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Study: Keystone pollution more than estimated New research says added oil from pipeline will spur consumption

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The much-debated Keystone XL pipeline could produce four times more global warming pollution than the State Department calculated earlier this year, a new study concludes.

The U.S. estimates didn't take into account that the added oil from the pipeline would drop prices by about \$3 a barrel, spurring consumption that would create more pollution, the researchers said.

Outside experts not connected to the study gave it mixed reviews. The American Petroleum Institute found the study to be irrelevant because regardless of the pipeline, the tar sands will be developed, and oil will be shipped by railroad if not by pipeline, spokeswoman

Sabrina Fang said.

The researchers estimate that the proposed pipeline, which would carry oil from tar sands in western Canada to refineries on the Texas Gulf Coast, would increase world greenhouse gas emissions by as much as 121 million tons of carbon dioxide a year.

The department said this year that at most, the pipeline would increase world carbon dioxide emissions by 30 million tons.

Such emissions have been on the mind of President Barack Obama, who has said his administration would allow the pipeline to be built "only if this project does not significantly exacerbate the problem of carbon pollution."

The new estimates, from scientists at the Stockholm Environment Institute, were published Sunday by the journal Nature Climate Change. Peter Erickson, lead

author, said his work implies that the pipeline could basically wipe out reductions from some potential pollution-cutting policies under discussion.

The State Department declined to comment on the research by Erickson and co-author Michael Lazarus.

Lower prices may sound good, but there's no free lunch, said Wesleyan University environmental economist Gary Yohe, who praised the work.

"Lower fuel prices are bad if they don't include all of the social costs," Yohe wrote in an email. "Consumers are happy, but the planet is not necessarily."

An increase of 121 million tons of carbon dioxide is dwarfed by the 36 billion tons of carbon dioxide the world pumped into the air in 2013. That's why

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NEW GREEK RESTAURANT



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Athenian Restaurant opens today. With a menu full of Mediterranean staples such as tzatziki-filled gyros and skewered meats, the fine-dining restaurant hopes to bring something new to the Tall City.

Athenian Restaurant opens today in north Midland

By Rachael Gleason
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The Baldounis family will serve up a lesson in Greek with the soft opening of their Athenian Restaurant today in north Midland.

With a menu full of Mediterranean staples such as tzatziki-filled gyros and skewered meats, the fine-dining restaurant hopes to bring something new to the Tall City.

"Everything is homemade. Everything is done from scratch," said co-owner

Tina Baldounis, who grew up eating the food cooked by her native Greek parents. "Just try it."

The family owned a similar eatery in Fairbanks, Alaska, in the early 2000s.

After saving money and buying kitchen equipment for the past two years, Baldounis — who also has a full-time job at an oilfield services company — committed to opening a restaurant to give back to her parents.

"This is for them," she said during a tour last Friday. "This is for my parents."

A number of construction and equip-

ment issues delayed the opening of Athenian Restaurant, which is located in the northeastern part of the Colonnade at Polo Park shopping center at 4610 N. Garfield St. Suite B11.

The doors will open today, but just for dinner and with limited hours — 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the weekends — she said.

A limited menu will be available as Baldounis hunts down servers and hard-to-find ingredients. Athenian Restaurant

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Conservative filmmaker, author to speak at Republican Women luncheon

By Joseph Basco
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Midland County Republican Women will resume its monthly luncheons Wednesday with the conservative filmmaker who recently released "America: Imagine the World Without Her."

"It's a film made by an immigrant about the uniqueness and greatness of America," said Dinesh D'Souza,

creator of "America." "It is a refutation of the progressive and the left-wing critique of America."

D'Souza explained the film's subtitle, saying that he offered that idea of a world with America as a thought experiment. But because of international current events, D'Souza said people are getting a small glimpse of what the world does look like when American influence is minimized.

D'Souza said that at the Republican Women luncheon, he will be discussing the film, the book that shares the same title as the "America" film, and current issues, including the U.S. and Mexico border crisis and conflicts in Ukraine, Iraq and the Gaza Strip.

The filmmaker's visit to Midland came about naturally. D'Souza said some of the film's investors are from Midland, and the Tall City is featured in the film. D'Souza went on a oil drilling rig and used the footage in the film to give his thoughts on the morality of capitalism, he said.

"So I have a real tie to Midland and a real affection for Midland," D'Souza said. "I'm excited to be speaking to the Republican Women."

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D'Souza

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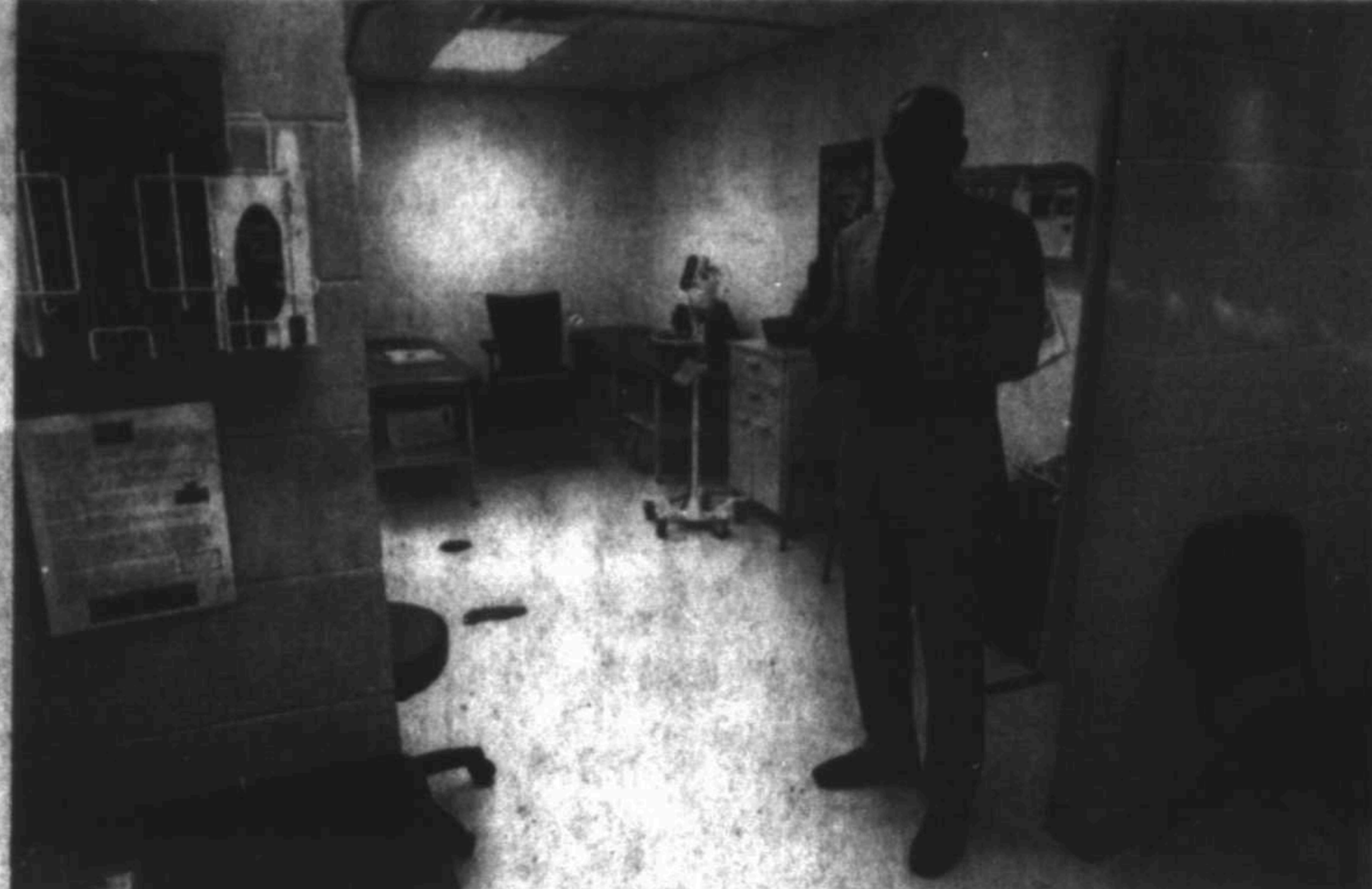
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Gary Coronado/Houston Chronicle

Leonard Kincaid, director, stands in the intake area of the Sobering Center, run by the Houston Recovery Center, on Aug. 1 in Houston.

Center offers a place for addicts to get help

By Katherine Driessen Associated Press

HOUSTON — The first time Jessica Sharon landed at the Houston Center for Sobriety, she was too drunk and strung out on drugs to remember arriving.

She woke up bleary-eyed and confused, surprised to be resting, unshackled, on a firm cot in a quiet warehouse in the shadow of Minute Maid Park; this was decidedly not jail.

Like many of the roughly 7,000 other admissions at the sobering center since it opened 16 months ago, she left fairly quickly the next morning, grateful to have dodged jail time but not quite ready to accept offers to get her into detox.

When Mayor Annise Parker opened the center at 150 N. Chenevert St. last year, the idea was to cut police costs and reduce recidivism, creating a place other than jail for those whose only crime is public intoxication.

Prior to the center's opening, police were making about 17,000 arrests a year in Houston for public intoxication, racking up between \$4 million and \$6 million in police costs.

The sobering center has reduced that number significantly: From June 2013 to June 2014, Houston police booked just shy of 2,500 people on public intoxication, according to sobering center numbers. The center admitted more than double that number during the same time period.

Sharon is among those who have come back to the center for help, weeks or even months after declining more services.

For more than a decade, she has been battling crystal methamphetamine and alcohol addictions that seemed impossible to beat. Stretches of sobriety were

eclipsed by hazy weeks spent high or drunk, often both.

Months after her stay at the sobering center, the 32-year-old hit her "grace of God" moment. She called her recovery coach at the sobering center and asked for help. Then, she came back.

"I'm honestly terrified because there have been other times where I've gotten sober and thought I was done and then I relapsed," Sharon told the Houston Chronicle. "But it takes what it takes and eventually, it just clicks. I hope this is when it's going to happen. I have all the resources I need."

Officials said the sobering center is still not being used to its full capacity, but the numbers should pick up as more jurisdictions turn to the facility. In April, Metro, Harris County Sheriff's Office, constable precincts and University of Houston police started dropping off intoxicated people at the location.

The center started with a roughly \$4 million contract with the city. Last month, council gave the center \$1.2 million more out of a health waiver to expand services at outpatient recovery clinics. It's part of an effort to make the center not just a glorified "drunk tank," but also a place for people with addiction problems to connect with long-term treatment.

"Is it a cure-all? Is it the silver bullet for everything? It's not," said City Councilman Ed Gonzalez, one of the original backers of the recovery center idea. "But an intoxicated person a year ago would have been taken to jail and put through the bureaucratic system, and they probably wouldn't have left with the help they need."

Houston is one of just 10 or so U.S. cities - San

Antonio included - with a partially or completely local or state government-funded sobering center. Most are spread out along the West Coast, from Seattle to Portland to San Diego. Another 20 to 25 cities are now considering the model, said Shannon Smith-Bernardin, deputy director of San Francisco's sobering center. She is studying the growing number of sobering center models and their potential cost savings for her graduate school dissertation.

"There is no one definition of a sobering center right now - they all offer different services and programs," Smith-Bernardin said. "But we know it's becoming a trend."

On a Thursday morning in July, the Houston Center for Sobriety is quiet, save for a drunk man HPD has just dropped off. A little unsteady on his feet, he's greeted by staff at the back door who have him empty his pockets and let him know how the center works.

Next, a nurse or medical assistant will take his vitals. If someone shows signs of alcohol poisoning or other serious medical conditions, recovery center staff arranges for them to go to the hospital. If someone is aggressive or belligerent, the person goes back with HPD to jail.

The ebb and flow of arrivals follows what one might expect: weekends are busiest.

The center sees all types of people, from the homeless to college kids to business executives. From April 2013 to June 2014, 36 percent of those admitted at the sobering center were homeless. Many were one-time visitors, but another 186 people accounted for 1,263 visits, the center's repeat clientele and often those with serious addiction problems.

Dallas County gets futuristic hospital

By Sherry Jacobson Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — The new Parkland Memorial Hospital is more than a sleek mass of glass and steel, towering 17 stories above Harry Hines Boulevard. Dallas County's new \$1.3 billion public hospital is one of the first "digital hospitals" in the United States. The new campus is teeming with technology that wasn't even envisioned when planning for the hospital began in 2002.

"This building is a whole new world," Lou Saksen, who is overseeing the five-year construction project, told The Dallas Morning News. "It's no longer electrical or mechanical, it's digital — run by a keypad, not a wrench."

The digital technology, which cost about \$80 million, should improve patient care, streamline record-keeping, enhance security and enable Parkland to operate more efficiently.

The main hospital building was completed last month, and if all goes as planned, it will welcome its first patients next May. They will move from a cramped,

1950s-era building into a 21st-century space twice as large, with equipment so modern that its uses may be hard to recognize.

"It's an apples-to-watermelons move — larger scale and new and advanced capability," said Joe Longo, Parkland's assistant vice president over information technology.

Visitors will sign in at touch-screen kiosks, which guide them from the lobby to their destinations in the hospital's public areas. Patients will lie in smart beds that can weigh them and alert a nurse if they get up when they shouldn't. The location of babies will be tracked by devices attached to their umbilical cords. Hospital corridors will be lined with video cameras that can detect movement in any direction.

Other hospitals may tout similar technology, but Parkland is among the few with a completely integrated digital system controlling nearly every aspect of its operations.

"Hospitals understand the importance of technology and connecting information across medical devices," said Chantel Worzala, director of policy

for the American Hospital Association. The national group tracks trends in 5,500 U.S. hospitals, including the adoption of electronic medical records, which has been mandated by the federal government.

"Only 44 percent of hospitals report having and using what we define as at least a basic (electronic records) system," concluded a study of nearly 4,500 hospitals, published last year in the Journal Health Affairs. The survey did not ask about other types of digital improvements.

"There are all sorts of exciting ways to involve technology in a hospital that go beyond medical records," said Worzala, a co-author of the study. "The ultimate goal is having the highest-quality care. And as we learn how these technology systems can support that, hospitals will be adopting them across the board."

At Parkland, the emphasis is on improving patient quality by promoting digital harmony.

"All of the technologies have merits to themselves, but the objective was to harmonize them to each other," Longo said.

Obituaries

Alexander Michael Gavia Vosdingh

Alexander Michael Gavia Vosdingh passed away at home in the afternoon of August 5th from complications due to lifelong disabilities. Alex was 21. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 11, 2014 at St. Ludmila Catholic Church. Visitation will be from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, August 10, 2014, with a 3 p.m. parish rosary at Brosh Chapel in Cedar Rapids, located at 2121 Bowling Street SW. Burial will be in the Shueville Cemetery.

Alex was born in Fullerton, California on October 12, 1992 to Mike and Mary (Gavia) Vosdingh. He faced many physical and developmental challenges throughout his life yet proved to be the bravest soul any of his family and friends have ever met. Alex didn't speak but his life spoke volumes to many people. The numerous friends, caregivers, and medical professionals who encountered Alex will undoubtedly have a place in their hearts for him forever. Those close to Alex knew that a smile from him made many, many a bad day go away.

Alex truly enjoyed his many years at school with his friends here in Cedar Rapids including Grant, Taylor, Taft, and Jefferson High School, where he graduated with his younger brother Austin this past May. Alex was also captivated with baseball on TV...he didn't have a favorite team but always liked catching the Cubs, Cardinals, White Sox or Yankees.

Alex is survived by his parents, Mike and Mary Vosdingh and his younger brother, Austin. Freddie, Sr. and Inez Gavia, maternal grandparents; aunts and uncles, Angie (Gavia) and Ben Hernandez, Freddie, Jr. and Tabitha Gavia, Frances

Gavia, Steve and Cheryl Vosdingh and Dave Vosdingh. Numerous cousins, caregivers, and friends from around the country, all of whom will be mourning his loss.

Memorials may be directed to the ARC of East Central Iowa, 680 2nd St. SE, Suite 200, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401.

Heaven's Very Special Child A meeting was held quite far from Earth.

Its time again for another birth, said the angel to the Lord above.

This special child will need much love. His progress may seem very slow.

His accomplishments he may not show, and he'll require extra care, from the folks he meets down there.

He may not run, or laugh, or play, his thoughts may seem quite far away.

In many ways he won't adapt, and he'll be known as handi-capped.

So let's be careful where he's sent, we want his life to be content, please Lord, find parents and people who'll do that special job for you.

They will not realize right away the leading role they'll have to play.

But with this child sent from above, comes stronger faith and richer love.

And soon they'll know the privilege given, in caring in this gift from Heaven.

There precious charge, so meek and mild is Heaven's very special child.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.broshchapel.com.

Death Notices

Shayne Paul Childers

Service to honor the life of Shayne Paul Childers will be held Monday August 11, 2014 at 10 a.m. at the old Junior High Auditorium in Seminole, TX. Shayne was Shayne's legacy will continue through his wife, Maria Mitchell Childers, son Blayne Mitchell Childers, and daughter Bryn Leigh Chere Childers. His grandma Lenora Bowen, his mother Carol Bowen Childers, and father Billy Paul Childers.

Please in lieu of flowers make donations to Seminole Choir Boosters for the Shayne Childers Memorial Choir Scholarship via Seminole ISD, Seminole TX.

STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON Dispute strands oil-laden tanker off Galveston

A question of ownership has kept a tanker of 1 million barrels of Iraqi crude oil anchored and waiting about 60 miles off the Galveston coast for nearly two weeks.

The Houston Chronicle reported that the United Kalavryta arrived July 26 with crude oil produced in the semiautonomous Iraqi region of Kurdistan.

The Kurdish government and the Iraqi state government both claim ownership of the oil from that region, so Iraq's state government alleges the tanker's cargo was stolen.

A federal magistrate in Houston has ordered U.S. marshals to seize any oil that's offloaded into smaller vessels for delivery ashore, so the ship's cargo is believed to remain completely intact.

The Kurdish government has asked a federal judge to rescind the owner. Iraq has 10 days to respond.

WACO Central Texas sheriff wants to form posse

A Central Texas sheriff's idea to form an all-volunteer community "posse" to help his deputies in certain cases has drawn a wave of social-media response.

McLennan County Sheriff Parnell McNamara posted the idea to the sheriff's office Facebook page on Wednesday. The Waco Tribune-Herald reported that, within 24 hours, McNamara's posse had been shared almost 60

times, drawn more than 400 "likes" and received almost 90 comments.

McNamara proposes recruiting unpaid volunteers who pass background checks to work to help law enforcement and community involvement activities. However, they would not be enforcing laws or making arrests. He told the Tribune-Herald the idea is "even more premature than infancy."

The police department in Waco, the McLennan County seat, already has a "citizens academy" to recruit civilians to help the department.

ARGYLE Son faces traffic death of his vacationing family

The son of a North Texas woman is grappling with the deaths of his mother, stepfather and two half-siblings when a pickup slammed head-on into their vacation van in New Mexico.

The Friday night crash in northwestern New Mexico killed 48-year-old LeAnn Miller, 47-year-old Michael Miller and their children, 12-year-old Zoey and 7-year-old Miles. The pickup driver suffered non-life-threatening injuries.

Cory Dixon said he was at the family's Argyle home when he talked with his mother by phone for about 10 minutes shortly after 8 p.m. Friday. Eight minutes later, the rest of the family was dead.

Dixon, who's 24, told the Denton Record-Chronicle that he was thankful that he talked with his mother one last time before she died.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

- Dome shows, throughout the week at Marian Blewett Planetarium. www.museum.org 683-2882.
- "Galactic Golf" through Sept. 21 at the Freddie Turner Durham Children's Museum. museums.org.

Meetings today

County commissioners
9 a.m.
Midland County Courthouse
auxiliary courtroom,
500 N. Loraine St.

MISD

5:30 p.m.
First floor boardroom
615 W. Missouri Ave.

Greenwood ISD

7:30 p.m.
Distance Learning Center, Green-
wood High School
2700 Farm-to-Market Road 1379

Sustainability Awards

The Buffalo Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America is hosting its first Sustainability Awards Luncheon. The event is 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the MCM Fun Dome in Odessa. Awards will be presented to Whiting Petroleum for its innovations in CO2 management and to Eagle Scout Charles Acker of Monahans.

For more information, call Aaron Bedell at 570-7801.

FBI seeks applicants

The FBI is accepting applications for a special agent position. An applicant must:

- be a U.S. citizen.
- be between 23-36 (unless applicant is an 1811 federal law enforcement officer or a preference eligible veteran).
- have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
- have a valid driver's license and at least six months of driving experience.
- be available for assignment anywhere in the FBI's global jurisdiction, and
- have at least three years full-time work experience, or two years with a master's or doctorate.

To apply, go to www.fbijobs.gov. Deadline is Friday. For more information, call 915-832-5000.

Source: FBI

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Any violation may result in a fine up to \$500.

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days.

Club meetings and support groups today

- PFLAG Odessa (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians & Gays), 7 p.m., Alternative Life Solutions Counseling, 2458 E. 11th St., Odessa; 432-279-0749, pflagodessa@yahoo.com or www.pflagodessa.weebly.com
- Midland Amateur Radio Club, 7:30 p.m., clubhouse, Loop 250 and Lamesa Road, 561-9729.

How to submit

- Births: Have information and a picture about a newborn son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter you want in the paper? Call Managing Editor Mary Dearen at 687-8852.
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Today in history

Today is Monday, August 11, the 223rd day of 2014. There are 142 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1934, the first federal prisoners arrived at Alcatraz Island (a former military prison) in San Francisco Bay.

In 1964, the Beatles movie "A Hard Day's Night" had its U.S. premiere in New York.

In 1984, during a voice test for a paid political radio address, President Ronald Reagan joked that he had "signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes."

Today's birthdays: Singer Eric Carmen is 65. Computer scientist and Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak is 64. Wrestler-actor Hulk Hogan is 61. Actor Nigel Havers ("Downton Abbey") is 41.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

The Athenian Restaurant opens today. It is located at 4610 N. Garfield St., Suite B11

GREEK

From 1A

is also in the process of obtaining a city beer and wine permit.

"I just hope everyone is patient with us," she said, noting there's room for more than 100 fine diners in the main room and bar area.

Prices range from \$7 for appetizers to between \$15 and \$40 for the dinners, Baldounis said. Menu items include chicken, pork, beef, lamb, vegetarian and seafood gyros and souvlaki, or skewered meats. Pastas, soups and salads are also available.

Although the Greek meals have descriptions, Baldounis said eating at Athenian Restaurant is an opportunity for fine diners and even the servers to

Just the facts

Athenian Restaurant
Where: 4610 N. Garfield St., Suite B11
The restaurant is located in the northeastern part of the Colonnade at Polo Park shopping center (Blue Door and Wine Rack) along Castleford Road.
Hours: 4 p.m.-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 4 p.m.-11 p.m. on weekends
Phone: 247-5280

learn the language.

Tradition is what Greek restaurants are all about, said server James Hughes, who used to work for an upscale Mediterranean eatery near Tarpon Springs, Florida.

The Odessa native

recently told a friend that he wished someone would open a similar restaurant in town.

"The very next day I look on Craigslist and it said, 'New Greek restaurant opening in Midland,'" he said. "It was an answered prayer."

Hughes called Athenian Restaurant, with its warm walls and woods, the perfect place for fancy dates and business meetings.

Baldounis' mother, Thera, hopes fine diners take away good memories of what they eat.

"It's something different for Midland," she said in a thick accent. "Eyen people who do not know about Greek food are going to like it."

GUILTY PLEAS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Guilty pleas accepted and sentences imposed July 21-25 by District Judges George D. Gilles, Robin Malone Darr, Elizabeth B. Leonard and Rodney W. Satterwhite:

Doyle Preston Brown, 48, felony driving while intoxicated, 30 months in the TDCJ and one year driver's license suspension.

Jesus Manuel Calderon, 19, assault family violence by choking, five years in the TDCJ, suspended for five years on probation, \$1,000 fine, court cost, 45 days in jail, 240 hours community service and Project Adam.

Elgin James Castillo, 32, aggravated assault causing seriously bodily injury, three years in the TDCJ.

Brandon Drew Crenshaw, 18, taking a controlled substance into a correctional facility, three years deferred, \$750 fine, court cost and 125 hours of community service; tampering with physical evidence, three years deferred, \$750 fine, court cost and 125 hours of community service.

Clifton Dickerson, 26, possession of marijuana, eight months in state jail.

Edward Mireles Gomez, 48, theft between \$1,500 and \$20,000 as a repeater of-

fender, six years in the TDCJ; failure to appear, six years in the TDCJ.

Robert Jessie Gonzales, 32, injury to a child, two years in the TDCJ.

Matthew Lee Hale, 37, burglary of a habitation, deferred adjudication, seven years community supervision, \$2,000 fine, and TAP.

Fernando Roel Hernandez, 17, burglary of a habitation, eight years deferred, \$1,000 fine, court cost and 120 hours community service.

Ramon Hernandez, 51, possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, adjudicated guilt, three years community supervision, \$1,500 fine, TAP, and driver's license suspension for 180 days.

Buddy Ray McCabe, 40, burglary of a habitation to commit theft, seven years in the TDCJ; burglary of a building as a repeat offender, seven years in the TDCJ.

John Paul Martin, 34, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, two years in the TDCJ, suspended for four years of probation, \$1,000 fine, court cost and 120 hours community service.

Fernando Orna Jr., 54, possession of a controlled substance, two years in the

TDCJ.
Robert David Redman, 52, assault family violence by choking, four years in the TDCJ; retaliation, four years in the TDCJ.

Tanza Edward Rice Jr., 49, assault family violence with previous conviction, four years in the TDCJ, suspended for four years on probation, \$750 fine, court cost, 240 hours community service and complete Project Adam.

Jaquelyn Nichole Saenz, 18, tampering with government records, five years deferred, \$1,500 fine, court cost and 200 hours of community service.

Christopher Everett Snyder, 28, burglary of a building, two years in state jail, suspended for five years of probation, \$500 fine and court cost; tampering with physical evidence, 10 years in the TDCJ, suspended for five years of probation, \$500 fine and court cost.

Billy Valentino Tavarez, 28, retaliation, two years on probation and \$1,500 fine.

Alvin Taylor, 51, theft by check, two years in state jail, suspended for five years of probation and court cost.

Source: Midland County District Attorney's Office

Cowabunga! 'Ninja Turtles' tops box office

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" sliced off \$65 million at the weekend box office.

Paramount Pictures' comic-book adaptation featuring Megan Fox alongside computer-generated renditions of the pizza-eating, sewer-dwelling superheroes lunged into first place in its debut weekend, according to studio estimates Sunday. The action film's totally tubular result prompted the studio to announce plans Sunday for a sequel set for June 3, 2016.

Megan Colligan, Paramount's head of domestic marketing and distribution, said the success of the "Ninja Turtles" reboot was mostly derived from a pair of distinctly different audiences: men who fondly remembered the 1980s and '90s franchise that spawned a cartoon series, toy line and a live-action film trilogy, and youngsters familiar with a newer Nickelodeon animated TV series.

"It's odd when you have 25- to 35-year-olds and then 7- to 12-year-olds really excited about the same film," Colligan said. "The teen audience was actually the one that wasn't as familiar with the property, so we put a lot of focus on teens. I think we did a great job of getting them out there to see the film, which

Ticket sales

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Rentrak. Where available, latest international numbers are also included. Final domestic figures will be released today.

1. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," \$65 million (\$28.7 million international).
2. "Guardians of the Galaxy," \$41.5 million (\$40.1 million international).
3. "Into the Storm," \$18 million (\$8.3 million international).
4. "The Hundred-Foot Journey," \$11.1 million.
5. "Lucy," \$9.3 million (\$21 million international).
6. "Step Up All In," \$6.5 million (\$6.5 million international).
7. "Herocules," \$5.7 million (\$7.2 million international).
8. "Get on Up," \$5 million.
9. "Dawn of the Planet of the Apes," \$4.4 million (\$29.5 million international).
10. "Planes: Fire & Rescue," \$2.4 million (\$3.5 million international).

is so fun, refreshing and unique."

"Ninja Turtles," which also stars Will Arnett and William Fichtner, made an additional \$28.7 million in international markets such as Russia, Mexico, Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan, bringing its worldwide total to a radical \$93.7 million.

Marvel Studios' "Guardians of the Galaxy" slid into second place in its second weekend with \$41.5 million, bringing its total domestic haul to \$175.9 million. The total worldwide box office for the cosmic romp starring Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana and Dave Bautista as members of an intergalactic band of do-gooders stands at \$313.2 million. Marvel and "Guardians" distributor Disney revealed last month at San Diego Comic-Con

that a follow-up is planned for 2017.

"Guardians" and "Ninja Turtles" are coming to the rescue of an otherwise shell-shocked summer box office, which is still down more than 16 percent over a year ago.

"This is the third weekend in a row we've had a film overperform," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst with Rentrak. "It's finally starting to feel like summer. The perception of August used to be that it was the month of the B-sides, not the hits. The movies are now defining what August can be, not the month defining what the movies should be."

"Lucy" was another recent success. The mind-bending Scarlett Johansson film came in fifth place this weekend with \$9.3 million.

Man charged in shooting death of alleged carjacker in Big Spring

From staff reports

BIG SPRING — A 24-year-old man was arrested Saturday in Big Spring in connection with the shooting death of an alleged carjacker, according to the Big Spring Police Department.

James Ketch, 24, was charged with murder following the death of 42-year-old Bobby Gene Bricker of Big Spring.

Ketch's place of residence was not included in the press release from the BSPD.

Police officers and Howard County deputies responded at about 8:20 p.m. Saturday in the 700 block of West Interstate 20 in reference to a stolen vehicle.

Ketch called 911 and informed dispatch that his mother's vehicle had

just been stolen from the TA Truck Stop. He followed the vehicle west on the north service road of Interstate 20 and as it turned north onto Highway 176 at a speed reaching 105 mph, according to the release. The vehicle came to a stop about 1 mile north of County Road 2599 on Highway 176.

The release didn't indicate what occurred between the time the vehicles stopped and the time Ketch allegedly shot Bricker.

Bricker died at the scene, according to the release.

Based upon the investigation and available evidence at the time, officers determined the shooting was not justified and they arrested Ketch, according to the release.

The investigation is continuing.

LUNCHEON

From 1A

New Mexico Republican candidate for U.S. Senate also to speak

Allen Weh, a Republican candidate for U.S. Senate from New Mexico, and a retired U.S. Marine Corps colonel, will also be a guest speaker at Wednesday's Republican Women luncheon.

Weh said one of the topics he will be discussing, because he is visiting oil-rich Midland, is the Endangered Species Act, which gives federal agencies the power to list animals as endangered or threatened.

Weh said the act is "wreaking havoc on

Free screening

Dinesh D'Souza will be offering a free private screening of his movie, "America: Imagine the World Without Her."

The movie will be shown 7 p.m. Tuesday at Regal Tall City Stadium 14. The theater has 300 seats for the screening.

Though it is free, tickets are provided at www.americamidland.doattend.com.

American businesses." If elected, Weh said he wants to amend the act.

"I'll tell any Texan and anybody in Midland that I'll be as knowledgeable about and protective of the oil and gas industry, as the two Texas senators are," Weh said.

KEYSTONE

From 1A

University of Sussex economist Richard Tol dismissed the calculated Keystone effect as merely a drop in the bucket. If somebody is concerned about climate change, he wrote in an email, the pipeline "should be the furthest from your mind."

Ken Caldeira of the Carnegie Institution of Washington agreed the amount is small, but said the concern is more about

the idea of boosting emissions than the degree of change.

Independent energy economist Judith Dworkin in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, dismissed the study, faulting the idea that added oil production will lower the price and boost demand. Usually, she said, it's consumption that spurs price and then oil production.

Online: Nature Climate Change: <http://www.nature.com/nclimate>

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Cassandra M. Benavides, 21, of Midland was charged Saturday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Ashley N. Brooks, 28, of Odessa was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Rene E. Cruz, 26, of Andrews was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Dana R. Hudson, 18, of Midland was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Dalia was charged Saturday with forgery of a financial instrument.

Giovanni Leyva, 21, of Odessa was charged Saturday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Ramsay E. Mitchell, 31, of

Midland was charged Saturday with delivering marijuana in a drug-free zone.

Urell L. Royals, 33, of Midland was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Emmanuel N. Sanchez, 33, of Midland was charged Saturday with driving while intoxicated with an open alcohol container three or more times.

Jesse A. Sanchez, 34, of Midland was charged Saturday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Mary M. Williams, 48, of Philadelphia was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance greater than 1 gram in a drug-free zone, manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance between 4 and 200 grams and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Texas energy company worker killed in Egypt

Associated Press

HOUSTON — An American employee of Texas-based energy company Apache Corp. was killed last week in an apparent carjacking in the western Egyptian desert, officials said Sunday.

"The victim was a longtime employee who works with production operations and we are deeply saddened by his death," Apache spokesman Bill Mintz said. "Apache is working with authorities and a full investigation is underway."

He said the attack occurred Wednesday as the employee was driving in the desert between Qarun and Karama, southwest of Cairo.

Egyptian security officials, who asked for anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media, said Sunday that investigations were ongoing to determine who was behind the death of the man. The American had been killed by gunfire, they said.

The victim's name was not immediately released. "My understanding is we're still notifying family members," Mintz said.

90 years on, push for ERA continues

By David Crary
Associated Press

Drafted by a suffragette in 1923, the Equal Rights Amendment has been stirring up controversy ever since. Many opponents considered it dead when a 10-year ratification push failed in 1982, yet its backers on Capitol Hill, in the Illinois statehouse and elsewhere are making clear this summer that the fight is far from over.

In Washington, congresswomen Jackie Speier, D-Calif., and Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., are prime sponsors of two pieces of legislation aimed at getting the amendment ratified. They recently organized a pro-ERA rally, evoking images of the 1970s, outside the U.S. Supreme Court.

"Recent Supreme Court decisions have sent women's rights back to the Stone Age," said Speier, explaining the renewed interest in the ERA. The amendment would stipulate that equal rights cannot be denied or curtailed on the basis of gender.

Participants in the July 24 rally directed much of their ire at the Supreme Court's recent Hobby Lobby ruling. In a 5-4 decision, with the majority comprised of five male justices, the court allowed some private businesses to opt out of the federal health care law's requirement that contraception coverage be provided to workers at no extra charge.

"They could not have made the Hobby Lobby ruling with an ERA," Maloney said.

Meanwhile, in Illinois, battle lines are being drawn for a likely vote this fall in the state House of Representatives on whether to ratify the ERA. The state Senate approved the ratification resolution on a 39-11 vote in May, and backers hope for a similar outcome in the House after the legislature reconvenes in November.

If the amendment gets the required three-fifths

support in the House, Illinois would become the 36th state to ratify the ERA. Thirty-eight states' approval is required to ratify an amendment — but the ERA's possible road to ratification today is complicated by its history.

The Illinois resolution's chief sponsor in the Democrat-controlled House, Deputy Majority Leader Lou Lang — who said he was close to securing the 71 votes needed for approval — is motivated in part by Illinois' role in the ERA drama of the 1970s. Back then, the legislature's failure to ratify the amendment was a crucial blow to the national campaign.

"Illinois was the state that killed it 40 years ago," Lang said, calling that "appalling" and noting that Illinois has an equal rights amendment in its state constitution.

One of the leading opponents of the ERA during the 1970s was conservative Illinois lawyer Phyllis Schlafly, who launched a campaign called Stop ERA and is credited with helping mobilize public opinion against the amendment in some of the states that balked at ratifying it.

Schlafly, now 89, said activists and politicians trying to revive the ERA were "beating a dead horse."

"They lost and they can't stand it," she said in a telephone interview. "They're doing it to raise money, to give people something to do, to pretend that women are being mistreated by society."

Schlafly's allies in Illinois are gearing up to fight the amendment in the House. The Illinois Family Institute contends the ERA would force women into military combat, invalidate privacy protections for bathrooms and locker rooms, undermine child support judgments and jeopardize social payments to widows.

"There is virtually no limit to the number and kind of lawsuits the ERA will spawn," the institute

said. Lang scoffs at such predictions and says the federal ERA could be a valuable tool in ensuring fair treatment for women in the workplace and in financial transactions.

Written by Alice Paul — a leader of the women's suffrage movement in the U.S. a century ago — the Equal Rights Amendment was introduced annually in Congress from 1923 to 1970, when congressional hearings began in the heyday of the modern feminist movement. In 1972, the ERA won overwhelming approval in both chambers and was forwarded to the 50 state legislatures in search of the needed 38 votes to ratify.

Congress set a deadline of 1979, at which point 35 states had ratified the ERA. The deadline was extended to 1982, but no more states came on board, and the Supreme Court upheld a ruling that the ERA was dead.

The states that did not ratify were Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia.

Aside from Illinois, there have been few signs that any of those states are on the verge of ratifying the ERA. In politically divided Virginia, the Senate voted 25-8 vote this year for ratification, but the measure died in a committee in the Republican-controlled House of Delegates.

In Congress, ERA supporters have introduced two measures in pursuit of ratification.

One — known as the "three-state strategy" — is a resolution that would nullify the 1982 deadline so that only three more states would need to ratify the ERA in addition to the 35 that did so in the 1970s.

The other measure would restart the traditional process, requiring passage of the ERA by a two-thirds majority in the

U.S. Senate and House, followed by ratification by legislatures in three-quarters of the 50 states.

In the Republican-controlled House, the measures are considered longshots, and neither is expected to come to a vote this year. But supporters said their cause would gain momentum if Illinois ratifies the ERA this year.

Although the ERA does have some Republican supporters, in Congress and in states such as Illinois, it has far less backing overall in GOP ranks than among Democrats. Terry O'Neill, president of the National Organization for Women, suggested that ERA ratification could be among the issues raised as Democrats press their claim that the GOP is waging a "war on women."

"Interest in the ERA is going to continue to bubble up at the grassroots level," O'Neill said. Asked when final ratification might come, she replied, "In years, not decades."

In Oregon, which ratified the federal ERA in 1973, there will be a measure on the November ballot to add an ERA to the state constitution. Its prospects are considered good, yet it is opposed by some women's rights advocates who say Oregon already has strong protections against gender-based discrimination. The American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon is concerned that a state amendment might prompt judges to conclude that voters wanted protections against gender bias to be stronger than protections based on factors such as race, religion or sexual orientation.

Leanne Littrell DiLorenzo, whose VoteERA.org group has spearheaded the campaign to pass the state amendment, noted that four former Oregon Supreme Court justices had released an open letter disagreeing with the ACLU's interpretation and asserting that the ERA would be a valuable addition to the state constitution.

California debates 'yes means yes' sex assault law

By Julie Watson
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — College students have heard a similar refrain for years in campaigns to stop sexual assault: No means no.

Now, as universities around the country that are facing pressure over the handling of rape allegations adopt policies to define consensual sex, California is poised to take it a step further. Lawmakers are considering what would be the first-in-the-nation measure requiring all colleges that receive public funds to set a standard for when "yes means yes."

Defining consensual sex is a growing trend by universities in an effort to do more to protect victims. From the University of California system to Yale, schools have been adopting standards to distinguish when consent was given for a sexual activity and when it was not.

Legislation passed by California's state Senate in May and coming before the Assembly this month would require all schools that receive public funds for student financial assistance to set a so-called "affirmative consent standard" that could be used in investigating and adjudicating sexual assault allegations. That would be defined as "an affirmative, unambiguous and conscious decision" by each party to engage in sexual activity.

Silence or lack of resistance does not constitute consent.

Lawmakers say consent can be nonverbal, and universities with similar policies have outlined examples as maybe a nod of the head or moving in closer to the person.

Several state legislatures, including Maryland, Texas and Connecticut, introduced bills in the past year to push colleges to do more after a White House task force reported that 1 in 5 female college students is a victim of sexual assault. The U.S. Education Department also took the unprecedented step of releasing the names of schools facing federal investigation for the way they handle sexual abuse allegations.

But no state legislation has gone as far as California's bill in requiring a

consent standard.

Critics say the state is overstepping its bounds. The Los Angeles Times in an editorial after the bill passed the state Senate 27-4 wrote that it raises questions as to whether it is "reasonable" or "enforceable." The legislation is based on the White House task force's recommendations.

"It seems extremely difficult and extraordinarily intrusive to micromanage sex so closely as to tell young people what steps they must take in the privacy of their own dorm rooms," the newspaper said.

Some fear navigating the murky waters of consent spells trouble for universities.

"Frequently these cases involve two individuals, both of whom maybe were under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and it can be very tricky to ascertain whether consent was obtained," said Ada Meloy, general counsel of the American Council on Education, which represents college presidents.

She said schools need to guarantee a safe environment for students, while law enforcement is best suited for handling more serious sexual assault cases.

John F. Banzhaf III, a George Washington University's Law School professor, believes having university disciplinary panels interpret vague cues and body language will open the door for more lawsuits.

The legal definition of rape in most states means the perpetrator used force or the threat of force against the victim, but the California legislation could set the stage in which both parties could accuse each other of sexual assault, he said.

"This bill would very, very radically change the definition of rape," he said.

University of California at Berkeley student Meghan Warner, 20, said that's a good thing. She said she was sexually assaulted during her freshman year by two men at a fraternity but didn't report it because she believed "that unless it was a stranger at night with a weapon who attacked you when you were walking home, that it wasn't rape. It's just a crappy thing that happened." She now runs campus workshops to teach students what constitutes consent.

Hawaii's governor ousted in stunning primary loss

Associated Press

HONOLULU — A 40-year political career came to a close after Hawaii Gov. Neil Abercrombie lost his bid for a second term in a stunning primary-election defeat by a fellow Democrat and state senator who defied party leadership to challenge the incumbent. A second intra-party fight for U.S. Senate was too close to call.

State Sen. David Ige, once seen as an underdog, cruised to a decisive 35 percentage point win in Saturday's primary after being dramatically ousted by Abercrombie, who also had high-profile endorsements including President Barack Obama. Ige said his win "proves that people power can be money power, especially in Hawaii."

Tropical Storm Iselle, which pounded parts of the state earlier this week, also delivered a bizarre twist to Hawaii's election, leaving

the heated contest between incumbent Democratic incumbent U.S. Sen. Brian Schatz and U.S. Rep. Colleen Hanabusa too close to declare a winner.

In an unprecedented move, elections officials postponed voting in two precincts in the remote Puna region of the Big Island, deciding that damaged roads would make it unsafe for voters to get to the polls. With Schatz holding only a narrow lead over Hanabusa, both candidates will have to wait for the results from mail-in ballots that will be sent to as many as 8,255 registered voters there, then returned and tabulated.

Both races divided the state's dominant Democratic Party and offered voters a choice between the political establishment and a new generation of leaders.

Abercrombie called his four years as governor "a singular honor," and pledged in an email to help

Ige "with every ounce of energy I possess."

"Whatever shortcomings I have, whatever faults that I have, I can guarantee you one of them has never been a failure to give all that I can every day to Hawaii," he told supporters Saturday night.

Abercrombie is the first Hawaii governor to lose to a primary challenger and only the second not to win re-election. His defeat comes after Obama last month cut a radio ad for Abercrombie, invoking the Hawaiian word for family to tell voters in his native state that Abercrombie is "like ohana to me."

The governor was seen as confrontational and he angered many voters with a proposal last year to raise a host of taxes. The politi-

cally influential teachers union also campaigned for Ige after Abercrombie alienated teachers in 2011 by imposing a final contract that cut pay by 5 percent after negotiations failed.

Ige, a respected state senator who served in the Legislature for 28 years, felt Hawaii was headed in the wrong direction, and that too many of the governor's decisions were dividing communities.

Abercrombie's decision to appoint Schatz to the U.S. Senate seat after the death of beloved political icon U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye, who died in 2012, also angered many Hawaii voters. Before he died, Inouye told Abercrombie that he wanted him to appoint Hanabusa to his seat.

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Smart people sometimes say foolish things

■ East Coast commentators should talk less, listen more when it comes to debate on U.S.-Mexico border

I used to have a lot of respect for William Kristol when it came to the issue of immigration.

In the 1990s, when California voters approved Proposition 187 to deny public benefits to illegal immigrants, Kristol was part of an intellectual cohort of conservatives who pushed back against the nastiness. Along with former Education Secretary William Bennett, former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp and others, Kristol argued that one reason the United States was an exceptional country was because of its immigrant tradition, even if immigrants were sometimes shortchanged in the process.

As the grandson of Jewish immigrants used to point out during the California debate, America may sometimes hurt immigrants but immigrants never hurt America.

Kristol also wasn't afraid to challenge fellow Republicans to stop demagoguing the issue and avoid the catnip of nativism.

These days, as editor of The Weekly Standard, the conservative thinker is demonstrating how the immigration issue has the magical ability to inspire smart

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people to say foolish things. He also serves as a good reminder that commentators on the East Coast — and especially in Washington, where Kristol lives — ought to talk less and listen more when it comes to something most of them clearly don't understand: the U.S.-Mexico border.

Kristol recently charged into the debate over what to do about the thousands of unaccompanied minors from Central America crossing the border.

On ABC's "This Week," Kristol insisted that passing the Senate immigration-reform bill, which would have given the undocumented the chance to earn legal status, would have produced "more of a magnet for people to come north."

The talking head doesn't know what he's talking about. First, the Senate bill wasn't an "amnesty" or a get-out-of-deportation-free card. That sort of thing comes with no strings attached, reminiscent of the lax immigration laws in place when Kristol's grandparents emigrated

from Eastern Europe in the early 1900s. The Senate bill had qualifiers and penalties and hoops for the undocumented to jump through. As a result, it would have legalized only half of the 11 million illegal immigrants in the United States. Second, it's arrogant and presumptuous of Kristol — and for that matter, Democrats — to believe that thousands of children fleeing violence in Central America would have taken their cues from what Congress did or didn't do to fix immigration policy. They were coming regardless.

When the conversation shifted to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, the program that lets undocumented youth avoid deportation with two-year work permits, Kristol wrongly referred to what is simply a policy change at the Department of Homeland Security as a full-blown executive order. Then he insisted that DACA had also contributed to the current crisis because children in Central America "saw that the previous generation of people who came in were amnestied, and they think they're going to be amnestied."

Again, there is no amnesty. And the child refugees don't qualify for DACA. If they really are, as Kristol thinks, such keen observers of the U.S. political process, shouldn't they know this?

Finally, Kristol drew a distinction between "legal immigration and illegal

immigration" and said that "there are laws that should be enforced, in my humble opinion."

Really? There's nothing humble about Kristol's opinion. Let me remind him that it is his party which, for all its sanctimonious talk about enforcing the law, works to weaken and undermine laws that punish employers for hiring illegal immigrants. As for the distinction between those who come legally and those who don't, it's something that, not long ago, didn't worry Kristol so much.

During an appearance on Fox News Sunday in April 2006, while discussing President George W. Bush's push for comprehensive immigration reform and how some Republicans in Congress were pushing back with ugly language, Kristol declared: "I'm a liberal on immigration. I mean, I think the Bush approach is right ... Bush needs to step up and repudiate those House Republicans and their rhetoric, and make much more of a public case for his comprehensive immigration reform bill."

Then, noting that previous waves of immigrants who have been legalized have contributed to the U.S. economy, served in the military, and enriched the country, the commentator declared: "I am pro-immigration, and I am even soft on illegal immigration."

I like the old Kristol better.

GUEST VIEW

Clock is ticking to solve problems with Social Security

San Antonio Express-News

News that Social Security will be solvent until 2034 should comfort no one, even if that date is two decades from now. For one thing, the disability insurance portion of Social Security will be insolvent in two years. For another, in 20 years, there will still be plenty of baby boomers relying on the system and still others on the way.

If the baby boom is defined as occurring between 1946 and 1964, that last boomer will retire at 65 in 2029 or in 2031 if retirement happens at 67.

The trustees recently released report also revealed Medicare as solvent until 2030. That's four years later than last year's report but shouldn't provide any comfort either.

What this report says is that decreases in benefits are ahead unless Congress acts.

Social Security and Medicare reform should have been undertaken years ago. Congress has balked because the programs, which together account for 41 percent of federal spending, have powerful constituencies who shout loud — and vote. And one of the fixes, payroll tax increases, has been a nonstarter in this and previous Congresses.

Courage, and the ability to compromise, in other words, have long been in short supply — with this do-nothing Congress in particular.

But there are solutions, which, singly or in combination, can ameliorate the situation. The country can:

■ Shift revenue from the larger Social Security fund to the disability insurance, essentially combining the funds. This will move that year when insolvency occurs — if nothing else is done — to 2033, the date given by last year's trustee report. Eleven million disabled workers receive benefits.

■ Lift or eliminate the payroll tax cap, now fixed at \$117,000. This change packs a large dollar wallop for the fund.

■ Increase the taxes that fund Social Security and Medicare, now set at 12.4 percent in combined contributions for employees and employers and about 3 percent respectively for most taxpayers.

■ Raise the retirement age to collect full Social Security benefits, now set at 67 for those born in 1960 or later.

■ Means test Social Security. This would reduce or eliminate Social Security benefits for people who have other incomes above a certain amount.

All of these will require some study — and compromise. But as the trustees' report tells us every year, the clock is ticking.

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Safety net doesn't help most needy

■ Because of demographics, policy changes, welfare spending benefits working "near-poor," middle and upper classes

"Some of my friends are destitute. Some of them are beggars / But, for me, there's a subsidy if I spend my whole life preggers."

That was one of the more memorable rhymes in an off-Broadway show I saw a few months ago, titled "Greed: A Musical for Our Times." The revue was primarily populated with covetous, conscience-free bankers, doctors, clergymen and Ponzi schemers. Perhaps for political balance, though, the writer included a ballad about a perma-pregnant welfare queen. Just "have another kid," our parasitic protagonist croons, since each additional spawn earns her ever-larger, never-ending government checks.

It was a darkly funny song, with just one problem: It was based entirely on a U.S. welfare system that ceased to exist almost two decades ago, when Washington passed welfare reform.

"Another Kid" is one little song in one little show, but it reflects much broader misperceptions about the U.S. social safety net: that it is a cushy "hammock" that discourages large numbers of moochers from working, that it is especially generous to the endlessly reproducing poor.

Our welfare state has indeed grown over time; federal social safety net spending per capita has more than quadrupled since 1970. The expansion, though, has disproportionately gone not to the unemployed and very poor, but to the working "near-poor," the middle class and, in some cases, high-income Americans. That's partly because of demographics (a large share of social spending goes to elderly people, whatever their incomes, and the United States is aging), and partly because of policy changes (e.g., imposing five-year caps on how long most families can receive welfare payments, or creating tax breaks that primarily benefit the wealthier Americans who itemize their taxes).

Myths about the beneficence of the social safety net and the demographics of its beneficiaries persist among libertarian tea partiers and (presumably) ultraliberal New York theater audiences.

In the spirit of debunking some of these, I've compiled a few factoids that people often get wrong. See how you do on the quiz:

1. An elderly person receives about how much in federal spending for every \$1 received by a child?
(A) \$2; (B) \$5; (C) \$7

2. As of July, unemployed workers had been looking for a job for 32 weeks on average. What is the maximum length of time a U.S. worker can receive unemployment benefits?

(A) 99 weeks; (B) 63 weeks; (C) 30 weeks
3. Which income group receives more than half of federal housing subsidies?

(A) Households with incomes below \$30,000; (B) Households with incomes between \$30,000 and \$100,000; (C) Households with incomes above \$100,000

4. What percentage of U.S. households pays nothing in federal taxes?

(A) 47 percent; (B) 33 percent; (C) 14 percent
5. Which of these takes the largest toll on the federal government's bottom line each year?

(A) Social Security; (B) Defense spending; (C) Tax expenditures (loopholes, deductions, etc., in the tax code)

6. Let's say you're a single male who's earned the average wage all your life, and you're turning 65 next year. What's the difference between what you paid in Medicare taxes and what you can expect to receive in Medicare benefits?

(A) About as much out as paid in; (B) About \$27,000 more in benefits than paid in; (C) About \$127,000 more in benefits than paid in.

7. What percentage of people who have been on Medicare say they "have never used a government social program?"

(A) 10 percent; (B) 20 percent; (C) 40 percent
8. The average food stamp (SNAP) benefit is about how much per person per meal?

(A) \$5; (B) \$3; (C) \$1.50
9. According to a 2012 Pew survey, which group is more likely to have ever benefited from at least one of the following programs targeting the poor or unemployed: food stamps, unemployment benefits, welfare or Medicaid?

(A) Conservatives; (B) Liberals; (C) Both about equally likely

The correct response to every question, as you may have figured out, is C. Answers are based on data from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, the Tax Policy Center, the Urban Institute, Pew Research Center, Suzanne Mettler's book "The Submerged State," the Government Accountability Office and other sources.

You can find fuller documentation, explanations and caveats on my Washington Post blog, Rampage (<http://www.washingtonpost.com/news/rampage/wp/2014/08/07/9-myths-about-the-social-safety-net-annotated/>).

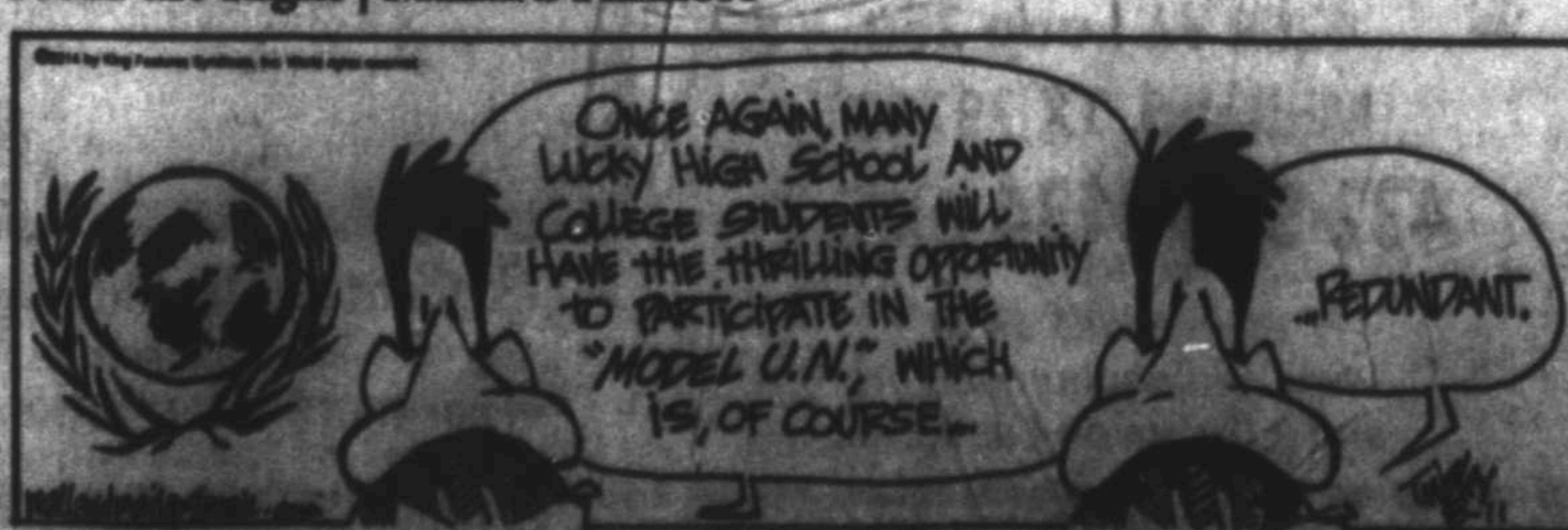
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Restricted from playing outside, displaced Palestinian children play indoors in a high-rise building where their families had rented flats for them to live, after leaving their homes due to the unrest, in Gaza City on Sunday.

Israel, Hamas accept cease-fire proposal

By Mohammed Daraghmeh
Associated Press

CAIRO — Israel and the Hamas militant group accepted an Egyptian cease-fire proposal Sunday, clearing the way for the resumption of talks on a long-term truce to end a month of heavy fighting in the Gaza Strip that has taken nearly 2,000 lives.

The announcement marked the second time in less than a week that the bitter enemies had agreed to Egyptian mediation. A similar three-day truce last week collapsed in renewed violence over the weekend.

The truce took effect at midnight (2101 GMT), preceded by heavy rocket fire toward Israel. In Cairo, the Egyptian Foreign Ministry said the cease-fire would allow humanitarian aid into battered Gaza neighborhoods and the reopening of indirect talks on a more lasting and comprehensive deal.

Hamas is seeking an end to the Israeli-Egyptian blockade against Gaza, while Israel wants Hamas to dismantle its formidable arsenal of rockets and other weapons.

Palestinian negotiators accepted the proposal early Sunday after meeting with Egyptian officials throughout the weekend. Israeli officials concurred later. Both delegations are back in Cairo.

Qais Abdelkarim, a member of the Palestinian delegation, said indirect talks with the Israelis would begin Monday "with the hope of reaching a lasting cease-fire." The goal, he added, was to end the blockade, which he called "the reason for the war."

The recent fighting has been the heaviest between Israel and Hamas since Hamas took control of Gaza in 2007. More than 1,900 Palestinians have been killed, including hun-

dreds of civilians. On the Israeli side, 67 people have been killed, including three civilians. Nearly 10,000 people have been wounded and thousands of homes destroyed.

The fighting ended in a three-day cease-fire last Tuesday. Egypt had hoped to use that truce to mediate a long-term deal. But when it expired, militants resumed their rocket fire, sparking Israeli reprisals. The violence continued throughout the weekend, including a burst of fighting late Sunday ahead of the expected cease-fire.

The Israeli military reported some 30 rocket attacks from Gaza on Sunday. Palestinian medical officials said seven people were killed in Israeli airstrikes, including the bodyguard of a Hamas leader, the medical officials said.

Israel had walked away from cease-fire talks over the weekend. "Israel will not negotiate under fire," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said earlier Sunday, warning that his country's military campaign "will take time."

Last week's talks failed in part because Israel rejected Hamas' demand for a complete end to the blockade. Israel says the closure is necessary to prevent arms smuggling, and officials do not want to make any concessions that would allow Hamas to declare victory.

A senior Palestinian negotiator acknowledged that the Palestinians would make more modest demands this time around. He said they will seek an end to the bloodshed in Gaza and an easing — but not an end — to the blockade.

"We might not get everything we want, particularly on freedom of movement. But we believe the Israelis and the world have gotten the point that Gazans should live normally and things should be much better than today," the

negotiator said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was discussing internal Palestinian deliberations.

Israel says Hamas must disarm. Hamas has said handing over its arsenal, which is believed to include several thousand remaining rockets, is out of the question.

The blockade has greatly limited the movement of Palestinians in and out of the impoverished territory of 1.8 million people for jobs and schooling. It has also limited the flow of goods into Gaza and blocked virtually all exports.

An Egyptian crackdown on smuggling tunnels along Gaza's southern border has made things even tougher by robbing Hamas of its key economic pipeline and weapons conduit. Gaza's unemployment rate surpasses 50 percent, and Hamas is unable to pay the salaries of tens of thousands of workers.

An easing of the blockade could mean an increased role for Western-backed Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, whose forces were ousted by Hamas seven years ago. Officials said the rival Palestinian factions were already exploring options that would give Abbas, who now governs in the West Bank, a foothold in Gaza, including the likely control of its border crossing with Egypt.

At a minimum, Israel will want guarantees that the rocket fire will stop. A 2012 cease-fire promised an easing of the blockade but was never implemented — in part because of sporadic rocket attacks by various armed factions in Gaza.

Israeli Justice Minister Tzipi Livni said Hamas could get the blockade lifted by accepting longstanding international demands to renounce violence and recognize Israel's right to

Lawmakers weigh US role against Islamic fighters

By Phillip Elliott
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Islamic militants' growing influence in Iraq and Syria is a threat to Americans, lawmakers from both political parties agreed Sunday even as they sharply split on what role the United States should play in trying to crush them.

President Barack Obama last week approved limited airstrikes against Islamic State fighters, whose rapid rise in June plunged Iraq into its worst crisis since the end of 2011, when U.S. troops withdrew from the country at the end of an unpopular eight-year war. Obama said the current military campaign would be a "long-term project" to protect civilians from the deadly and brutal insurgents.

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said the militants threaten not just Iraqis but also Americans. He said Obama's strikes were insufficient to turn back the militants and were designed "to avoid a bad news story on his watch."

"I think of an American city in flames because of the terrorists' ability to operate in Syria and in Iraq," said Graham, a reliable advocate for using U.S. military force overseas.

"They are coming here," Graham later added about the militants. "This is just not about Baghdad. This is just not about Syria. It is about our homeland."

Graham added that if Islamic State militants attack the United States because Obama "has no strategy to protect us, he will have committed a blunder for the ages."

The chairwoman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, D-Calif., also said the militants pose a threat "in our backyard" and was recruiting westerners.

"Inaction is no longer an option," she said in a statement as airstrikes were underway.

The rhetoric tracked closely to that used in the lead-up to the 2003 invasion of Iraq. In the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, lawmakers from both parties voted to

give President George W. Bush the authority to take military action against Iraq in the hopes of combating terrorism.

At the time, many said the United States faced a choice of fighting terrorism on American soil or on foreign soil.

A close White House ally, Democratic Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, said Islamic State fighters are a "growing and troublesome" threat. But he added, "We must not send the troops."

"The big question is: What can the United States do to stop it?" Durbin asked.

American airstrikes have included fighter pilots and drones near Irbil, the capital of the Kurdish region in northern Iraq, as recently as Sunday. The strikes are aimed at limiting Islamic State fighters' advances and helping Iraqi forces regain control. U.S. and Iraqi aircraft also have dropped humanitarian aid for the minority Yazidis, thousands of whom have been stranded on a scorching mountaintop since the Islamic militants seized Sinjar, near the Syrian border, last week.

A breakdown in talks between Washington and Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki that would have allowed U.S. troops to remain in Iraq collapsed in 2008, and Obama withdrew troops in 2011.

Al-Maliki now is under mounting pressure to step aside, including requests from U.S. lawmakers.

"The collapse of Mosul was not a result of lack of equipment or lack of personnel. It was a leadership collapse," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I. "And so in order to put the situation right, we have to begin at the fundamental core, which is leadership in Baghdad, Iraqi leadership."

Critics say the Shiite leader contributed to the crisis by monopolizing power and pursuing a sectarian agenda that alienated the country's Sunni and Kurdish minorities.

The Islamic State group, which some lawmakers refer to as ISIS, or the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, is "getting stronger all the time," warned Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

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The top iPhone and iPad apps

App Store official charts for the week ending August 4:

Top paid iPhone apps

1. Micromon, Pocket Trend
2. Heads Upl, Warner Bros.
3. Minecraft - Pocket Edition, Mojang
4. Afterlight, Afterlight Collective, Inc
5. RollerCoaster Tycoon 4 Mobile, Atari
6. Sleep Cycle alarm clock, Northcube AB
7. Plague Inc., Ndemic Creations
8. Geometry Dash, Robert Topala
9. THE GAME OF LIFE Classic Edition, Electronic Arts
10. Facetune, Lightricks Ltd.

Top free iPhone apps

1. Facebook Messenger-Facebook, Inc.
2. Crazy Taxi: City Rush, SEGA
3. No One Dies, RINGING.
4. Kim Kardashian: HollywoodGlu Games Inc.
5. BrainWars: Competitive brain t., Translimit, Inc
6. Make Them Jump!, Ketchapp.
7. Instagram, Instagram, Inc.
8. YouTube, Google, Inc.
9. Snapchat, Snapchat, Inc.
10. Facebook, Facebook, Inc.

Top paid iPad apps

1. Minecraft - Pocket Edition, Mojang
2. Micromon, Pocket Trend
3. PAW Patrol Rescue Run HD, Nickelodeon
4. Texture Packs for Minecraft Po..., Jim Hoskins
5. Heads Upl, Warner Bros.
6. The Survival Games: Mini Game..., wang wei
7. Modern Combat 5: Blackout, Gameloft
8. 80 Days, Inkle
9. Plants vs. Zombies HD, PopCap
10. Notability, Ginger Labs

Top free iPad apps

1. Crazy Taxi: City Rush, SEGA
2. Family Feud 2, Ludia
3. Strawberry Shortcake Sweet Sho..., Budge Studios
4. Facebook Messenger, Facebook, Inc.
5. My Little Pony Party of One, PlayDate Digital
6. YouTube, Google, Inc.
7. Netflix, Netflix, Inc.
8. Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Nickelodeon
9. Skype for iPad, Skype Communications S.a.r.l
10. Bubble Witch 2 Saga, King.com Limited

Top paid books

1. If I Stay by Gayle Forman
2. Zero Day by David Baldacci
3. Fifty Shades of Grey by E L James
4. No Second Chance by Harlan Coben
5. The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
6. Fifty Shades Darker by E L James
7. Plain Truth by Jodi Picoult
8. Good in Bed by Jennifer Weiner
9. Fifty Shades Freed by E L James
10. The Fault in Our Stars by John Green

Top songs

1. Bang Bang, Jessie J, Ariana Grande & Nicki Minaj
2. All About That Bass, Meghan Trainor
3. Rude, MAGIC!
4. Stay With Me, Sam Smith
5. Maps, Maroon 5
6. Burnin' It Down, Jason Aldean
7. Fanny (feat. Charli XCX), Iggy Azalea
8. Black Widow (feat. Rita Ora), Iggy Azalea
9. Chandelier, Sia
10. Boom Clap, Charli XCX

Top albums

1. Guardians of the Galaxy, Various Artists
2. V, Maroon 5
3. Shawn Mendes - EP, Shawn Mendes
4. 5 Seconds of Summer, 5 Seconds of Summer
5. In the Lonely Hour, Sam Smith
6. Hypnotic Eye, Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers
7. The Essential (asterisk) of..., Eric Clapton
8. PARTYNEXTDOOR TWO, PARTYNEXTDOOR
9. x, Ed Sheeran
10. The Essential (asterisk) NSYNC, (asterisk)NSYNC

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INTERNET SECURITY



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Internet users browse their Facebook pages by the free Wi-Fi internet service in an underground station in Hong Kong in 2013. Recent news that a Russian crime ring has amassed some 1.2 billion username and password combinations makes now a good time to review ways to protect yourself online. The hacking misdeeds were described in a New York Times story based on the findings of Hold Security, a Milwaukee firm that has a history of uncovering online security breaches.

Create stronger passwords to protect data

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

NEW YORK — With the recent news that a Russian hacker ring has amassed some 1.2 billion username and password combinations, it's a good time to review ways to protect yourself online.

The hacking misdeeds were described in a New York Times story based on the findings of Hold Security, a Milwaukee firm that has a history of uncovering online security breaches.

Hold Security told the Times that the data was pilfered from some 420,000 websites and is "the largest known collection of stolen Internet credentials." Hold's researchers did not identify the origins of the data or name the victim websites, citing nondisclosure agreements. The company also said it didn't want to name companies whose websites are still vulnerable to hacking, according to the Times report.

If there's reason to believe your information might have been

compromised, change your passwords immediately.

One of the best things you can do is to make sure your new passwords are strong. Here are seven ways to fortify them:

■ **Make your password long.** The recommended minimum is eight characters, but 14 is better and 25 is even better than that. Some services have character limits on passwords, though.

■ **Use combinations of letters and numbers, upper and lower case and symbols such as the exclamation mark.** Some services won't let you do all of that, but try to vary it as much as you can. "Pa\$5w0rd!43" is far better than "password43."

■ **Avoid words that are in dictionaries, even if you add numbers and symbols.** There are programs that can crack passwords by going through databases of known words. One trick is to add numbers in the middle of a word — as in "pa\$123sw0rd456d" instead

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Associated Press

Chief Information Security Officer Alex Holden of Hold Security LLC appears during the Black Hat USA 2014 cyber security conference on Aug. 6 in Las Vegas. Russian hackers have stolen 1.2 billion user names and passwords in a series of Internet heists affecting 420,000 websites, according to Holden, whose firm uncovered the breach.

Some Web experiments don't always use willing participants

Let's try something different this week.

I'm going to write the beginning of this column two different ways. Here's the first:

Facebook and OkCupid, the social network and the dating site, are doing experiments on their users in sneaky ways and they must be stopped. Manipulating emotions and being less than straightforward with users is just wrong. It's outrageous and unethical, a total fiasco, and I'm going to give you 10 reasons you should be furious that it's happening.

Got that? All right, here's the second way this column could start:

Much has been made of so-called experiments that the social network Facebook and the dating website OkCupid have been doing on their users, manipulating news feeds or presenting inaccurate data in order to gauge a reaction. But you know what? Lots of websites do this every day; it's to be expected on the Internet, especially on social websites where you are the end-product. So you should stop worrying and here's 10 reasons why.

Which of those introductions would make you more likely to keep reading the rest of this column? (If you stopped reading already you don't have to answer the question.)

Congratulations! You've just participated in an informal journalism study, an experiment that could help shape the future of this publication's



OMAR GALLAGA
Cox Newspapers

technology coverage.

I'm sorry, what? You don't remember agreeing to be part of an experiment for the good of science and discovery? Well, you did pick up this newspaper or click on a link to read this article, correct? Your actions suggest that you are fine with entering an agreement between the author of this piece (that would be me) and the media consumer (that's you) in which content is provided to be consumed.

Perhaps we might have mentioned that we are also studying your reading habits and using the data to shape content to better sell you subscriptions and keep you on our website. We could have told you that. But, in all fairness, you really didn't ask.

All right, the experiment is over. How did that make you feel? Are you mad at me? Can we still be friends? Would it help if I told you I was making a lot of that up? No? Sorry.

For the past few weeks, I've been struggling with whether I feel

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IBM says new chip works like human brain

By John Markoff
N.Y. Times News Service

Inspired by the architecture of the brain, scientists have developed a new kind of computer chip that uses no more power than a hearing aid and may eventually excel at calculations that stump today's supercomputers.

The chip, or processor, is named TrueNorth, and was developed by researchers at IBM and detailed in an article published Thursday in the journal Science. It tries to mimic the way brains recognize patterns, relying on densely interconnected webs of transistors similar to the brain's neural networks.

The chip's electronic "neurons" are able to signal others when a type of data — light, for example — passes a certain threshold. Working in parallel, the neurons begin to organize the data into patterns suggesting the light is growing brighter,

or changing color or shape. The processor may thus be able to recognize that a woman in a video is picking up a purse, or control a robot that is reaching into a pocket and pulling out a quarter.

The chip contains 5.4 billion transistors, yet draws just 70 milliwatts of power. By contrast, modern Intel processors in today's personal computers and data centers may have 1.4 billion transistors and consume far more power — 35 to 140 watts.

Today's conventional microprocessors and graphics processors are capable of performing billions of mathematical operations a second, yet the new chip system clock makes its calculations barely a thousand times a second. But because of the vast number of circuits working in parallel, it is still capable of performing 46 billion operations a second per watt of energy

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Google using clout to widen encryption

Michael Liedtke
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Google is wielding the power of its dominant Internet search engine to push more websites into protecting the people using their services.

The move, announced late Wednesday, involves a change in Google's closely guarded formula for determining the rankings of its search results.

Websites that automatically encrypt their services will now be boosted higher in Google Inc.'s recommendation system. For now, encryption will remain a small factor in Google's ranking formula, but the Mountain View, California-based company says it may put greater emphasis on the security measure in the future. It wants to make it tougher for government spies and computer hackers to grab the personal data of unwitting Web surfers.

Users can tell if a website is encrypted if its address begins with "https."

Google beefed up security of its search engine and popular Gmail ser-

vice after former National Security Agency contractor Edward Snowden revealed that the U.S. government has been vacuuming up personal data. The surveillance programs exploited gaping holes in unencrypted websites.

When websites are encrypted, it's more difficult for interlopers to sweep up data transmitted over unsecured Wi-Fi networks in homes or widely trafficked areas such as airports or stores.

Online security is a hot-button topic amid the Snowden revelations and a series of high-profile hacking attacks that filched credit card numbers, passwords and other personal information. In the most recent scare, online security firm Hold Security this week revealed that it had discovered a gang of Russian hackers have stockpiled more than 1.2 billion passwords stolen from more than 400,000 websites.

Google has a vested interest in making people feel more secure online because the company makes most of its money from ads that are shown next to search results and other Web content. If people were to become leery of Web surfing because

of security concerns, it could crimp Google's profits.

Even so, encryption is unlikely to become the most important factor in Google's website-ranking equation. The quality of a website's content and its relevance to a search request remain among the most influential ingredients.

Websites, though, are constantly looking for every edge that they can get to ensure they rank high on Google's search results to give them a better chance of attracting traffic and making money. Google processes about two out of every three search requests in the U.S. and an even higher percentage in Europe, so its rankings can make or break websites.

Encrypting websites will cost their owners extra money, but they could lose even more if they fall out of Google's favor.

Even if the entire Web becomes encrypted, it still wouldn't be enough to prevent security breaches caused by inadequate protection of the website servers that store credit card numbers, Social Security numbers, passwords and other sensitive data.

US bots flagged Ebola before outbreak announced

By Rodrigue Ngowi
Associated Press

BOSTON — The Ebola outbreak in West Africa is focusing a spotlight on an online tool run by experts in Boston that flagged a "mystery hemorrhagic fever" in forested areas of southeastern Guinea nine days before the World Health Organization formally announced the epidemic.

HealthMap uses algorithms to scour tens of thousands of social media sites, local news, government websites, infectious-disease physicians' social networks and other sources to detect and track disease outbreaks. Sophisticated software filters irrelevant data, classifies the relevant information, identifies diseases and maps their locations with the help of experts.

"It shows some of these informal sources are helping paint a picture of what's happening that's

useful to these public health agencies," HealthMap co-founder John Brownstein said.

HealthMap is operated by a group of 45 researchers, epidemiologists and software developers at Boston Children's Hospital.

The tool was introduced in 2006 with a core audience of public health specialists, but that changed as the system evolved and the public became increasingly hungry for information during the swine flu pandemic.

HealthMap generates information that includes locations of specific outbreaks and tracks new cases and deaths. The system is also capable of logging public sentiment.

The Ebola outbreak, the largest and longest ever recorded for the disease, has so far killed more than 950 people. It emerged in Guinea in March and has since spread to Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria.

Apps can help both students and teachers

By Emily Farlow
Cox Newspapers

ATLANTA — The new school year is a great opportunity to become more organized and efficient, and technology makes that easier than ever. There are a number of mobile apps to help students and teachers with all sorts of school tasks from taking notes and tracking assignments to creating projects and lesson plans.

Here are a few of the best back-to-school apps.

Evernote, free

Who it's for: Students and teachers
Platforms: iOS, Android, Windows, Blackberry and desktop

Evernote is a note-taking app that can do almost everything. Take notes or create lesson plans and add photos and attachments. Record audio while taking notes and share notes with classmates or colleagues. It's great for research projects: Get the Evernote Web clipper for your browser and save Web pages directly to Evernote in the same notebook with the rest of your research information. A premium account unlocks more features.

MyHomework, free

Who it's for: Students
Platforms: iOS, Android, Windows, myhomework-app.com

Keep track of homework assignments and when

they're due. If your teacher uses Teachers.io, join your teacher's class to see assignments, the syllabus, announcements, attachments or links to course material. Get more features with a premium account.

Teachers.io, free

Who it's for: Teachers
Platforms: iOS, teach-

ers.io
Create assignments, schedule tests and lessons, post announcements, add attachments and links to course material, blog about your class and create or attach a syllabus. Your students can access all of this information from their MyHomework app or myhomeworkapp.com.

TouchCast, free

Who it's for: Teachers
Platforms: iPad, desktop
TouchCast is a production studio for the iPad. Embed clickable Web pages, polls, quizzes and more into videos students can watch and interface with. Have students watch a video at home and discuss what they learned in class. Or, create a video for students to interact with on a day you won't be in the classroom. For more ideas about using TouchCast for your classroom, visit touchcast.com/education.

Remind, free

Who it's for: Teachers, students and parents
Platforms: iOS, Android, remind.com

Remind is a safe way teachers can text students and parents. Send out

homework and test reminders, and attach photos, links or presentations to messages, all without handing out your phone number. Students and parents with the app will see your messages, and those who don't have the app can get messages through remind.com.

StudyBlue, free

Who it's for: Students
Platforms: iOS, Android, studyblue.com

Create flash cards to study for class. StudyBlue not only flips flash cards, but it also creates quizzes and review sheets based on your flash cards. Add photos to cards, share them with classmates and search the online database of existing flash cards. Sync with Evernote to back up class notes and easily create flash cards from existing notes. A premium account has more features.

Sunrise, free

Who it's for: Students, teachers and parents
Platforms: iOS, Android, Mac OS X and sunrise.am

Sunrise is a calendar app that integrates with Google calendar and iCloud and imports events and birthdays from Facebook and Microsoft Exchange. Tell Sunrise what your favorite GPS app is, and get directions to your meeting. Sunrise sends you reminders and lets you invite people to meetings. You can see who will be in a meeting and connect with them on Facebook, Twitter

or LinkedIn.

Todoist, free

Who it's for: Students, teachers and parents
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WEST LAFAYETTE

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"Every time we put signs up on your road, they take them down," Blackmon said. "We even put up cameras to see who was stealing these signs because the signs aren't cheap and they stole the cameras. We don't know what to do."

NEW YORK

GE creates a 'data lake' for new industrial ecosystem

New technology products head at us constantly. There is the latest smartphone, the shiny new app, the hot social network, even the smarter thermostat.

As great (or not) as all these may be, each thing is a small part of a much bigger process that is rarely admired. They all belong inside a world-changing ecosystem of digital hardware and software, spreading into every area of our lives.

Thinking about what is going on behind the scenes is easier if we consider the automobile, also known as "the machine that changed the world." Cars succeeded through the widespread construction of highways and gas stations. Those things created a global supply chain of steel plants and refineries. Seemingly unrelated things, including suburbs, fast food and drive-time talk radio, arose as a result.

Today's dominant industrial ecosystem is relentlessly acquiring and processing digital information. It demands newer and better ways of collecting, shipping, and processing data, much the way cars needed better road building. And it is spinning out its own unseen businesses.

A few recent developments illustrate the new ecosystem. General

Electric plans to announce today that it has created a "data lake" method of analyzing sensor information from industrial machinery in places like railroads, airlines, hospitals and utilities. GE has been putting sensors on everything it can for a couple of years, and now it is out to read all that information quickly.

The company, working with an outfit called Pivotal, said that in the past three months it has looked at information from 3.4 million miles of flights by 24 airlines using GE jet engines. GE said it figured things like possible defects 2,000 times faster than it could before.

"In 10 years, 17 billion pieces of equipment will have sensors," said William Ruh, vice president of GE software. "We're only one-tenth of the way there."

It hardly matters if Ruh is off by 5 billion or so. Billions of humans are already augmenting that number with their own packages of sensors, called smartphones, fitness bands and wearable computers. Almost all of that will get uploaded someplace too.

Shipping that data creates challenges. In June, researchers at the University of California, San Diego, announced a method of engineering fiber optic cable that could make digital networks run 10 times faster. The idea is to get more parts of the system working closer to the speed of light, without involving the "slow" processing of electronic semiconductors.

CHIP

From IB

consumed, according to IBM researchers.

"It is a remarkable achievement in terms of scalability and low power consumption," said Horst Simon, deputy director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

The new approach to design, referred to variously as neuromorphic or cognitive computing, is still in its infancy, and the IBM chips are not yet commercially available.

IBM's research was funded by the Defense Ad-

vanced Research Projects Agency, a research arm of the Pentagon. According to Gill Pratt, the program manager, the agency is pursuing twin goals in its effort to design ultralow-power biological processors.

The first, Pratt said, is to automate some of the surveillance done by military drones. "We have lots of data and not enough people to look at them," he said.

The second is to create a new kind of laboratory instrument to allow neuroscientists to quickly test new theories about how brains function.

PASSWORDS

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of "password123456." Another is to think of a sentence and use just the first letter of each word — as in "tqbfjotld" for "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog."

Substitute characters. For instance, use the number zero instead of the letter O, or replace the S with a dollar sign.

Avoid easy-to-guess words, even if they aren't in the dictionary. You shouldn't use your name, company name or hometown, for instance. Avoid pets and relatives' names, too. Likewise, avoid things that can be looked up, such as your birthday or ZIP code. But you might use that as part of a complex password. Try reversing your ZIP code or phone number and insert that into a string of letters. As a reminder, you should also avoid "password" as the password, or consecutive keys on the keyboard, such as "1234" or "qwerty."

Never reuse passwords on other accounts — with two exceptions. Over the years, I've managed to create hundreds of accounts. Many are for one-time use, such as when a newspaper website requires me to register to read the full story. It's OK to use simple passwords and repeat them in those types of situations, as long as the password isn't unlocking features that involve

credit cards or posting on a message board. That will let you focus on keeping passwords to the more essential accounts strong.


The other exception is to log in using a centralized sign-on service such as Facebook Connect. Hulu, for instance, gives you the option of using your Facebook username and password instead of creating a separate one for the video site. This technically isn't reusing your password, but a matter of Hulu borrowing the log-in system Facebook already has in place. The account information isn't stored with Hulu. Facebook merely tells Hulu's computers that it's you. Of course, if you do this, it's even more important to keep your Facebook password secure.

Some services such as Gmail even give you the option of using two passwords when you use a particular computer or device for the first time. If you have that feature turned on, the service will send a text message with a six-digit code to your phone when you try to use Gmail from an unrecognized device. You'll need to enter that for access, and then the code expires. It's optional, and it's a pain — but it could save you from grief later on. Hackers won't be able to access the account without possessing your phone. Turn it on by going to the account's security settings.

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betrayed or completely all right with what some are calling an unethical betrayal of my fellow Internet users by the two companies I mentioned earlier, Facebook and OkCupid. In the case of Facebook, it was an experiment in 2012 on nearly 700,000 users. The company tweaked its algorithm for what kinds of posts it showed to them. Facebook wanted to see if it could alter their emotional state and cause them to put up more negative or positive posts themselves. The experiment didn't come to light until March when Facebook published its research in a science journal and, a few months later, it gained traction on the social network itself as a full-blown fiasco. You get the sense that Facebook was trying to show that it cares about its users' emotions, but the effort backfired. It was like watching a giant robot try unsuccessfully to hug a fragile kitten. OkCupid, a company that never saw an opportunity for publicity it didn't like, recently said it too

has been running mind games in a blog post from one of the founders subtly titled "We Experiment On Human Beings!" OkCupid's experiments involved manipulating compatibility scores for potential daters, hiding photos and other information in dating profiles and more. Both companies are likely within their rights to do what they did since most users never take the time to read or understand the legalese-thick Terms of Service they agree to when signing up. Matthew McGlone, faculty researcher with the Center for Identity at The University of Texas at Austin, has been following both stories and says that even if Facebook and OkCupid users get upset about these experiments, the furor is not likely to last or to affect either site's growth. "Despite the hue and cry about the Facebook experiments in the blogosphere and media, there's no evidence that the bad press has had an appreciable negative impact on (Facebook or OkCupid's) user base," McGlone said.

He thinks it might even work out favorably for both companies as proof that they know how to get to users in new, more insidious ways. "I strongly suspect that the companies predicted these outcomes — a flurry of bad press, a negligible dent in membership and great interest among stakeholders who use these platforms to push products." Yikes! McGlone went on to say that to companies such as OkCupid, signing up for online services without studying the Terms of Service makes most of us willing participants. And these companies are hungry for user data, continually seeking ways to improve what they do to make their services even more addictive and advertiser-friendly. Short of severing your Internet connection and giving every Internet service the boot, McGlone says there are a few ways to reduce the risk of being experimented on. Most "research," he says, involves using your previous online behavior to feed you "behavioral advertising." "Obviously, companies

must be able to record and store one's online browsing habits to conduct this sort of research. People can choose privacy settings in Google and other sites that limit (if not entirely eliminate) the ability of behavioral advertising algorithms to collect their personal data," McGlone said. You can also stick to using search engines that enable no-tracking privacy policies by default. That

means more obscure search engines such as DuckDuckGo.com, not so much Google and Bing, though there are Web extensions and other tools that can make mainstream search engines more privacy-friendly. Whether you think web experiments are evil or just a trade-off for all the services we get online for free, you should at least be aware that they're happen-

ing. Remember, the price you're really paying for free Facebook and dating services is your personal information, attention and all the content you produce for them in the way of photos, pithy posts and clicks. Now, if you have a few minutes, I have several exciting endings for this column I'd like to run by you. Don't worry, it's just an innocent little experiment.

BANANAGRAMS!

Each of the following six-letter sets can be rearranged to spell out a common word that either starts with **SP** or **ST** and/or ends with **CE** or **OR**.

LEVEL

ACDEEF

CEILPS

AGIMST

BEORTT

Yesterday's Answer: COGITATE, AGENCIES, MIDSPACE, FILTRATE

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There's a little bit of everything in
West Texas Living
 Look for it in Tuesday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram

Google using clout to widen encryption

Michael Liedtke
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Google is wielding the power of its dominant Internet search engine to push more websites into protecting the people using their services.

The move, announced late Wednesday, involves a change in Google's ranking formula, but the Mountain View, California-based company says it may put greater emphasis on the security measure in the future. It wants to make it tougher for government spies and computer hackers to grab the personal data of unwitting Web surfers.

Websites that automatically encrypt their services will now be boosted higher in Google Inc.'s recommendation system. For now, encryption will remain a small factor in Google's ranking formula, but the Mountain View, California-based company says it may put greater emphasis on the security measure in the future. It wants to make it tougher for government spies and computer hackers to grab the personal data of unwitting Web surfers.

Users can tell if a website is encrypted if its address begins with "https."

Google beefed up security of its search engine and popular Gmail ser-

vice after former National Security Agency contractor Edward Snowden revealed that the U.S. government has been vacuuming up personal data. The surveillance programs exploited gaping holes in unencrypted websites.

When websites are encrypted, it's more difficult for interlopers to sweep up data transmitted over unsecured Wi-Fi networks in homes or widely trafficked areas such as airports or stores.

Online security is a hot-button topic amid the Snowden revelations and a series of high-profile hacking attacks that filched credit card numbers, passwords and other personal information. In the most recent scare, online security firm Hold Security this week revealed that it had discovered a gang of Russian hackers have stockpiled more than 1.2 billion passwords stolen from more than 400,000 websites.

Google has a vested interest in making people feel more secure online because the company makes most of its money from ads that are shown next to search results and other Web content. If people were to become leery of Web surfing because

of security concerns, it could crimp Google's profits.

Even so, encryption is unlikely to become the most important factor in Google's website-ranking equation. The quality of a website's content and its relevance to a search request remain among the most influential ingredients.

Websites, though, are constantly looking for every edge that they can get to ensure they rank high on Google's search results to give them a better chance of attracting traffic and making money. Google processes about two out of every three search requests in the U.S. and an even higher percentage in Europe, so its rankings can make or break websites.

Encrypting websites will cost their owners extra money, but they could lose even more if they fall out of Google's favor.

Even if the entire Web becomes encrypted, it still wouldn't be enough to prevent security breaches caused by inadequate protection of the website servers that store credit card numbers, Social Security numbers, passwords and other sensitive data.

US bots flagged Ebola before outbreak announced

By Rodrigue Ngowi
Associated Press

BOSTON — The Ebola outbreak in West Africa is focusing a spotlight on an online tool run by experts in Boston that flagged a "mystery hemorrhagic fever" in forested areas of southeastern Guinea nine days before the World Health Organization formally announced the epidemic.

HealthMap uses algorithms to scour tens of thousands of social media sites, local news, government websites, infectious-disease physicians' social networks and other sources to detect and track disease outbreaks. Sophisticated software filters irrelevant data, classifies the relevant information, identifies diseases and maps their locations with the help of experts.

"It shows some of these informal sources are helping paint a picture of what's happening that's

useful to these public health agencies," HealthMap co-founder John Brownstein said.

HealthMap is operated by a group of 45 researchers, epidemiologists and software developers at Boston Children's Hospital.

The tool was introduced in 2006 with a core audience of public health specialists, but that changed as the system evolved and the public became increasingly hungry for information during the swine flu pandemic.

HealthMap generates information that includes locations of specific outbreaks and tracks new cases and deaths. The system is also capable of logging public sentiment.

The Ebola outbreak, the largest and longest ever recorded for the disease, has so far killed more than 950 people. It emerged in Guinea in March and has since spread to Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria.

Apps can help both students and teachers

By Emily Farlow
Cox Newspapers

ATLANTA — The new school year is a great opportunity to become more organized and efficient, and technology makes that easier than ever. There are a number of mobile apps to help students and teachers with all sorts of school tasks from taking notes and tracking assignments to creating projects and lesson plans.

Here are a few of the best back-to-school apps.

Evernote, free

Who it's for: Students and teachers

Platforms: iOS, Android, Windows, Blackberry and desktop

Evernote is a note-taking app that can do almost everything. Take notes or create lesson plans and add photos and attachments. Record audio while taking notes and share notes with classmates or colleagues. It's great for research projects: Get the Evernote Web clipper for your browser and save Web pages directly to Evernote in the same notebook with the rest of your research information. A premium account unlocks more features.

MyHomework, free

Who it's for: Students

Platforms: iOS, Android, Windows, myhomework-app.com

Keep track of homework assignments and when

they're due. If your teacher uses Teachers.io, join your teacher's class to see assignments, the syllabus, announcements, attachments or links to course material. Get more features with a premium account.

Teachers.io, free

Who it's for: Teachers

Platforms: iOS, teachers.io

Create assignments, schedule tests and lessons, post announcements, add attachments and links to course material, blog about your class and create or attach a syllabus. Your students can access all of this information from their MyHomework app or myhomeworkapp.com.

TouchCast, free

Who it's for: Teachers

Platforms: iPad, desktop

TouchCast is a production studio for the iPad. Embed clickable Web pages, polls, quizzes and more into videos students can watch and interface with. Have students watch a video at home and discuss what they learned in class. Or, create a video for students to interact with on a day you won't be in the classroom. For more ideas about using TouchCast for your classroom, visit touchcast.com/education.

Remind, free

Who it's for: Teachers, students and parents

Platforms: iOS, Android, remind.com

Remind is a safe way teachers can text students and parents. Send out

homework and test reminders, and attach photos, links or presentations to messages, all without handing out your phone number. Students and parents with the app will see your messages, and those who don't have the app can get messages through remind.com.

StudyBlue, free

Who it's for: Students

Platforms: iOS, Android, studyblue.com

Create flash cards to study for class. StudyBlue not only flips flash cards, but it also creates quizzes and review sheets based on your flash cards. Add photos to cards, share them with classmates and search the online database of existing flash cards. Sync with Evernote to back up class notes and easily create flash cards from existing notes. A premium account has more features.

Sunrise, free

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Platforms: iOS, Android, Mac OS X and sunrise.am

Sunrise is a calendar app that integrates with Google calendar and iCloud and imports events and birthdays from Facebook and Microsoft Exchange. Tell Sunrise what your favorite GPS app is, and get directions to your meeting. Sunrise sends you reminders and lets you invite people to meetings. You can see who will be in a meeting and connect with them on Facebook, Twitter

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New technology products head at us constantly. There is the latest smartphone, the shiny new app, the hot social network, even the smarter thermostat.

As great (or not) as all these may be, each thing is a small part of a much bigger process that is rarely admired. They all belong inside a world-changing ecosystem of digital hardware and software, spreading into every area of our lives.

Thinking about what is going on behind the scenes is easier if we consider the automobile, also known as "the machine that changed the world." Cars succeeded through the widespread construction of highways and gas stations. Those things created a global supply chain of steel plants and refineries. Seemingly unrelated things, including suburbs, fast food and drive-time talk radio, arose as a result.

Today's dominant industrial ecosystem is relentlessly acquiring and processing digital information. It demands newer and better ways of collecting, shipping, and processing data, much the way cars needed better road building. And it is spinning out its own unseen businesses.

A few recent developments illustrate the new ecosystem. General

Electric plans to announce today that it has created a "data lake" method of analyzing sensor information from industrial machinery in places like railroads, airlines, hospitals and utilities. GE has been putting sensors on everything it can for a couple of years, and now it is out to read all that information quickly.

The company, working with an outfit called Pivotal, said that in the past three months it has looked at information from 3.4 million miles of flights by 24 airlines using GE jet engines. GE said it figured things like possible defects 2,000 times faster than it could before.

"In 10 years, 17 billion pieces of equipment will have sensors," said William Ruh, vice president of GE software. "We're only one-tenth of the way there."

It hardly matters if Ruh is off by 5 billion or so. Billions of humans are already augmenting that number with their own packages of sensors, called smartphones, fitness bands and wearable computers. Almost all of that will get uploaded someplace too.

Shipping that data creates challenges. In June, researchers at the University of California, San Diego, announced a method of engineering fiber optic cable that could make digital networks run 10 times faster. The idea is to get more parts of the system working closer to the speed of light, without involving the "slow" processing of electronic semiconductors.

CHIP

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consumed, according to IBM researchers.

"It is a remarkable achievement in terms of scalability and low power consumption," said Horst Simon, deputy director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

The new approach to design, referred to variously as neuromorphic or cognitive computing, is still in its infancy, and the IBM chips are not yet commercially available.

IBM's research was funded by the Defense Ad-

vanced Research Projects Agency, a research arm of the Pentagon. According to Gill Pratt, the program manager, the agency is pursuing twin goals in its effort to design ultralow-power biological processors.

The first, Pratt said, is to automate some of the surveillance done by military drones. "We have lots of data and not enough people to look at them," he said.

The second is to create a new kind of laboratory instrument to allow neuroscientists to quickly test new theories about how brains function.

PASSWORDS

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of "password123456." Another is to think of a sentence and use just the first letter of each word — as in "tqbfjotld" for "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog."

Substitute characters. For instance, use the number zero instead of the letter O, or replace the S with a dollar sign.

Avoid easy-to-guess words, even if they aren't in the dictionary. You shouldn't use your name, company name or hometown, for instance. Avoid pets and relatives' names, too. Likewise, avoid things that can be looked up, such as your birthday or ZIP code. But you might use that as part of a complex password. Try reversing your ZIP code or phone number and insert that into a string of letters. As a reminder, you should also avoid "password" as the password, or consecutive keys on the keyboard, such as "1234" or "qwerty."

Never reuse passwords on other accounts — with two exceptions. Over the years, I've managed to create hundreds of accounts. Many are for one-time use, such as when a newspaper website requires me to register to read the full story. It's OK to use simple passwords and repeat them in those types of situations, as long as the password isn't unlocking features that involve

credit cards or posting on a message board. That will let you focus on keeping passwords to the more essential accounts strong.

The other exception is to log in using a centralized sign-on service such as Facebook Connect. Hulu, for instance, gives you the option of using your Facebook username and password instead of creating a separate one for the video site. This technically isn't reusing your password, but a matter of Hulu borrowing the log-in system Facebook already has in place. The account information isn't stored with Hulu. Facebook merely tells Hulu's computers that it's you. Of course, if you do this, it's even more important to keep your Facebook password secure.

Some services such as Gmail even give you the option of using two passwords when you use a particular computer or device for the first time. If you have that feature turned on, the service will send a text message with a six-digit code to your phone when you try to use Gmail from an unrecognized device. You'll need to enter that for access, and then the code expires. It's optional, and it's a pain — but it could save you from grief later on. Hackers won't be able to access the account without possessing your phone. Turn it on by going to the account's security settings.

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CNN	43 24 51 30 56	OutFront	A. Cooper 360	The Hunt	CNN Tonight	A. Cooper 360	The Hunt					
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betrayed or completely all right with what some are calling an unethical betrayal of my fellow Internet users by the two companies I mentioned earlier, Facebook and OkCupid. In the case of Facebook, it was an experiment in 2012 on nearly 700,000 users. The company tweaked its algorithm for what kinds of posts it showed to them. Facebook wanted to see if it could alter their emotional state and cause them to put up more negative or positive posts themselves.

The experiment didn't come to light until March when Facebook published its research in a science journal and, a few months later, it gained traction on the social network itself as a full-blown fiasco. You get the sense that Facebook was trying to show that it cares about its users' emotions, but the effort backfired. It was like watching a giant robot try unsuccessfully to hug a fragile kitten.

OkCupid, a company that never saw an opportunity for publicity it didn't like, recently said it too

has been running mind games in a blog post from one of the founders subtly titled "We Experiment On Human Beings!" OkCupid's experiments involved manipulating compatibility scores for potential daters, hiding photos and other information in dating profiles and more.

Both companies are likely within their rights to do what they did since most users never take the time to read or understand the legalese-thick Terms of Service they agree to when signing up.

Matthew McGlone, faculty researcher with the Center for Identity at The University of Texas at Austin, has been following both stories and says that even if Facebook and OkCupid users get upset about these experiments, the furor is not likely to last or to affect either site's growth.

"Despite the hue and cry about the Facebook experiments in the blog-sphere and media, there's no evidence that the bad press has had an appreciable negative impact on (Facebook or OkCupid's) user base," McGlone said.

He thinks it might even work out favorably for both companies as proof that they know how to get to users in new, more insidious ways. "I strongly suspect that the companies predicted these outcomes — a flurry of bad press, a negligible dent in membership and great interest among stakeholders who use these platforms to push products."

Yikes! McGlone went on to say that to companies such as OkCupid, signing up for online services without studying the Terms of Service makes most of us willing participants. And these companies are hungry for user data, continually seeking ways to improve what they do to make their services even more addictive and advertiser-friendly.

Short of severing your Internet connection and giving every Internet service the boot, McGlone says there are a few ways to reduce the risk of being experimented on. Most "research," he says, involves using your previous online behavior to feed you "behavioral advertising."

"Obviously, companies

must be able to record and store one's online browsing habits to conduct this sort of research. People can choose privacy settings in Google and other sites that limit (if not entirely eliminate) the ability of behavioral advertising algorithms to collect their personal data," McGlone said.

You can also stick to using search engines that enable no-tracking privacy policies by default. That

means more obscure search engines such as Duck-DuckGo.com, not so much Google and Bing, though there are Web extensions and other tools that can make mainstream search engines more privacy-friendly.

Whether you think web experiments are evil or just a trade-off for all the services we get online for free, you should at least be aware that they're happen-

ing. Remember, the price you're really paying for free Facebook and dating services is your personal information, attention and all the content you produce for them in the way of photos, pithy posts and clicks.

Now, if you have a few minutes, I have several exciting endings for this column I'd like to run by you.

Don't worry, it's just an innocent little experiment.

BANANAGRAMS!

Each of the following six-letter sets can be rearranged to spell out a common word that either starts with **SP** or **ST** and/or ends with **CE** or **OR**.

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BEORTT

Yesterday's Answer: COGITATE, AGENCIES, MIDSPACE, FILTRATE

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This June 18 photo shows the app that links to shopping on Amazon.com on the new Amazon Fire Phone, in Seattle.

Amazon phone better for info than shopping

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

REVIEW

ANAHEIM, Calif. — My buying habits have yet to change in my nearly three weeks with Amazon's shopping-centric Fire phone.

Rather, I've found the phone's Firefly scanning feature to be far more useful as an information-gathering tool.

The idea behind Firefly is a smart one: Use it to keep track of what you see and hear around you, and then buy the things that interest you on Amazon.

By holding the phone's side button and pointing the camera at a product label or bar code, I've identified movie posters, food products and books. I've also used the phone's microphone to identify songs and television shows.

Once an identification is made, it takes just a swipe from the left and a few taps to buy the item through Amazon. The retailer already has your credit card and shipping address on file. The phone comes with a free year of Amazon's Prime membership, so shipping is free and takes just two days.

Firefly, which is available only on the Fire phone, is more comprehensive and reliable than any other scanner I've tried. But it's mostly a novelty as a shopping tool.

Even with Amazon's huge database, Firefly often couldn't make a match, such as when I

went to a Gap store to buy gifts for toddlers. In other cases, it gets the flavor or size wrong. During a visit to the Disneyland theme parks this week, a bottle of Nesquik chocolate milk got identified as powdered strawberry mix to add to milk.

Firefly works better when you scan a bar code rather than the product label, but even then, the bar code for the chocolate milk got identified as Hercules action figures. A single water bottle became a pack of eight.

Without a precise match, it's difficult to know whether what you're getting online is really better than what you're seeing at the retail store.

But the bigger hurdle for me is social.

I imagine retail store clerks giving me suspicious glances as I point the phone toward an item for several seconds as it tries to make a match. For that reason, I didn't try too hard at the Gap. Besides, I wanted the shirts right away, not in two days by mail.

No one has said anything to me about my scanning, and it's possible no one has even noticed. But I've had to be discrete. For instance, at a Disney gift shop, I refrained from scanning a special Disney edition of the Rubik's Cube puzzle because a store employee was keeping watch nearby. I went outside instead to

type in a search. This doesn't mean your phone can't be useful for shopping.

While visiting Thailand last year, I was wavering on whether to buy an external storage drive at a discount mall. By typing in a Web search, I learned I could get a better deal back home. So I waited.

A few weeks ago, I used a standard Web search to verify the type of battery I needed on a remote control before buying it at a drug store.

I didn't need the Fire phone for any of that.

I also don't need it to check prices online.

Amazon.com Inc. has apps for iPhones, Android and Windows phones. The iPhone and Android versions let you scan product images just like Firefly, and all three let you scan bar codes. The feature isn't called Firefly and sometimes produces different results, but the concept is similar.

To appreciate the Fire phone and Firefly, I need to think beyond shopping.

Firefly is useful for retrieving supplemental information, even if its shopping tools aren't essential or unique. It currently works with Amazon's IMDb movie and television database, plus five apps from other companies. More are coming.

A scan of a Lady Gaga album, for instance, gave me not only digital and CD buying opportunities through Amazon, but also a Lady Gaga-inspired

streaming station on iHeartRadio and concert tickets through StubHub.

You can also use Firefly to scan business cards, menus and other items with texts or QR codes. Firefly pulls out phone numbers, Web addresses and other useful information you might need later.

It also uses voice-recognition technology to identify songs, movies and TV shows. The hotel lobby was playing a Disney Channel show I didn't know. Firefly not only identified it as "Jessie," it gave me the season and episode number, too.

As an information companion, Firefly needs more outside apps to take advantage of the feature by linking databases to Firefly.

In addition, Firefly shouldn't require you to point the camera at an item for several seconds at times. It's hard to stay discrete that way. Why can't it simply snap and store the photo before taking its time analyzing it?

Doing that would also let you make an identification later if you happen to be without an Internet connection when you scan the product. And the photo would let you remember and identify the item manually when Firefly finds no match.

Once the technology gets better, I can see Firefly becoming useful for learning more about things around me. I don't need to spend a dime on Amazon to do that.

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PAID CONTENT



A good foundation is important in education, especially when you're a teacher. Pennyrich owner Sharon Wilcox has a great selection of ladies' foundation garments, swimsuits, mastectomy products and more at 311 Dodson St. in Old Town Midland.

Teachers, include Pennyrich on your shopping list

Most people forget that teachers do back-to-school shopping, too. They need to update wardrobes just like the students. And Pennyrich can help women get their foundation garments updated for the year.

Pennyrich has bras in a wide range of cup and strap sizes, and they have a great selection of Spanx seamless undergarments.

You will also find sports bras and nursing bras there. And Pennyrich is always your destination for mastectomy bras and other related items.

For anyone doing water aerobics, aquatherapy or heading for a fall cruise, swimsuits are always in season—especially those that cover up more than they show off. That's what you'll find at Pennyrich, along with poolside coverups.

School isn't the only thing that happens in the fall. Shop owner Sharon Wilcox says she's seeing more and more fall weddings, and she has corsets and strapless bras to fit weddings or fall formals. Be sure and get fitted ahead of time.

There's just nothing like shopping at Pennyrich. Sharon knows how to help you find the right fit for whatever you need. If something needs to be ordered, she will call you when it comes in. Personal service like hers is almost impossible to find anywhere else.

Go by Pennyrich this week and get fitted for fall!

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Midland High, Lee football teams begin practices

Yenzer excited to be back calling offensive plays

By Len Hayward
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Midland High football coach Craig Yenzer never really loses the excitement for a new season during the spring and summer. This year, though, Yenzer said there's a little bit more excitement for him when Midland High hits the practice field today for the start of fall workouts.

Yenzer will be back calling the plays for the Bulldogs' offense this season, and that's added a little more excitement for him when the first whistles will blow this morning. "For me this is kind of a re-invention or renewal to go back and calling plays," Yenzer said. "I didn't realize how much I missed it, getting on the board with our coaches, going through

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Yenzer



Morton

Rebels seek to stay on top after coaching shake-up

By Len Hayward
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The Lee football team's eventful spring transitioned into a more tranquil summer, and now the Rebels will hit the field today for the first day of fall workouts.

The Rebels' coaching staff went through some major changes during the spring and summer with the most notable move being that of offensive

coordinator Cliff Watkins taking the head coaching job in Eastland.

But during the summer, Lee coach James Morton was able to fill out his staff with a mix of former head coaches and young coaches. Today, those new faces will begin work on trying to get the Rebels back to the playoffs and remain at the top of the district standings.

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Time to serve it up

A quartet of seniors to lead Lady Bulldogs

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A quartet of seniors on the Midland High volleyball team have been playing together for so long that one of them, Erin Robbins, said it's almost "creepy" how they can communicate without even talking.

"You are not supposed to read each other's minds," Robbins said with a laugh.



Robbins



Cowan



Gillean

Neither Robbins, Kyndal Cowan, Jenna Gillean nor Channing Burleson have mind-reading capabilities, but what they do have is a chemistry and experience playing together that could power the Lady Bulldogs to a district title and beyond.

The four seniors are part of a team of 10 players, but two of them — Burleson and Gillean — have been on the varsity squad since they were freshmen, and Robbins and Cowan were key cogs last year for the Lady Bulldogs.

What all of this means is that the expectations are high for Midland High in the new District 3-6A and even beyond in the playoffs.

The Lady Bulldogs play El Paso Franklin at 2 p.m. and El



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Please see SENIORS/2C Midland High's Channing Burleson hits during practice Wednesday at MHS.

Dunavan, Lady Rebels expect better this season

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If there was a player that signified the frustration of the 2013 season for the Lee volleyball team it might have been Benteigh Dunavan.

Dunavan was one of the Lady Rebels' top hitters and defenders a year ago, but two ankle injuries sidelined the then-junior. It was just one more thing that hit a team that had playoff aspirations when the season started only to finish 17-20 overall and 5-11 in District 2-5A.

Dunavan, now fully healthy, is hoping that this season, the second under coach Daphne Rhoads, will produce much different results.

"I think we all just got frustrated with ourselves and we just stopped playing as a team near the end," Dunavan said. "We work more as a team than we did last year. We have more team chemistry."

There are a handful of factors, along with Dunavan's improved

health, that has both the Lady Rebels and Rhoads thinking this might be a breakthrough year. Lee opens its season at 2 p.m. today against El Paso Chapin at the First Presbyterian Church gymnasium as the first of two matches.

Rhoads admitted the transition for her into the head coaching position wasn't as smooth as she or the players might have wanted, plus the team never seemed to find a groove to win some district matches to contend.

This season, though, there is a better comfort level between Rhoads and the team, and it's translated to some quick team chemistry.

"A big part of our character lesson during the spring was you don't have to be best friends with every person you play with, but you have to respect your teammates when you are together," Rhoads said. "It was that type of deal, and those seniors have embraced that. I think it's paying off."

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Driver dies after being hit by Stewart

By Viv Bernstein
NY Times

NASCAR driver Tony Stewart struck and killed another driver Saturday night while competing in a dirt track sprint car event at Canandaigua Motorsports Park in New York state.

A graphic video posted on YouTube showed Stewart, a three-time Sprint Cup champion in NASCAR, hitting the driver, Kevin Ward Jr., 20, as Ward stood outside his race car on the track.

Ward and Stewart had bumped cars during an earlier lap, sending Ward's race car into an outside wall and prompting a caution flag. Ward then exited his car and approached on foot as Stewart's race car came around again. As Ward stood on the track and pointed at Stewart, Stewart's car fishtailed as it approached, the right tire hitting Ward and dragging him underneath.

Ward was thrown several feet behind Stewart. He was later declared dead at F.F. Thompson Hospital in Canandaigua.

The death occurred about an hour away from the site of a Sprint Cup race Sunday at Watkins Glen, New York.

Greg Zipadelli, vice president of competition for the Stewart-Haas Racing team, announced Sunday morning that Stewart would not race in the Sprint Cup event. He was to be replaced by Regan Smith.

"There aren't words to describe the sadness I feel about the accident that took the life of Kevin Ward Jr.," Stewart said in a statement released by his race team. "It's a very emotional time for all involved, and it is the reason I've decided not to participate in today's race at Watkins Glen. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends and everyone affected by this tragedy."

Stewart was reportedly cooperating with an investigation by the Ontario County Sheriff's Office, but was allowed to return to Watkins Glen, where he had been preparing to race Sunday. Zipadelli earlier told USA Today it would be "business as usual" at the track and that Stewart would compete.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family, friends, and fellow competitors of Kevin Ward Jr.," NASCAR said in a statement released before Sunday's race. "We support Tony Stewart's decision to miss today's race and we will continue to respect the process and timeline of the local authorities and will continue to monitor this situation moving forward."

"We appreciate the prayers and support we are receiving from the community, but we need time to grieve and wrap our heads around all of this," Ward's family said in a statement.

Ontario County Sheriff Philip C. Povero said in a news briefing Sunday that the investigation was continuing, with the police seeking pictures and videos from spectators and finishing a reconstruction of the crash.

"At this very moment, there are no facts at hand that would substantiate or support a criminal charge or indicate criminal intent on the part of any individual," he said.

Witnesses offered conflicting opinions about the wreck, some blaming Ward for approaching Stewart. Others blamed Stewart.

Although it seemed Ward had put himself at grave risk by walking onto the track while race cars were on it, that kind of action is not unheard-of in racing. Drivers will often try to confront other drivers directly on the track. In 2012, Stewart walked onto the track at Bristol Motor Speedway after a wreck with Matt Kenseth and threw his helmet at Kenseth's race car in disgust.



Stewart

HOUNDWATCH



SUNDAY'S SCORE
Springfield 9, Midland 1

TUESDAY'S GAME
Midland at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m., ONEOK Field

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Midland 9, Springfield 3	Springfield 9, Midland 1	Midland at Tulsa	Midland at Tulsa	Midland at Tulsa

DAILYRUNDOWN

ON THE AIR

TODAY WHAT'S ON TV
MLB
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, Noon, MLB Network

L.A. Dodgers at Atlanta, 6 p.m., ESPN
Tampa Bay at Texas, 7 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY HS VOLLEYBALL
El Paso Franklin at Midland High, 2 p.m.
El Paso Chapin at Midland High, 4 p.m.
El Paso Chapin at Lee, 2 p.m.
El Paso Franklin at Lee, 4 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Options RHP Heath Hembree to Pawtucket (IL), Recalled LHP Edwin Escobar from Pawtucket.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Placed OF David Murphy and DH/1B Nick Swisher on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Tyler Holt and INF/OF Zach Waters from Columbus (IL).
DETROIT TIGERS — Placed RHPs Joakim Soria and Anibal Sanchez on the 15-day DL. Sanchez retroactive to Saturday.
LOS ANGELES ANGELES — Options INF C.J. Cron and RHP Cam Bedrosian to Salt Lake (PCL), Transferred LHP Tyler Skaggs to the 60-day DL. Selected the contract of RHP Caleb Clay from Salt Lake. Recalled RHP Vinny Castillo from Salt Lake.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Traded RHP Kevin Correia to the L.A. Dodgers for a player to be named.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent 1B Kyle Blanks to Sacramento (PCL) for a rehab assignment.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Options LHP Lucas Luetge to Tacoma (PCL), Recalled RHP Erasmo Ramirez from Tacoma.
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Options 2B Tim Beckham to Durham (IL).
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Sent 1B Adam Lind to Dunedin (FSU) for a rehab assignment. Agreed to terms with Chicago Kottaras on a minor league contract. Selected LHP Brad Mills from Buffalo (IL), Options 2B Ryan Goins to Buffalo.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Agreed to terms with RHP Gabriel Perez on a minor league contract.
CHICAGO CUBS — Options LHP Chris Rasmussen to Iowa (PCL), Assigned OF Ryan Ketcher outright to Iowa. Placed RHP Brian Schiller on the 15-day DL. Reinstated RHP Neil Ramirez from the 15-day DL.
COLORADO ROCKIES — Placed OF

Carlos Gonzalez on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Saturday. Assigned OF Jason Pridle outright to Colorado Springs (PCL), Recalled INF Ben Paulsen from Colorado Springs.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed SS Hanley Ramirez on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Saturday. Designated LHP Collin Humes for assignment. Recalled INF Darwin Barney from Albuquerque (PCL).
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Sent LHP Wei-Chung Wang to Wisconsin (MIL) for a rehab assignment.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Claimed RHP Jerome Williams off waivers from Texas. Designated RHP Sean O'Sullivan for assignment.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Claimed INF Tommy Field off waivers from the L.A. Angels and optioned him to Indianapolis (IL).
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Options OF Juan Perez to Fresno (PCL), Recalled INF Adam Duval from Fresno.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed OF Steven Souza Jr. on the 15-day DL, Recalled OF Michael A. Taylor from Syracuse (IL).

FOOTBALL
National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS — Released CB Michael Carter. Signed CB Sam Miller.
CHICAGO BEARS — Signed OL Rob Turner to a one-year contract. Waived OL Graham Pocock.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Named Joe Marciano interim special teams coordinator. Signed TE Kory Sperry.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released RB Stephen Houston and TE Justin Jones and Asa Watson. Signed TE Ben Hartsock, Steve Menon and Terrence Miller.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Placed LB Mike Taylor on the waived-injured list. Signed DB Thomas Wolfe.
COLLEGE
NEW EDWARDSVILLE — Announced the resignation of soccer coach Scott Donnelly to become Northeast region technical advisor for the U.S. Soccer Federation.

NFL PRESEASON

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Buffalo	1	0	0	0	33	35	
Miami	0	0	0	0	16	18	
New England	0	0	0	0	6	23	
South							
Jacksonville	1	0	0	0	16	10	
Tennessee	0	0	0	0	20	16	
Houston	0	0	0	0	32	32	
Indianapolis	0	0	0	0	13	13	
North							
Baltimore	1	0	0	0	23	3	
Cleveland	0	0	0	0	12	13	
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	0	16	20	
Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	39	41	
West							
Denver	1	0	0	0	21	16	
Kansas City	1	0	0	0	41	39	
San Diego	1	0	0	0	27	7	
Oakland	0	0	0	0	6	10	
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Rangers snap 7-game skid to Astros

Rangers 6
Astros 2

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Nick Martinez got his first win since May 24 and Adrian Beltre and Shin-Soo Choo both homered to lead the Texas Rangers to a 6-2 victory over the Houston Astros on Sunday, snapping a seven-game skid against their in-state rivals.

Martinez (2-8), who was pitching on five extra days' rest, allowed five hits and two runs over five innings to end a seven-game losing streak.

The Rangers trailed by two early before scoring twice in both the fourth and fifth innings to take a 4-2 lead. The 393rd homer of Beltre's career came off Dallas Keuchel in the sixth inning and Choo also had a solo shot in the seventh to make it 6-2.

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Keuchel (10-8) allowed six hits and tied a season-high with five runs in six innings.

Jose Altuve had two hits for his 49th multihit game this season in his return after missing Saturday's game with a sore neck.

Chris Carter made it 1-0 in the first when he grounded into a force play that scored Robbie Grossman and left Altuve out at second. Carter was initially ruled out on the play, but manager Bo Porter challenged the call and it was overturned.

Altuve was plunked with one out in the third inning and added to his American League lead when he swiped second for his 46th steal. Jason Castro's single sent him home to make it 2-0.

The Rangers didn't have



Pat Sullivan/AP

Texas' Adrian Beltre (29) is congratulated by Elvis Andrus, left, on his solo homer against the Houston Astros in the sixth inning Sunday in Houston.

a baserunner until a single by Elvis Andrus to start the fourth inning. He and scored on a double by Alex Rios to cut the lead to 2-1.

A two-out single by Adam Rosales allowed Rios to score and tie the game.

Robinson Chirinos doubled and Daniel Robertson singled to start the fifth inning. Chirinos scored and Robertson took third on a wild pitch by Keuchel to put Texas on top 3-2.

A sacrifice fly by Andrus scored Robertson to push the lead to 4-2.

TRAINER'S ROOM
Rangers: Rios left the game in the middle of the fourth inning after appearing to aggravate his sprained right ankle sliding into home in the top of the fourth inning. He

had missed the previous two games because of the injury.

Texas manager Ron Washington was encouraged by LHP Derek Holland's third rehabilitation start at Double-A Frisco on Saturday night. He struck out four in three scoreless innings. Holland, who hasn't played in the majors this season after left knee surgery, will start for Triple-A Round Rock on Thursday night.

Astros: Astros OF George Springer (quadriceps) said he felt OK on Sunday a day after taking batting practice and participating in drills on the field, but he isn't sure when he'll be able to come off the disabled list. "It's more frustrating than anything because I want to

play and help," Springer said. "But ... I have to be smart about it."

UP NEXT
Rangers: Colby Lewis starts against Tampa Bay's Drew Smyly in the opener of a four game series today. Lewis has gone 2-2 with a 2.30 ERA in four starts since the All-Star break and threw a complete game shutout in his last start.

Astros: Brad Peacock opposes Minnesota left-hander Tommy Milone when the Astros start a three game series with the Twins. Peacock will make his second start since being recalled from Triple-A Oklahoma City. He struggled in his return to the majors, allowing eight runs in five innings of a 10-3 loss to Philadelphia.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES & LINESCORES

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MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

BLUE JAYS 6
TIGERS 5, 19 INNINGS
TORONTO (AP) — Jose Bautista's single in the 19th inning drove home the winning run as the Toronto Blue Jays rallied from a five-run deficit to win the longest game in franchise history, beating the Detroit Tigers, 6-5, on Sunday.

Munenori Kawasaki singled off starter Rick Porcello (13-7) to begin the 19th and advanced to third when second baseman Ian Kinsler couldn't field an errant throw from Porcello on Jose Reyes' sacrifice bunt. Melky Cabrera was intentionally walked to load the bases for Bautista, who ended it with a single to right over the drawn-in outfield, sending his teammates streaming out of the dugout in celebration.

At 6 hours, 37 minutes, it was the longest game by time in Blue Jays history, easily surpassing a 5:57 game against the Yankees on April 19, 2001. It was the second 19-inning game in as many days. The Los Angeles Angels beat the Boston Red Sox 5-4 on Saturday night.

RED SOX 3
ANGELS 1
ANAHEIM, Calif. — Yoenis Cespedes hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning, Rubby De La Rosa pitched five-hit ball into the eighth and the Red Sox bounced back from a 19-inning loss with a victory over the Angels.

The teams returned just 12 hours after the longest game in the majors this season, a 6 1/2-hour epic won 5-4 by the Angels on Albert Pujols' homer well after midnight.

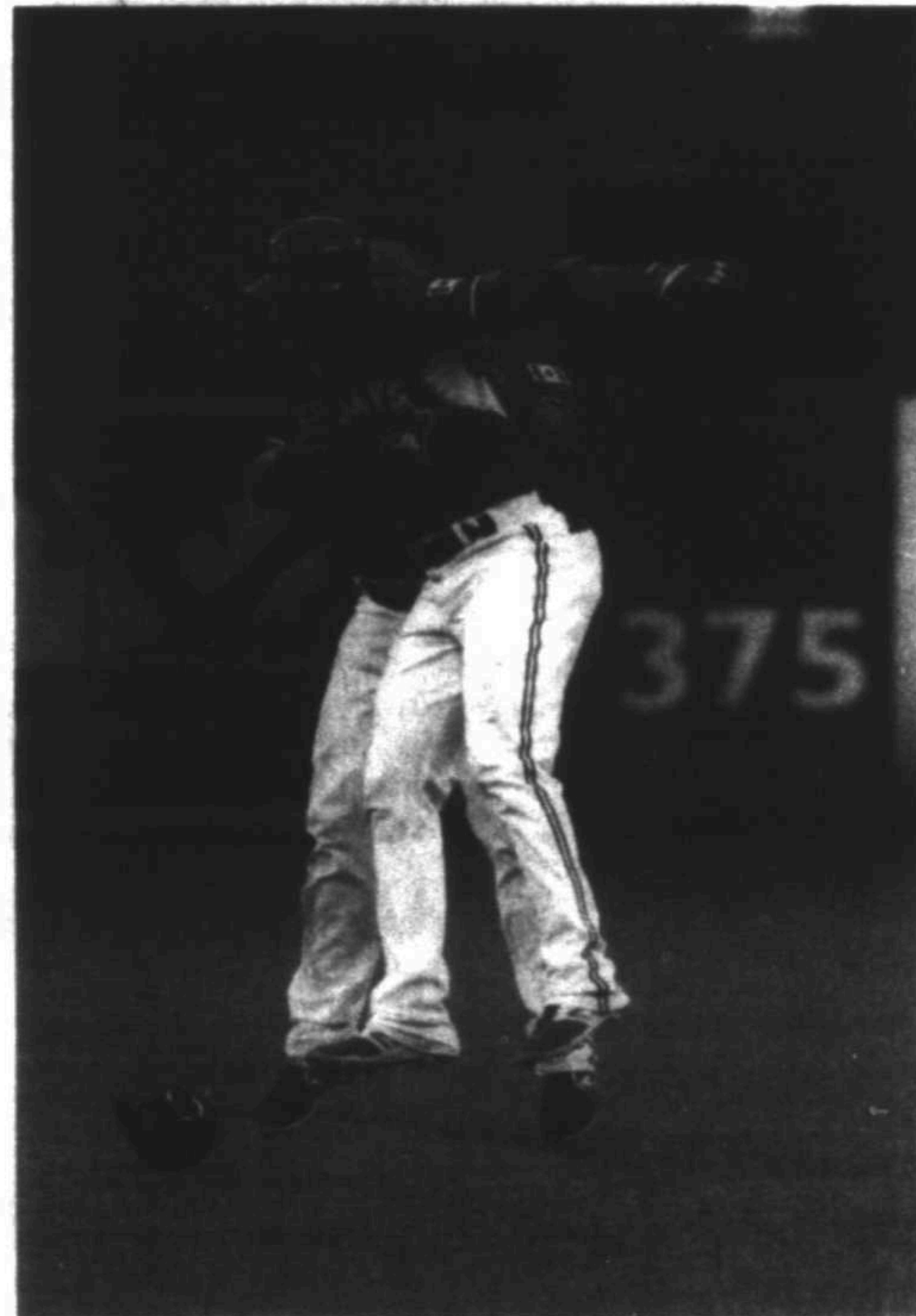
Mike Trout homered in the eighth for the Angels (68-49), who still have the majors' second-best record despite losing five of six.

Cespedes broke open a scoreless game with his first homer for the defending World Series champions, driving a pitch from Joe Smith (4-1) into the Boston bullpen in left.

De La Rosa (4-4) had eight strikeouts and blanked the Angels until Trout's homer on his 110th pitch.

MARINERS 4
WHITE SOX 2
SEATTLE — Austin Jackson, acquired in a trade with the Detroit Tigers before the deadline, matched a career-high with four RBIs to lead the Mariners to a victory over the White Sox.

Logan Morrison began a two-out rally for the Mariners in the second inning off Chicago's John Danks (9-8) with a hard line drive single off the wall in right field. Infield singles by Chris Taylor and Jesus Suarez loaded the bases for Jackson.



Jon Blitzer/The Canadian Press

Toronto's Jose Bautista celebrates with teammate Melky Cabrera after hitting a game-winning single in the 19th inning in Sunday's game against the Detroit Tigers in Toronto on Sunday.

INDIANS 4
YANKEES 1

NEW YORK — Carlos Carrasco rejoined the Cleveland rotation in fine fashion by pitching five dominant innings and the Indians nearly tossed another shutout at Yankee Stadium, beating New York.

Jacoby Ellsbury homered with two outs in the ninth off Indians closer Cody Allen, ending New York's season-worst scoreless streak at 19 innings.

Jason Kipnis got three hits and scored three runs as the Indians finished 4-3 against New York — only twice in the last 22 years has Cleveland taken the season matchup.

Carrasco (4-4) allowed just two singles, walked none, struck out four and retired his last 11 batters.

Cleveland avenged its record at 59-59 by taking advantage of a surprisingly shaky Hiroki Kuroda (7-6).

TWINS 6
ATHLETICS 1
OAKLAND, Calif. — Kurt Suzuki hit a tiebreaking double and Josh Willingham added two-run homer in the eighth inning, and the Twins snapped a 12-game losing streak to Oakland by beating the Athletics.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

DODGERS 5
BREWERS 1
MILWAUKEE — Clayton Kershaw won his 14th game to tie for the National League lead, and the Dodgers beat the Brewers to avoid a three-game sweep in a matchup of divisional leaders.

Kershaw (14-2) allowed a run and six hits with two walks and six strikeouts in eight innings.

BRAVES 3
NATIONALS 1
ATLANTA — Alex Wood set a career high with 12 strikeouts in 7 1/3 innings and the Atlanta Braves beat Washington 3-1 on Sunday night to continue their recent success against the Nationals.

By winning two of three in the weekend series, Atlanta cut Washington's lead to 3 1/2 games in the NL East. The Braves are 9-4 against the Nationals this season and 22-10 in the series the last two years.

PHILLIES 7
METS 6
PHILADELPHIA — Ryan Howard had a game-ending single with two outs in the ninth inning after pinch-hitter Marlon Byrd had a tying hit and the Phillies pulled out a victory over the Mets.

Chase Utley singled, tripled, homered and drove in three runs for the Phillies, who snapped a five-game skid

ROCKIES 5
DIAMONDBACKS 3, 10 INNINGS

PHOENIX — Corey Dickerson hit a tiebreaking homer with two outs in the top of the 10th inning, and the Rockies avoided a seventh straight loss to the Diamondbacks.

Dickerson, hitless in four previous at-bats, sent an 0-1 pitch from Oliver Perez (2-2) into the pool deck in right field for his 14th home run of the season.

PADRES 8
PIRATES 2
PITTSBURGH — Tyson Ross recovered from a two-run first to pitch six strong innings and Seth Smith hit a bases-loaded triple, leading the Padres to a victory over the Pirates.

Ross (11-10) allowed Gregory Polanco's two-run shot in the first then shut down the Pirates. He yielded six hits and walked two.

REDS 7
MARLINS 2
CINCINNATI — Devin Mesoraco hit his third grand slam of the season and drove in six runs, and the Reds salvaged the finale of a three-game series against the Marlins.

Brad Hand walked Todd Frazier with the bases loaded in the fifth to break a 2-all tie. Mesoraco followed with his second homer of the game and 20th of the season.

ROYALS 7
GIANTS 4
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Alex Gordon and Salvador Perez each homered and Danny Duffy pitched into the seventh inning as the Royals beat the Giants to extend their winning streak to seven games.

Gordon hit a two-run shot off Tim Lincecum (9-8) in a four-run first. The inning also included Billy Butler's run-producing double and Perez scoring on a wild pitch.

CUBS 3
RAYS 2, 12 INNINGS
CHICAGO — Anthony Rizzo hit a game-ending RBI single in the 12th inning, and the Cubs beat the Rays to avoid a three-game sweep.

The last-place Cubs struck out 17 times, running their total to 44 for the weekend series, but Rizzo and touted rookie Javier Baez had two hits apiece to key a 13-hit attack. Carlos Villarroya (5-6) pitched a scoreless inning to earn the victory.

CARDINALS 8
ORIOLES 3
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WASHINGTON 3, NATIONALS 1
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MINNESOTA 4, ASTROS 2
HOUSTON — Justin Morneau hit a two-run homer in the top of the 10th inning, and the Minnesota Twins beat the Houston Astros 4-2 on Sunday.

TEXAS 6, ASTROS 2
HOUSTON — Nick Martinez got his first win since May 24 and Adrian Beltre and Shin-Soo Choo both homered to lead the Texas Rangers to a 6-2 victory over the Houston Astros on Sunday.

ST. LOUIS 3, REDS 2
CINCINNATI — Matt Adams hit a two-run homer in the top of the 10th inning, and the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Cincinnati Reds 3-2 on Sunday.

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McIlroy wins PGA in thrilling show on soggy turf

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The challenge finally arrived for Rory McIlroy, and he was better than ever Sunday to win the PGA Championship.

On a back nine filled with clutch shots and as much tension as a major can provide, McIlroy emerged from a four-man race to outlast Phil Mickelson and the darkness at Valhalla to capture his second straight major.

McIlroy closed with a 3-under 68 and became only the fourth player in the last century of golf to win four majors at 25 or younger. The others were Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and Bobby Jones, three of the game's greatest players.

Boy Wonder appears on his way to belonging in that group.

"I didn't think in my wildest dreams I'd have a summer like this," said McIlroy, only the seventh player to win the last two majors of the year. "I played the best golf of my life. I really gutted it out today."

But one of the greatest shows on soggy turf came with a most peculiar ending.

Three shots behind going to the back nine, McIlroy rallied to take the lead and then hit a 9-iron from the fairway bunker to 10 feet for birdie on the 17th hole for a two-shot lead going to the par-5 18th. Because of a two-hour rain delay earlier, darkness was falling quickly and it wasn't certain McIlroy would be able to finish.

McIlroy was allowed to hit his tee shot before Mickelson and Rickie Fowler had reached their drives. Both were only two shots behind, still in the game. McIlroy came within a yard of hitting in a hazard right of the fairway.

Then, the PGA of America allowed McIlroy to hit his second shot. Mickelson and Fowler had to stand to

the side of the green. "We were cool with hitting the tee shot," Fowler said. "We weren't expecting the approach shots."

Fowler had a 50-foot eagle attempt to tie for the lead. He was well off the mark, and missed the short birdie putt attempt that cost him his third straight runner-up finish in a major. Mickelson was short of the green, and his chip came within inches of dropping for an eagle that would have tied him for the lead.

Mickelson appeared upset that they had to wait to finish the hole — not standard procedure in a PGA Tour event — and he made two references in a TV interview that this is the only championship the PGA of America runs all year.

"It didn't affect the outcome of the championship at all, I don't think," Mickelson said. "It's not what we normally do. It's not a big deal either way."

Mickelson closed with a 66 and was runner-up for the ninth time in a major.

Fowler became the first player in history to finish in the top five at all four majors without winning one. He closed with a 68 and tied for third with Henrik Stenson, who fell out of a share of the lead by missing a 3-foot par putt on the 14th hole. Stenson shot a 66.

McIlroy hit his second shot into a bunker, and he had to two-putt from 35 feet for the win. He lagged the first one to tap-in range, and the major was his. McIlroy repeatedly pumped his fist before letting out a scream above the gallery that had been treated to one of the best shows ever in a major.

He won his first two majors by eight shots at the 2011 U.S. Open and 2012 PGA Championship. Only a month ago, McIlroy took a six-shot lead into the final round of the British Open and completed a wire-to-wire win with only a brief scare.

This was his first big



Rory McIlroy celebrates after winning the PGA Championship on Sunday at Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Ky.

test, and it took some of his best golf to come through.

"I think I showed a lot of guts out there to get the job done," he said.

The winning shot turned out to be that 9-iron from the bunker and the birdie putt on the 17th hole that gave him a two-shot lead, the largest margin for anyone on a day when as many as five players claimed a share of the lead.

It might not have been possible without a 3-wood on the par-5 10th hole. Standing in the fairway, Mickelson watched Fowler drain a 30-foot birdie putt to take the outright lead. McIlroy was 281 yards away, slightly uphill, and his short caught the left side of the fairway and rolled onto the green before stopping 7 feet away for an eagle that got him back in the game.

Mickelson holed a 10-foot birdie putt on the 11th

hole to tie Fowler, and it looked to be his day when he rolled in a 30-foot par putt on the 12th. Stenson hit a bold shot to the island-green 13th for a short birdie to tie for the lead, only to fall back.

McIlroy caught the leaders with a birdie on the 13th.

None of the other contenders made another birdie the rest of the way until it was too late.

All that was left after an exhausting day of raw emotions was the coronation. Not since Woods in 2008 has anyone won three straight tournaments, and they were big ones for McIlroy — the British Open, a World Golf Championship and the PGA Championship. He played them in a combined 48-under par.

"He's better than everyone else right now," Mickelson said.

South Korea's Mirim Lee wins Meijer LPGA Classic

By Greg Johnson
Associated Press

BELMONT, Mich. — Mirim Lee won the Meijer LPGA Classic on Sunday for her first LPGA Tour victory, beating fellow South Korean player Inbee Park with a birdie on the second hole of a playoff.

"I (was) nervous 100 percent," Lee said. "First time in playoff. Inbee Park is like a hero in Korea and all the young girls want to be her now in Korea."

The long-hitting Lee drove into greenside bunker on the second extra hole — the short par-4 17th — and blasted out to 5 feet. After Park's 15-foot birdie try lipped out, Lee holed her putt for the victory.

They each parred the 18th to open the playoff. Park's approach shot hit the cup on the way past and she missed a 15-foot birdie try. Lee two-putted from 35 feet.

The 23-year-old Lee, a rookie on the LPGA Tour, closed with a 2-under 69 to match Park at 14-under 270 at Blythefield Country Club. Park, a 10-time tour winner, finished with a 70.

Lee is projected to jump to 29th in the world ranking. She earned \$225,000 to jump from 40th to eighth on the money list

with \$414,135. Her previous best was a second-place finish in Phoenix in March.

Norway's Suzann Pettersen was a stroke back after a 69.

Park said the win will give Lee great confidence.

"I think she was kind of, you know, thinking about whether she should come to the LPGA or whether she should stay in KLPGA," Park said. "but I think this will definitely make her see she made a good decision."

Park said in the end the new blade putter she put in the bag this week let her down in the last round.

"I felt I hit a good putt, but it just didn't go in," she said of the final birdie attempt. "The putter just wasn't there. It was nice to shoot under par, but Mirim played well in the playoff holes."

Pettersen, seeking her first win this year after 14 in her career, said she just didn't hit enough good shots or drives on the back nine in the final round.

"It's nice to get four solid rounds of competition in," she said. "I've struggled this year, but it is coming. Disappointed to be one short, but it was nice to be back in contention straight after a three-week break."

Kristen Gillman wins US Women's Amateur

Associated Press

GLEN COVE, N.Y. — Kristen Gillman rallied to win the U.S. Women's Amateur on Sunday, beating Canada's Brooke Mackenzie Henderson 2 up in the 36-hole final at Nassau Country Club.

"I don't think it's sunk in yet, but it's just awesome," said Gillman, a 16-year-old junior at Lake Travis High School in Austin who is set to attend the University of Alabama in 2016.

Gillman lost the 25th and 26th to fall 3 down. She won the short, par-4 27th with a birdie, cut it to 1 down with a birdie win on the par-4 30th and pulled even with another birdie win on the par-4 32nd.

"I just keep fighting because I didn't want to leave here without the ultimate

prize," Gillman said. "I just kept fighting."

Gillman took the lead with a birdie win on the par-5 33rd, matched the 16-year-old Henderson with pars on the 34th and 35th holes and took the par-4 36th with a birdie after hitting a 9-iron to 3 feet.

"Ball-striking has always been a strength," Gillman said. "I mean, I hit a lot of fairways and a lot of greens, and then throughout the last year my ball-striking has gone a lot better, and I've just been able to hit it closer to where I can make the putts."

Gillman birdied five of the last 10 holes. "She was throwing darts and that definitely affected my game a little bit," Henderson said. "I was trying to match it. A couple holes I was able to and others I just didn't."

Lefty ready to get back to work after loss at PGA

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Phil Mickelson hardly sounded like a guy who nearly won his sixth major championship.

He was a bit put off by the way it finished. More important, he wasn't about to let a strong showing at the PGA Championship brighten the way he felt about this year.

There's a lot of work ahead. "I've got some regrouping to do these next three or four months," Mickelson said Sunday night, standing in the darkness of Valhalla after losing to Rory McIlroy by a single shot. "I have some glaring areas in my game that I have to work on."

He was part of a riveting four-man duel in the rain-delayed final round, but a costly bogey at the 16th denied Mickelson a chance to break his longest winless stretch since 2003. Lefty closed with a 5-under 66 for a 15-under 269 total, not quite good to deny McIlroy his second straight major title.

For Mickelson, it was an encouraging performance after a largely disappointing season. He hasn't won since the 2013 British Open, and he wasn't a factor in the first three majors this year.

Now, it's time for the 44-year-old to get to work. "I feel like if I'm able to continue to be strong and healthy and sharp in these areas of my game, I should have four or five good years," Mickelson said. "These next three or four



Phil Mickelson reacts after missing an eagle putt on the seventh hole during the final round of the PGA Championship at Valhalla Golf Club on Sunday in Louisville, Ky.

months will be critical for me making sure that I address the issues and that I'm ready to go in 2015."

What are his most pressing concerns?

Mickelson had a lengthy list. "Short irons were terrible this season as a whole. It's usually a strength, and I've got to get that back," he said. Then Mickelson mentioned his driving, especially missing the fairway at the 16th and 17th holes. "Those two tee shots hurt. Those are things I've got to address. I've got to. I don't mind being wild, but when you've got to get in the fairway, you've got to be able to do it."

The finish was downright

bizarre. A nearly two-hour suspension set up a race to the finish, and the last two groups — Mickelson and Fowler, followed by McIlroy and Bernd Wiesberger — arrived at the 18th tee one after the other, barely able to see the green 538 yards away.

After Mickelson and Fowler hit their shots, the PGA of America told the final group to hit as well, essentially turning the final hole of a major championship into a foursome.

Mickelson's caddie, Jim Mackay, was heard grumbling to the officials as they asked the next-to-last pairing to step aside so the last one could hit. Then, after Mickelson and Fowler

struck their second shots, McIlroy and Wiesberger hit as well. With all four at least near the green, Mickelson and Fowler played out.

Lefty nearly chipped in for eagle off the front of the green, which could have forced a playoff. But a birdie left him lacking by a shot when McIlroy blasted out of a bunker, two-putted for par and signed for 268.

Mickelson got in a bit of a shot at the PGA of America, mentioning that the organization only runs one tournament a year. But he acknowledged that the strange ending didn't really affect the outcome.

"That's not what we normally do," he said. "But it's not a big deal either way. At least that way, we had a chance to finish."

For Mickelson, any chance of adding to his three Masters titles, last year's British Open and the 2005 PGA Championship essentially ended at the 16th hole, where he drove into the rough, left his second shot short of a bunker and nearly chipped in, the ball catching the right lip of the cup before skidding 10 feet past. He missed the putt to save par, dropping out of the lead he shared with McIlroy.

When McIlroy rolled in a birdie at the 17th, the lead grew to two strokes heading to the final hole.

"It was a fun day for me to get in the mix and a fun day for me to make some birdies and move up early so that I had a good chance on the back nine," Mickelson said. "Had I been able to finish those last five, six holes strong, I could have totally flipped the way I look at this year."

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES

Sunday At Valhalla Golf Club Louisville, Ky.		Purse: \$10 million Par: 72; 7,118; Par: 71	
Rory McIlroy (203), \$1,000,000	66-67-67-68-268	Phil Mickelson (200), \$1,000,000	68-67-67-68-269
Henrik Stenson (185), \$500,000	69-66-67-68-270	Brooks Koepka (180), \$500,000	69-67-67-68-270
Justin Rose (175), \$300,000	68-68-68-68-272	Adam Scott (164), \$127,889	71-69-68-68-275
Lee Westwood (156), \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275	Matt Warren (147), \$127,889	65-72-69-69-275
David Hearn (140), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275	Benjamin Hahn (135), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275
James Kingston (130), \$127,889	69-70-67-71-278	Justin Rose (127), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278
Justin Rose (127), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278	Joel Luiken (118), \$127,889	69-69-68-69-278
Rory McIlroy (110), \$127,889	66-67-67-68-268	Emiliano Grillo (105), \$127,889	67-68-69-69-273
Henrik Stenson (95), \$127,889	69-66-67-68-270	David Hearn (85), \$127,889	69-71-66-71-279
Justin Rose (75), \$127,889	68-68-68-68-272	Adam Scott (65), \$127,889	71-69-68-68-275
Lee Westwood (55), \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275	Matt Warren (45), \$127,889	65-72-69-69-275
David Hearn (35), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275	Benjamin Hahn (25), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275
James Kingston (15), \$127,889	69-70-67-71-278	Justin Rose (5), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278
Justin Rose (-5), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278	Joel Luiken (-15), \$127,889	69-69-68-69-278
Rory McIlroy (-15), \$127,889	66-67-67-68-268	Emiliano Grillo (-25), \$127,889	67-68-69-69-273
Henrik Stenson (-25), \$127,889	69-66-67-68-270	Brooks Koepka (-35), \$127,889	69-67-67-68-270
Justin Rose (-35), \$127,889	68-68-68-68-272	Adam Scott (-45), \$127,889	71-69-68-68-275
Lee Westwood (-45), \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275	Matt Warren (-55), \$127,889	65-72-69-69-275
David Hearn (-55), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275	Benjamin Hahn (-65), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275
James Kingston (-65), \$127,889	69-70-67-71-278	Justin Rose (-75), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278
Justin Rose (-75), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278	Joel Luiken (-85), \$127,889	69-69-68-69-278
Rory McIlroy (-85), \$127,889	66-67-67-68-268	Emiliano Grillo (-95), \$127,889	67-68-69-69-273
Henrik Stenson (-95), \$127,889	69-66-67-68-270	Brooks Koepka (-105), \$127,889	69-67-67-68-270
Justin Rose (-105), \$127,889	68-68-68-68-272	Adam Scott (-115), \$127,889	71-69-68-68-275
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Henrik Stenson (-165), \$127,889	69-66-67-68-270	Brooks Koepka (-175), \$127,889	69-67-67-68-270
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Justin Rose (-215), \$127,889	70-69-68-69-278	Joel Luiken (-225), \$127,889	69-69-68-69-278
Rory McIlroy (-225), \$127,889	66-67-67-68-268	Emiliano Grillo (-235), \$127,889	67-68-69-69-273
Henrik Stenson (-235), \$127,889	69-66-67-68-270	Brooks Koepka (-245), \$127,889	69-67-67-68-270
Justin Rose (-245), \$127,889	68-68-68-68-272	Adam Scott (-255), \$127,889	71-69-68-68-275
Lee Westwood (-255), \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275	Matt Warren (-265), \$127,889	65-72-69-69-275
David Hearn (-265), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275	Benjamin Hahn (-275), \$127,889	69-69-65-74-275
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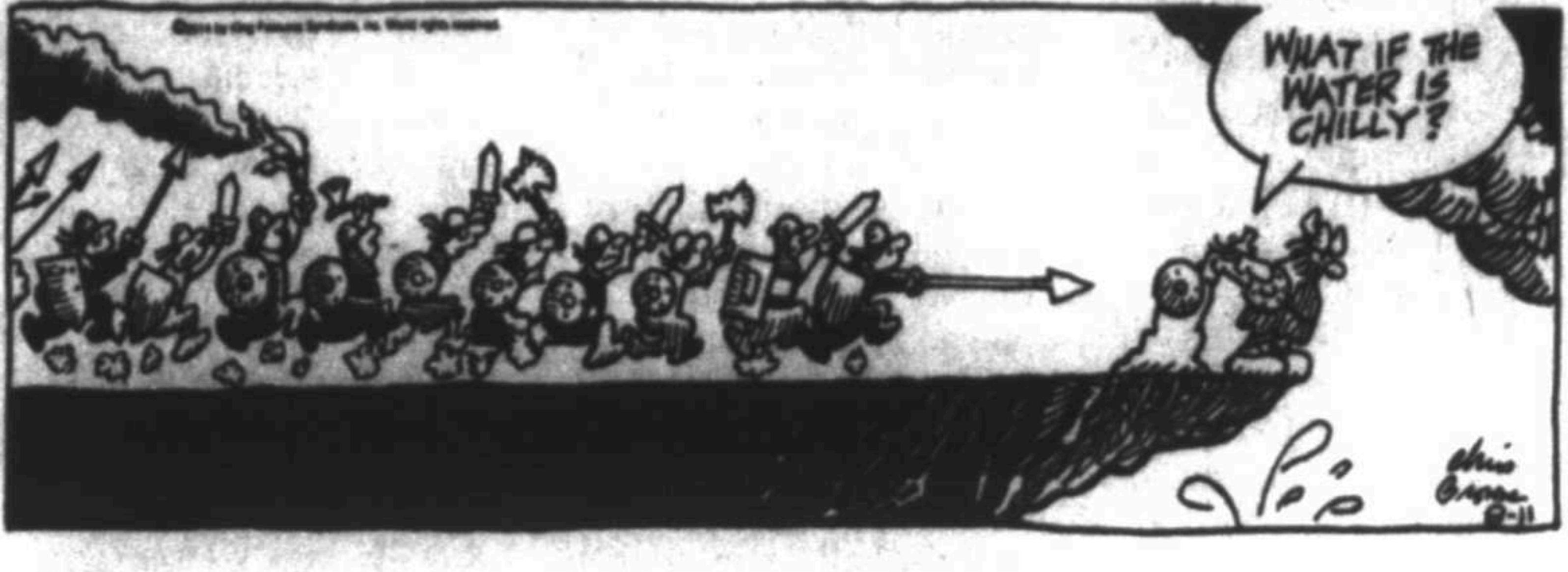
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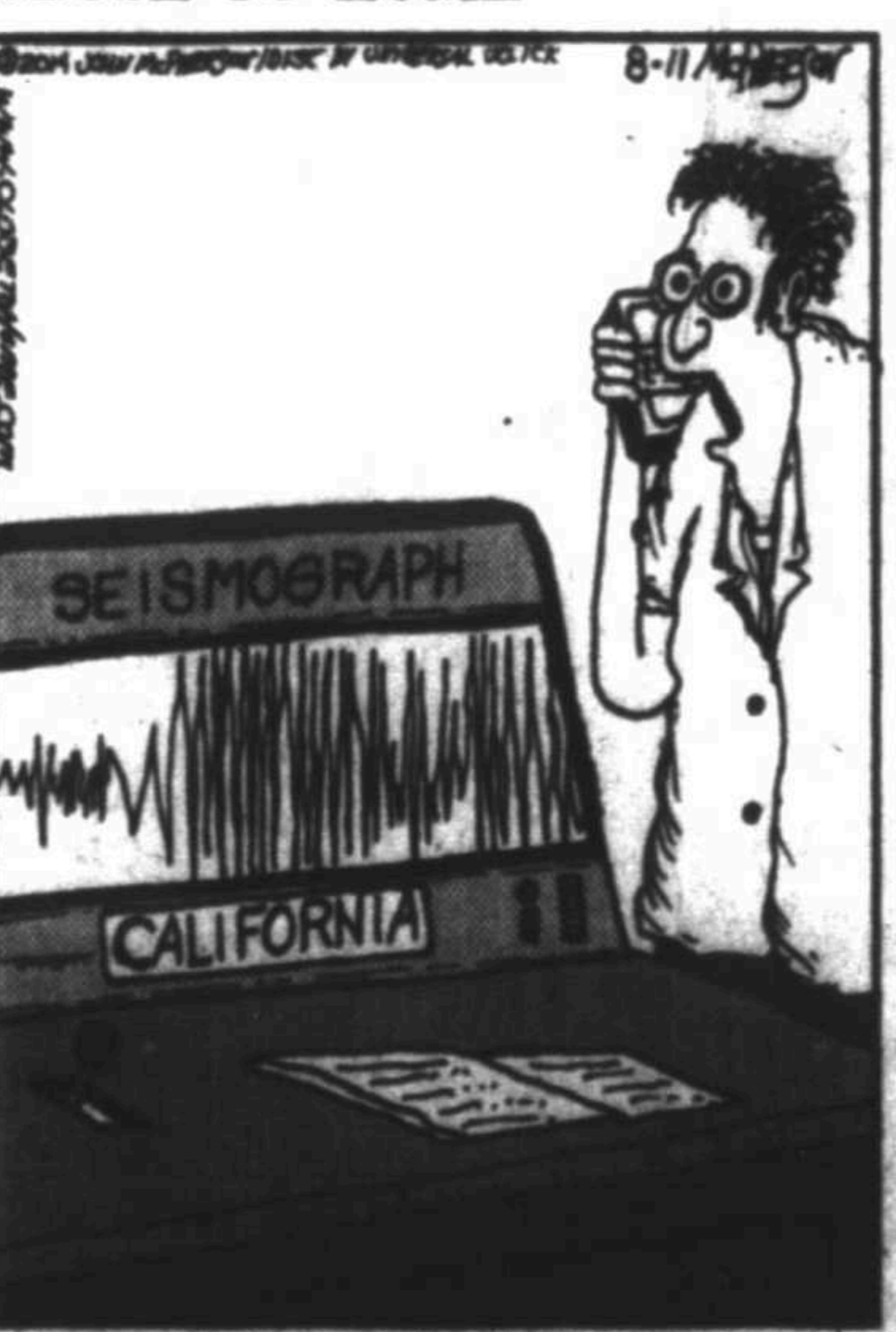
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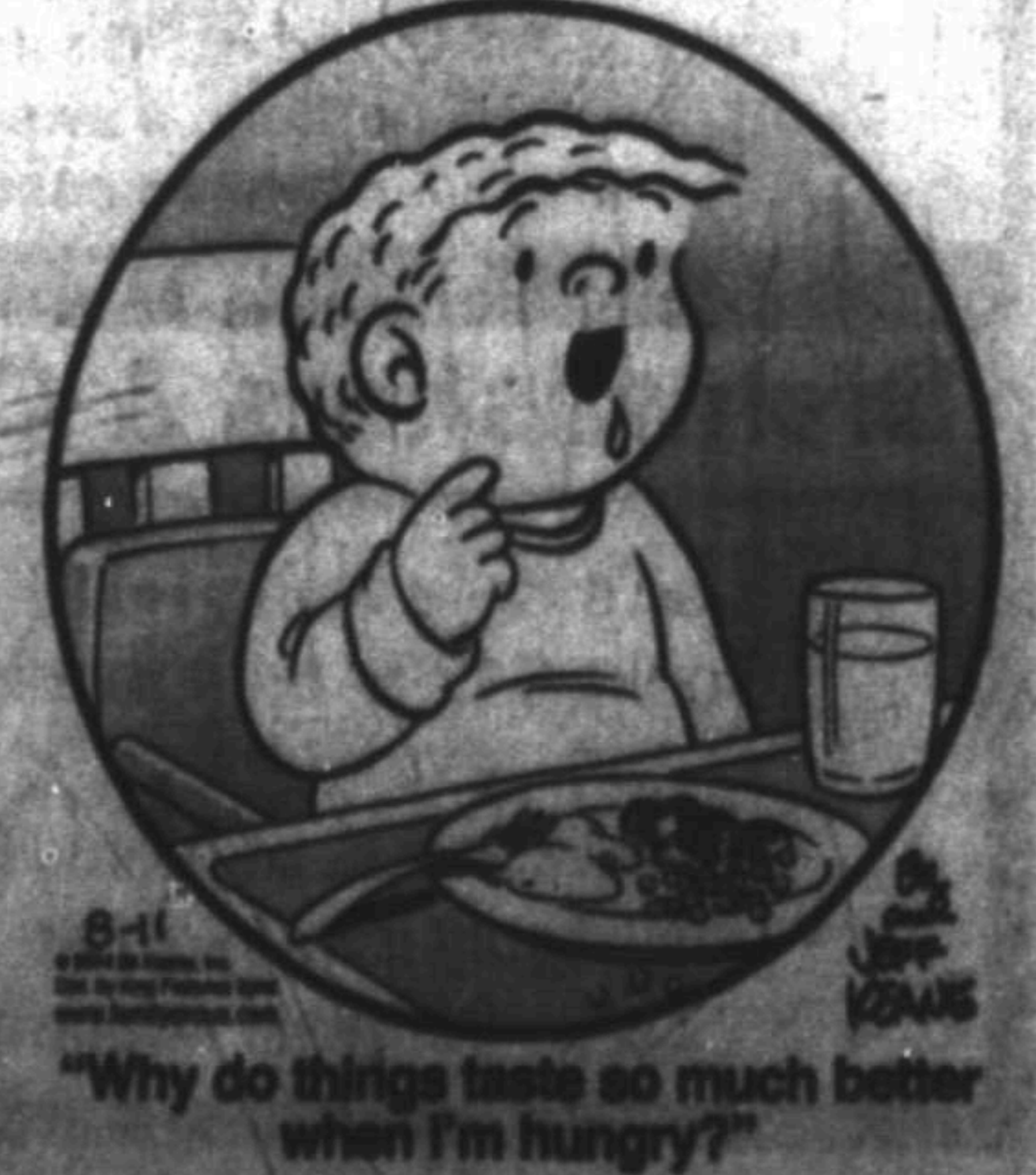
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TUESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 93 Low: 72

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 74

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny High: 96 Low: 75

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny High: 98 Low: 76

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 76

Local forecast

Expect partly sunny skies today with a high around 89 and light and variable wind becoming northeast between 5 and 10 mph in the morning. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy conditions with a low around 73 and east winds between 5 and 15 mph. There is a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

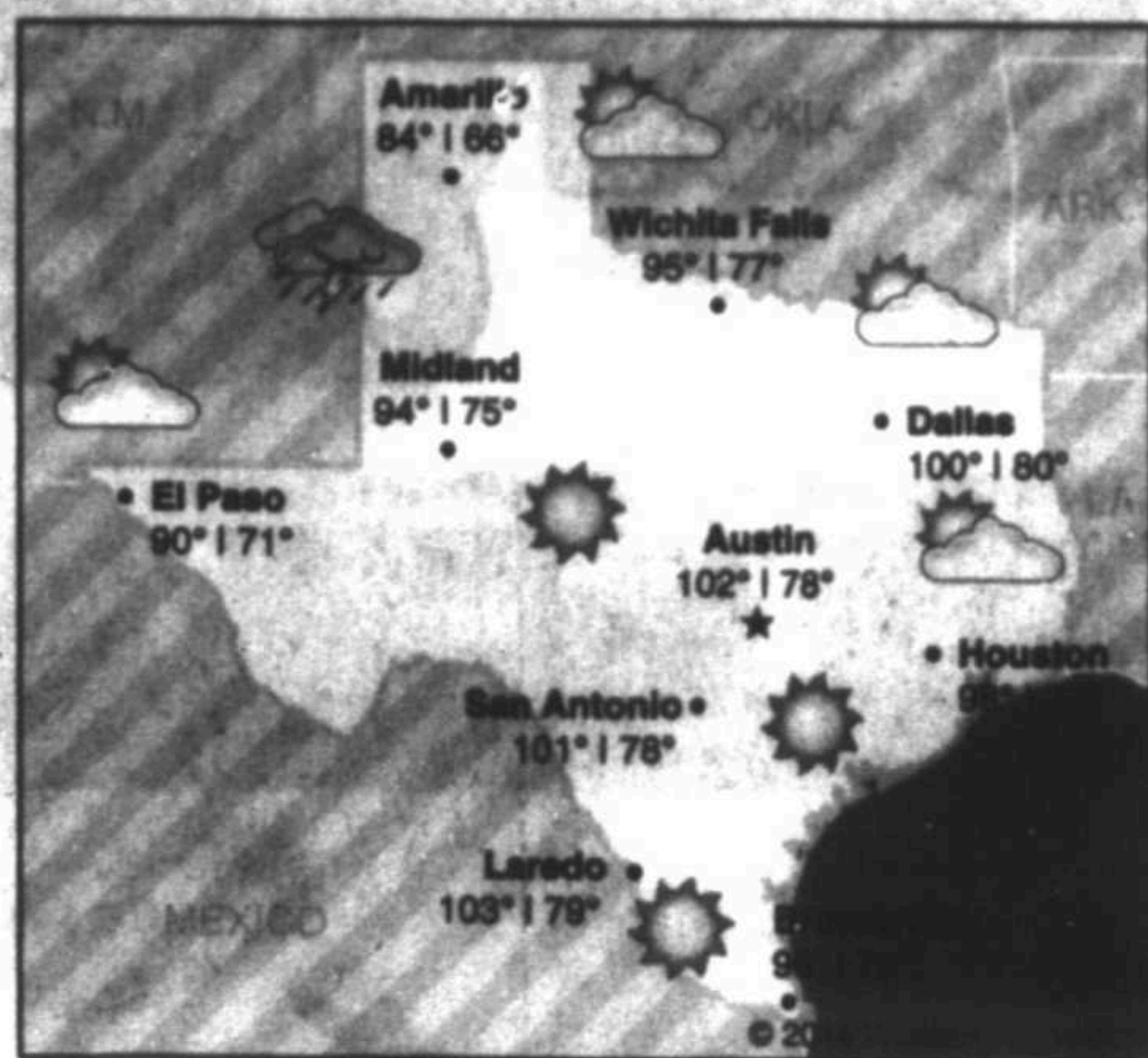
Tuesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 93 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 72 and east winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, with a high around 94 and a low around 74.

The high on Sunday reached 96, while the low dropped to 74. The record high for Aug. 10 is 105 set in 2011. The record low is 60 set in 1989.

National forecast

High pressure centered off the East Coast will make for one last dry day for the Northeast and Middle Atlantic coast. Spotty thunderstorms will develop in the afternoon across far northern New England.



Precipitation

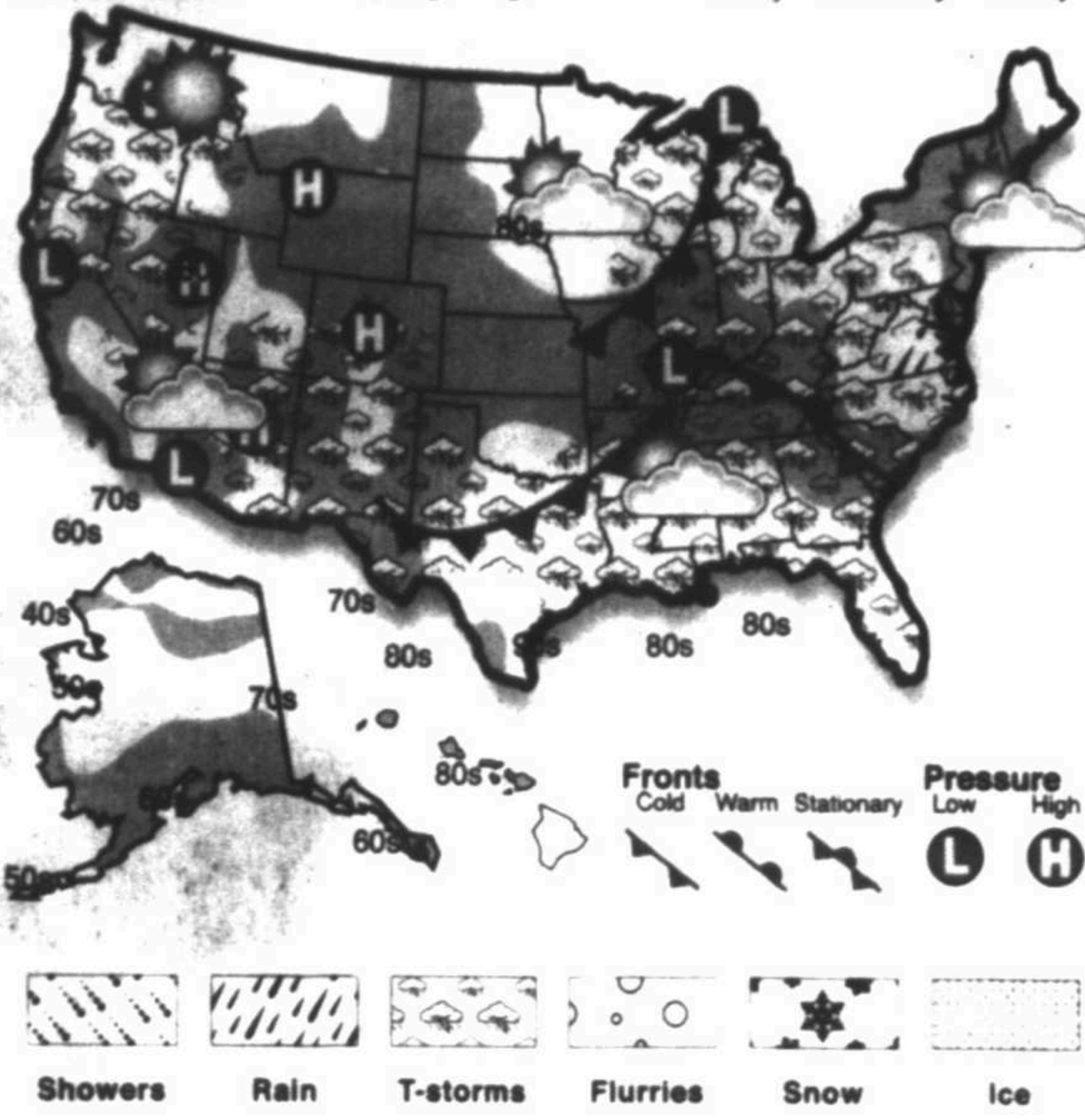
Saturday	0.00 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.02 in.
Year total	3.99 in.
Normal total (year to date)	8.46 in.

Sunday's temperatures

High	96
Low	74
Normal high	94
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:11 a.m.
Sunset	8:37 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, Aug. 11



Attentive parents can prevent kids being left alone in cars

DEAR ABBY: It disturbs me greatly that we keep reading about parents leaving their children in cars, whether it be absentmindedness, stress or downright intentional. It needs to stop.


I'm hoping car manufacturers can come up with an idea — maybe a sensor that once the doors are closed and locked, should there be motion or a sound in the vehicle, the windows would automatically open, giving a passer-by a chance to see inside and maybe save a precious life. — FRUSTRATED BY "PREMATURE" ANGELS

DEAR FRUSTRATED: You are not the only one who is disturbed by these recent tragedies. They are on the minds of a lot of people lately. Today's mail brought a suggestion from another reader who is hoping to put an end to the loss of these fragile young lives. A mother in Westland, Michigan, offered this:

DEAR ABBY: I have a suggestion for parents. TALK to your children when they are in the car with you. I always carried on a conversation, sang or counted to my kids, even newborns, and continued through the years they were rear-facing and forward-facing. It helped them to learn their ABCs, count, and even know where streets were. It was also a running reminder

DEAR ABBY

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that someone very special was with me. I never listened to the radio, unless it was nursery rhymes on DVD or toddler songs. It not only helped me teach my children, but it also made driving fun and safe for the tiny passengers in my car. — D.W.K.

READERS: A nonprofit group called KidsAndCars suggests that parents "place something they will need (when exiting the vehicle), such as a cellphone, handbag or briefcase, near the child in the back seat. Or keep a large stuffed animal in the child's car seat when it's not occupied. When the child is in the car seat, place the stuffed animal in the front passenger seat as a reminder that the child is in the back.

"And tell the child's day care center or baby sitter that they will always be called if your child isn't coming in as scheduled. If the child is absent without an explanation, the day care center or baby sitter is expected to contact a parent or another designated caregiver." I would not recommend an

automatic device because it could fail.

DEAR ABBY: I am friends with a couple who have been married for three years. I have worked with the wife since before their wedding. The wife is overtly sexual toward me and has cheated on her husband with many men during the last year.

I'll be changing jobs soon and think the husband should know what his wife has been doing. Should I send him an anonymous letter? Tell him in person? Or let him find out for himself in the future? — TROUBLED FRIEND IN DETROIT

DEAR TROUBLED: Because the woman is "overtly" sexual with you, it's likely the husband already has an inkling. Whether you decide to tell him his wife is cheating with multiple men depends on whether YOU would want to be told. But this I can tell you emphatically: This information should not be conveyed in an unsigned letter from a "friend."

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ J 10 7 6 ♣ K J 7 3 ♦ A ♣ K J 8 4

The bidding:

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH
1♦ Pass INT ?

What call would you make?

A — After a one no-trump response on your right, double shows a take-out double of the suit that was bid on your left. Double.

Q 2 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 6 ♣ K 10 7 4 3 ♦ K 6 ♠ 10 9 7 6 4

The bidding:

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
1♠ Pass INT Pass
2♥ Pass ?

What call would you make?

A — Five-card support is almost always worth a raise. You could easily have a game. Bid three hearts.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A J ♣ K 10 ♦ A ♠ A 10 9 8 7 6 5 3

The bidding:

EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
2♣ 3♣ Pass 3♦

Pass 5♣ Pass 5♦

Pass ?

What call would you make?

A — To insist on diamonds after your strong club bids, what can partner have except good, long diamonds and the heart ace? There may be a grand slam here. We might not be able to bid it, but let's try. Bid five spades, showing first-round control of their suit.

Q 4 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A Q 2 ♣ A 10 9 6 4 ♦ 8 6 ♠ 6 4 2

Two passes to you. What call would you make?

A — Open one heart. This hand has acceptable strength for a third-seat opening and you can comfortably pass any response.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Jiggly see-through dish
- Character deficiency
- Cutting remark
- Formal "will"
- 1970 Kinks hit
- Matty or Felipe of baseball
- What regular exercise helps maintain
- Run ___ of the law
- Like very cheap merchandise
- Part of CBS: Abbr. "___ voyage!"
- Solo who loved Leia
- Mindreader's claim
- Delta rival, as it was formerly known
- TIVO predecessors
- Actor Stephen
- Cocktail hour bowlfuls
- ___ and joy
- Corridor
- Gun for a gangster
- Completely closed
- Language of India
- 1980 Rolling Stones hit
- Quaint lodging
- Author Fleming
- Mini-albums, for short
- Bob Marley's music
- Signs on for another stint
- Priest or lama, e.g.
- Start of Caesar's boast
- Jason's ship
- Religious belief
- Black-eyed veggies
- Eat, as ribs
- The "Metamorphosis" writer Franz

- "Casablanca" heroine
- Energy-boosting organic snack brand
- Show off shamelessly
- Lounge about
- Furry TV E.T.
- "Sit tight while I get help"
- Fruit often sliced onto cereal
- Tavern orders
- Hashanah
- Like bees or beavers
- Chilly
- Snares
- Mark from an old eraser
- "No, you're not" retort
- Stand at attention
- ___ the season to be jolly ...
- Musical set in Argentina
- HDTV feature
- Hypnotic state
- Delayed
- New Haven Ivy Leaguers
- Series of voice mail messages
- Fencing sword
- Beat a retreat
- Old what's-... name
- Mount for Moses
- Nag, nag, nag
- Baghdad's river
- Hide out
- Julia of "The Addams Family"
- "Let me know," on invitations
- Fencing sword
- Actress Gershon
- Music from India
- "Nobody doesn't like ___ Lee"
- Coffee hour server
- Phone letters on the "3" button
- Cartoon scream
- No. formerly on vitamin labels

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug. 11, 2014:

This year you enter the first year of a new life cycle. The first year is considered to be very fortunate. If you are single, you will discover that love is waiting for you just around the corner. Until you find it, you will be busy dating, as your appeal is high. If you are attached, you will be very affectionate with your sweetie. It is quite possible that you will decide to commit to each other on a deeper level, depending on your stage of life. PISCES is even more romantic and imaginative than you are.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ An exchange of feelings could determine the day's mood. You could opt to be more laid-back than others might have expected. Expect some reactions! Use your intuition when internalizing an issue brought up by an important person. Tonight: Soothe away any irritation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could find that you are in a difficult position with someone whom you feel you need to answer to. At the moment, you'll see different concerns coming together in a way that you feel is very pleasing. Stay focused on your long-term goals. Tonight: Hang with a pal or two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You have a way of making light of situations that others would consider to be very serious. You might not understand that some people find that type of behavior offensive. Be a little kinder in the way you communicate. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You could be deeply offended by a conversation you have with someone you encounter today. Try to accept this person as he or she is, and then move on. Allow more creativity to emerge. Tonight: Be more upbeat by looking at the big picture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ It would be best not to hold back anymore. You will need some time to process your feelings, especially in a situation that could be quite unexpected. A roommate or family member might challenge you in order to start a conversation. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You will be particularly efficient today. Don't be surprised if social interactions prove to be the highlight of your day, rather than your work. Use your instincts

when it comes to dealing with a touchy yet upbeat person. Tonight: Make this a "people" day.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You might want to see beyond the obvious, but you could have an issue getting past an immediate problem. Hang in there, and you will find the right solution to clear up the issue. Be careful with spending, as you easily could go overboard. Tonight: Pace yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You could be weighing the pros and cons of several situations. You might not know what would be the best way to handle a personal matter. Your ingenuity will provide you with several very interesting options. Let someone know when enough is enough. Tonight: Very playful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Weigh the pros and cons of spending more time at home. Keep in mind that your imagination is likely to take off in that setting. Try not to suppress your anger so much, as it could cause you a problem later on down the road. Tonight: Consider a home office.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You might want to reach out to someone who keeps popping into your mind. Circumstances could have pushed the two of you apart. Once you reconnect, you will recognize how much you have missed this person. Tonight: Surround yourself with music.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Know the costs of continuing as you have been. You could be overspending and not looking at the damages. Ask yourself what is motivating this indulgence. Someone you care about could be very difficult today. Don't internalize what he or she says. Tonight: Your treat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Your imagination knows no bounds. The issue for you will be using that gift well. You might see a new path in a conversation with an expert or someone you consider to be wise. Jump on the opportunity after a lengthy discussion. Tonight: Let your creativity out.

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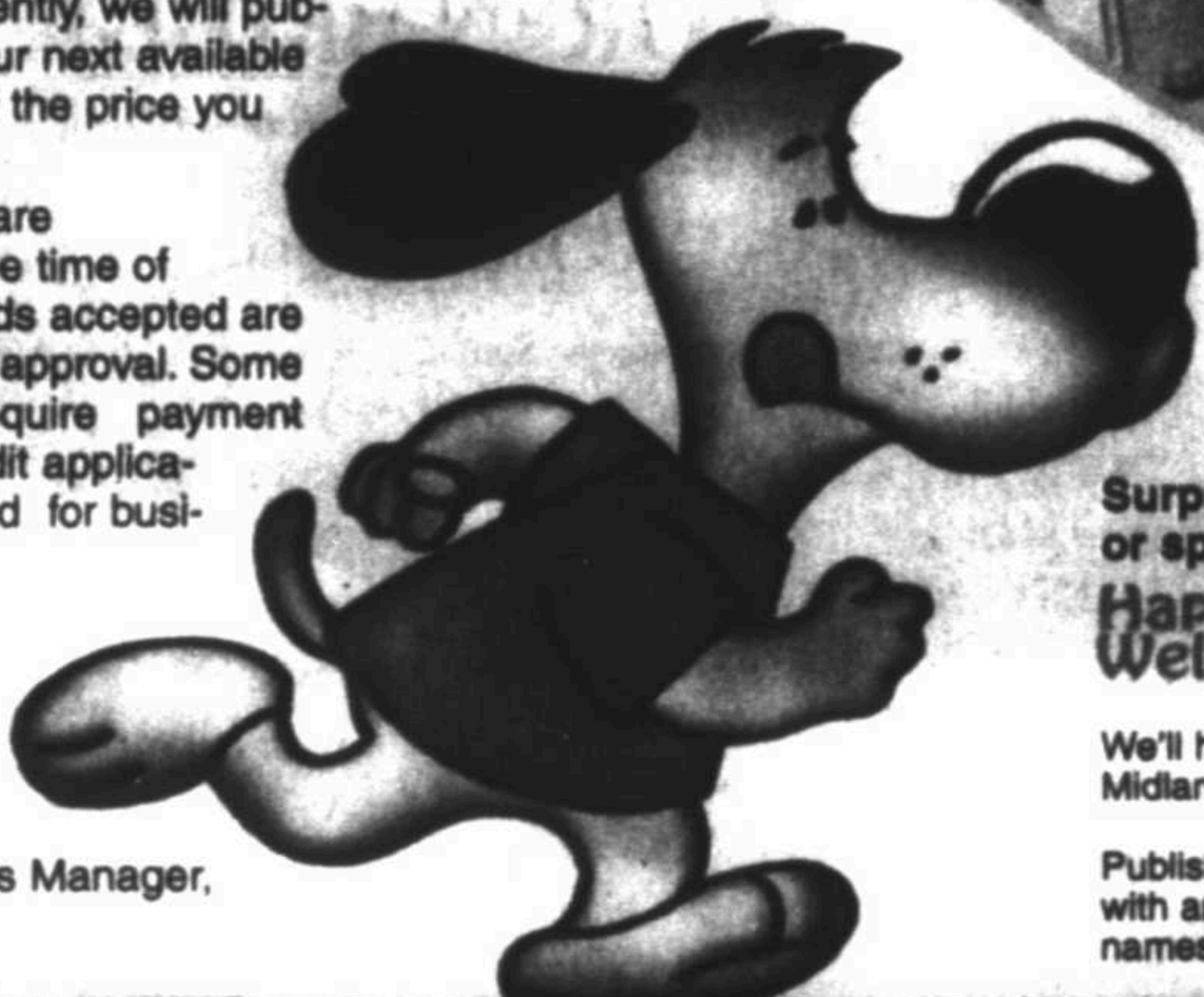
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Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person. Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

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Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person. Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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