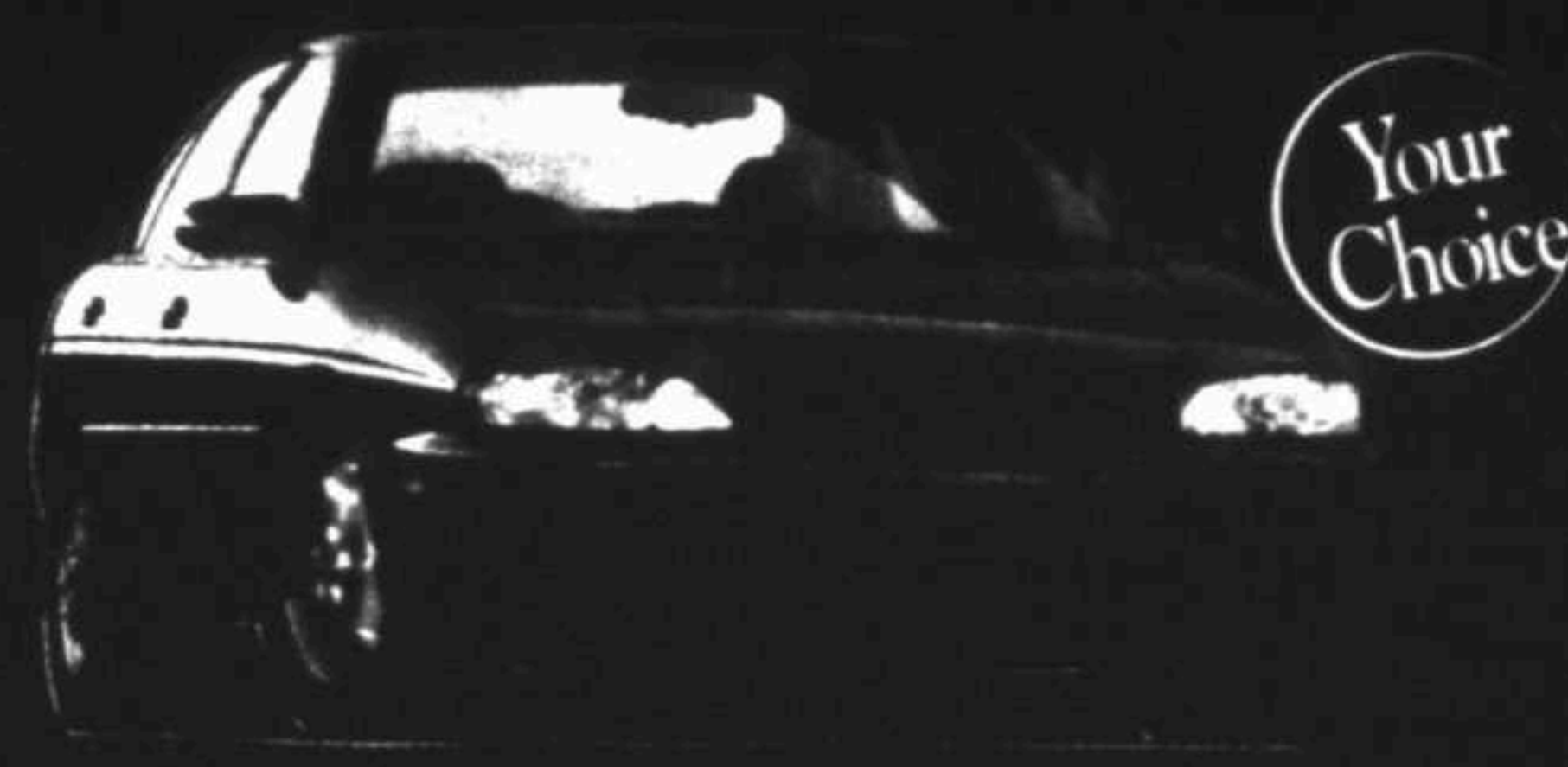
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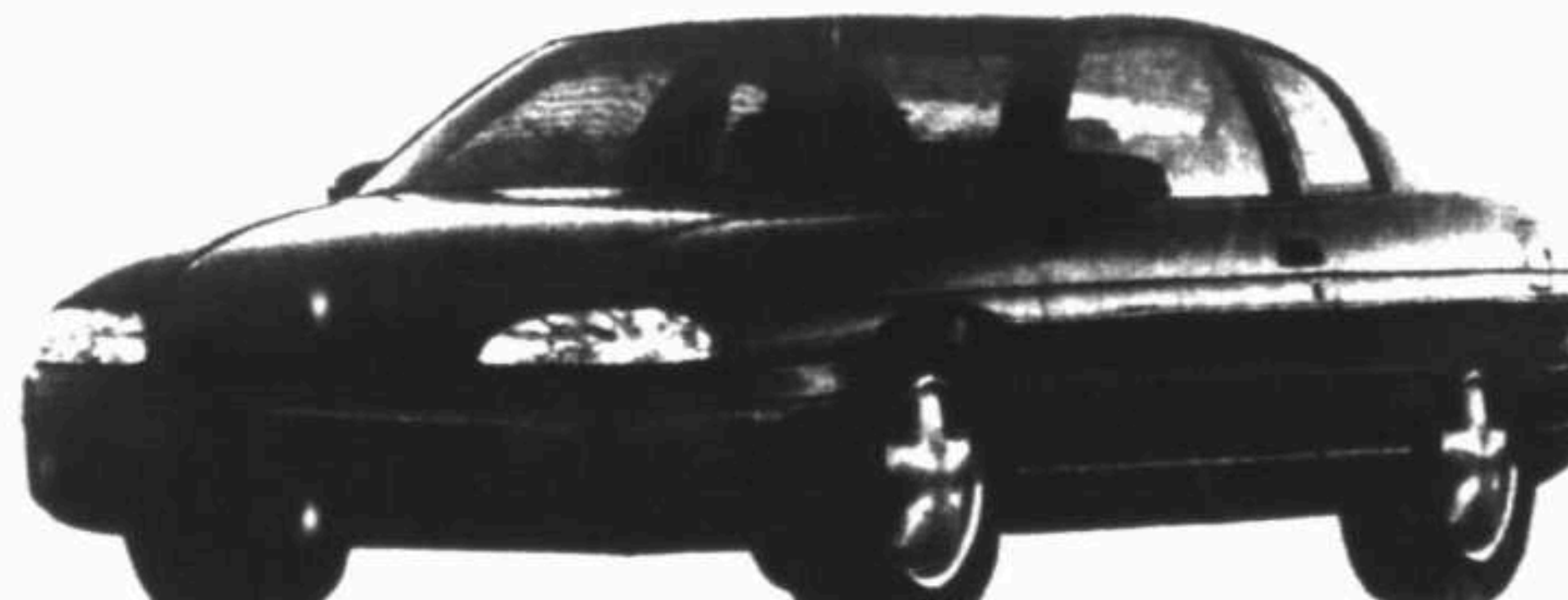
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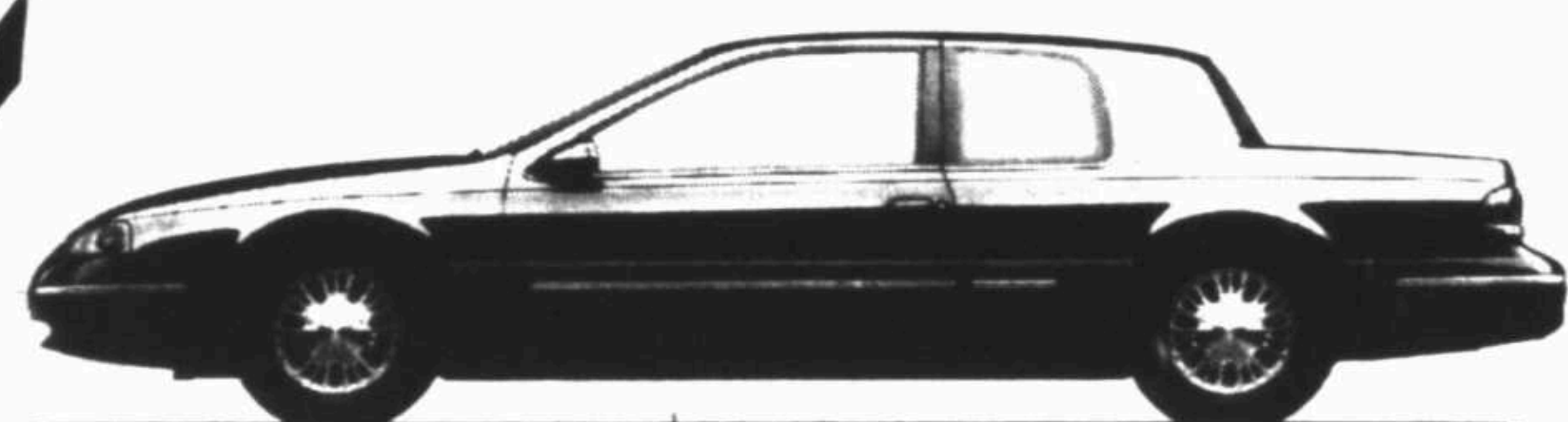
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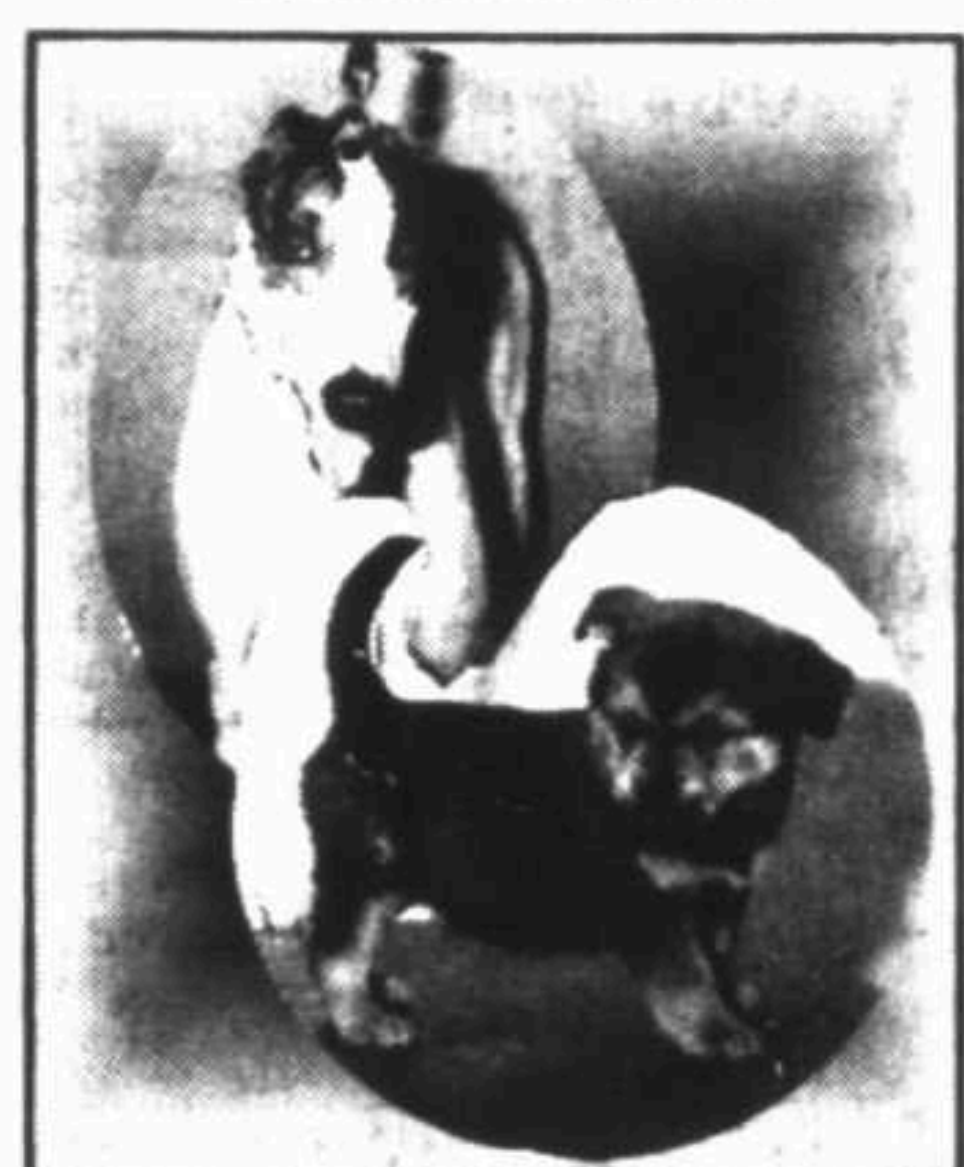
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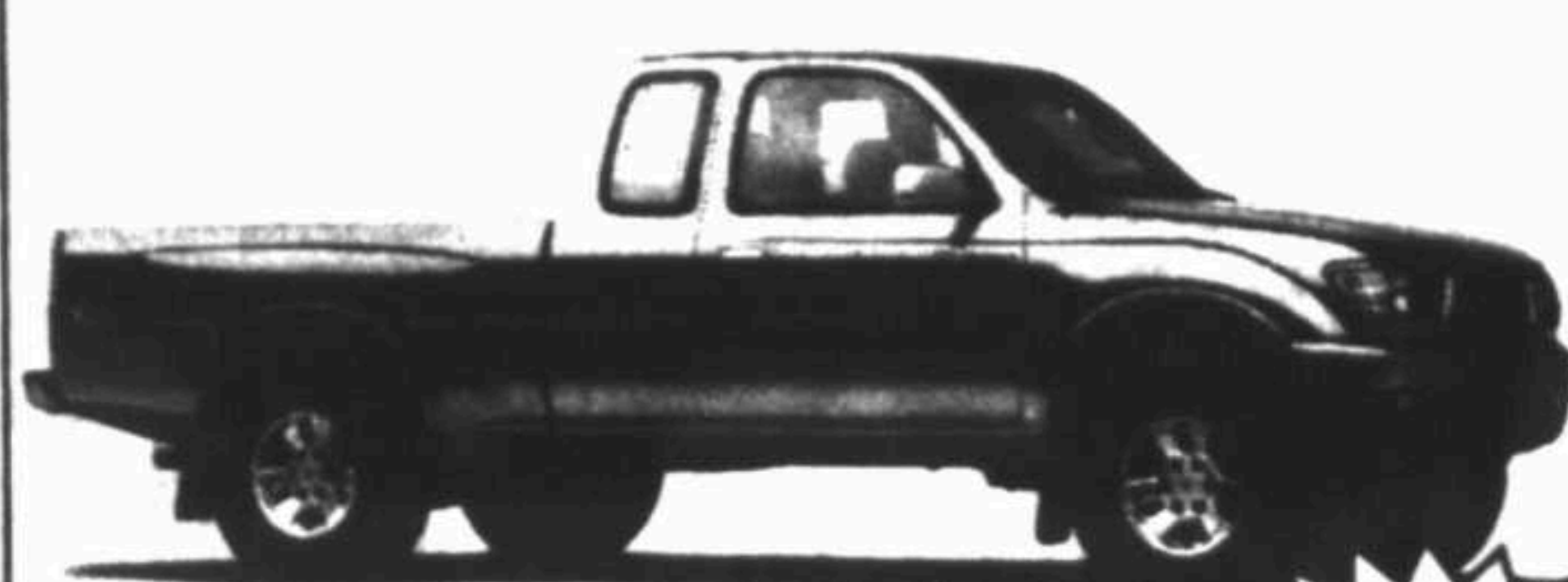
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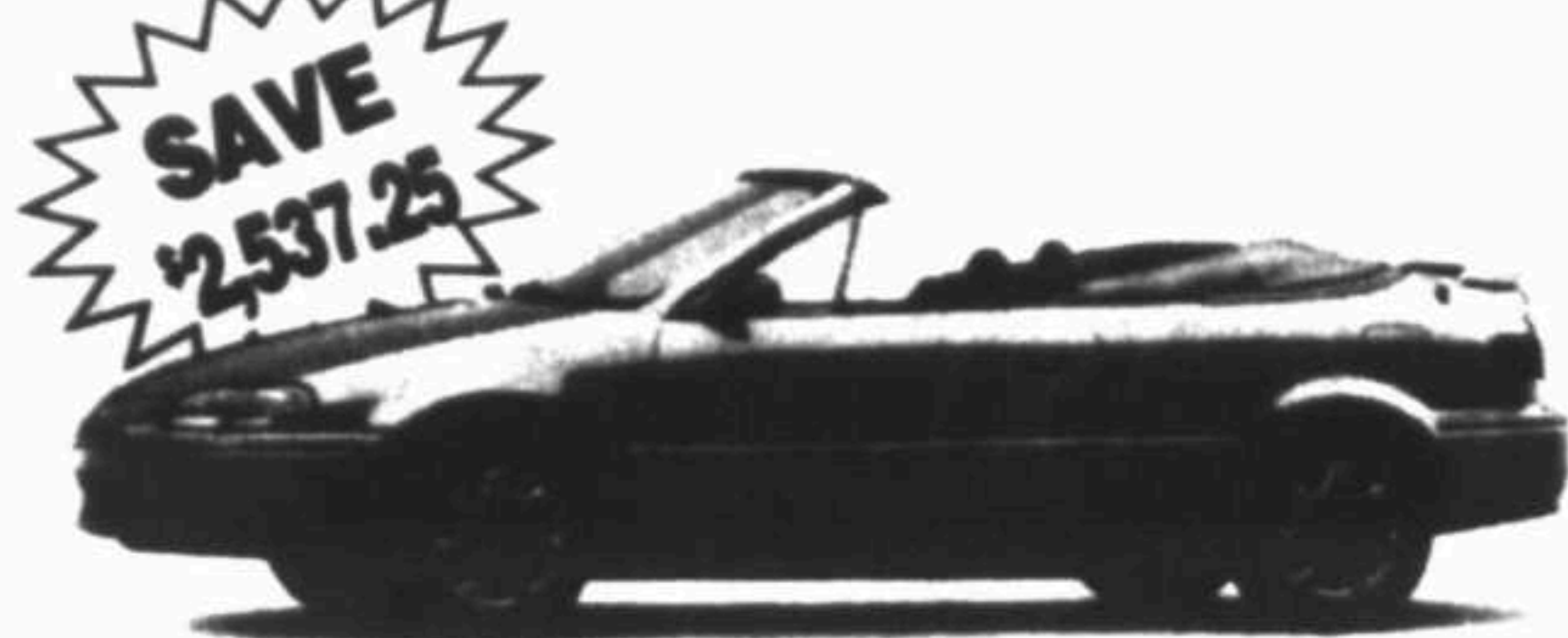
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DRIVERS: Must have a A-CDL driver's license. Benefits include \$10.00 per hour, 40 hour work week, paid sick leave, and vacation to qualified drivers. Experience of packing, loading, and unloading paid on trips weekly. Must have 3 to 5 years experience in household goods to qualify. Call 915-563-1272 or 800-882-9165 weekdays from 9 am to 5 pm to set up an interview.

DRIVERS: (TST Paraffin Service Co. Div of Yale Key) Looking for Truck Driver with CDL License with less than 3 years in 5 years. Will have to pass DOT Physical and Drug Test. Must be 21 years old. Will take applications at the Stanton and Lamesa offices or call 1-800-522-0474 or 756-2875. Benefits include: Health Insurance, Uniform's furnished, Profit Sharing Plan, 1 week vacation, after 1 year employment, 2 week vacation after 2 year employment. Will train qualified applicants with oil field experience.

DRY CLEANING: Taking applications for counter person. Apply in person, Plaza Cleaners, #38 Plaza Oaks Shopping Center (Wadley & Garfield). No phone calls please.

FOR RESUMES: That get results call 699-1919. Also, Cover letters. Professional, quick service, affordable.

FRONT DESK Clerks: 3-11 Shift. Customer service experience preferred. Able to perform multiple tasks. Holiday Inn, 4300 W Hwy 80, Midland, TX.

GENERAL: Caring people to teach community living skills to people with mental retardation in a group home setting. Must have high school diploma and valid TX drivers license required. Apply in person 2215 N. Big Spring St. 10 am to 4:30 pm.

GENERAL - FULL-TIME: Part-time positions available. Casual dining, banquet server, bartender, snack bar and pool lifeguards. Apply, 8-11 or 2-5 at GreenTree Country Club, 4900 GreenTree Blvd.

General: Hensley's Computer Cabling is now taking applications for an experienced person in the field of computer wiring, phone wiring or electrical wiring. Would like 3 years experience. Will train. Pick up applications at Mail & More, 4708 N. Midkiff #22 Midland, TX.

310 General Help Wanted

GENERAL: Odessa Daycare Center is accepting for part time housekeeper. If interested, contact Barbara Vaughn, 687-1201 or apply at 6005 Eastridge Road, Odessa or 731 W Wadley, Midland.

GENERAL: Wanted. Experienced GM Parts Counterperson for West Texas GM Dealer. Knowledge of ADP System will be helpful. Contact Chris Reynolds, 1-800-279-1993 to arrange for a personal interview.

HAIR DRESSER & NAIL TECH: needed for busy shop. Excellent location. Call for appointment 697-3929.

HAIR DRESSER: Station for lease. Pleasant working conditions. Call 694-8869 or 683-7268.

HAIRSTYLISTS: \$100 WEEKLY lease, on the Loop. 3 hairstylist openings. Live Your Dream. Walter, 699-5999, nights 697-1794.

HYDROSTATIC TUBING TESTER: experience not necessary, will train right person. \$6/ hour Must be dependable and able to pass drug test. CDL license required. Call 570-4973.

KITCHEN ADMINISTRATOR: Immediate opening. Must love to cook and deal direct with customers. Hours: 7 am to 3 pm, Monday thru Friday. Contact Mike Bengel, 687-4745 or 634-2704.

LIFE GUARDS: Ranchland Hills Country Club is now accepting applications for Life Guards thru April 25th at 5pm. Must have current CPR and First Aid Certification and Life Guard Certification. Pickup applications at the Club Office, 1600 E Wadley.

LOVING CHRISTIAN: person who enjoys working with young children needed in Church Nursery, Sunday mornings and afternoons. Call St. Lukes United Methodist Church at 694-2571.

MAID - POSITION: available for a maid in our housekeeping. Apply in person at Royal Inn, 3801 W. Wadley.

310 General Help Wanted

MAINTENANCE: technician, two years experience in apartment communities. HVAC, appliance and make ready knowledge. Paid benefits. 699-7941.

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT: CLERK Must be skilled in computer use, have working knowledge of materials management and a stable work history. Purchasing experience preferred. Write to Clerk, P.O. Box 60224, Midland, TX 79711.

NAIL TECH: Station for lease. Friendly working environment. Clientele preferred. The Body Shop, 697-5597.

OIL FIELD WELDER: Must be certified and have experience and cutoff. Call 682-2217, 2302 Garden City Hwy.

OPERATORS: Twin Cities expanding company rapidly accepting applications for telephone operators. Starting pay \$5 per hour. Apply Tuesday-Friday, 10-2, 2002 South County Rd. 1276, located at air terminal directly behind Big 2 News.

PORTER: for large community. Must be pool certified. Paid benefits. 699-7941.

KENT KWIK: 24 Hour Job Hotline 520-4053 ext 371

RESTAURANT

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CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE: Apply in person at 3303 North Midkiff, San Miguel Square.

RESTAURANT

PIZZA HUT: Now hiring All Positions. We offer: flexible work schedules, free meals, free uniforms, Pizza Hut discount cards, twice a year merit reviews, discount shopping network, credit union membership, paid vacation, medical insurance and Pepsico stock. If these benefits are important to you, please talk to one of our managers at 427 Andrews Hwy., 4320 Andrews Hwy., 2200 W. Wadley and 4400 N. Midland Drive.

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RESTAURANT - JUMBURRITO: Restaurants now taking applications for all positions. Apply in person at all locations.

RESTAURANT - Part-time: position open. Must be responsible, dependable, & hardworking. Apply at 723 W. Wadley in person only before 11 am.

RESTAURANT - Shogun Steak House: is now hiring Wait Staff, Bus Person and Delivery Drivers. Apply in person 11 am to 2pm, 5pm to 6 pm 4610 N. Garfield, 570-8888.

RESTAURANT - THE OLIVE GARDEN: is currently accepting applications for Dishwashers, Bussers, Waiters/Waitress and Host person. Please pickup applications between 2 and 5. No phone calls. Equal opportunity employer.

RESTAURANT - Venezia: now hiring Dishwasher & Host Person. Please apply in person 10-11 430-530, #20 Plaza Oaks, Wadley & Garfield, No phone calls.

RETAIL SALES: person wanted. Experience necessary. Excellent hours. Apply in person. Service Drug, North A & Scharbauer Drive.

SALES - WANTED: for inside sales. Individual who is outgoing, previous retail or sales experience. Knowledge of building materials a plus but not necessary. Non-smoking environment. Apply in person at Triangle Lumber, 5601 W. Industrial.

SALESPERSON: needed. Pick up application at Great Wallpapers, 3211 W Wadley between 9:30-6:00.

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SERVICE

National Car Rental: is now taking applications for Se. vic. persons. Full and part-time positions. Must be dependable, have strong work history, have valid drivers license. Applicants must be over 21 years old. Drug screening is mandatory. Apply in person to National Car Rental, Midland International Airport.

TELEMARKETERS

Work at home: Earn up to \$500 weekly selling a long distance service, over the phone. Paid training. Call 800-842-1409

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TRUCK DRIVERS: With experience wanted. Class A CDL with tanker and hazardous materials endorsement required. Experience with hazardous materials helpful. Apply only in person at 3700 Kermit Highway, Odessa, Texas.

UPHOLSTERER WANTED: Must have experience in cutting and sewing. Call for information 915-683-2935.

WORKER: Needed part or full time help doing farm related work in suburban Midland. Write: P.O. Box 521, Midland, 79702.

DENTAL ASSISTANT: Full Time position open for experienced, enthusiastic team member. Must have excellent people skills. Quality oriented office, great working atmosphere. Confidential inquiries accepted. Send resume to: Lou Ann Gray, DDS, 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 220, Midland, Texas 79705.

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST: for oral surgery practice. Need typing and computer skills, telephone etiquette. Non-smoking environment. Apply in person: Monday thru Friday 9-3, 1809 W. Texas.

DENTAL: Mitchell County Hospital District: Dick Ware Medical Unit, Colorado City, Texas is accepting applications for 1 Dental Hygienist, 1 Dental Assistant, Wallace Medical Unit, Colorado City, Texas is accepting applications for LVNs, 3-11 shift, and 11-7 shift. Contact: Ms Cogburn (915)728-2182 Ext 265.

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DRILLING ENGINEER

Oil Field Service Company: looking for individual with Petroleum Engineering or Mechanical Engineering degree and 2-5 years Permian Basin experience. Good computer skills required. Horizontal experience a plus. Excellent salary and benefits for the right candidate. Send resume to: Box E-01023, Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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FIELD SERVICE TECHNICIAN

LACT Unit repair person: rd Working knowledge of pump panels and P.D. Meters necessary. A good driving record and pre-employment drug screen required. Send resume to: Service Department, 11231 W. County Rd 127, Odessa, Texas 79765.

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Receptionist: General office duties including answering phones, data entry, A/P & A/R, Filing Computer experience and stable work history a must. Send resume to: P.O. Box 7908, Midland, TX 79708.

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Call Rudy Biera at 800-793-5097 from 9 AM - 5 PM for a confidential interview.

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APARTMENT MAINTENANCE

Full-Time permanent Minimum 2 years experience. Verifiable references. Wages and benefits. 682-4783

APARTMENT EXPERIENCE

Maintenance Staff needed. Apply in person 5244 W. Loop 250 North. No phone calls please.

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ELECTRIC: An established Odessa electric apparatus service center needs an experienced motor, welder/mechanic. Excellent opportunity and employer provided employee benefits. Call Terry at 1-800-322-3923.

EXPERIENCED LINEMAN: Digger operator, & helper for offsite electrical work wanted. Knowledge in new construction & troubleshooting power lines a must. Must have good driving record and be familiar with powerline equipment & tools. Send resume to: P.O. Box 620, Coahoma, TX 79511.

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Power Windows, Power Locks, Tilt, Cruise, Center Console, Captains Chairs, Bed Liner!

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500 Pets and Supplies FOR SALE: Adorable AKC registered German Shepherd puppies. Call 683-9408.	500 Pets and Supplies 6 BEAGLES for sale 3 male, 3 female. Call 687-6004 ask for Red.	500 Pets and Supplies BLACK LABRADOR puppies 6 males, 2 females. Pure bred, Blackie heads, calm, smart. Beautiful! Ready May 12th. \$125 each firm. 687-5745.	500 Pets and Supplies AKC COCKER SPANIELS 6 weeks. 1 Buff, 6 Black. 5 Males, 2 Females. \$150. 687-5810.	500 Pets and Supplies FOR SALE: AKC Chow puppies. Call 699-7635 for more information. If no answer leave message.
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GARAGE SALES

Hidden treasures? Junk?
Recycle your unwanted items!
Call 682-6222 today. A friendly Classified Consultant
will help you create an ad that gets results!



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2203 PRINCETON. Saturday, 8-2. Furniture, bikes, camper shell, tools, clothes, etc. Cash only.

SUPER GARAGE SALE! 1606 W. Front Street. Friday-Saturday, 8-5. Queen size bed, stove, dishwasher, kids clothing, toys, many, many items.

2312 W. KANSAS. Saturday only 8 til 7. Coffee table, household goods, clothing, park bench, dog house, lots of miscellaneous. Don't miss this one!

DISCOUNT FURNITURE OUTLET. Factory direct quality furniture, lowest prices anywhere. Visit our warehouse showroom at Rainbow Trade Center, Open to public 12-6, Wednesday-Sunday, 1503 W. Industrial Ave., 570-4408. "Shop The Rest, Then Buy For Less"

BIG YARD Sale! Women, childrens items, furniture, miscellaneous!! Friday-Saturday, 9-7 1200 E Chestnut.

★ ★ FLEA MARKET ★ ★
 2900 W. Front
 Open 10:00 to 6:00
 Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat.
 Air Conditioned
 Snack Bar
 Clean Restrooms
 Lamps, furniture, dishes, pots & pans, video portraits, artwork and bikes to pack. Must Unload!! China cabinet, headboard, desk, track lighting, chimney kit, designer label clothing, camping equipment, baby items, and lots more quality goods! Thursday-Friday, 9-2.

ANNUAL YARD Sale! Saturday, 8-5. Tools, building materials, kids clothes, toys, household items, lots of miscellaneous!! 2507 College.

FACTORY SECONDS! Portable spas! Must sell this week! Free cover and chemicals. Financing available. 915-563-3108.

BENEFIT AT the Starlight Lounge, May 3rd for Debbie Linscomb. Fish fry, Double Deuces Band, Auction, Fun & Games, Music. Starting 12 pm.

CHURCH GARAGE SALE. Women, mens and childrens clothes. Toys, boys bike, TV. Miscellaneous items! Thursday, Friday & Sunday 9-5. 609 N. Dallas.

★ GREENTREE NORTH 6812 Island Circle. 3 Families Moving! Too much furniture, Little Tykes, artwork and bikes to pack. Must Unload!! China cabinet, headboard, desk, track lighting, chimney kit, designer label clothing, camping equipment, baby items, and lots more quality goods! Thursday-Friday, 9-2.

GARAGE SALE. Thursday & Friday at 10:00 am to 7:1218 E. Jax. Large & kids clothing and etc.

BARGAIN BARN, 2420 W. Front. Now carrying good used furniture and decorative items. Consignments welcome! New hours: Wednesday - Saturday 10-5:30.

MOVING SALE. Furniture, clothes, decorative items. Saturday only. 2813 Lookhead.

FURNITURE, EXERCISE Equipment, clothing and lots of miscellaneous!! Saturday, 8:30-?? 3209 W Michigan Ave.

✓ A LARGE YARD Sale on 1700 S. Lamesa Road. Friday from 9 am to 7 pm; Saturday 9 am to 5 pm. Lots of mens, ladies, and kids clothes. Lots of toys and stuffed animals; shoes, sheets, pocketbooks, and lots of miscellaneous. Don't Miss This One!!

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3 FAMILY Garage Sale. Friday & Saturday from 8-5. 4608 W. Cuthbert.

GIANT GARAGE SALE! Furniture, clothes and lots of miscellaneous!! 4616 Pasadena. Saturday only, 8-??

79703

BABY CLOTHES. Childrens & adults clothes, comforters and bedding items. Home Interior and dishes. Saturday 7-2. 3500 W. Louisiana.

GARAGE SALE. 4616 Crockett Ave. Friday-Saturday, 8-1. Upright freezer, dinette set, chairs, clothes, miscellaneous items.

✓ YARD SALE. 3705 Gaston. Saturday, 9 til 7. Sunday, 1 til 3. Camping equipment, girls clothes infant to 4T, maternity clothes, telescope, hamster cage, playpen, stove, carpet steamer, & more! Even a '90 Chevrolet Caprice Classic!

CLEANED MY Craft Playhouse! Lots of craft supplies, books, shoes, clothes, lots of miscellaneous. Friday & Saturday 3502 Roosevelt.

BLAST SOCCER Club Garage Sale! 8 Soccer Teams! Furniture, lots of clothes, housewares, childrens toys, games & books, lots of miscellaneous!! Car Wash at same location!! Saturday, April 26th, 8 am - 2 pm. Across A Lot Grocery Store Parking lot. Move from Sonic on Midkiff.

SATURDAY, 8 am - ?? Decorative items, entertainment center, TV, wine rack, Southwest decor, baby crib & clothing, youth bed, miscellaneous!! 4324 Country Club.

 YESTERDAY'S NEWS ANTIQUES
 3712-C W. Wall

3rd ANNUAL SPRING SALE

Sidewalk sale & 20% off entire stock store wide!! *
 Saturday-April 26th- 10-6 pm
 One Day Only!!

Visa, MasterCard, Discovery Welcome
 *Excluding previously reduced merchandise.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, 8-5. 4705A Harvard (in alley). Household items, golf clubs, luggage, king size bedding, clothing (adult, toddler, baby), suits, & lots more!

MOVING- EVERYTHING Must Go!! Saturday only, 9-12. Washer-dryer, clothes, printer, more! 4418-B Thomason.

COFFEE AND END tables, lots of girl clothes (like new) and others, toys and lots of miscellaneous. Bargain prices. Saturday, 8:30-3. 4705 Princeton.

✓ MOVING SALE. 1994 GMC Conversion pickup, 29K, extra nice, must see. 1986 Procraft boat with 87 200 h.p. Shopsmith routers & drills. Miscellaneous Clothes. Furniture. Lawn furniture, etc. Saturday, 7:00 am - 7:00 pm. Early birds welcome!

SEVERAL FAMILIES. Treadmill, TV, vacuums, adult/ children clothing, lots of stuff! Friday-Saturday, 8-5. 603 Canyon.

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4502 CRENSHAW (behind Mission Square). 2 Family Sale. Friday & Saturday 8 AM Bunkbeds, baby beds, sofa, high chair, miscellaneous baby items, baby/toddler clothes, bedding, linens, lots of clothes, etc.

GARAGE SALE! 1100 E Oak. Saturday, 8-2. New ladies Rocky Mountain jeans, miscellaneous!!

MIDLAND FESTIVAL BALLET Fund Raiser. Multi Family. Corner of Midkiff & Maxwell. Saturday April 26th from 8-5 pm.

2600 NEELY, Saturday 8-1. Lawn mowers, hunting and fishing gear, pickup tool box, truck bumper, sewing machine, skis, misc.

79705

SUPER SINGLE Waterbed, stereo, exercise bike, infant carseat, toys & books. Friday, 7:30. 811 Stanolind.

GARAGE SALE SPACE Available for April 26th/ 27th! Rent a booth (\$25) at the American Legion Post 19 and sell your unwanted items. We'll provide advertising and space. Call 682-5511 for details.

HUGE SALE! toys, Little Tikes, infant items, tools, books, brass, baskets, CDs, infant clothes, shoes, fabric, crafts, decor, desk, office, much more. 2004 Culver, Friday-Saturday, 9-1. Cash.

FURNITURE, COLLECTIBLES, bicycles and crafts. 3205 Boyd, Thursday-Friday, 8:30 to 5:30.

3210 STANOLIND. Friday only, 8-1. 5 Families. Recliners, electric chair, patio umbrella, bicycles, clothing from infants to adults.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, 2329 Siesta. 8-7. Alley off of Garfield, past Highway 281. Lots & lots of girls clothes, bag full of jewelry, furniture, books, tons of miscellaneous!!

2805 HAYNES. Saturday, 8:00. Freezer, sofa, chairs, headboard, kitchenware, linens, decorative items, pictures, clothes, miscellaneous.

FRIDAY & Saturday 8-3. 5003 Thames Ct. (Polo Park). Computer, furniture, household items, twin beds, king and twin bedding, clothing, and lots more.

2508 FANNIN. Console TV, books, crystal, jewelry, antiques, linens, winter/summer clothing, bird house.

MULTI-FAMILY! Friday-Saturday, 9-1. 2000 Seaboard in alley. Designer childrens' clothes, electronics, miscellaneous!!

SATURDAY, 8-2. 2506 Frontier. Furniture, housewares, plus sized ladies clothes, roll-away bed, miscellaneous.

4 FAMILY Large Garage Sale! Miscellaneous items! Don't miss this one!! Friday, 8-6. 2403 W. Dengar.

79706

COUNTY ROAD 1221. (2) TVs, microwave, entertainment center, lots of stuff! 4 Families. Friday-Saturday, 9-7.

★ YARD SALE. 2700 W. County Rd. 114. Friday-Saturday, 9 am - 7 pm. Antiques, lots of glass, silver, oil paintings, clocks, drapes, light up signs, fishing & camping equipment, radios, records, juke box, lots of miscellaneous.

PLANTS FOR SALE!
 Herbs, flowers, natives!
 Lemon grass \$5. Peppers 3" pots 50c
 Linopoe: bare root 50c each
 Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 9-5

The Daisy Herb & Flower Farm
 2901 S. County Road 1221
 South service Rd. off I-20
 between Loop 250/ Midkiff

79707

SATURDAY, 8:30-12:30. Clothes, TV, sports equipment, lots of miscellaneous!! 4704 Preston.

MOVING SALE. 5203 Teakwood Trace. Matching recliners, Charming gas barbecue, file cabinets, golf clubs, golf travel bags, stereo cabinet, china, chairs, clothes, dishes, knickknacks and many more items. Saturday, 8-5. Sunday, 1-6.

★ SATURDAY ONLY. 5474 Cypress Court, 8-4. Kids toys and clothes, bikes, end tables, womens ski clothes, books, stereo speakers, crib mattress, & various household items. Cash & Carry only!

79707

3701 CASADY COURT (close to Quanah Parker School). Friday & Saturday, 9 to 6. Apple computer, printer and software. TV, 2-Little Tike slides and sandboxes, typewriter, CD holder, toys, womens clothes, Christmas decorations, dishes, material and much more.

GARAGE SALE. Exercise equipment, clothes, lots of misc. Friday, Saturday, & Sunday. 3518 Stanolind.

FRIDAY ONLY 8-Noon. 4-used Cadillac tires, household items, toddler clothes, ladies and mens clothes. Most items 50c and under. 5006 Lavaca Court.

3405 WOODHAVEN DRIVE. Saturday only. 8-1. Refrigerator, furniture, household items, & girls clothing.

GARAGE SALE! 4303-A St Andrews. Saturday, 8 am. Furniture, exercise equipment, baby items, lots of miscellaneous!!

SATURDAY 8-7. Lazy Boy sectional with recliner on each end with hide-a-bed vacuum cleaner, microwave, baker's rack, baby, toddler and adult clothing. Wall paper, lamps, toys, crafts, craft paint, lots of miscellaneous. 4708 W. Dengar.

5605 HILLCREST. Grassland. Friday-Saturday, 9 am. Furniture, housewares, keyboard, lawn mower, infants, childrens items, miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE. Lawn mower, couch, dirt bike good for parts, 5.0 Mustang LX, lots of clothes, books and lots of miscellaneous. Friday, 9-5. Saturday, 8-2. 2202 Lindora Way.

MOVING SALE! Furniture, appliances, clothing, knickknacks! Friday-Saturday, 8-?? 5309 San Antonio.

3619 BOYD. Friday-Saturday, 9-5. Petrified wood, car jacks, oil, paint, knives, marbles, stamps, books, coins, gun, yard tools & carpenter tools, miscellaneous!!

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

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, Tami, Pam, Brandi, & Jennika are ready to help you!

\$20 \$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 \$20

500 Pets and Supplies

DALMATIAN FEMALE. 10 Months old. All shots. \$75. Call 686-9821 after 5 pm.

BEHAVIOR COUNSELING. Obedience Training. Waggin' Tails Dog Training. 590-9676.

FULL BLOODED Rottweiler. \$100. All shots. Everything included. 6 months old. 689-9531 or Pager 495-5881.

ONLY 2 WEEKS til Mother's Day so shop early. AKC Miniature Dachshund, black and tan, long haired male, 4 months old, all shots. \$250. 915-337-5186.

AKC LABRADOR Retriever puppies. 5 Weeks on 4/17. Black & yellow available. \$200. 683-2924, nights. Days-688-5425.

J&L's Specializing in Chihuahua-puppies to adults, quality pets breeding or show, by appointment. 580-5193.

500 Livestock & Poultry

HAYGRAZER round bales \$45 or \$40 each for 2 or more! Call 683-2630 or 684-7000.

STANDING AT Stud - "Bill" the Kid! Chestnut Tobiano A-HA National Champion. Call Roping Horse, ROM & Honor Roll Call Roping Horse, Hancock & Top Deck Breeding on the top side. All Wiscamp Breeding on the bottom side. No Ship Ranch Sterling City, TX 915-378-4803.

ROUND BALES for sale. Hay grazer, \$35 per bale. Call after 5 pm, 756-3674.

505 Livestock & Poultry

12 YEAR OLD male Golden Retriever for sale. 15-16 hands high. Very gentle. Good with children. Asking only \$1,200 including saddle. Call 570-6954 after 5:00 pm.

QUARTER HORSE. Dun Lineback Gelding. Good Western Pleasure horse. 12 Years old, just over 15 hands high. \$2,000. 694-7381 or E-mail: emwllks@compuserve.com.

REGISTERED LONGHORN BULLS. 685-1731 days. 683-4129 after 6 P.M.

510 Office Supplies

IBM SELECTRIC typewriters, \$195 each. Student/salesman's desk, \$75. DOT Matrix computer printer, \$125 also Desks, files and chairs. 683-8774, West Texas Office Equipment.

4 REVOLVING Lateral file cabinets double sided with 4 shelves per side, sand color with wood grained doors and locks. Accommodates letter or legal, filed side to side, stores large volume. \$200 Each or all for \$650. Call 682-6685, talk to Traci. After hours 333-3195.

520 Store & Cafe Equip.

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT for sale. Tables, chairs, booths, ovens, range, grill, steam table, sandwich table, large reach-in refrigerator and freezer, ice machine, pots, pans, tableware, enough for entire restaurant, reasonably priced. Call 686-1339.

1980 MODEL 5030 Alice Chalmers Tractor. 2 Cylinder Diesel. Excellent condition. This tractor is practically new with only 385 hours. Must see to believe! \$7,500. Call 366-9793.

ONE ONLY! Ready to finish out 10 x 16 portable building. Financing available. 915-563-3108.

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BACK FROM RENT! 12 x 20 Insulated portable building. Delivery & financing available. 915-563-3108.

560 Machinery/Tools

14 FT TRAILER Mounted Sprayer. Bean pump. 10 GPM at 500 PSI with 8 HP Briggs motor. 300 Gallon tank. Complete with 100 ft hose and gun. Used for weed spraying. \$3,500. 697-5417.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

FOR SALE. Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682-1546.

3,500 FT of 4 1/2" 10,500# Liner. \$4,500. 50' 5,000 1" Stainless Steel Rods with Spray Metal. Coupling \$10.00 per rod. Call Bob. 699-6960.

580 Farm Equipment

JOHN DEERE TRACTOR 3.0. Excellent shape, 3 point hook up, butane. Must sell. 570-0492, after 6:00 pm.

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PUBLIC AUCTION SALE. Under the authority in Internal Revenue Code section 6331, the property described below has been seized for nonpayment of internal revenue taxes due from DAVID PORRAS, WILLIAM EDMISTON, HWD INC., PHAROAH CORPORATION. The property will be sold at public auction as provided by Internal Revenue Code section 6335 and related regulations. Date of Sale: MAY 22, 1997. Time of Sale: 10:00 am. Place of Sale: Christie's, 502 Park Avenue at 59th Street, New York, New York 10022. Title Offered: Only the right title and interest of DAVID PORRAS, WILLIAM EDMISTON, HWD INC., PHAROAH CORP. in and to the property will be offered for sale. If requested, the Internal Revenue Service will furnish information about possible encumbrances, which may be useful in determining the value of the interest being sold. Description of Property: "A Treeline Lake," painting by Eugene de Blaas (1886). "Daydreams," painting by Eugene de Blaas (1904). "The Harvester," painting by Charles Bernet d'Entraques (1884). "The Mischievous Chonsters," painting by Georges d'Estrayques, "The Hall at the Cabaret," painting by Cesare Detti. "The Harvesters," painting by Joseph Julien. "Grandes Day," painting by Henri Manguet. Property may be inspected 502 Park Avenue, New York 10022 (call the phone number below for additional information about viewing the property prior to the sale). Payment Terms: Deferred payment as follows: in accordance with Christie's published payment terms. Form of Payment: All payments must be made by cash, certified check, cashiers or treasurer's check or by a United States postal bank, express, or telegraph money order. Mary Durgin, Chief, Collection Division. Ron Matthews, 1515 Commerce Street, Suite 200, Fort Worth, Texas 76102. (817) 978-4655.

590 Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Region 18 Education Service Center is issuing three "open catalog" bids on behalf of approximately forty-five Texas school districts. The bid categories are:

1. School and Office Supplies. Furniture and Instructional Aids. 2. Computers. Peripherals. Software and Computer Supplies. 3. P.E. and Athletic Supplies and Equipment.

Bids will be received until 3:00 P.M. on May 20, 1997 at Region 18 ESC's office at 2811 LaForce Blvd. - Air Terminal, Midland, Texas, and will be formally approved by the region 18 Purchasing Committee on June 10, 1997, at the same location.

Bid forms and specifications are available from Gary Bond, Region 18 ESC, P.O. box 80580, Midland, Texas 79711-0580. Telephone (915) 567-3258.

NOTICE

Notice of Sale of personal property to satisfy landlords lien for past rent per Chapter 59, Texas Property Code. Contents of units #32 & #44. Occupants names & addresses unknown at A OK Mini Storage, Marenfield & Florida Streets (806 S. Marenfield) Midland, Texas. Will be sold at a closed bid. Saturday, May 3rd, 1997 at 10:00 A.M.

BID #086-97
 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
 CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
 1997 CDBG STREET PAVING PROJECT
 Project No. CD-22-97/8030

The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for the construction of street paving and drainage improvements together with appurtenances and incidentals.

Attention of Bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to condition of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

Notice to bidders, information for bidders, specifications containing the conditions of employment and minimum wages, plans and proposal forms are on file in the office of the Purchasing Department on the second floor of the City Hall, Room 220, 300 North Lorraine, Midland, Texas, and may be secured upon a non-refundable deposit of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each set.

Bids will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas until 3:00 pm on the 7th day of May, 1997. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

ORDINANCE NO. 7604

An Ordinance temporarily closing a portion of the North/S

LEGAL NOTICE

Cause Number 91-05637; Weatherford Roofing Company, et al.,
v. Employers National Insurance Company, et al.;
In the 116th Judicial District Court of District Court of
Dallas County, Texas

Cause No. 95-01604; Brandt Engineering Company, et al.,
v. Protective Insurance Company, et al.
In the 116th Judicial District Court in Dallas County, Texas

ATTENTION - OFFICIAL COURT NOTICE

TEXAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION
INSURANCE PURCHASERS

ATTENTION: ALL EMPLOYERS HAVING EMPLOYEES IN THE
STATE OF TEXAS, WHO PURCHASED RETROSPECTIVELY
RATED POLICIES OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION
INSURANCE IN THE VOLUNTARY MARKET WITH AN
EFFECTIVE OR RENEWAL DATE FROM MAY 15, 1987
THROUGH AND
INCLUDING APRIL 1, 1992 INCLUSIVE, THEIR
REPRESENTATIVES AND SUCCESSORS

Your rights may be affected by a proposed class action
settlement with:

- 1) International Insurance Company, Mt. Airy Insurance Company.
The North River Insurance Company, United States Fire Insurance
Company, and Westchester Fire Insurance Company (collectively
called the "CFI Defendants" or "CFI") and their agents; and
- 2) Sun Insurance Office of America, Inc.; Vigilant Insurance Company;
Great Northern Insurance Company; Texas Pacific Indemnity
Company; Pacific Indemnity Company; and Federal Insurance
Company (collectively "Chubb Defendants" or "Chubb") and their
agents.

FOR DETAILED INFORMATION AND FORMS
WRITE

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE
CLASS SETTLEMENT
P.O. BOX 164327
Austin, Texas 78716-4327

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT DATES

June 13, 1997

Deadline to comment, object or opt out

August 15, 1997, 8:15 a.m.

Fairness Hearing

The Hail Was Light, The SAVINGS are Phenomenal!

'96 MX-6 SPORTS COUPE

MSRP	Buys Savings	Jack Sherman Price
\$22,997.00	\$5,542.00	\$17,455.00 +TAX

STK#M6-047

'96 MILLENNIA "L" LUXURY SEDAN

MSRP	Buys Savings	Jack Sherman Price
\$33,995.00	\$6,495.00	\$27,500.00 +TAX

STK#M6-118

'96 626 LX V-6 SPORTS SEDAN

MSRP	Buys Savings	Jack Sherman Price
\$23,940.00	\$4,363.00	\$19,577.00 +TAX

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