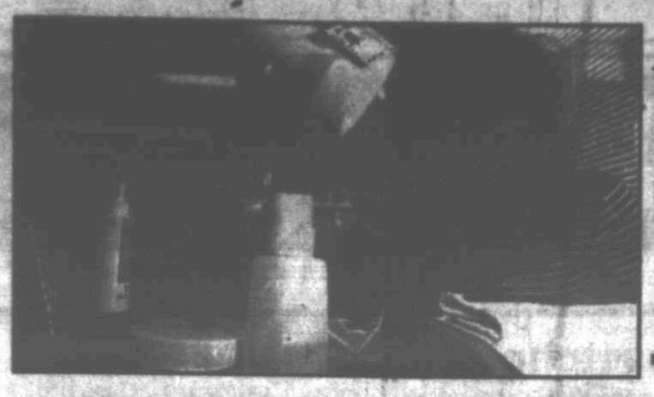

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Day in the Life

Nail technician Kathleen Pickering, has for the past five years brought luxury to the fingertips of her clients in just a snap./1B

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Dallas Cowboys

The battle is on between former Houston Oilers' starter John Flannery and Clay Shiver, a third-round draft pick last year./1C

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Leaders cut tentative budget deal

■ Plan would balance national budget by 2002, cut taxes and create budget surplus.

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Climaxing months of bargaining and years of partisan warfare, congressional Republicans and Clinton administration officials announced tentative agreement Monday on a plan to balance the budget by 2002 while slashing taxes by about $140 billion for millions of families, students and investors.

The accord put leaders of both parties in position to claim credit for the broadest tax cut since 1981 and, if actually achieved, the first federal budget surplus since 1969.

"We have a tentative agreement on a very good balanced-budget plan," an ebullient Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin told reporters as he left a final Capitol bargaining session. White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles added: "We couldn't be more pleased with the outcome."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said that pending a review of the legislative language, the Senate would begin debating the spending bill Wednesday and the tax bill perhaps Thursday. House aides said that chamber could approve both measures on Wednesday — meaning that lawmakers would be able to leave town Friday for their summer recess as scheduled.

Asked about the prospects for House passage, House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said: "I think it will sell itself. It's a fabulous agreement."

"The middle class is getting a good break in this deal, and they deserve it," said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M.

The only initial discordant reaction came from some House liberals. Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., bolted from a meeting between Democrats and White House officials, saying, "I've heard all I want to hear."

President Clinton got word of the

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A.M. BRIEFING

TODAY
Partly cloudy with high in mid-90s. Weather on 4A

AP Laserphoto

Governors meet

LAS VEGAS — President Clinton prodded the nation's governors Monday to accept his voluntary program of national school testing, insisting the plan wasn't a federal intrusion into states' rights.

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Risky business

SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, Mexico — On a mid-July morning, under a climbing desert sun, Benjamin Flores Gonzalez bled out his life on a dusty side street in front of the La Prensa newspaper office he had founded five years before. Journalism in Mexico can be a risky business.

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Political theater

BOSTON — In an era when political acts often become practiced and predictable, Bill Weld provided Massachusetts with 6½ years of improvisational theater that never grew stale.

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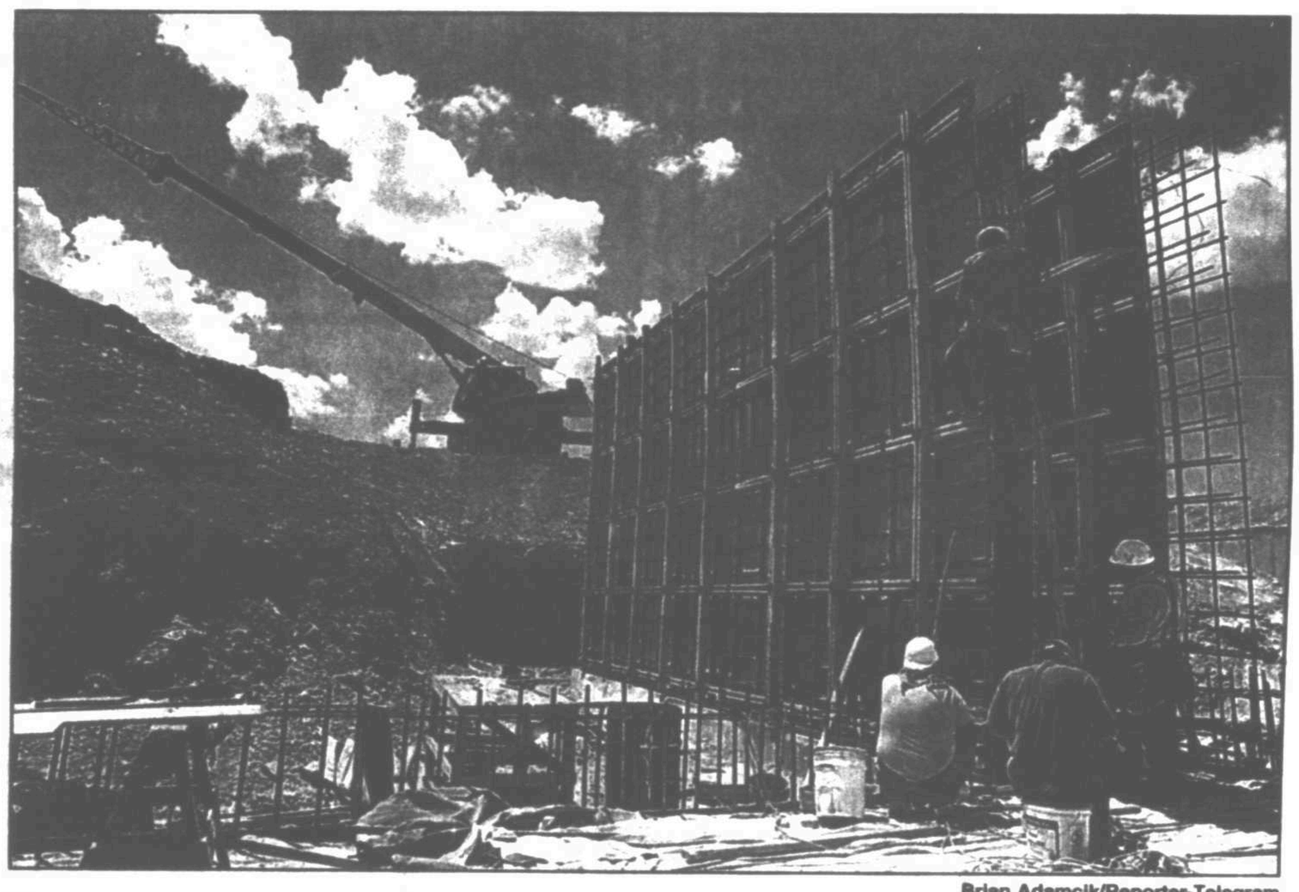

Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Work continues on the massive basement of the new terminal building at Midland International Airport.

Construction of new airport terminal flying right along

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Construction of the new airport terminal complex is continuing on schedule and on budget, with workers pouring the first section of the concrete basement.

The old terminal has no basement and the new construction will be able to house the complex's mechanical systems and provide service tunnels to allow servicing of systems without interrupting the flow of traffic through the main terminal areas, explained Glen Hackler, assistant city manager.

"This is obviously superior," Hackler said of the new terminal building's design.

For the past several months, 150-200 workers have been placing and welding the intricate network of steel reinforcement for the basement section and the actual pouring of the concrete began last week.

Crews are currently finished pouring concrete for the southern end of the structure and are working their way north, Hackler explained. When this is completed, crews can begin working on the first floor of the new complex.

"We hope to be out of the ground by Oct. 1," Hackler said.

Construction of the new parking garage was phase one of the planned terminal expansion and that was completed in mid-June. That increased the number of covered parking spaces from 222 to 300, Hackler said.

A shuttle is continually available to take passengers the short distance to the existing terminal building. That will not be necessary when the new terminal building is completed adjacent to the covered parking area.

Building of the new terminal building is phase two and that is expected to take another 17 months to January of 1999. Construction began in November of 1996.

Once that is done, nine more months will be needed to

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Some officials could benefit from pay study

■ Task force recommends raises for sheriff, district clerk and tax assessor-collector.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Salaries of three veteran Midland County elected officials are to be increased from 8 percent to 15 percent while no pay raises are forthcoming for 11 "freshman" county officials under a proposal by the five-member citizens' task force termed the Midland County Salary Review Committee.

The Commissioners' Court-appointed committee, headed by Brad Miller, recommended that Sheriff Gary Painter's salary be increased by 15 percent to $52,000 from $45,120, that District Clerk Vivian Wood's salary be hiked by 8 percent to $43,848 from $40,600, and that Tax Assessor-Collector Kathy Reeves' salary be increased by 8 percent to $43,610 from $40,380.

The committee did not recommend pay hikes for "freshman" county officials, including the justices of the peace, the constables, county clerk, county treasurer, and county attorney who took office this year.

"The committee strongly believes that salary increases are a function of job performance," Miller said in his report to the Commissioners' Court on Monday, "and a trend of job performance has not been established for these officials due to their limited time in office."

However, Miller, who is an engineer for Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, said that the committee has the "utmost confidence in their ability to improve their departments." Furthermore, the committee recommended that a "future" salary-review committee be appointed midway in the officials' four-year terms of office "to evaluate" their performances for any salary increases.

Serving on the committee with Miller were other community leaders: Jack Hightower, Johnnie Moritz, Harry Spannus, and Fred Westmoreland.

Midland County Judge Jeff Norwood said that he expects the committee's recommendations will be adopted when the Commissioners' Court on Aug. 25 is to adopt the county's $20.4-million gen-

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Bullock suggests non-partisan elections for education board

AUSTIN (AP) — State Board of Education meetings have become so rancorous that Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock once suggested members should be appointed instead of elected. Now he's suggesting non-partisan board elections instead.

"I really think elected's OK, but to run on non-partisan ballots," Bullock, a Democrat, said in an interview with The Associated Press. "There are certain things in Texas that are just flat non-partisan" — such as education.

Some, however, question how non-partisan elections would improve matters.

The 15-member board currently includes nine Republicans and six Democrats, but the battles haven't been between parties. Rather, they have been between a bloc of six Republican board members backed by religious conservatives and the rest.

Some board members backed by religious conservatives have objected to a state law curtailing their authority in such areas as textbook content and waged a strong fight on the state curriculum rewrite, contending that the process had been intruded on by a national group and the federal government and that the rewrite wasn't rigorous enough.

In this year's legislative session, Bullock suggested changing to an appointed board, saying the current panel had "gone a little far to the right." Bills also were filed to abolish the board or drastically curtail its powers. But the measures didn't pass.

State Board of Education Chairman Jack Christie of Houston, a Republican who's not aligned with the social conservatives, said Bullock's proposal "is not a bad idea. It's something I would not object to."

But Christie said his first choice be to ensure voters are educated on board candidates and the importance of the office.

"I think it would be OK to maintain partisan elections under those cir-

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> "I have a close relative who needs this procedure. There's nothing I'd rather do than approve it,' said Dr. Robert Califf of Duke University. But he called the data supporting the laser inadequate and troubling, and on a 9-2 vote, his fellow panel members agreed.

FDA advisers reject laser heart treatment

GAITHERSBURG, Md. (AP) — Government advisers on Monday rejected a revolutionary approach to treating heart angina — a laser that promised to relieve chronic patients' crippling pain by zapping up to 40 tiny holes into the heart itself.

Some patients clearly showed relief from pain, advisers to the Food and Drug Administration said. But the company seeking approval to sell the treatment, PLC Medical Systems, had serious deficiencies in its study of the laser, which could even pose a risk to already-sick patients, the scientists said.

"I have a close relative who needs this procedure. There's nothing I'd rather do than approve it," said Dr. Robert Califf of Duke University. But he called the data supporting the laser inadequate and troubling, and on a 9-2 vote, his fellow panel members agreed.

At issue was a controversial but long-awaited procedure called transmyocardial revascularization (TMR). By blasting tiny — one millimeter — holes into the left side of the heart, the procedure theoretically increases blood flow to portions of the muscle that have been severely damaged by advanced heart disease.

In the two-hour operation, doctors slice a 4-inch cut between the ribs to insert the laser, and then blast directly into the heart. The outer layers of the heart heal almost immediately but the beating heart forces these channels to stay open in the interior. The theory is these channels diffuse oxygenated blood into the oxygen-starved tissue and relieve the crippling chest pain known as angina.

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Taliban reopens dreaded prison to house prisoners of war

PUL-E-CHARKHI, Afghanistan (AP) — In the bazaars and homes of Kabul everyone has a story about Pul-e-Charkhi prison: of men buried alive, of hideous torture cells, of brothers and fathers taken in the middle of the night and never seen again.

When Islamic insurgents threw out Afghanistan's communists in 1992, they opened the gates and vowed the prison would never be used again. Then the insurgents turned on each other. Last year, they, too, were expelled from Kabul — by the Taliban religious army.

Now, the infamous prison is open again, this time to house war prisoners captured by the Taliban. A look behind the rocket-punched stone walls found haggard men living amid the stench of stale food, garbage and human waste.

Prison director Mullah Khiasuddin Mazhari — a tall, burly man with a white turban and bushy black beard — appeared unfazed at seeing a reporter arrive at the prison unannounced Sunday to request a tour.

The prison is named for the nearby village, Pul-e-Charkhi, which sits on the other side of a rocket-riddled bridge and a graveyard, about 10 miles southeast of central Kabul.

The country's former communist rulers are said to have buried their prisoners alive inside the Pul-e-Charkhi compound.

One local man, Abdullah Jan, spent more than one year there, locked in a cramped cell with 45 other men. "It was kind of a death row," he said. "No one knew if he would leave alive."

The Taliban army captured the capital in September and control roughly two-thirds of the country.

The reopening of the notorious prison three weeks ago was simply a matter of needing a place to house the Taliban's prisoners of war, Mazhari said.

A 15-foot-high stone wall surrounds the prison compound. The giant steel gates hang off their hinges. Taliban soldiers in turbans lie on steel-frame cots beneath a tattered canvas that serves as the guard house.

The ground outside is strewn with land mines. So is the dirt yard inside, which is littered with broken tanks and rusted trucks left over from Afghanistan's war.

Most of the 15 four-story cell blocks are in ruins. There are 1,500 prisoners, all crowded into one cell block. Mazhari said two-thirds of the prisoners were captured in the last week, as the Taliban lost ground to opposition forces advancing from north of Kabul.

Inside Cell Block 2, the stench of rotting garbage hit like a slap in the face. The air, rank on a sweltering 104-degree day, was alive with buzzing flies.

There was no running water, though the Red Cross has trucked in water and repaired two of the compound's water pumps, said Thomas Gurtner, the deputy director of the Red Cross in Kabul. There was one filthy, common toilet area.

Light from small windows high up on the cell walls was barely enough to allow one to navigate around puddles of stagnant water and mounds of garbage.

Mazhari led the way down the corridor to a set of bars. On the other side, the prisoners.

"This is where the permission ends," he said to the visitors.

Through a cloud of insects in the dim light, the prisoners could be seen on the floor, eating from gray steel bowls. The daily meal is brown rice sprinkled with raisins and a piece of bread.

Old men, their beards gray, populated the third floor of the cell block. The Red Cross said that until Monday, 20 children also had been held in the prison. All but two were released, the group said.

Prisoners scurried to the far end of the corridor when Mazhari approached. One inmate, who was not allowed to give his name, walked up to the bars. He said about 13 prisoners were held in each 9-by-12 foot cell, sleeping on the floor on thin mattresses.

He was gaunt and ragged. His long, brown hair matted and face unshaven. His traditional clothing — gray, baggy pants, knee-length shirt and brown vest — were stained and filthy. He appeared to be in his mid-20s.

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Mexican journalism a dangerous line of work

N.Y. Times News Service

SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, Mexico — On a mid-July morning, under a climbing desert sun, Benjamin Flores Gonzalez bled out his life on a dusty side street in front of the La Prensa newspaper office he had founded five years before.

An amateur gunman allegedly hired by a family of local drug traffickers sprayed the crusading publisher with bullets from an AK-47 assault rifle and finished the job with six shots from a brace of .22-caliber revolvers, witnesses said.

Despite death threats received at La Prensa by phone during the visit of a U.S. journalist last Wednesday, the staff has vowed to continue his work.

"This won't stop us," reporter Imanol Caneyada said. "They will have to kill us all to make us stop what we are doing."

The killing ended the near-legendary rise of the 29-year-old Flores, who became the 20th Mexican journalist killed in the past decade, according to one international press organization.

Flores had used the front pages of the fledgling La Prensa to challenge corrupt politicians and to name suspected mafiosos, not only in this drug-and-violence-soaked border town, but throughout the northwestern Mexican state of Sonora.

Lost among the glowing accounts of Mexico's transition to electoral democracy and its growing economic alliance with the United States under the North American Free Trade Alliance is a grim reality: Mexico is an extremely dangerous place for working journalists, and things are getting worse, press analysts say.

"Mexico is the second most violent country in the Western Hemisphere for journalists," said Ricardo Trotti, coordinator of foreign press for the InterAmerican Press Association (IAPA) in Miami. Only Colombia is more perilous than Mexico.

Flores is the second journalist killed for his work this year, and the 20th since 1988, according to Trotti.

And beyond the documented killings are a series of kidnappings, disappearances and assaults as Mexican reporters probe the growing links among the country's drug cartels, police and politicians.

Historically, few perpetrators of violence against journalists are ever brought to justice in Mexico.

So far, Flores' killer remains unidentified, as do the masterminds of other assassinations dating back to the death of Manuel Buendia, Mexico's most prominent columnist, gunned down in 1984.

Flores angered a local family with alleged drug ties when he wrote about one of the brothers, Jaime Gonzalez Guzman, who allegedly killed a local traffic policeman in 1993 over an infraction.

Gonzalez escaped and disappeared, only to be arrested by federal authorities early this year with a load of marijuana in the desert south of here. La Prensa reporter Caneyada recognized Gonzalez, who gave authorities another name.

The newspaper denounced apparent special privileges enjoyed by Gonzalez, jailed on the drug trafficking charge, and a loud, front-page campaign may have squashed his early release from prison, according to Jesus Barraza Zavala, who assumed the managing editorship of La Prensa after Flores' death.

"In June, Benjamin began receiving death threats," Barraza continued. On July 15, Caneyada was inside the newspaper office when he heard shots outside.

"I looked out the window and saw a man with two pistols put four shots into Benjamin," Caneyada said. "I thought they had come to kill us all." State police have arrested three men.

Flores became only the latest in a chain of Mexican journalists killed for their reporting. The chain reaches back to Buendia, the muckraking, anti-government columnist for the Mexico City paper Excelsior, in 1984.

An unknown assailant shot Buendia four times in the chest as he walked on a busy Mexico City street, then escaped into the crowd.

In 1986, Ernesto Flores Torrijos, editor of the Matamoros, Tamaulipas, daily "El Popular," and reporter Norma Moreno Figueroa were machine-gunned as they unlocked the newspaper's front door.

The killings were in retribution for a series of published attacks on the then mayor, said Oscar Lopez, a former member of Juan Garcia Abrego's Cartel del Golfo, known as "El Profe."

In October 1995, Cuauhtemoc Campos Ornelos, publisher of the monthly news magazine Adelante, disappeared after publishing an article linking the local mayor with drug traffickers. Campos has never been found, and human rights workers in Torreon believe he is dead.

Beetlemania has Japanese flipping their wigs

TOKYO (AP) — Collector Shoji Teraoka probably wouldn't even have bothered to look three years ago. But now, the object of his dreams was almost within reach — a big, black beetle that once would have sold for $3,000.

"I've always wanted one of those," he said while he contemplated the bug, marked down to a mere $800 at a ritzy department store. "Words just can't describe it."

Possibly no other country in the world is as crazy about beetles as Japan, where the bugs of summer long have held a special place in the hearts of children and poets alike.

But as the beetle season hits its peak this month, a gloom is hanging over dealers who once invested in larvae the way some people might trade shares of stock, and doled out tens of thousands of dollars for a sufficiently buff and bulky adult specimen.

Japan, it seems, is experiencing an unprecedented bug glut. The market is in a panic. Breeders are going belly up.

"Prices have hit rock bottom," lamented Kiyoaki Tsuno, head of the gardening and pet division at the Tokyu department store in Tokyo.

While his shelves once carried bugs that went for thousands of dollars, this year the $800 stag beetle that caught Teraoka's fancy was his priciest specimen.

Especially attractive to bug connoisseurs are two kinds of beetle — Japanese varieties of the stag and atlas — that can grow to nearly 3 inches in length and bear impressive "horns" that resemble ornaments on the helmets of samurai warriors.

Japan's beetlemania isn't isolated among hard-core collectors. Grade-school children commonly raise the smaller atlas beetles as homework projects during the summer vacation, which for most kids began this month.

The total numbers of pet beetles in Japan is uncertain, though their popularity is undisputed. No Japanese pet store is really complete without a bug corner, and most carry a wide range of beetle supplies — including cages, log chunks for the bugs to nest in and even nutritionally enriched bug jelly and bug juice.

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Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 95	High 91	High 87
Low 70	Low 68	Low 65

Wednesday's forecast calls for less than a 20 percent chance of rain under partly cloudy skies, according to the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport. The daytime high temperature is to be in the mid-90s, and winds are to be southeasterly at 5 to 15 mph. The low temperature tonight is to be in the upper 60s.

For Wednesday, the forecast calls for a slight chance of thunderstorms and a 20 percent chance of rain.

The record high temperature for July 28 in Midland is 106 degrees, set in 1944, and the record low temperature for that date is 61 degrees, set in 1933.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Monday	.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	.00 in.
Total for month	2.26 in.
Total for year	10.45 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	97
low	72
Normal high	96
Normal low	69

Sunrise 7:02 a.m. Sunset 8:47 p.m.

National forecast

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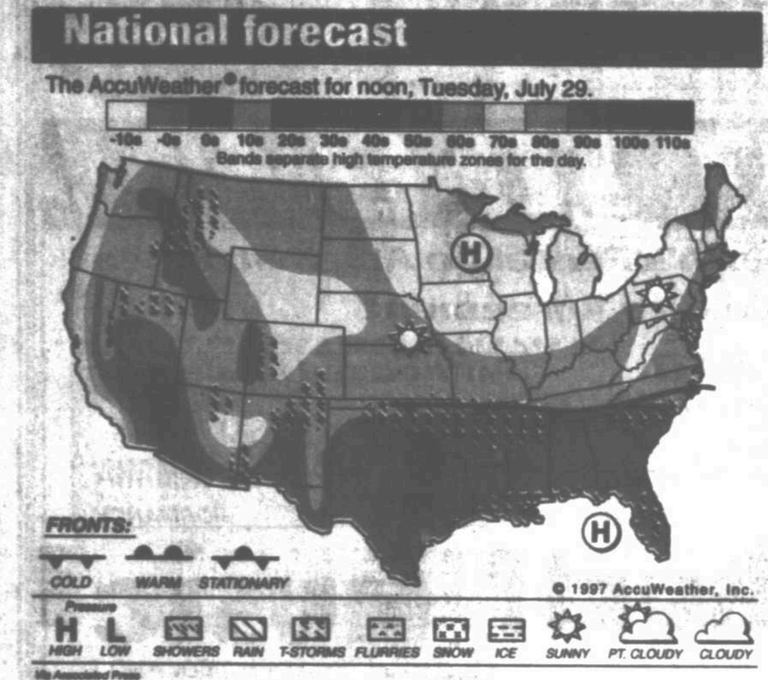

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Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:57 p.m. EDT.

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Albany,N.Y.	82	72	clr	
Albuquerque	76	62	.37	cdy
Amarillo	93	71	.01	cdy
Anchorage	73	54	clr	
Asheville	90	67	.01	rn
Atlanta	92	73	.03	rn
Atlantic City	91	72	cdy	
Austin	97	75	clr	
Baltimore	97	71	.56	cdy
Billings	84	57	rn	
Birmingham	95	75	rn	
Bismarck	85	50	clr	
Boise	87	63	cdy	
Boston	91	71	clr	
Brownsville	96	77	clr	
Buffalo	80	69	.14	clr
Burlington,Vt.	86	68	.13	clr
Casper	83	57	rn	
Charleston,S.C.	94	77	cdy	
Charleston,W.Va.	91	69	1.81	cdy
Charlotte,N.C.	96	77	.15	rn
Cheyenne	67	57	.75	rn
Chicago	82	72	clr	
Cincinnati	92	69	.04	clr
Cleveland	81	71	cdy	
Columbia,S.C.	96	72	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	89	71	.03	clr
Concord,N.H.	88	69	clr	
Dallas-Ft Worth	99	79	clr	
Dayton	89	71	clr	
Denver	77	61	.02	rn
Des Moines	84	72	clr	
Detroit	86	74	clr	
Duluth	74	57	clr	
El Paso	87	68	.10	cdy
Evansville	90	76	clr	
Fairbanks	76	55	cdy	
Fargo	80	54	clr	
Flagstaff	79	55	cdy	
Grand Rapids	87	71	clr	
Great Falls	86	54	.06	rn
Greensboro,N.C.	97	77	.01	rn
Hartford Spgfld	87	68	clr	
Helena	85	51	rn	
Honolulu	88	76	clr	
Houston	96	76	cdy	
Indianapolis	92	72	clr	
Jackson,Miss.	97	74	rn	
Jacksonville	93	74	rn	
Juneau	66	54	cdy	
Kansas City	80	71	cdy	
Las Vegas	89	76	.17	cdy
Little Rock	100	79	.11	rn
Los Angeles	75	63	clr	
Louisville	94	75	clr	
Lubbock	96	71	cdy	
Memphis	98	81	rn	
Miami Beach	91	82	.02	cdy
Midland-Odessa	98	72	cdy	
Milwaukee	75	70	clr	
Mpls-St Paul	79	65	clr	
Nashville	97	78	2.39	cdy
New Orleans	92	79	cdy	
New York City	91	74	.38	cdy
Norfolk,Va.	91	77	cdy	
North Platte	80	65	cdy	
Oklahoma City	98	74	cdy	
Omaha	86	70	.12	cdy
Orlando	93	73	.30	rn
Philadelphia	91	75	cdy	
Phoenix	105	83	clr	
Pittsburgh	85	69	.15	cdy
Portland,Maine	89	65	clr	
Portland,Ore.	85	60	cdy	
Providence	89	70	clr	
Raleigh-Durham	97	75	rn	
Rapid City	75	61	rn	
Reno	86	52	cdy	
Richmond	94	74	cdy	
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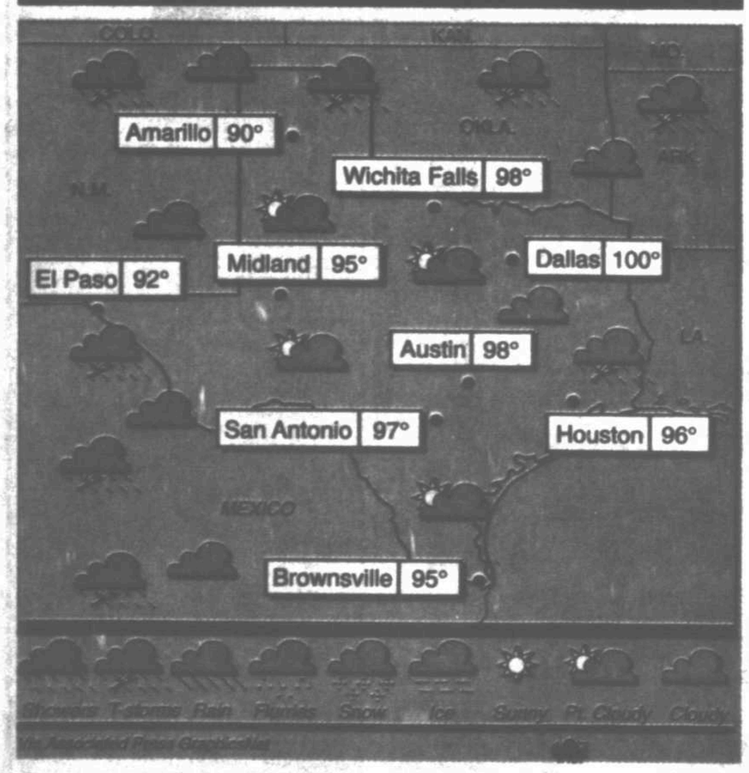
State forecast



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Amarillo	93	71	0.01
Arlington	99	76	
Austin	97	75	
Beaumont	94	75	0.14
Brownsville	96	77	
Burnet	96	76	
Childress	98	73	
College Station	99	74	
Corpus Christi	97	75	
Corsicana	100	76	
Cotulla	103	75	
Dalhart	93	69	
Dallas	104	83	
Del Rio	100	79	
Denton	102	74	
El Paso	87	67	0.10
Fort Stockton	97	75	
Fort Worth	99	79	
Galveston	92	82	
Hondo	98	74	
Houston Hobby	95	78	0.67
Houston Intrcntl	96	76	
Huntsville	102	81	
Junction	97	72	
Kingsville	99	75	
Laredo	100	79	
Lubbock	96	71	
Lufkin	99	74	
Marfa	79	66	0.22
McAllen	101	77	
Midland	98	72	
Mineral Wells	100	76	
Navy Corpus	92	83	
Palacios	92	76	
Paris	99	77	
San Angelo	99	71	0.17
San Antonio	98	75	
Shreveport	98	77	
Terrell	100	77	
Texarkana	101	79	
Victoria	97	74	
Waco	101	77	
Wichita Falls	102	76	
Wink	101	77	

BUDGET: Compromises make pact possible

(From 1A)

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agreement while playing golf in Las Vegas, said White House spokesman Joe Lockhart.

"The president was pleased and is looking forward to a full briefing tomorrow," Lockhart said.

Highlights of the pact included a $500 tax credit for many children; a $24 billion effort to expand health-care coverage for many of the 10 million uninsured American children; and a gradual 15-cent boost in the 24-cent-per-pack federal cigarette tax.

In the end, although Republicans made many late concessions, many major disputes were resolved with an everyone-wins approach. Underlining this, the five-year, $85 billion net price tag for tax cuts set by the May balanced-budget agreement grew to about $91 billion. Overall, some taxes were cut by about $140 billion while others were raised by approximately $50 billion.

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The GOP acceded to Clinton's demands for a $24 billion, five-year effort to expand health-care coverage for many of the country's 10 million uninsured children. That amount was $8 billion beyond what many Republicans preferred, but there was a catch. Clinton agreed to let states have more leeway than he preferred in deciding which services would be provided, such as mental health and dental coverage, though less state control than many Republicans wanted.

Republicans dropped their demand that welfare recipients taking subsidized jobs in the public and nonprofit sectors to be exempted from minimum wage and other worker protections. They argued that such requirements would make it harder to find such slots and hurt state efforts to trim welfare rolls.

And in a triumph claimed by both sides, there would be a $400-per-child tax credit in 1998, rising to $500 the next year, for children age 16 and under. It would apply to many families who earn as little as $18,000 a year and owe little or no income tax, a victory for Clinton. But it would also go to single parents making as much as $75,000 and couples making $110,000, which Republicans wanted.

The package included about $40 billion in education tax breaks, a key Clinton demand to which lawmakers added their own ideas. It contains the president's treasured "Hope scholarship" of $1,500 tax credits for the first two years of college. Also included were tax breaks for later college years, special savings incentives for education and other reductions.

After years of trying, Republicans finally won a rate reduction in capital gains taxes, which are paid on profits from sale of real estate and other investments. The top rate would go from 28 to 20 percent, middle-income rates from 15 to 10 percent. There would be further reductions for property held at least five years.

In a break for most homeowners, there would be no capital gains tax on home sales in which the profit was below $500,000 — similar to a Clinton proposal.

The GOP surrendered, however, in its effort to exempt from tax any capital gains increase due solely to inflation. Clinton said that would cut federal revenues too deeply in the future.

Republicans won an increase in the estate-tax exemption from the current $600,000 to $1 million over 10 years — $1.3 million starting next year for small businesses and family farms.

And a host of new Individual Retirement Accounts for spouses, students and first-time homebuyers were included. These would be limited, however, to people earning $150,000 annually, and each individual could invest no more than $2,000 annually in all IRAs combined.

To help pay for all this, bargainers agreed that the cigarette tax would rise by a dime in 2000 and an additional nickel in 2002.

Most of the approximately $140 billion in five-year savings came from Medicare, whose growth would be trimmed by $115 billion, or about 12 percent. Most Medicare savings would come from reducing payments to hospitals and other health-care providers, though the current $43.80 monthly premium for coverage of doctors' bills would grow slowly.

Dropped were three Senate-approved Medicare measures that drew fire from House Republicans because they could anger elderly voters. These would have boosted premiums for higher-income recipients, gradually increased the eligibility age from 65 to 67 and charged $5 for each visit by home health workers.

PAY: Some county officials could get pay raises

(From 1A)

eral-fund budget for Fiscal Year 1998 beginning on Oct. 1.

The Commissioners' Court had appointed the committee "in order to take the issue out of the political environment," Norwood said.

"We appointed a citizens task force to fairly and independently evaluate those (officials') requests (for pay raises)."

The county judge, who makes about $60,000 per year, and the four commissioners, who each are paid about $31,000 annually, were exempted from the study.

Salaries of the Midland County officials were compared with those in 16 counties in the 75,000-to-150,000-population range. Those included counties wherein Odessa, Wichita Falls, Abilene, San Angelo, Longview, and Tyler are the county seats.

Painter, whose current salary is in the 30th percentile, will be placed in the 75th percentile in the 16-county sampling if his salary is hiked to $52,000.

"They did a wonderful job," Painter, who has been sheriff since 1985, said of the committee members. "The panel did a tremendous task. They were very objective in their outlook and in their views."

Painter noted that after the county's 400-plus employees were granted a blanket 5-percent pay increase last year by the Commissioners' Court, the elected officials went before the county's Salary Grievance Committee on a pay-raise agenda. That action led to the formation of the Miller-led committee.

Painter, who heads up a 164-person department, commands the county's largest departmental budget at $6.7 million.

Tax Assessor-Collector Kathy Reeves, who has been in office since 1993, will be moving in pay to the 55th percentile from the 20th percentile.

"They did work very hard on this project," Ms. Reeves said of the committee members, "and they were concerned, objective, and they did a very fine job. That was hard job."

District Clerk Vivian Wood, who said that she was "appreciative" of the committee's work, will be moving into the 70th percentile from the 30th percentile in pay.

The committee was complimentary of Painter, Ms. Reeves and Ms. Wood.

In disallowing a pay raise for County Attorney Russell Malm, the committee report said that his current $63,996 salary "represents the highest salary in the peer group." Since his responsibilities will be reduced by reassigning misdemeanor cases to the District Attorney's Office, Malm will be situated "to do a more efficient job" of representing the county in civil matters.

There will be no immediate pay hike for County Clerk Alice Brown, who earns $39,540 annually, and for County Treasurer Julie Fry, whose pay is $39,800. Both are new in office.

The committee did not recommend a pay raise for Justices David Cobos, Joe Matlock, Michael Wallace, and George Zimmerman, who are earning $35,000 each, and did not grant raises for Constables E.K. Browning, Larry Clark, Johnney Holt, and Rusty Stewart, who are salaried at $7,210 each.

The brief tenure of the justices is "not enough time to establish a track record of performance," the report said. "The Justices of the Peace have actually reduced responsibilities with the addition of two seats to the Justice Court."

Their pay is in the 75th percentile of the 16 peer counties.

As for the constables, their "current responsibilities . . . are negligible," the report said. "All the responsibilities of the Constable's Office, as outlined in the State Constitution, can be handled by the Sheriff's Office in a more efficient and cost-effective manner in Midland County."

The report cited the constables' divisiveness.

"It is the opinion of this committee that no salary increase be appropriated until some beneficial job responsibilities are established for the Constables, or, better yet, the office is abolished, saving the taxpayers of Midland County a significant sum of money."

The committee "supports the efforts of the Commissioners' Court to eliminate this unnecessary (taxpayer) burden."

Meanwhile, "The citizens of Midland County demand that their government be progressive and innovative in meeting challenges of running county government," Miller said his report, "as we move into an age of high technology and the public outcry for less government involvement."

AIRPORT: Terminal to be completed in January 1999

(From 1A)

complete the last phase of the construction, which is the demolition of the existing terminal building and the pouring of a new concrete apron in its place to allow aircraft access to the gates.

Bids for that last phase of construction were opened last week and will be delivered to the city council at a future meeting for approval, Hackler said.

The new terminal building will have 157,000 square feet of floor space and is designed so that additions can be made if the future warrants more space.

The total cost for construction of the new complex is about $34.5 million.

When completed, the terminal building will have four passenger loading gates and two gates designed for use by smaller commuter aircraft.

On the concourse level, outside of the secured gate area, plans call for a business area with fax and copy machines and phones. There will be a sports bar, a business club and a central food court with gift shops.

In July of 1996, Midland voters approved $21 million in bonds for the construction which will be paid off through a $3 passenger facility charge added to each airline ticket.

The remainder of the cost is covered under funds received from landing fees and by grants from the Federal Aviation Administration.

More than half a million people each year board planes at the Midland International Airport.

BOARD: Non-partisan elections wouldn't help, some say

(From 1A)

cumstances," he said.

Board member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands, labeled a leader of the social conservative bloc, said it would be difficult to run a campaign in a district that accounts for one-fifteenth of the state without a political party structure.

"On a race this size, I think the structure of the parties helps to get the word out," she said Monday.

In addition, she said, political party platform ideas can influence State Board of Education votes.

The 9-6 voting split on major issues, she added, shows "this is about education. It's not about party politics."

House Public Education Chairman Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, said of non-partisan board elections, "I don't see the point ... I don't know that that improves the board in any way, form or fashion to do that.

"I think the parties reflect a certain philosophy, and people run on those parties," he said. "If you're going to do that, why not make all politics non-partisan?"

LASER: Study finds those used new treatment showed improvement

(From 1A)

About 150,000 Americans have end-stage coronary artery disease, which is almost always accompanied by angina. In some cases, patients are in such pain they can hardly walk.

The laser is intended for those who are not helped by standard medication, including nitroglycerin and other drugs, and who have already exhausted all surgical options such as bypass. Many patients with milder angina do receive relief from medicines.

A study of 198 patients found those who got TMR had fewer angina attacks than control patients who got standard medication. For those followed at least six months after the operation, 65 percent of the TMR patients had significant angina improvement while drugs helped just 10 percent of the control patients.

Then doctors measured blood flow through the heart. Among TMR patients, 60 percent of those whose angina improved significantly also showed a significant increase in blood diffusion.

But complicating that measurement are suggestions that the holes in the heart do re-close several months after surgery. Several animal studies and a handful of human autopsies have shown holes almost completely reclosed, prompting critics to question if the therapy had done any good or if the mere thought of a helpful surgery had made patients feel better, a phenomenon called the placebo effect.

Another problem came when FDA advisers looked more closely at how long the patients were studied. Fewer than half, Califf complained, were properly followed long enough to measure the study's main objective — far lower than usually accepted as proof in clinical trials of medical therapies.

The advisers also examined patients' deaths. At first glance, survival was similar among the two groups — about 80 percent were still alive a year later. But patients taking standard drugs were allowed to have the laser operation later, if medicines offered them no relief, and two-thirds of the deaths actually occurred among these people who opted for a treatment change, Califf said.

That raised questions as to whether the treatment was dangerous for certain people. And some panelists questioned whether the study truly ensured that the two groups of people were equally sick for comparison.

Why isn't initial pain relief enough to approve the laser? FDA advisers noted that numerous drugs in the past had relieved angina but years later were implicated in patients' increased deaths.

On the other hand, some panelists argued that chronic patients have exhausted every other alternative.

"We are all dealing with patients ... who are just at the end of the rope," said Dr. Ronald Weintraub of Harvard University. "I don't think it's right to withhold this potential therapy" while waiting too long for additional data.

Several panelists said that Massachusetts-based PLC could answer their questions fairly quickly by properly tracking already-treated patients. The company declined comment.

The FDA is not bound by committee decisions but often follows them.

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Unpredictable Indian politician stirs new waves of indignation

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NEW DELHI, India — India's most unpredictable and contentious politician has stirred new waves of indignation by responding to a warrant for his arrest in a $280-million corruption scandal by resigning his top post in the country's poorest state, naming his wife as his successor and vowing to continue ruling from a jail cell.

In his manner of quitting as chief minister of Bihar state, which has 90 million people, Laloo Prasad Yadav topped his reputation for political antics. His style has won him adulation among millions of lower-caste followers and opprobrium from traditionalists, who have accused him of demagoguery, incompetence and looting public funds on an unprecedented scale.

But while Indian readers have been fascinated by the goings-on in Bihar, the Laloo affair — so dubbed by Indian newspapers because Yadav is universally known in India by his first name — has had a political resonance that goes far beyond his theatrics.

One reason is that Yadav has been one of the most important figures behind the current national government in New Delhi, which is largely a coalition of regional groups with power bases like Yadav's in Bihar. Yadav's troubles are threatening to unseat the coalition government of Prime Minister I.K. Gujral.

Yadav, 49, who resigned Friday, gave a new twist to dynastic habits that have deep roots in Indian politics when he ordered his followers to install his wife, Rabri Devi, as his successor.

Ms. Devi, who is 38, has been widely reported by Indian newspapers to be illiterate and to have had no experience of political office, or of much outside family life, since she left her life as a cowherder's daughter to marry Yadav at age 14. As the head of government of one of India's biggest states, she automatically became one of the country's most watched political figures.

Because he won a last-minute injunction against imprisonment from India's Supreme Court, Yadav was still around in Patna, the Bihar capital, as his wife stumbled through the first days of her tenure over the weekend.

Indian newspaper accounts told of Ms. Devi sweating profusely, walking in an apparent daze and appealing desperately to her husband for help when approached by reporters. At one point, Yadav told the reporters that they should not worry. "I will train her in two days," he said.

The same accounts said that words appeared to fail Ms. Devi when reporters approached her after her swearing-in Friday in Patna, where she signed official documents with her thumbprint. The reporters asked about her plans for the state.

Yadav, at her side, was said to have prompted her to repeat the slogans that he has used to build up a following among Bihar's poor, among whom Yadav has achieved an almost messiah-like status. "Tell them, 'I will provide food, clothing and shelter for the poor, and I will work for social justice,'" he said.

When Ms. Devi remained silent and reporters asked the question again, Ms. Devi was reported to have responded, using the term widely used in India for men of status, "Please don't ask me. Ask the sahib."

She then confessed that what she hoped to do was to continue caring for the couple's nine children and to keep up with her cooking, leaving matters of state to Yadav. He has said that he will follow the lead of other imprisoned Indian politicians and use a mobile phone from jail to continue running the state.

Yadav's attempts to escape the law — he has been named as one of the principal conspirators in an alleged scam that created fictional livestock herds at state-owned farms and billed the state for 20 years for their upkeep — have come at a sensitive juncture for India's national pride.

The country is preparing to mark 50 years since its independence at midnight on Aug. 14, 1947, and many Indians are taking the anniversary as an occasion to assess the country's progress toward fulfilling ideals set forth by independence leaders like Mohandas K. Gandhi.

Newspapers greeted the Bihar developments with front-page editorials that described them as the culmination of trends that have subverted much that Gandhi represented. The Times of India, noting that Yadav came close to being chosen prime minister in the maneuvering that followed the inconclusive general election in May 1996, described the Bihar leader as "the man who has come to symbolize corruption and degeneration of the political system."

It added that, "The 50th anniversary of India's independence can be better observed by freeing the nation from the Laloos of the land than garlanding Mahatma Gandhi's statues."

Other commentaries saw an element of tragedy in the disgrace of Yadav, who changed the pattern of politics here by founding a political movement built on low-caste votes.

While other "casteist" politicians preceded him, Yadav was the most effective in recent times in building a following among the poor. While his success has been widely emulated, few have had his political flair.

On one occasion, he responded to a village woman's complaint about water shortages by taking a fire engine to her village and amusing residents by hosing them down.

"The end had to come, but it is difficult to join those who are gloating over his exit," The Asian Age said in an editorial on Yadav. "With his exit, the faceless voiceless masses have lost a champion who could have changed their destinies. Now, the smear campaign that a person of low caste can never be trusted in a position of power has begun."

Like many other Indian politicians who have been indicted for corruption but avoided coming to trial, Yadav has set his hopes on the courts, which will rule early next month on a bail petition.

But he has already inflicted damage on his political allies, particularly Gujral. His three-month-old tenure as head of the 15-party coalition in New Delhi has been undermined by allegations that he failed to use his powers as prime minister to dismiss Yadav, as Bihar's chief minister, waiting until events took their own course with Yadav resigning ahead of his expected arrest.

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Background checks OK'd in Arkansas

The decision by the U.S. Supreme court in which it struck down a federal law requiring background checks on gun purchases did not preclude states from conducting the checks individually if they choose to do so.

So ruled the Arkansas attorney general's office Friday, a move that drew praise from U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno who said the decision "will mean safer streets for all Americans since illicit guns travel nationwide."

In the ruling Arkansas Attorney General Winston Bryant said state police were permitted to conduct the checks despite the action of the court.

Hopefully, more states will follow Arkansas' lead. The ruling there also said the recent high court decision did not end the federal requirement that federally licensed firearms dealers collect and report information regarding handgun buyers to authorities or eliminate a five-day waiting period for authorities to check the buyers' criminal past.

There is no threat to legitimate firearms owners by making prudent checks on those who wish to possess weapons. If they have no criminal record there is no impediment to their purchasing firearms. Only those whose backgrounds give reason for suspicion have any reason for concern.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Media friendly Congress allows power abuse

WASHINGTON — The use of government power to remain in power is an abuse of power. That insult to democracy was the essence of the Watergate scandal a generation ago and is at the core of today's campaign finance scandal.

Safire

In the same way, the broadcast media's use of their power to protect themselves from competition and to enrich themselves at public expense is an abuse of media power.

This week, we are seeing (though not on television) the broadcast lobby's triumph in Congress. Behind closed doors of House-Senate conferences, finishing touches are being put on the most blatant example of corporate welfare: the multibillion-dollar giveaway of our digital airwaves.

Because TV stations dictate local coverage, the broadcast lobby strikes bipartisan terror in officeholders' hearts. Fearful of the value put on channels by the recent auctions of parts of the spectrum, the broadcasters' trade association and its 10 major players hired 174 registered lobbyists, from Tommy Boggs and Ann Richards on the left to Haley Barbour and Tom Korologos on the right.

To such skilled persuasion, add cold cash: In the past two years, according to the Center for Public Integrity, this portion of the lobby's "spectrum grabbers" donated $7.6 million to federal campaigns and party committees.

This week's payoff is sweet. Broadcasters who already have been given, at no cost, a monopoly to broadcast on an old, analogue frequency are being given — free — six channels on the high-definition, digital spectrum that belongs to the public. No other lobby in this budget-balancing era can proudly point to such a taxpayer ripoff, worth billions. It's like giving Yellowstone National Park to timber companies.

To justify this historic heist, the lobby and its wholly owned subsidiary, Rep. Billy Tauzin, piously claim to be merely making sure that owners of present-day sets get today's fuzzy signals a decade from now. In that way, broadcasters would keep their original channel so long as 1 set owner in 20 doesn't convert — which means forever.

With Bob Dole replaced as majority leader by broadcaster-friendly Trent Lott, one lone senator tried to resist the giveaway. John McCain, R-Ariz., was flattened by the broadcast lobby's steamroller; as he puts it, "my record on this is unblemished by victory."

McCain is becoming the patron saint of mavericks. By pushing for liability reform, he invites the fury of the trial lawyers' lobby; by sponsoring campaign finance reform, he irritates GOP pols; by attacking the ethanol subsidy, he hurts his chances in an Iowa caucus; and by resisting the thundering herd of broadcast lobbyists — 29 from CBS alone — he jeopardizes the television exposure needed for any national campaign.

"What troubles me," McCain says, "is that the voters never got a clear picture of this give-away on television. 'The Fleecing of America,' 'It's Your Money' — where were they?"

The only spectrum piece I saw on NBC ridiculed the failure of one auction, with no reference to the many other public auctions of licenses that tripled expectations.

Reed Hundt, outgoing chairman of the Federal Communications Commission — a Gore man, but market-oriented — has been against giving the broadcasting moguls a free ride into the financial future. "It's bad enough that broadcasters are being given both digital and analogue channels in perpetuity, without paying money or in-kind," he says. "Worse is that there have been no major televised discussions of the issue. The number one missing piece in the puzzle is, why wasn't this story about TV covered on TV?"

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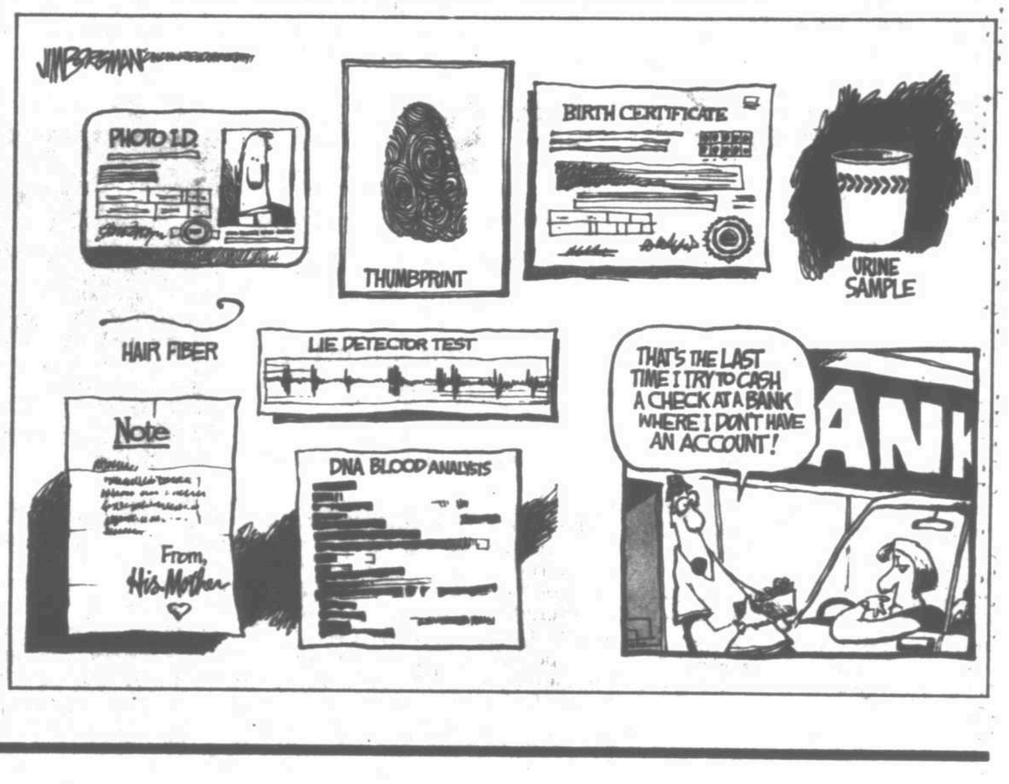

ANOTHER VIEW

Congress fails to keep environmental promises

As part of their budget agreement with President Clinton last May, Republican leaders in Congress pledged to provide funds to protect several particularly vulnerable pieces of the American landscape from further degradation. They would give Clinton enough money to carry forward the largest environmental rescue operation ever undertaken — the restoration of Florida's Everglades. They would also approve generous funds for federal land acquisition that would allow Clinton to purchase a potentially ruinous gold mining operation near Yellowstone National Park and to acquire California's Headwaters Redwood Grove from a private lumber company.

So far, Congress has not lived up to its end of the bargain. This puts a special obligation on senior Republicans like Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and Sen. Pete Domenici, who helped negotiate the budget deal, to remind their colleagues that their party may suffer if they break good-faith commitments. It also means that the administration cannot relax its vigil. Indeed, Clinton might think about threatening to veto any spending bills that do not contain the promised funds — a weapon he used to good effect in the last Congress when Republican conservatives tried to dynamite the country's basic environmental laws.

The Yellowstone and Headwaters projects are especially at risk. The House has refused to provide a penny of the $700 million in extra money promised for land acquisitions, including $65 million for the mine and $250 million for the redwoods. The Senate appropriations committee approved the $700 million but then added a caveat that could doom the Yellowstone and Headwaters purchases. The purchases cannot be consummated, it said, until Congress passes separate legislation specifically authorizing them. That would throw the matter back to the Senate's Energy and Natural Resources Committee, which is full of people eager to deny the president an environmental triumph.

The truth is that no separate authorizing legislation is required. The Interior Department and the Forest Service, which would carry out the deals, have pre-existing authority to make the acquisitions as long as the money is there. Lott and Domenici must see this mischievous and unnecessary language for what it is — an opening for anti-conservationist Republicans to torpedo Clinton — and make sure it is removed when the bill comes to a floor vote.

The news about the Everglades is much better, at least so far. The appropriations committees in both houses have provided full funding for the Interior Department's Everglades Restoration Fund — a $100 million program aimed primarily at creating buffer zones between the Everglades and two of its greatest threats, the agricultural regions to the north and the exploding urban populations to the east. This is only a small down payment on the federal share of a restoration effort that may eventually cost $3 billion to $5 billion. But it is an important start.

At the same time, however, both the Senate and House have denied the administration more than half the $120 million it requested for restoration projects to be undertaken by the Army Corps of Engineers in South Florida. The corps plans a massive replumbing project aimed at replicating the historic flow of clean water from Lake Okeechobee southward to the Everglades and Florida Bay. This is a vital part of the overall scheme and for that reason was specifically promised in the budget agreement. To honor their word, Lott, Domenici and their counterparts on the House side should make sure that these funds are restored.

The Republicans keep saying that they want to spruce up their environmental credentials. Breaking pledges on matters of transcendent interest to environmentalists is not the way to go about it.

—The New York Times

CAL THOMAS

Hate toward Jews rages on, still ignored

Let us imagine that a prominent American evangelist held a prayer meeting at which he called upon God to kill his enemies and suggested that his followers might wish to help the Almighty achieve that objective. Not much time would elapse before he would be denounced in every newspaper and magazine and by everyone with access to a microphone and a TV camera. There could be serious legal implications, especially if he was taken at his word and people were killed.

Thomas

So how come the world is silent following a July 11 prayer by the Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine at the Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem? Sheikh Ekrima Sabri (a Yasser Arafat appointee) prayed, "Oh Allah, destroy America, for she is ruled by Zionist Jews .... Allah will paint the White House black .... The Muslims say to Britain, to France and to all the infidel nations that Jerusalem is Arab. We shall not respect anyone else's wishes regarding her. The only relevant part is the Islamic nation, which will not allow infidel nations to interfere .... The homes the Jews are building will become Arab property, with Allah's help ...."

The Mufti went on to proclaim that "Allah shall take revenge on behalf of his prophet against the colonialist settlers who are the sons of monkeys and pigs, who sought to harm your sanctity."

The Mufti's prayer is being answered, if not by Allah, then by those who believe they are doing Allah's will. It is why the so-called "peace process" is a complete failure as far as Israel's peace and security are concerned. But that doesn't stop the West, particularly the United States, from continuing to push Israel toward political and actual suicide.

Since mid-June there have been 24 days of rioting in Hebron alone. Israel was pressured into ceding Hebron to the Palestinian authority under the misguided belief that the more land Israel gives up, the closer to peace it gets. Some peace. Palestinians have thrown more than 600 Molotov firebombs at Israeli troops and Jewish men, women and children. They also tossed several dozen acid bombs and 13 explosive devices, as well as directing live gunfire at Israelis. Not a peep from those who regularly criticize Israel for anything and everything.

Last Monday (July 21), the Israeli government issued a welcome and detailed 35-page report assessing Israeli and Palestinian compliance with the Hebron accord, signed last January.

The report notes complete Israeli compliance with the accord, from the beginning of troop redeployment, to the release of Palestinian women prisoners, the resumption of negotiations with the Palestinian Authority (PA) and an offer to resume final status talks.

According to the report, the PA has violated the fundamental security provisions of the Hebron accord. The Palestinian police, rather than containing disturbances, organized riots in Hebron in March and April and again in June and July, failing even to contain Palestinians who surged toward the Jewish quarter. The report discovered that, in many cases, the PA paid youths for taking part in riots and attacking Israeli soldiers. The PA has deployed 1,500 policemen in Hebron, nearly four times the 400 allowed, and it has armed them with weapons forbidden by the agreement.

The government report also notes that the PA has failed to fulfill any of its four obligations: amending the covenant that calls for the destruction of Israel, combating terror, reducing the size of its police force and restricting its governmental activity to areas under its control.

Still, pressure continues from the Clinton Administration and anti-Israeli forces inside the State Department under the totally misplaced faith that only what Israel does or doesn't do determines whether genuine peace is achieved. In these matters, more attention should be paid to the Mufti of Jerusalem and those who act on his prayers than to those in the West who seek to prey on Israel and the Jewish people's right to live safely and securely in their ancient homeland.

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WILLIAM MURCHISON

Americans need more than a lower estate tax

The anti-Gingrich coup having been duly squashed and the rebels' backsides spanked smartly, could we, uh, maybe, hope a Republican House will do something Republican?

Murchison

How about cutting taxes? How about — to get down to cases — cutting estate taxes?

In truth, there's plenty for Congress to do. Why do estate taxes come to mind? Because of their injustice and stupidity. Did our Republican friends go to Washington to battle injustice and stupidity? Here's a chance.

Estate taxes are on the agenda — and rightly so. Under House and Senate proposals, the estate exemption — now $600,000 — would rise to $1 million over 10 years. A second $1 million exemption proposed in the Senate legislation would benefit family-held businesses and farms.

Anything wrong here? Yes: the Republican Congress' niggardliness, its timidity. Why raise the exemption on a tax that should be bopped on the head and tossed into the Potomac? We don't want a lower estate tax. We want NO estate tax.

The Republican majority used to agree. Boy, did it agree! Speaker Newt Gingrich talked of its eradication.

Then up went the Democratic howls. Why, we couldn't possibly do this. The Awful Rich (who never seem to have much to do with the Hollywood moguls and Asian tycoons so helpful to the Democratic Party) would benefit.

To which the appropriate response is: Horsefeathers! No economic analysis of which I am aware supports the propriety of estate taxes. Here is the National Center for Policy Analysis on the subject:

■ The estate and gift tax is the federal government's least significant revenue source. In fiscal year 1997, it is expected to raise just $17 billion — 1.1 percent of total federal revenue.

■ However, ... the tax is ... very significant economically ... it wastes resources. It discourages work, saving and investment. And it does virtually nothing to equalize the distribution of wealth.

The truth is, the very rich successfully avoid the worst consequences of the tax through devices like life insurance trusts, charitable remainder trusts and generation-skipping trusts.

Who gets hit the hardest? Frequently, says NCPA, those with recently acquired modest wealth: farmers, small businessmen and the like. A recent survey showed that due to the estate tax, 51 percent of small family businesses would have difficulty surviving if the principal owner died.

A fairness issue is likewise at stake. Most of this supposed wealth has been taxed already. The only virtue in re-taxing it lies in the government's power to rough up people the government, for political reasons, doesn't like: those who work hard and save (and, by their working and saving, support the government that detests them).

All of which Mr. Gingrich knows. All of which Dick Armey, professional economist as he is, knows with more than usual clarity. Why not get rid of the tax? Because of the panty-waist inclinations of today's GOP, which can't bear hearing Democrats say mean things about its inclinations and associations. The wimps of the GOP pull back again and again rather than go for what's right.

Last week's squashed coup against Mr. Gingrich had to do with this dreaded propensity — and so did the coup's failure.

These would-be Macbeths, though able to appreciate the consequences of an incoherent agenda, couldn't screw their courage to the sticking point and give Duncan the heave-ho. They backed off and, in backing, made themselves laughable.

The continuance of the estate tax is one, and far from the meanest, example of the Republican Party's failure to attack entrenched collectivism — and explain the attack clearly to the voting public.

Will this be the last such retreat? Maybe. But so may rabbits by late tomorrow afternoon start growing fangs and hooves.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, July 29, the 210th day of 1997. There are 155 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 29, 1981, Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London.

On this date:

In 1890, artist Vincent van Gogh died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Auvers, France.

In 1914, transcontinental telephone service began with the first phone conversation between New York and San Francisco.

Weld provided Massachusetts with years of improvisational theater

By Scot LeHigh
N.Y. Times News Service

■ News analysis

BOSTON — In an era when political acts often become practiced and predictable, Bill Weld provided Massachusetts with 6 1/2 years of improvisational theater that never grew stale.

One of his very first moves as a gubernatorial candidate was a study in the unorthodox style he would make his own: Teaming up with state Senator Paul Cellucci to run as Republican team in 1990. Still, though they governed almost as equals, there was no doubt which of the two kept the crowd rapt.

It wasn't always that way. The governor now thought of as endearingly quirky took a while to catch on. In his first campaign, a bid for attorney general in 1978, Weld carried only Mount Washington and Dover. And even after Weld's five years service as US attorney, in the 1990 gubernatorial race, relatively few thought he could beat Democratic nominee John Silber, whose grim, Gatlin-gun style and relentless will had clearly rattled his Democratic rivals. Indeed, one of the few who believed Weld was the intellectual or political equal of the Boston University president was a certain insouciant redheaded resident of Fayerweather Street.

Until their first 1990 debate, that is. Despite Weld's Harvard, Harvard Law, and Oxford pedigree, the debate was billed as a mismatch between a didact and a dilettante. In fact, the tough televised give-and-take established Weld as Silber's substantive and political equal, and showed him as a puckish and personable alternative to the dyspeptic Democrat.

Playing off Silber's reported contention that beavers created so many new wetlands that preserving them wasn't a worry, Weld queried: "Would you tell us, doctor, what plans, if any, you have for the preservation of open space in Massachusetts other than leave it to beavers?"

Voters would see the same rhetorical twinkle again and again once Weld was elected. After the new governor recalled the House in 1991, only to have them ignore a tax-cutting priority, Weld rejoined: "You can lead the House to order, but you can't make it think." In the heat of a 1996 US Senate debate, when incumbent John Kerry pledged that if he did any negative advertising, he himself would appear on screen to make those criticisms, Weld pricked Kerry's solemn bubble by quipping: "That's 'cuz you're so handsome."

It was during that same campaign that Weld celebrated passages of the rivers bill with a sudden dive into the Charles River.

Even his critics acknowledged his penchant for fun.

"Bill Weld has treated his tenure as governor as sort of a Hasty Pudding production," said Democratic consultant Mary Anne Marsh. "Who was the last governor who took a dive into the Charles?"

Weld could laugh at himself just as easily. Former Senate President William M. Bulger remembers needling him mercilessly one night before a Clover Club audience, then, feeling rueful, starting to apologize the next day.

"He said, 'Oh, don't start that, you'll take all the fun out of this business,'" Bulger recalls.

If Weld was amusing, he was also colorful. "He has a good sense of humor, he obviously is an incredibly smart human being, and his language is completely unusual," said Democratic strategist John Marttila.

Whereas his predecessor spoke in cautious, qualified shades of gray, Weld-Speak was a burst of technicolor. A Weld press conference was a place where a governor didn't say no to new borrowing, he brought the portcullis down on the idea; where fiscal proposals were evaluated as to whether "they reduced the size of the beast"; where a hoped-for federal largesse was "a gooney bird descending from the sky," where the governor denied political responsibility by saying, "I don't they'll be able to park that hearse at my door," and where differences were estimated by the amount of "open water" that lay between Weld and the Democrats or whether the two sides were "within hailing distance."

They usually were. Weld was unbending on only one principle — no new taxes, no ifs, ands, or buts — but was a pragmatist ready, willing, and able to barter on most everything else.

Nor was he troubled by inconsistencies. During the 1990 campaign, candidate Weld had cast Bulger as a mail-fisted martinet ruling a shadowy patronage empire and called for his ouster. Thus it confounded reporters when after about a year in office, Weld showed up for lunch quoting the Senate president as though he were Dr. Johnson himself.

Republican conservatives, suspicious of Weld since he resigned in ethical protest from Ed Meese's Justice Department in 1988, were dismayed when Weld became one of the star attraction at Bulger's St. Patrick's Day breakfast — and further outraged when he showed up in South Boston to campaign with Bulger, jokingly introducing himself as Bulger's campaign manager. "He was a crack study at making alliances," said former Senate Minority Leader David Locke of Wellesley. "He got elected running against Bulger, and the next thing you know, they had become fast friends."

If Weld alienated the conservatives cadre who had help turn the state's once-mighty Republican Party into a political disaster area, his curious blend of politics — conservative on crime and welfare and taxes, moderate on spending, liberal on abortion and gay rights — worked well in a state where the largest group of voters call themselves independent.

Nor did the burdens of the Corner Office seemed to weigh particularly heavy on him. In contrast to Michael S. Dukakis, who, after losing the 1988 presidential campaign, showed up the next morning for work at the State House, Weld liked his free time. While slashing the budget, furloughing state workers, and dismantling General Relief, he found time for his twice-weekly squash games, blithely unbothered by symbolism that made his advisers wince. But if critics charged that Weld was an indolent elitist who had little understanding of the plight of the poor, the charge never resonated with Massachusetts voters, who returned him to office in 1994 with 71 percent of the vote.

Indeed, Weld's style kept him phenomenally popular even after his failed 1996 campaign against Kerry.

Top Air Force general asks to step down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Air Force Chief of Staff Ronald Fogleman said Monday he would retire a year early, a move he had warned he would take if U.S. officers were held accountable for the terrorist blast that killed 19 airmen in Saudi Arabia.

Defense Secretary William Cohen said in an interview that he had been prepared for Fogleman's resignation and added, "I've never responded to pressure from anyone."

In the interview with The Associated Press, Cohen said he would announce later this week whether he would punish anyone in connection with the June 25, 1996, Khobar Towers bombing. "No final decision has been made at all," he said.

Pentagon officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Fogleman took the dramatic step for a variety of reasons but clearly intended to signal that he believed Brig. Gen. Terryl J. Schwalier, commander of the air base where the attack occurred, should not be punished for an event beyond his control.

Cohen, asked about the situation, noted that talk of Fogleman's stand had circulated around the Pentagon for some time. He said he was prepared for Fogleman's move and was ready to name a successor "fairly soon."

"This didn't put me in a corner," he said. "I don't think any secretary of defense should ever be put in a position where he or she would have to make a decision based on whether an officer would stay or go."

In a statement, Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall said she had accepted Fogleman's decision "with regret." She thanked him and his wife "for their many years of faithful and dedicated service. ... He will be greatly missed."

Fogleman is the first chief of staff to step down voluntarily in midterm.

There are several senior Air Force officers who may be in a position to replace him: Gen. Eugene Habiger, head of the U.S. Strategic Command in Omaha, Neb.; Gen. Walter Cross, head of the U.S. Transportation Command; Gen. Michael Ryan, head of U.S. Air Forces Europe, and Gen. Richard Myers, commander U.S. Air Forces Pacific.

The Air Force celebrated its 50th anniversary this year and Fogleman, 56, is the 16th general to serve as chief of staff. He has served three of the four years in a normal term.

Fogleman told Widnall he wants to retire as soon as possible and not later than Sept. 1, one official said.

During his tenure, the stocky, blunt-spoken general became known as an outspoken advocate of air power and the Air Force's ability to conduct warfare around the globe and even in space, should that become necessary.

Shortly after he succeeded Gen. Merrill McPeak in October 1994, Fogleman began to advocate that Air Force personnel take a new look at matters of character and personal responsibility.

In 1995, he was dubbed the "accountability general" after he grounded five officers and imposed administrative penalties on several others for their role in the shoot-down over Iraq of two Army Black Hawk helicopters.

Twenty-six people were killed when two F-15s monitoring the post-Gulf War "no-fly zone" attacked the choppers, which were flying on a diplomatic mission.

Fogleman also ordered the Air Force's 380,000 men and women to view a video he'd made stressing what he called his three core values — "integrity, service above self and excellence in everything you do."

He also made fairly significant changes in performance reports for officers and enlisted personnel.

And reversing a decision of McPeak's, Fogleman restored the U.S. insignia to all uniform lapels and allowed officers to again wear their rank on their shoulders, rather than on the sleeves, Navy-style.

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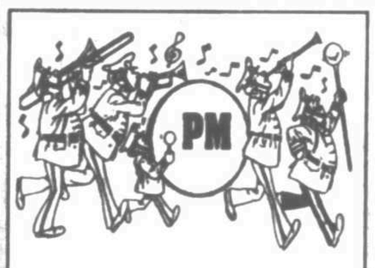
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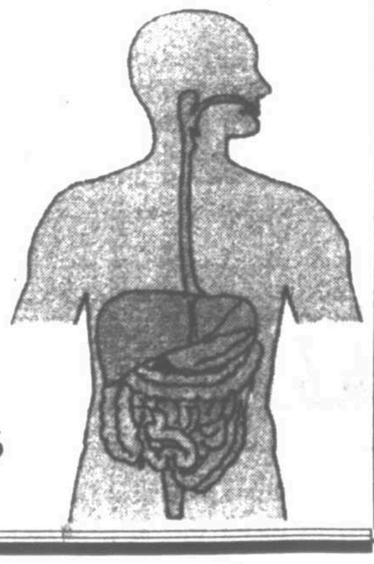
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Bill would aid families of air crash victims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Families of the victims of TWA Flight 800 and other aviation disasters could win larger monetary awards to compensate for the loss of their loved ones under a bill the House passed Monday.

The measure would permit families to seek compensatory and punitive damages in state court. It also would allow those relatives who aren't economically dependent upon the victim to seek redress too.

The bill would apply to plane crashes on or after Jan. 1, 1995 — including the explosion of TWA Flight 800. Federal officials are still trying to figure out what caused the Paris-bound jetliner to erupt off the coast of Long Island, N.Y., last July, killing all 230 people on board.

The measure was approved by a voice vote and moves to the Senate.

Sponsors of the bill said current law is inadequate because it treats airplane mishaps in international waters differently from those on land.

"With this legislation, we will ensure that all families will be treated the same regardless of whether a plane crashes in the ocean or on land," said Rep. John Duncan Jr., R-Tenn.

"The value of an individual's life does not change depending on where the plane happens to come down," added Rep. William Lipinski, D-Ill.

Rep. Joseph McDade, R-Pa., introduced the bill less than one month ago. He represents Montoursville, Pa., the home of 21 high school French club members and chaperones who perished in the unsolved aviation disaster.

Airline disasters over international waters are governed by a 77-year-old maritime law that allows only for economic damages, such as lost wages. Families receive almost no compensation in the event of a child's death when the mishap occurs in water.

But the law permits compensatory damages if a plane crashes on land.

This month, families of some of the TWA victims made an emotional plea for changes before a House Transportation subcommittee. They said all the victims — children, retired adults and unemployed spouses — are valuable even though they weren't the primary breadwinners in their families.

The bill would add the maritime law to the list of statutes that, under the Federal Aviation Act, don't apply to aviation matters.

Two Marines killed in helicopter crash

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — The bodies of two Marine aviators were found in the Atlantic Ocean on Monday after their attack helicopter crashed during a training exercise.

The two-person AH-1W Cobra went down Sunday night seven miles southeast of New River Inlet.

Killed were Capt. Clark A. Cox, 32, of Iowa City, Iowa, and Capt. Jerrell H. Boggan, 30, of Haskell, Okla.

The cause of the crash was under investigation.

Teachers worry about handling students' medical needs

■ More national news/6B

WASHINGTON (AP) — When a mother told teacher Joel J. Knox to "considerably" increase the medication he administered to control her 9-year-old son's seizures, Knox wanted to verify the dosage with the boy's doctor.

But the physician couldn't be reached, and the mother was adamant, so the Merced, Calif., special education teacher followed her instructions. The boy suffered an overdose and had to be hospitalized.

Across the country, teachers like Knox say they are frustrated by growing obligations to provide medical care for children with conditions ranging from asthma and attention deficit problems to more serious disorders such as cerebral palsy and spina bifida.

No fatal or permanently damaging incident has come to public attention. But teachers worry about being accountable if serious harm comes to a child. The worry and care also distract from teaching, they say.

The situation has intensified as federal law has led more and more children with serious medical needs to attend regular public schools.

At the same time, not every school has a nurse. The number of fulltime nurses ranges from 30,000 to 40,000 for about 85,000 public school buildings, according to estimates.

That means teachers, aides, administrators and even secretaries often feed children through tubes, help them urinate with catheters or make sure that "traches" — breathing tubes in throats — are clear.

Employees with various levels of training often hand out prescription drugs, give asthma treatments and test diabetic children's blood sugar levels. Some give insulin shots.

With the confusing array of tasks, it's hard to sort out who can safely do what. In 1990, a group of teachers unions, school nurses and the Council for Exceptional Children, which represents disabled children, issued some guidelines.

In Jefferson County, Ky., for example, school officials follow the guidance of a nurses' board when deciding whether a teacher or other employee can be asked to do a job, says Charlesetta Mayfield, the district's health coordinator.

"When we asked staff persons to perform anything, we made sure we had a health-trained person to train them," she said.

But that provided little comfort to Ann Thiemann, a high school teacher who was told to be prepared to clean the trache of a 9th grader if he became so choked he couldn't do it himself.

Thiemann refused. Her classroom had no phone or button to call for help in an emergency, nor equipment for suctioning.

"What do you do with a child who is choking to death who has a permanent trache in a class of 30 kids?" she said.

Two of five teachers assigned to the 9th grade eventually agreed to the training. But that offered even less solace.

"If the kid is choking to death, by the time I send my swiftest child to get the other teacher who is way at the other end of the school, it would have still fallen back on me," Thiemann said. "I really was uncomfortable being responsible for his physical life."

Fear permeates even the experienced. Although union-represented teachers and other employees typically have $1 million in liability coverage, it's not always clear when they're protected.

"If I train somebody, I'm saying they're competent to do that," said Rosemary Berckes, a registered nurse assigned to five school buildings in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. If someone makes an error, "Then I'm hauled in."

Susan Gray, a special education teacher from near Anniston, Ala., spent four days this year accompanying a girl with spina bifida on a Washington field trip.

"I was totally in charge of her," she recalled. That meant tending to needs such as diaper changes and catheterization.

The whole time, Gray hoped nothing would go wrong. "That was very scary," she said. "Her parents could have easily sued me."

A few states have tackled the issue. Iowa protects teachers' rights to refuse such assignments.

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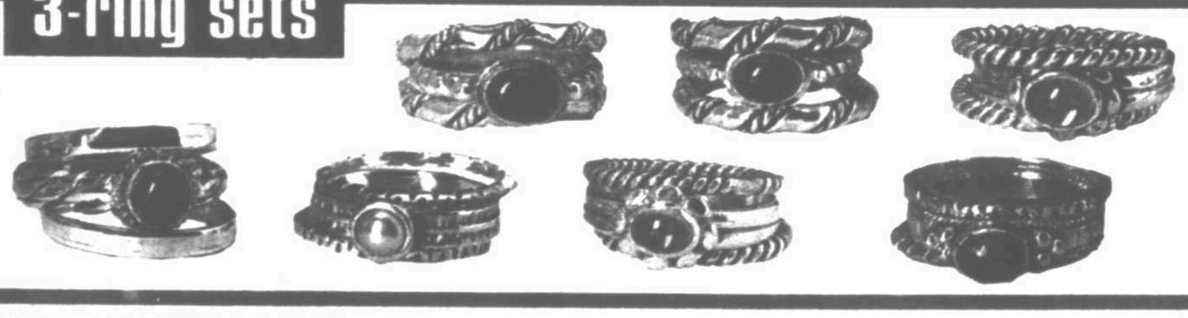
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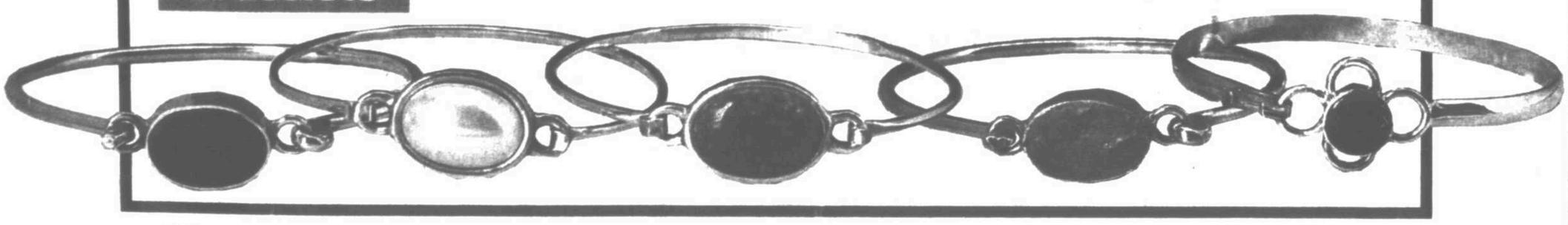
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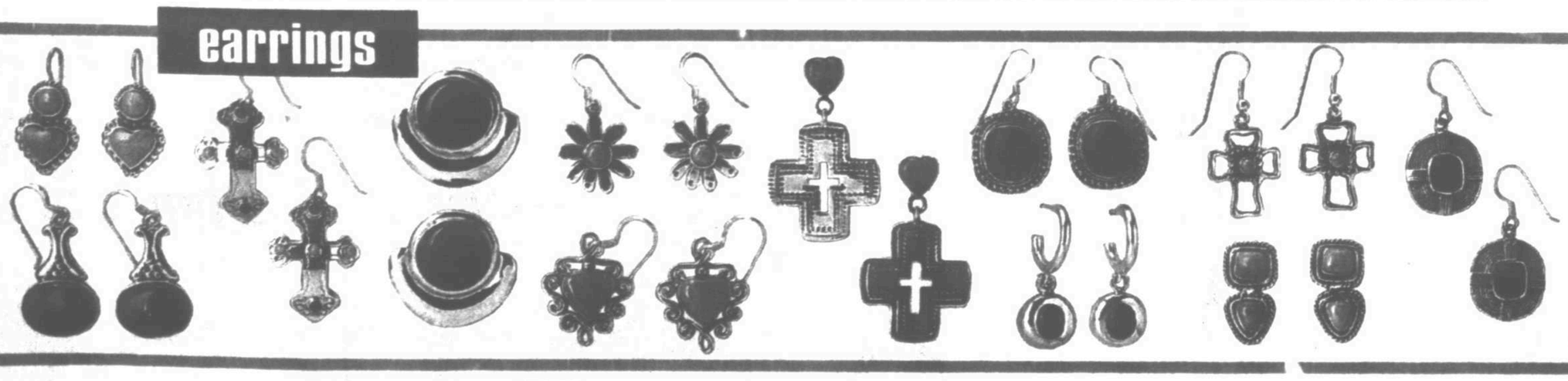
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Jury finds local man guilty of evasion

Sentencing to begin today for man stopped with ROT license plates

By Alice Ashmore
Staff Writer

A Midland man who was stopped while driving a vehicle with Republic of Texas plates will be sentenced today for evading detention.

A two-man, four-woman jury found Thomas David Gipson, 45, guilty of evading detention, a class "A" misdemeanor. If given the maximum sentence, Gipson faces up to one year in jail and a $4,000 fine.

"I fully expect to be railroaded into jail and to face the maximum fine," Gipson told the court during a pretrial hearing Monday. "Information has been leaked from this courthouse that Thomas Gipson is going to be taken care of by county officials," he said.

The Midland County Court-at-Law jury deliberated about a half hour before finding Gipson guilty.

In closing arguments, Assistant County Attorney Bob Stevens told jurors, "This is not a political trial — I do not want you to convict him because of his political views.

Gipson did not enter a plea, but rather said, "I deny being the person named on the complaint." He said he was not the person named because the name on the charge was in all capital letters.

Judge Al Walvoord said, "I'll take that to be a not guilty."

The charges arose out of a February incident when Midland police Officer Kenneth Callahan spotted Gipson driving a white pickup with unfamiliar plates at the intersection of Midland Drive and Cuthbert Avenue.

"It was a different license plate — one I had never seen before," Callahan said. "I assumed it was from out of state."

Callahan testified Monday that he activated the patrol car's "wig wag" headlights and overhead flashing lights when he was a car length behind the pickup.

"The vehicle continued on for several blocks," Callahan said. "There was no altercation."

He said that Gipson drove on to his residence at 4700 Country Club, got out of his car and walked into his garage. Callahan said he radioed for back-up and called for

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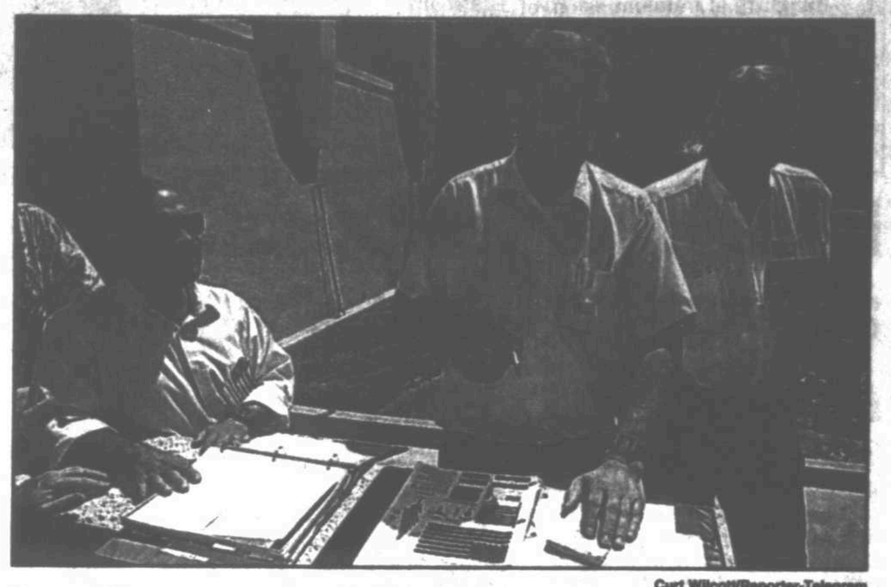

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Thomas Gipson, in the middle, uses a copy of the U.S. Constitution and a military book on flags to explain his position that illegal flags are being used by a county judge. To his right is Saul Saldana and to his left is Junior Smith.

BASIN BRIEFING

Festival

The final Summer in the City event for 1997 will be "Fiesta Midland!" from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Centennial Plaza. Young entertainers, a Tejano band, lowrider cars, and an art demonstration will be part of the program. The evening begins with the Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland, featuring dancers ages 3-10 performing traditional Mexican folk dances. They will be followed by the Tejano band Groupo Firme, which includes musicians Rob Banda, Rico Enriquez, Frank Flores, Chris Otera and Ben Ozuna. In addition, young singer Danielle Borrega will also perform. Ann Elise McCoy will demonstrate her artwork. She studied at Midland College and Louisiana Tech and is a signature member of the Texas Watercolor Society and the Purple Sagebrush Society. She is past president of the Midland Arts Association. Summer in the City is presented by Texas Best, a nonprofit corporation. The activities are free and open to the public. For additional information, call 687-1149.

TODAY'S AGENDA

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

Sack Lunch/Parent Education Mtg. for answers and information, Alamo library, 12-1 p.m.

Midland Chess Club, 7 p.m., Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital.

Batterers Anonymous Support Group, 6:30-8 p.m., 689-8428.

Battered Women's support group, 6:45 p.m., 683-1300 or 1-800-967-8928.

Tx TOPS Morning Chapter, 8:30 a.m., Grace Presbyterian Church.

Morning Lions Club, 6:45 a.m., Carrows Restaurant, 2201 W. Wall St.

Pop-Up Toasters, 6:30 a.m., Kay Sutton Realtors, 702 Andrews Highway, 694-4271 or 694-3716.

Midland West Rotary Club, noon, Furrs Cafeteria.

Midland Chapter No. 253, OES, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, 8 p.m., at the Aerie Home, behind Rogers Ford, 697-3131.

Licensed Vocational Nurses Assoc., 7:30 a.m., Trinity Towers.

Ranchland Hills Ladies Association, 7 p.m., Couples Bridge, RHCC.

Toastmistress Club 7:30 p.m., Memorial Christian Church.

55-Plus Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., Downtown Lions building, 694-3422.

Golden Park Independent Retirement Community, 3100 W. Kansas Ave., 699-0914; Senior Citizens Brunch, 10:30 a.m.

Midland County Young Democrats, 5:30-6:30 p.m., 3802 Avondale Dr., 684-5548 or 694-4152.

Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Guadalupe, #9215, 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall, Cherry Lane & Tyler St.

Midland County Child Welfare Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., Department of Human Services, 2301 N. Big Spring St., 683-5411.

ACOA non-smoking, 8 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish Hall.

AlphaOmega Group, 8 a.m., 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite C-41.

Bellydancing classes 7-8 p.m., Hawaiian/Tahitian classes 8-9 p.m., 520-4852 or 694-2250

Study Club, 7:30 p.m., Unity Church of West Texas, 210 E. 12th St., Odessa, 332-5890.

Schizophrenics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Glenwood Hospital.

Healthy Alternatives: ADD, 7 p.m., 711 W. Indiana Ave., 570-0272.

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A day in the life of Kathleen Pickering

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Kathleen Pickering is a nail technician at the Cut Above beauty salon.

Nail technician has hands-on approach to job

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

She can guarantee a better-looking set of hands in less than an hour.

Meet nail technician Kathleen Pickering, who for the past five years has brought luxury to the fingertips of her clients in just a snap.

Almost six years ago, Ms. Pickering decided on a career as a manicurist after her son, now 5 years old, was born.

"I was a single parent, and had to do something to make a living," she said. "An acquaintance's mother did nails, and it seemed like something I wanted to do."

After taking classes at Odessa College, Ms. Pickering landed her first job in Monahans. Now she is self-employed, which she said is her favorite part of the job.

"I can take off when my son is sick, or go do what I have to do without anyone's permission," she said. "I can base my appointments around what is important to me."

Ms. Pickering's day usually starts at about 9 a.m. She gets to the Cut Above salon, sets up her supplies and waits

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Group praises local firms for helping MHCC

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

TU Electric and a local optometrist garnered statewide recognition over the weekend for their work with the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Earlier this year, TU Electric and Maria Ceballos had been recognized by the Midland Hispanic Chamber on a local level with the "1997 Corporation of the Year" and "1997 Businesswoman of the Year" awards, explained David Diaz, director of the local Hispanic Chamber.

"We turn around and submit those same nominees on a statewide level," Diaz said.

At the statewide convention of TAMACC (Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce) in Corpus Christi, Ms. Ceballos and TU were also chosen as the Businesswoman of the Year and Corporation of the Year for the entire state, Diaz said.

"Four awards are given out at each convention," Diaz said. They also include Businessman of the Year and Small Chamber of the Year, he said.

"And we were fortunate enough to receive two of the four," Diaz said.

Ms. Ceballos is the sole proprietor of Master Eye Associates in the Midland Park Mall and has been active on many levels within the local chamber.

Of the more than 20 eye clinics in the area, Ms. Ceballos' is the only one operated by a Hispanic person, according to the chamber's submission to the state conference.

She opened the business in 1995 and has already become successful in that endeavor while still finding time to involve herself in the community, Diaz explained.

"She has been a member of our Chamber since she opened her business and has served as a volunteer in the Women's Department, awards and scholarship committees," Chamber officials wrote of Ms. Ceballos.

TAMACC is composed of 27 Hispanic chambers of commerce across the state, and these conventions are held annually, he said.

TU Electric and its Midland employees have been active in the Hispanic Chamber for many years, he said.

"TU has provided a lot of manpower and financial support for our various projects that we have throughout the year," Diaz said.

Three local TU employees — Conrad Quiroz, LouAnn Morgan and Ramon Carrasco — were cited as great benefits to the local chamber.

Quiroz is president of the chamber's Ambassador's Association and his wife,

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Boll Weevil referendum vote set for Friday

From Staff Reports

Cotton producers voting in the Southern High Plains-Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication referendum must have their ballots postmarked no later than this Friday, Aug. 1.

Results of the referendum will decide whether a boll weevil suppression program should be initiated for the 19-county Southern High Plains-Caprock zone, which includes Midland County and much of the surrounding area.

Producers also are asked to correct any incorrect information on acreage that might appear on their individual ballots before sending them to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

In addition to initiating a suppression program for the zone, other issues in Saturday's election include approving a maximum assessment level; approving an agreement between Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc. and the Plains Cotton Growers Inc. whereby Plains Cotton Growers will carry out boll weevil suppression activities in the zone; and electing a board member from the zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Foundation.

The candidates seeking a spot of the statewide board include: Rodney Criswell (Lubbock County), Wayne Mixon (Gaines County), H.V. Newman Jr. (Lubbock County), Don Parrish (Yoakum County), Monty Rodgers (Hockley County), John R. Smith (Hockley County) and Allen Wuensche (Lynn

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GARY OTT

Saddam Hussein's sporting family: Like father, like son

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More rambling thoughts ... Maybe it runs in the family: According to a news story out of London, soccer's world governing body is investigating reports that Saddam Hussein's son had the Iraqi team beaten after it lost a recent game and was eliminated from next year's World Cup torunament.

— And you thought Little League parents could be tough.

— Do little boys still carry handkerchiefs in their right rear pocket?

— Overheard: "American is a very difficult language when mixed with English."

— Great book title: "A Confederacy of Dunces."

— Maybe it is a sign that I'm getting older, or at least mellowing out, but I grow increasingly weary of watching political opponents scream at one another on TV's "Crossfire."

— Why can't they just calmly discuss the issues of the day ... and then, when necessary, politely agree to disagree?

— A lot of people, it seems, are quick to blame their bad decisions on destiny.

— It was, as I recall, Robert Orben who first summed up the feelings of many parents when he observed, "I take my children everywhere, but they always find their way back home."

— You know you are stretching reality a bit when you attempt to comfort a friend, who has just been rejected by a woman, by saying, "Maybe she misconstued your stalking."

— I've never really wanted to die for a cause.

— All things considered, I'm glad I'm not Mark Whiten, the baseball player who was accused of sexually assaulting a woman (he says the sex was consensual) just two days after his wife had given birth to their second child.

— I mean really! Try explaining THAT to the wife.

— Everyone should be able to take a vacation without checking into the office on a daily basis.

— Frank Gifford once said, "Pro football is like nuclear warfare. There are no winners, only survivors." He could have been talking about high-profile marriages, too.

— It feels good to laugh out loud without having to fake it.

— "The computer ate it" has replaced "It's in the mail" as the most common lie told in a business office.

— Sometimes it is good that certain words just fade away. "Bummer" is a classic example.

— Instead of having someone tell another person hello for us, we probably should make the effort ourselves.

— Eating an ice cream cone is one of those simple pleasures that makes you feel like a kid again.

— And today's final quote comes from Jean De La Bruyere, who once said, "Nothing more clearly shows how little God esteems his gift to men of wealth, money, position and other worldly goods, than the way he distributes these, and the sort of men who are most amply provided with them"

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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Burglary of a Motor Vehicle: Ruben Lujan at 1:55 a.m. reported the burglary of a vehicle in the 2800 block of South County Road 1213 near Alamo Ballroom.

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Other busy times include prom season, when the "French manicure" is most popular.

Ms. Pickering said she does not cater to one particular type of customer, but persons from all walks of life come into the salon in search of glamour and grooming.

"I see working women, domestic engineers, high school kids and even little-bitty girls, who come in with a friend on their birthdays and get little manicures."

Though her job is a handful, Ms. Pickering said she always has time to listen to her clients.

"I hear all kinds of things everyday," she said. "This happens with almost every client. I guess it's because they're so relaxed and feel like they can talk to me. What's funny is that they're people I've never (manicured) before ... and they end up being my best clients."

She keeps up with the latest fashions by reading magazines and attending nail and hair style shows.

Though she has not met any celebrities, Ms. Pickering said she has a lot of business from tourists.

"They call and ask if I do a certain kind of nail," she said. "I do their nails for them. Some even come back again the next time they are in town."

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"I wish I could be in better shape. I'm on my way there. I have a trainer and everything now."

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would it be? "Hawaii."

If you won the lottery, what would you do with the money? "If I won the lottery, I would pay off all my bills, take care of my mother ... put at least half of it in a trust fund for my son ... and live it up!"

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Because Garcia's accuser came forward two years later, and there was no other evidence to prove the teen's story, the case was dismissed, said prosecutor Grant Jones.

"Corroboration means evidence that tends to connect the defendant to the crime that is independent of the victim's testimony. I had no corroboration and therefore had to dismiss," Jones said.

In 1993, the law was changed so that the six-month reporting requirement applied only to alleged victims 18 and older. However, the judge in Garcia's case ruled the law could not be applied retroactively.

Jones said he would look into whether a criminal case could be brought against Garcia based on the allegations of one of his other accusers.

Garcia, who maintains he was out of the country at the time of the alleged assault, said he was gratified by the last-minute turn of events.

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OBITUARIES

Craig Noland

Craig Noland was born October 8, 1978, to Thurman and Marilyn Noland in Midland, Texas. He was active in track and football and he was a sports writer for the high school paper. He graduated from Midland High School in 1997.

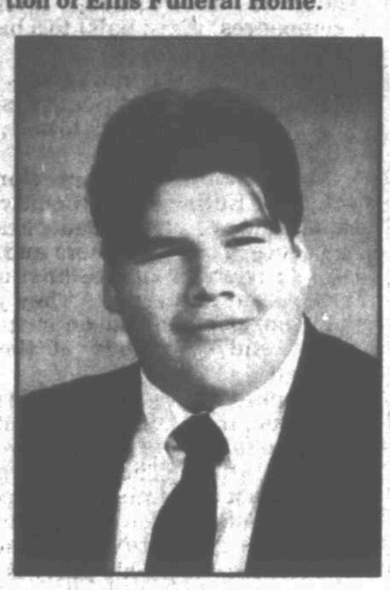
He is survived by his parents, Thurman and Marilyn Noland of Midland; his sister, Kristin Noland of Midland; his grandmother, Nora Horak of Fort Stockton, Texas; and five uncles, Gary Noland and Howard Noland of El Reno, Oklahoma, Mike Noland of Denver, Colorado, Charles Horak of Albuquerque, New Mexico and John Horak of Monahans, Texas.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Craig Noland Memorial, Track Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 10424, Midland, 79702.

He died Sunday, July 27, in an auto accident in Midland County.

Pallbearers will be Tony Lopez, Jeff Strain, Kory Mihecoby, Edward Ochoa, Sam Powell, Jerome Eldridge, Cliff Upham and Bo Madison.

Funeral services have been set for 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 30, 1997, at First Baptist Church with Rev. Charlie Dodd officiating. Interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Esteban Lara

Esteban V. (Steve) Lara was born March 7, 1979, to Dino and Gracie Lara in Midland, Texas, where he was reared and educated. He graduated from Midland High School. He played football and was involved in various activities at school. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church and was involved in youth activities there. He had planned to attend Texas Tech University. He was a kind and loving person. He was very athletic and enjoyed all sports.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Maria Villa; his grandfather, Secundino Lara, Sr.; and by a cousin, Maria Isabel Ochoa.

Steve enjoyed his friends.

He is survived by his parents, Secundino "Dino" Lara Jr. and Gracie Lara of Midland; two brothers, Dino Lara III and Jaime Lara, both of Midland; a sister, Anna Maria Lara of Midland; his grandfather, Manuel Villa of Midland; his grandmother, Inocencia Lara of Midland; his great-grandmothers, Juanita Hinojos Bitolas of Odessa and Maria Rivera Lara of Bakersfield, California; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Our Lady of Guadalupe Grotto, 1203 E. Cherry Lane, Midland, 79701.

Mr. Lara died Sunday, July 27, in a car accident in Midland county.

Honorary pallbearers will be his cousins, Larry Ochoa, Mark Garza, Angel Guebara, Sixto Olivas, Jr. Jerry Clark and Tony Lopez.

Funeral services have been set for 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 30, 1997, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. A rosary will be said at 7 p.m. today, July 29, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

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

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

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

DEATH NOTICES

Franklyn Stickney

Franklyn Burton Stickney died at his residence on Monday, July 28.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 30, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Gary Dyer of First Baptist Church officiating. Masonic graveside services will be at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

He was born Sept. 25, 1920, in Lubbock.

He served in World War II as a 1st Lieutenant in the ninth Air Corps, 87th Squadron. After discharge from the service, he and his family lived in Andrews for 30 years where he was a trucking and dirt contractor. After retiring 20 years ago, he returned to Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn Creighton Stickney of Midland; a son, Ross K. Stickney of Midland; a daughter, Claudia Stickney Coggin of Fort Worth; two brothers, Francis Stickney and Joe Stickney; one grandson; three granddaughters; one great-grandson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Maureen Veal

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Maureen Veal, 70, died Saturday, July 26, at her residence.

Memorial services will be held at 6 p.m. (California time) Thursday, July 31, at the Coronada del Sol Hotel in San Diego, Calif. Her family will officiate at the service. Local arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 24, 1926, in Dalton in Furness, England. She was a U.S. citizen and had worked as a registered nurse.

She is survived by her two sons, Glen Veal of Waco and Martin Veal of Midland; five daughters, Laurene Powers, Christine Wallace and Mary Amato, all of Midland, Theresa Veal of San Diego, Calif. and Alison Veal of Belmont, Maine; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Christopher Truex

Christopher Davis Truex, 39, brother of Midlander Janelle Edwards, died Monday, July 21.

Services were held at 12 p.m. Friday, July 25, at Emmaus Baptist Church.

Other survivors include his wife, Beth; daughters, Stephanie Rose and Georgina Ruth; parents, Ned and Mary Truex of Odessa; brothers, Pat Truex of Monahans, and Jeff Thummel, Pat Truex, Tim Thummel and Jeff Thummel, all of Odessa; a sister, Joan Sanders of Lexington; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Wilda Bristow

Services for Wilda Viola Bristow are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Monday, July 28, at her Midland residence.

Willie Marrs

Services for Willie Marrs, 93, are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Marrs died Monday, July 28, at a local nursing home.

TRIAL: Court refuted Gipson's 'illegal flag' claim

(From 1B)

a tow truck.

Gipson claims he was "kidnapped from my private property by a police officer of the city of Midland."

He alleged that during his arrest he was denied due process under the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

"Why are you giving up the right to a lawyer," Walvoord asked the defendant. "I am advising you that you need to obtain counsel."

Gipson contended in his pretrial presentation that the court did not have venue in his case. "Is this venue in the common law of the Republic of Texas," he queried.

After several questions on venue, Walvoord stated, "This court has venue because the case arose in Midland County."

Gipson claimed he should have been taken immediately in front of magistrate, rather than having to spend 2 1/2 days in jail before being allowed to bond out.

"My rights to due process have been violated all over the place," Gipson said.

"I want the record to reflect your denial of my flag," said Gipson, who wanted to display an American flag on his counsel table.

As part of his pretrial motions, Gipson alleged that the flags in the courtroom were illegal because they were bordered by gold fringe.

He called the state's charges a "fraud and a deceit." Gipson added, "The complaint has no force of law and is fatally defective."

Gipson, along with six supporters in the courtroom, wore American flags pinned to their chests and carried dog-eared copies of the U.S. Constitution.

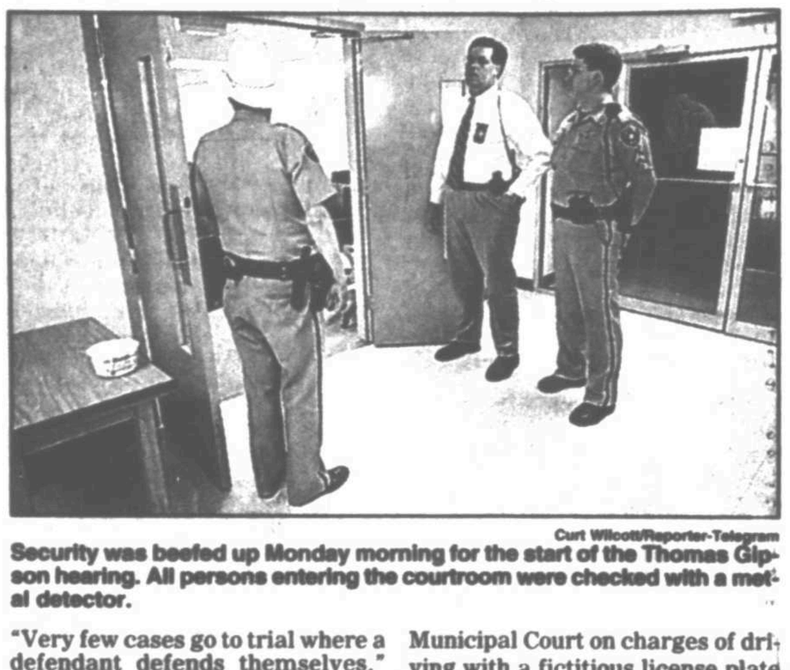
Gipson cited the U.S. Constitution, the Texas Constitution and his denial of due process as his defense.

"Have you given any thought to the fact that this is a criminal trial and not a political venue," Walvoord asked Gipson.

Gipson told the Midland Reporter-Telegram that he was not a member of the Republic of Texas, but rather "a sovereign member of the Texas Republic."

He said he had attended several Republic of Texas meetings, but was not affiliated with Richard McLaren. "I despise him," Gipson said.

Midland County attorney Russell Malm called the trial unusual.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram
Security was beefed up Monday morning for the start of the Thomas Gipson hearing. All persons entering the courtroom were checked with a metal detector.

"Very few cases go to trial where a defendant defends themselves," said Malm. "He did a lot better job that most people in representing themselves."

Gipson was convicted in June in Municipal Court on charges of driving with a fictitious license plate and driving without a front license plate, said Municipal Court Judge Robin Smith.

CHAMBER: Volunteers receive state accolades

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Adela, is president of the Women's Department and they have been successful in expanding those boards.

LouAnn Morgan has chaired the Networking board and is a member of the Chamber's board of directors. She helped orchestrate TU's commitment of two airline tickets as prizes during the chamber's last membership drive.

Ms. Morgan has volunteered at the Cinco de Mayo Futbol Festival and at the Menudo Cook-Off.

Carrasco and his wife, Josie, are active with the Ambassador's Association and with the Midland Hispanic Golf Association.

The Quiroz's and Carrasco's have always made themselves available to assist with events such as the Menudo Cook-Off and the All Male Fashion Show, which benefit the chamber, according to the nominations.

TU Electric makes an annual contribution to the chamber of about $2,000 and in 1997 provided an additional $1,500 in support of various chamber functions and activities.

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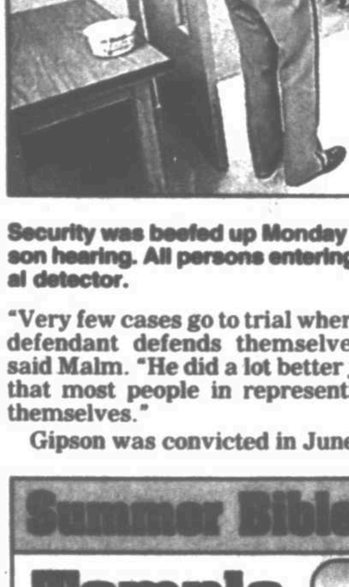

Dr. Harold Ivan Smith is a constant in our Summer Bible Conference series. He brings unique communication gifts and ministry experiences to our church. he has spoken at hundreds of single adult conferences and has written 25 books on Single Adult living. He has preached throughout the United States to congregations, in seminars, and at retreats.

In addition to writing and speaking, Harold Ivan currently ministers with local churches and hospitals. In both settings he conducts "Grief Gatherings" - story-telling groups for grievers. You will profit greatly from hearing Dr. Harold Ivan Smith.

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Father uses talk radio to push justice reform

By Kelley Shannon
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Victims rights advocate Fred Goldman hosted his own radio talk show Monday, using the airwaves to publicize his message that the criminal justice system needs reform.

Goldman is one of several people trying out for an open talk-show spot on WOAI. His son Ronald Goldman was killed in 1994 with Nicole Brown Simpson, ex-wife of O.J. Simpson.

■ News analysis

Seconds into his two-hour segment, Goldman brought up his son's death.

"Ron was murdered in excess of three years ago by a man that walks the streets today a free man," Goldman said.

"That criminal trial and the civil trial that followed it frightened me, disturbed me, frustrated me, and my family for that matter, deeply. The criminal justice system didn't seem to be working," he said.

O.J. Simpson was acquitted of murder in the deaths of his ex-wife and Ronald Goldman. In a civil wrongful death trial that ended in February, Simpson was found liable for the deaths and ordered to pay the victims' families $33.5 million.

Fred Goldman has been working as a spokesman for the crime-fighting group Safe Streets since last year. He will be hosting the radio show through Friday. It is his first stint as a talk show host.

Whether he gets the job or not, Goldman's presence has been a publicity boon for WOAI. News reporters descended upon the station Monday to interview Goldman and videotape his first show.

"I'm not sure I'm ready for this, but I guess I'm going to find out very quickly," Goldman said as he launched his show.

His first guest was Bexar County District Attorney Steve Hilbig, whom he interviewed about juvenile justice laws in Texas. Later, Goldman fielded calls from listeners. Some praised him for speaking out about victims' rights. Others took him to task for his verbal attacks on Simpson.

"How can you or anybody say he's guilty? He was found not guilty in the criminal trial," one woman caller said.

"He can be held responsible and he was held responsible in the civil trial," Goldman said, adding, "There wasn't one single piece of evidence pointing to anyone but him."

"Do you want to take his trophy?" the woman continued, referring to the Heisman Trophy awarded to Simpson in 1968.

Goldman replied: "What I'd like to do with his trophy is take a sledgehammer and bash it into a pancake."

The Heisman Trophy, given to the nation's best college football player, has been part of the disputes over Simpson's estate since the civil trial verdict. Simpson has said he believes it should be in trust for his children.

Before going on the air, Goldman said he isn't bothered by those who criticize his outspokenness.

"If someone wants to criticize me for trying to do something about problems that impact everyone, so be it," he said.

Political relationships form in backyard

■ An informal gathering of south Texas lawmakers over barbecue has led to a new political tradition in Hidalgo county.

Associated Press

MISSION, Texas — The scene in a Guadalupe Street backyard repeats itself every Thursday — a pot of beans, chicken on the grill, beer on ice and a bevy of Hidalgo County's political leaders, hopefuls and has-beens.

The informal gathering started about three years ago, when Roel Riviera, otherwise known as "The Wizard," invited about six "compadres" (best pals) to a backyard cookout to discuss local politics.

Since then, the party has grown and, depending on the political season, as few as 25 people or as many as 150 attend the weekly ritual.

"Judge Juan Partida, (former county judge) J. Edgar Ruiz, (County Clerk) Eloy Pulido and even (state Sen.) Eddie Lucio has been here. You name them and they've been here," Riviera boasted as he stirred the beans for a recent gathering. "They just come for the bean soup with bacon in it. It's my speciality and everybody at the courthouse knows it."

Of course, others say the food may be good, but it's not the main reason to attend. This is the place to see and be seen if you have political aspirations. The gathering gives those thinking about running for office a chance to take the pulse of voters and weigh a variety of opinions on controversial issues.

The Wizard's weekly party is "pachanga" politics in full swing. Sometimes subtle, sometimes not, this sort of politicking is as famous as fajitas in the Rio Grande Valley. It is history and lore — the essence of the way things are done here.

For instance, Eloy Pulido frequents meetings to measure reaction as to whether he should run again for county clerk or vie for the county judge seat. Making a good impression at the gathering rates high, he said.

"What's so important about these functions is that these people bring out real concerns," Pulido said between games of pool. "Some good ideas come out of these barbecues. These people have deep roots in the Valley, and extended family, so they carry back the news."

Earlier in the night, former state Rep. Sergio Munoz arrived with a contribution of tortilla chips and some tomatillos. He said he plans to be the next mayor of Palmview.

"A lot of my friends are here, and you get a glimpse of what's going on socially, politically and economically," Munoz said. "It's very down-to-earth. It's not one of those deals where you have to wear a coat and tie."

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> — Eloy Pulido, Hidalgo county clerk

Although county elections are in March 1998, potential candidates already have begun to jockey for position in the following races: county judge, district attorney, district clerk, county clerk, commissioners in precincts 2 and 4, judges for the 206th, 275th and 370th district courts, and judges for all four county courts-of-law.

Candidates must file between Dec. 3, 1997 and Jan. 2, 1998. Elections are March 10.

Bumper stickers on the wooden fence around the backyard already reveal probable candidates such as McAllen attorneys Ana Saenz and Rose Guerra Reyna for 206th district court judge, as well as a vague message from the Pulido camp that simply states "Pulido '98."

Saenz said she has not announced her candidacy formally. Pulido said he will make his announcement Jan. 2, 1998.

Whether running for office or just interested in local politics, no one is turned away from the weekly meetings — even rival candidates, Riviera said. Instead, friendly people and a relaxing atmosphere make the event accessible to anyone who wants to meet and greet possible candidates or constituents.

"The best thing about this place is that it's nonpartisan," Pulido said. "Nobody is told they can't come."

Lita Salinas, who wore a bright red shirt with a support-Reyna emblem, said she came to talk politics and figure out who to vote for.

"I come all year 'round," she said. "There is always somebody running for something. I think, as women, we should get involved more and our voice should be heard."

Backyard accommodations include a covered porch, pool table, a large beer cooler, a grill and a variety of outdoor furniture. The most popular Thursday nights result in a crowded Guadalupe Street, with vehicles parked all along the streets.

Regular guests often take turns bringing the meat (usually chicken); others offer side dishes. Of course, The Wizard always takes charge of the beans.

Decorations often come courtesy of regular guests, such as Pulido, who brought the stuffed goat head mounted on the wall near the pool table. Pulido told everyone it was an exotic goat from Colorado, but recently revealed what some consider to be the real story.

"It was my brother's goat, but it kept gouging the female goats with his horns when it mated," Pulido said. "He was too rough, so I shot him."

Playing jokes and razzing each other is part of the fun, said former state District Judge Fidencio Guerra Jr. as he dipped a plastic spoon into a styrofoam cup full of those famous beans.

"The best thing is, you never see any heavy endorsements or political confrontations," he said. "There are a lot of first-timers, a lot of who's who, and a lot of who's that?"

Woman discovers tapes of alleged date rape

■ After finding a video of her ex-husband allegedly raping three victims, a Dallas woman turned the tapes over to police.

Associated Press

DALLAS — Nancy Sera thought she was going to see a video of her second child's birth when she pushed the play button. Instead, she discovered a recording that authorities say shows her estranged husband raping three unconscious women.

"It's devastating," Mrs. Sera, 31, said Monday, shaking her head. "It was just so shocking. I was shaking."

Steven Sera, a 39-year-old traveling businessman, allegedly used Rohypnol, the so-called date rape pill, to knock his victims out. Authorities said the tape shows him having sex with women from Texas, Arkansas and Missouri.

He has been charged in the Texas and Arkansas cases.

Mrs. Sera fought back tears as she talked about the tape she discovered June 13 after going to Sera's home to pick up the video camera when he wasn't home.

"First and foremost, it destroyed my family," said Mrs. Sera, who is raising the couple's two daughters, who are 3 months old and nearly 5. "I've gone through a lot of hatred that he could be so cruel because he did this while I was pregnant with our second child. I don't think he had any regard for me, my daughters, women in general, that he could be so vile and so heinous."

Mrs. Sera, who sued for divorce in February alleging adultery, said she watched part of the tape before contacting her lawyer and turning the tape over to a private investigator, who gave it to police.

Sera, a lumber company owner, was arrested two weeks later and charged with sexual assault for the alleged attack on a Colleyville woman.

He posted bail and was arrested about two weeks later in Texas on an Arkansas warrant charging him with rape, attempted rape, kidnapping and drugging a person. He is now jailed without bail in Arkansas.

Sera's Arkansas attorney, Clint Huey, questioned the tape's authenticity. But prosecutors said it clearly shows Sera committing the crimes.

"We see the man's face," said Deputy Prosecutor Caryn Cleveland Short. "We see every part of him as well as every part of the female. No way is this a faked tape. There is positive identification."

Neither Huey, nor Sera's Texas attorney, Donald Gandy, returned a telephone call Monday afternoon seeking comment.

The tape also appears to show Sera having sex with an unconscious woman in Missouri. No charges have been filed in that case.

Police said Sera had been on business trips to Missouri in September and Arkansas in November. Investigators said Sera knew all the women and had dated one victim, but she stopped seeing him when she learned he is married.

Texas Eagle gets boost from shipping contracts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Once a money-losing train route headed for oblivion, Amtrak's Texas Eagle may have a new lease on life thanks to new private shipping contracts solicited by the national passenger railroad.

Amtrak Chairman Thomas Downs pledged that if the state of Texas provided a $5.6 million loan to keep the Eagle afloat beyond its scheduled May shutdown, he'd find private-sector revenue.

The Texas Legislature provided the money. Now, Downs is keeping his part of the bargain.

In a weekend announcement, Amtrak said the mail and express shipping contracts secured for the Texas Eagle are enough to keep the San Antonio-to-Chicago route alive past Sept. 30, when its loan is due to lapse.

"Amtrak is able to continue operating the train because its express business is growing and prospects for its future growth warrant continued operation of the train," the rail service said.

But while mail and express contracts may prove to be the answer for the Texas Eagle, they're not the solution for its financially ailing parent, rail experts said.

"It's a very significant ray of sunshine, but it's not the whole sun," said Scott Leonard, assistant director of the National Association of Railroad Passengers.

Amtrak projects a deficit of $70 million to $80 million this year and faces bankruptcy within a year without congressional help. In recent years, it has eliminated routes and curtailed improvements because of financial problems aggravated by cuts in federal support.

Mail and shipping contracts currently provide Amtrak some $65 million annually. "It is our plan to dramatically improve that number," Amtrak spokesman Marc Magliari said Monday.

Beyond that, Amtrak intends to improve its financial outlook by by bettering customer service and reducing expenses, Magliari said. He acknowledged, however, that help from Washington remains the missing ingredient.

For years, Amtrak has aggressively sought from Congress a dedicated funding source and regulatory reform to cut the red tape hobbling the rail service.

Congress has demanded that Amtrak be operationally self-sufficient by 2002. But it has yet to identify how to replace declining federal contributions for Amtrak.

The idea of dedicating a half-cent from the 18.3-cent-per-gallon federal gasoline tax for an Amtrak trust fund proved popular since it would automatically provide more than $700 million annually.

That concept may be superseded by a new proposal.

The huge budget and tax measure congressional and White House negotiators are hammering out would provide Amtrak $1.15 billion in each of the next two years.

Morales initiates changes in auto club benefit offers

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Auto clubs offering benefits such as roadside assistance must provide the services directly or through a contractor and cannot reimburse members for help provided by others, Attorney General Dan Morales said in a legal opinion Monday.

The opinion likely could force many of the state's 52 auto clubs, including AAA Texas, to change their service plans, according to Guy Joyner, head of legal support at the secretary of state's office.

Joyner said all of the companies' licenses, issued through the secretary's office, expire Aug. 31. Those that offer reimbursements for services, or a combination of reimbursements and direct or contract services, will have to change their service plans before getting renewed, he said.

Many auto club officials, including a spokeswoman for AAA, said they were not familiar with the ruling and could not comment. Most said they would change their plans if required.

Secretary of State Tony Garza and Insurance Commission Elton Bomer together asked Morales whether reimbursing auto club members for services not provided directly by the club or through a contractor is allowed under the state law governing auto clubs.

They contended, and Morales agreed, that charging people a fee in exchange for a guarantee to reimburse them for services provided by someone else is the business of insurance companies, not auto clubs.

The state auto club law lists the services that can be provided by auto clubs. It includes reimbursements for bail bonds and legal fees related to traffic incidents, towing, roadside assistance, travel and touring information and accidental injury and death benefits insurance.

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Dr. Gagadam finds his specialties in both pulmonary (lung) and critical care medicine as challenges that fascinate him each day. "When you consider that lung disease impacts a patient's entire body, you are truly working in an area that encompasses the broad range of internal organs." He received his medical degree from Osmania Medical College in India before moving to the United States to serve his internal medicine residency at Seton Hall University, New Jersey. He was a medical attending physician at the Jersey City Medical Center in New Jersey from 1993 to 1994, where he taught medical residents. Dr. Gagadam next received his fellowship training in pulmonary diseases and critical care medicine at New York Medical College before moving to Odessa recently. In addition to being board certified in internal medicine and pulmonary diseases, he is a board eligible critical care physician. Dr. Gagadam has started his practice in Odessa in pulmonary, critical care and internal medicine. Dr. Gagadam is also a member of numerous medical associations including the American College of Chest Physicians and the New York State Thoracic Society. He has presented scientific papers at international conferences of the American Thoracic Society, the worldwide forum for thoracic specialists. He was awarded a certificate of merit by the American College of Physicians as a finalist in abstract competition. An avid camper and photographer, Dr. Gagadam enjoys the West Texas area because of its "wide open spaces and its quiet, low crime environment." He also enjoys instrumental and classical music and still finds time to play his favorite instrument - the Hawaiian guitar. Dr. Gagadam and his wife Usha reside in Odessa and have two children - Nitim, age 5, and two-year old Shaina.
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BORN TODAY
News anchor Peter Jennings (1938), Senator Nancy Kassebaum (1932), actor Wil Wheaton (1972)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Loved ones display an outrageous side. You'll either be rattled by their obvious attempt to shock you or entertained. Allow another to explore and try on different attitudes for size. Acceptance and support bring you closer together. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You are bombarded from many different directions. You end up on overload, with nerves frazzled. Fend off stress with a yoga workout at lunchtime, then disappear as soon as you can. A pleasant communique awaits your return home. Tonight: Visit your folks.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You command attention on this wacky day. It doesn't get more fun than this. Keep a financial move under wraps; if you don't have to disclose it, zip your lip! Make the element of surprise work for you. Tonight: Dance the night away.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You can do without the unexpected jolts that shoot your way. Unfortunately, there's no detour. The only way out is through; be confident. Afternoon brings insight. You not only can live with the madness, you can dish it with the best of them! Tonight: Yawn.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Relationships take on a serious cast. One in particular might just go the distance or even become an engagement. Be aware of each other's need to feel special, and nurture it. You don't have to be anxious or fearful; you're on to something real! Tonight: Cuddle.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ It takes most of the day to unwind from a hectic morning. Don't take anything personally or fly into defense mode. Use your characteristic reason on yourself, and take the same advice you would give to a friend. Tonight: Go to bed early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Drop your defenses. Get past the belief that relating poses a threat. Overreacting could create a chain reaction; something that wasn't really an issue before becomes one. Believe that you can rise to the occasion, and check your armor at the door. Tonight: You are appealing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You're in one of those invincible moods; nothing can stop you from attaining your goals. You could go overboard with enthusiasm but are certainly justified in your optimism. Show your appreciation to loved ones, who stand by you through it all. Tonight: Dance with the kids.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ A partner acts up. Responding in kind snowballs, to exacerbate an otherwise manageable situation. Use discretion, diplomacy and common sense. When the dust settles, you both see it all as humorous! Tonight: Get closer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Finances take center stage in the most unusual way. You have chosen a deck of wild cards! Try your luck, but also check your accounts. Methodically assure that all is well. A romantic relationship becomes passionate. Tonight: Embark on an adventure, if you're game.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Luck hits you like lightning. Something you decided to do has an effect that surpasses original hopes. Not even you could have planned this better! The truly miraculous happens; pay attention to life's incidentals. Tonight: Who knows?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ It won't be completely effortless, but you succeed. Consider cause and effect in your life; your actions might have unwelcome side effects. Seek stability in your career, and a low-maintenance relationship. You have enough drama in your life as it is! Tonight: Do absolutely nothing.

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The bidding:

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3◇	Pass	4♡	Pass
4NT	Pass	5◇	Pass
6♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Two of ♣

When you possess almost every high card in the deck, it is easy to be lulled into a false sense of security. Declarer thought the contract could be claimed at trick one. The result was defeat at trick three.

The bidding was simple. Once North confirmed a heart fit and Blackwood elicited the fact that one ace was missing, South settled in what was expected to be a laydown slam.

West found the excellent, mildly deceptive lead of the deuce of clubs. Expecting to concede only a trick to the ace of hearts, declarer wasted no time winning in dummy and leading a trump to the king and ace. Back came another club, ruffed by East for the setting trick.

A touch of pessimism on declarer's part would have saved the day. The only threat to the contract came from a club ruff, and declarer could have taken a precaution to guard against that simply enough. After winning the first trick in dummy, declarer should have cleared the ace of spades, cashed the ace of diamonds, then entered dummy by ruffing the low diamond with the eight, to discard a club on the king of spades. Now a heart to the king and ace leaves declarer in command. The only trick for the defenders is the ace of trumps.

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The King wanted her for his queen, but her parents objected, Paget says

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Actress Debra Paget says the King of Rock 'n' Roll wanted her to be his queen, but her parents wouldn't allow it.

Paget, who starred opposite Elvis Presley in his 1956 movie debut "Love Me Tender," said he proposed to her but she declined because her parents objected.

"Elvis was really a sweet young man," she said in an interview Sunday in The Tennessean. "I had worked with him on 'The Milton Berle Show' about three months before we did that film.

"He used to come over to our house and have dinner and just go around with my family. He called me from El Paso and asked me to marry him. My mother and daddy were not for my getting involved. I probably would have married him," Paget said.

Presley wed Priscilla Beaulieu in 1967.

NEW YORK — **Jennifer Aniston** is learning the ups and downs of being a television star.

After making it quick and big on the hit series "Friends," Aniston said she was shocked when all of a sudden there was a backlash.

"It had great success, and we were thrilled. Then it got bigger and bigger, and then out of nowhere one day you're reading that people are really annoyed," Aniston said.

She couldn't put the criticism out of her mind, she told USA Weekend, until Steven Spielberg offered her this advice: "This happens to everybody. Don't think you're so special."

These days she's waiting to see if audiences will buy her on the big screen. Her new film, "Picture Perfect," opens this week.

NEW YORK — **Harrison Ford's** politics are his business.

The star of the new film "Air Force One" said despite making several appearances on behalf of Tibet's independence from China, he believes actors shouldn't force their political views on their audiences.

"These kinds of loose lips I have no respect for, in myself or anybody else," Ford said in the August issue of George magazine. "I'd prefer to see the debate over important issues conducted by experts rather than celebrities. I also don't want to attract attention to myself."

That attitude extends to his personal life, and Ford actually swore at the George reporter when asked about his failed first marriage and what his relationship is like with his two older children.

"I don't want people to know what I like, what I don't like, who I am, where I live, how I live, what the names of my children are," Ford said.

"That's completely contrary to the effort that I'm making when I go into the theater, which is to try and get them to believe that I'm somebody else."

NEW YORK — Forget high taxes and crime. If Maria Maples were president, she'd have different priorities — massages and yoga for all.

Massages and yoga for all, if Maria were president.

In a question-and-answer session in the August edition of George magazine, the former first lady of the Donald Trump empire lays out what life would look like with her as the country's top gun.

Running mate? Michael Jordan.

Closest advisor? God.

Secretary of Defense? My publicist.

What would you veto every time? My American Express bill.

A reason to go to war: Tabloid journalism.

And Maples said if she could create a new department, it would be The Department of Peace Promotion: "with federally subsidized massages and yoga for everyone."

BOCA RATON, Fla. — No offense to powder blue ruffled shirts, but the star of the 50s' trio **Dion and the Belmonts** says that's not what he's about.

Forty years after making classics like "Runaround Sue," "A Teenager in Love" and "The Wanderer," Dion has just put together a new group called the Little Kings — and they don't play the golden-oldies circuit, he told the New York Daily News.

"I thought, I'm going to go out and play rock 'n roll instead of performing it," Dion said. "I don't want to mention any names, but some of the acts that I was starting to play with, it's like everyone was imitating rock n' roll instead of playing it. They've got powder blue suits and ruffled shirts, you know?"

But the New York City native, who just celebrated his 58th birthday, said he's made his peace with his past.

"To me, it's all Dion music. When I say that, I mean it's just coming from inside."

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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(7) KOSA	7	7	News 9288	Entertain. Tonight	Promised Land: Downsized 70146						News 8207913	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 9146	Seinfeld 9726	Mad About You	NewsRadio 2819	Frasier 3233	Just Shoot Me	Dateline NBC 12146		News 3703909	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
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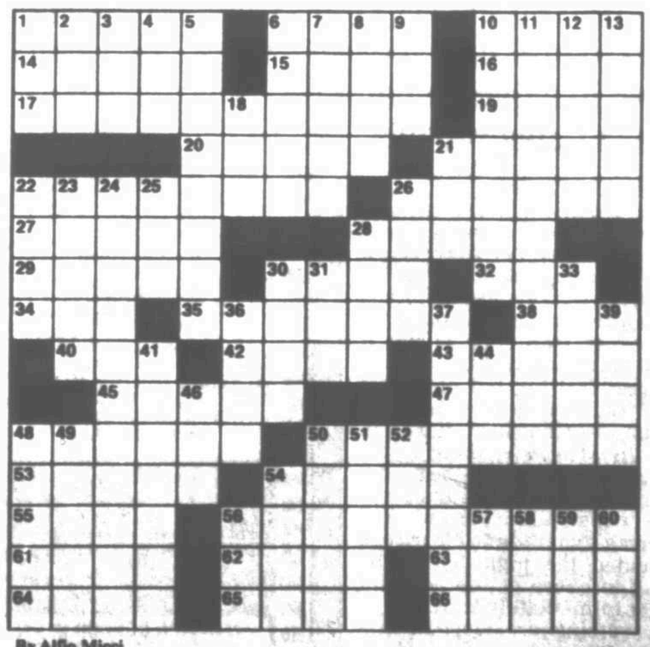

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DEAR ABBY

Virus causing genital warts also most common cause of cervical cancer

By Abigail van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I was interested to read the letter about genital warts from "Keeping My Pants On in Florida." As a gynecologist, I agree that prevention of sexually transmitted disease is the best solution to this enormous medical problem.

The same sexually transmitted virus that causes genital warts (HPV) is the most common cause of cervical cancer. The more sexual partners you have had, or the more partners your partner has had, the greater your risk of coming into contact with this virus.

Another important risk is the age at which a person becomes sexually active, since during adolescence the cells of the cervix are more susceptible to this infection. Therefore, intercourse at an early age increases the risk of getting cervical precancer and cancer.

HPV is often detectable during a regular gynecologic examination. A routine Pap smear is a fairly effective way to find this virus on the cervix, long before it has caused cervical cancer.

Treatment for both genital warts and abnormal Pap smears can be easily performed in the doctor's office with minimal discomfort. Hysterectomy is rarely necessary. And the development of cervical cancer and death is avoidable if women will simply have yearly examinations and Pap smears. — WILLIAM H. PARKER, M.D., SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

DEAR DR. PARKER: Thank you for this information. Since many people suffer from genital warts, I'm sure it will be appreciated. You are not the only medical professional who wrote to comment about the letter from "Keeping My Pants On in Florida." Read on for another response:

DEAR ABBY: The man in Florida who acquired genital warts from his girlfriend after having sex with her for the first time was under the false assumption that had he used a condom he would not have contracted this virus.

Condoms are ineffective in preventing the transmission of genital warts or herpes. They are transmitted by intimate skin-to-skin contact in areas that the condom does not cover. These viruses also shed beyond the "protected" area. Transmission of genital warts can also occur through secondary contact, such as fondling, foreplay and petting.

Abby, please make this clear to your readers: The 12 percent failure rate of condoms in the prevention of pregnancy alone argues against their use for preventing an incurable or fatal disease. People must understand the ineffectiveness of condoms. The only safe sex is a mature, mutually monogamous relationship with an uninfected partner. If people choose otherwise, they should be aware of the risks involved. — SALLY BEACH, R.N., LAKE WORTH, FLA.

DEAR SALLY BEACH: Thank you on behalf of my readers for the warning. Although it may be tempting to proceed in the heat of passion, it's wiser to wait until after a period of cool reflection before consummating a sexual relationship.

CONFIDENTIAL TO OUTSIDER IN GULFPORT, MISS.: Don't give up on finding your niche. You are not alone. Bette Midler once said: "I didn't belong as a kid, and that always bothered me. If only I'd known that one day my differentness would be an asset, my early life would have been much easier."

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

Clinton prods governors on testing, welfare

LAS VEGAS (AP) — President Clinton prodded the nation's governors Monday to accept his voluntary program of national school testing, insisting the plan wasn't a federal intrusion into states' rights.

He also warned states it would be a big mistake to divert newly freed federal welfare money into other programs.

"Anybody who does it, I think, would wind up regretting it the next time there's an economic downturn," Clinton said in an address to the annual summer meeting of the National Governors Association.

Governors, 32 of whom are Republicans, generally praised Clinton's remarks. But Republicans expressed some reservations, saying states want fewer — not more — restrictions on how they spend federal money.

And his proposal for national testing, so far endorsed by only 15 urban school districts and six states, drew GOP skepticism, despite Clinton's assertion that the plan wasn't a "power grab by the federal government."

"Most governors, I'm sure would agree with some goals, but we don't want the federal government any more involved in the education system," said Republican Gov. John Rowland of Connecticut.

Governors of both parties voiced strong support for Clinton's choice of William F. Weld to be ambassador to Mexico. Weld, a Republican, resigned Monday as governor of Massachusetts to fight for his nomination.

Clinton made a joking reference to Weld in his remarks, and some Republicans accused him of making light of Weld's predicament and not fighting hard enough for the nomination.

As Clinton was praising those governors whose states have gone along with his voluntary school testing program, he quipped: "I wish Governor Weld were here for me to thank him, but I appreciate the fact that he's willing to go to Mexico. And I hope we can get him there."

Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, chairman of the Republican Governors Association, told reporters, "I'm disappointed the president didn't submit ... (the nomination) earlier and work more forcibly for it."

He complained that Clinton had made only passing reference to Weld "and it was said in a kind of humorous vein."

Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, also a Republican, said Weld would make "an outstanding ambassador to Mexico." He urged Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., the Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman, who is blocking the nomination, to reconsider it with "good will and an open mind."

Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, chairman of the Democratic Governors Association, called fellow New Englander Weld "a universally respected guy .... We're obviously very hopeful that he'll get the nomination."

Clinton updated the governors on progress of budget negotiations in Washington.

On welfare, he said states now have far more flexibility than they did in the past but "there's also a lot more to be done."

He urged governors not to divert federal funds freed by welfare-to-work programs and by current low unemployment figures. "It would be a big mistake that would come home to haunt the states the next time there is an economic downturn."

Clinton also praised a provision, still being thrashed out by budget negotiators, that would require workers who get jobs in private industry as part of a welfare-to-work program to be paid the minimum wage.

Dominatrix found dead amid whips, chains

NEW YORK (AP) — She called herself Mistress Hilda Pierce, and whips and chains were the tools of her trade. Now the dominatrix has been shot to death — and police say the culprit could have been a client or a competitor.

The body of 58-year-old Nadia Frey was found Saturday in her apartment. She had been shot four times.

Police were checking Frey's address book for leads. Police said there was no sign of forced entry into the apartment on a busy block on the Upper West Side of Manhattan.

"It could have been a customer, it could have been a crime of opportunity or it could even have been a competitor," Kevin Farrell, chief detective, said Sunday.

Frey, who emigrated from France, had been arrested several times on prostitution charges in Virginia and Washington, D.C., police said. Her last arrest was in Washington in 1991.

Police said the woman's daughter called the building supervisor when she had not heard from her mother. The Daily News said the daughter lived in Las Vegas and was also a dominatrix — a prostitute who specializes in bondage and ritualistic punishment.

Frey would dress in a black cowgirl outfit for sex magazine ads, and costumes, chains, whips and steel cages were found inside her apartment, which was painted black and gold.

One unidentified police official told the Daily News that there also were knives, sex toys and a "spinning-wheel device" to rotate customers in a crucifix position.

The New York Post reported, citing a police source it didn't identify, that Frey's address book included politicians and judges — and that a police inspector's business card was found at the apartment.

Police spokesman Michael Collins said Monday he could not confirm the report.

Frey also reportedly had recently complained to a customer and a fellow dominatrix that she was being harassed by someone flashing a badge.

Collins said that "as far as we know, she filed no report on anyone."

2 dead in explosion at highway blasting site

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A blasting accident at a highway construction site killed two workers Monday, hurling one across five lanes of morning rush-hour traffic.

Fourteen workers and motorists were injured by the explosion or in a series of traffic accidents it caused on Interstate 24.

"I saw two big old clouds of smoke, and I thought we were having an earthquake here in Nashville. The next thing I saw was a man flying across the road," said truck driver David Lanford.

The construction crew was preparing dynamite to clear rock and widen the highway at the time. The cause of the accident was not immediately known.

"Everything just stopped," said another driver, Michelle Messer. "It was real eerie. Then I saw two guys crying. It was like they were coming out of a cloud of smoke".

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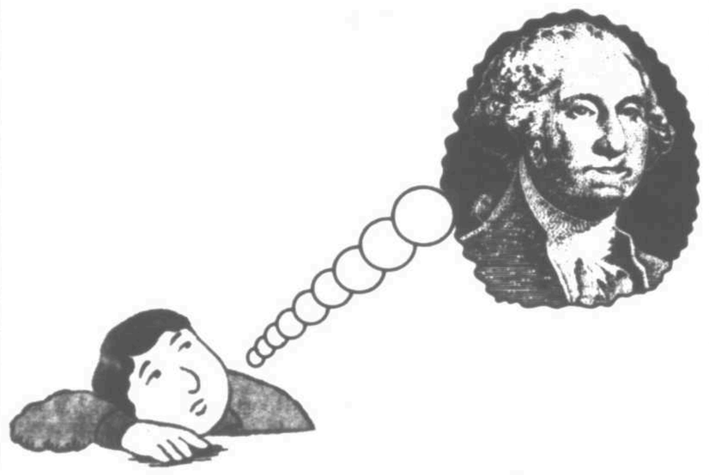

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TV Sports

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL — Texas Coaches All-Star Game (tape), 11 a.m., FSS.

TENNIS — Du Maurier Open, early round coverage, noon, ESPN.

BASEBALL — Chicago Cubs at Atlanta Braves, 6:35 p.m., WGN and TBS.

St. Louis Cardinals at Houston Astros, 7 p.m., FSS.

GOLF — Andersen Consulting World Championship of Golf International Championship, second and third round matches (same-day tape), 7:30 p.m., ESPN.

BOXING — Heavyweights: Larry Holmes (65-6-0) vs. Maurice Harris (9-8-2); Bert Cooper (33-17-0) vs. Richie Melito (16-0-0) for vacant WBF heavyweight championship, 8 p.m., USA.

Texas Scores

BASEBALL — Baltimore Orioles 7, Texas Rangers 2.

St. Louis Cardinals 2, Houston Astros 1.

TEXAS LEAGUE — Shreveport Captains 10, Midland Angels 3.

Football tickets

Season ticket information for both Midland Lee and Midland High current option holders has been mailed by MISD and season tickets are now being sold to current option holders.

Tickets to current option holders continue daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 28 through Friday, Aug. 1 and from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2.

MHS season tickets will be open to the general public from Aug. 6 through Aug. 22 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday.

Lee season tickets to qualified parents go on sale Aug. 14 through Aug. 22 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Sale of any remaining Lee tickets will go on sale to the general public on Tuesday, Aug. 26, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will be no exceptions to the ticket purchase dates set.

MISD physicals

The Midland I.S.D. Athletic Department is having its 1997-98 sports physicals for males and females for grades 7-12. The cost is $10 and no one is turned away. The following is the schedule for places and times for physicals: (Grade 9-12) Aug. 4, 5-7 p.m., Lee High School Field House; (Grade 9-12) Aug. 5, 5-7 p.m., Midland High School Field House at Memorial Stadium; (Grade 7-12) Aug. 6, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Goddard Jr. High School — gym and locker room; Aug. 7, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., San Jacinto Jr. High School — cafeteria and room No.117. Parent or guardian must completely fill out and sign the physical form. This may be done before the physical or at the time of the physical.

Greenwood tickets

Greenwood ISD announces that Rangers' reserved seats must be renewed for the 1997 football season. Contact Donna Smith at the administration office Aug. 4-15, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Reserve seats will open to the public on Aug. 18 through Aug. 29. Call 683-6461 for more information.

McCalister slams

FORT WORTH — Stanton's Leo McCalister, a high-flying 5-foot-11 guard, won the halftime slam dunk contest in the Texas High School Coaches Association's All-Star game Monday night.

McCalister, trying to copy the foul-line leap made famous by Julius Erving and Michael Jordan, dribbled nearly the length of the court then took off from about 10 feet out to throw down his last and best shot.

McCalister's halftime success made up for the embarrassment of a wide open, second-quarter dunk attempt that was stuffed by the front rim, drawing laughter from players and fans and a big grin from McCalister.

Despite the fact that McCalister scored only two points, the North defeated the South 100-96 as Chad Elsey scored 12 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter.

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Angels homestand hellish

■ Midland loses for 10th time in 12 games, 10-3 to Shreveport at Christensen.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Never in the history of Texas League baseball at Christensen Stadium has a two-day layoff been so welcomed.

The Shreveport Captains belted the Midland Angels for the fifth consecutive night Monday, scoring seven runs through just four innings on the way to a 10-3 victory. Midland has now lost 10 of 12 games on the homestand to fall four games off the pace of the West Division leading El Paso Diablos.

But the good news was that the Angels now have a two-day rest period for the Texas League All-Star game in Shreveport before resuming the homestand with five games against the Wichita Wranglers.

And this was a homestand that should have boosted the Angels toward the playoffs. After all, even a break-even series would have vaulted the Angels close to first place. Instead, they find themselves in the West basement trying to find a way to break a West Texas drought.

If there was any indication that Midland had a chance to break the doldrums, it had that look Monday. The Angels had ace Jerrod Washburn on the mound and he had hurled a shutout at the Caps just four games prior. And the Caps had Andy Taulbee on the mound, who had not won a game this year.

Taulbee (1-7) got his first win, giving up only three runs in six innings of work while his teammates staked him to an 8-3 lead through six.

And while it was a first for Taulbee, Shreveport's Kenny Woods also recorded his first home run of the season, a solo shot off of Washburn in the sixth. Woods was the last position player on the team to hit a home run this season.

"Yeah, I was the last of the Mohicans to get one," Woods said. "Even (pitcher Darin) Blood has a home run this year."

Shreveport radio announcer Dave Nitz said, "Woods was the last of the position players to get a home run and I saw the players in the dugout avoiding him when

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Midland's Aaron Guiel had two hits and drove in two runs in the Angels' loss.

Deion is preferred in Austin

By Josie Karp
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

AUSTIN — Purging the circus atmosphere surrounding the Cowboys was a top priority coming into training camp. Still in its infancy, the effort appears successful — right down to eradicating a radio-blaring, mist-cooling, Mercedes golf cart belonging to Deion Sanders.

The cornerback whose accoutrements would fit right in with the big top formerly known as the Cowboys, is playing baseball with the Cincinnati Reds instead of attending training camp. This void, however, isn't welcome, unlike the lack of speculation about drug suspensions and the end of the Cowboys' preseason world tour.

"I wish he was here because I think he adds a lot to the team and the chemistry of the team, the camaraderie we have in the secondary," defensive backs coach Mike Zimmer said. "For me it's all negative that he's not here."

Sanders has indicated to Cowboys owner Jerry Jones that he will play in all the Cowboys' regular-season games, even if he is still playing baseball. He says he will join the Cowboys full time when the Reds are eliminated from playoff contention. Even though Cincinnati is 11 1/2 games out of first in the National League Central and recently fired manager Ray Knight, Sanders has indicated he has no plans to attend any preseason games or practices.

The process of reintegrating Sanders into the defense will not be as simple as him showing up in Pittsburgh on Aug. 31, slipping on jersey No. 21 and stepping on the field to greet Steelers quarterback Kordell Stewart.

The Cowboys think it might actually take a day or two to get Sanders ready to do what his teammates have been practicing for about six weeks.

Defensive coordinator Dave Campo plans to send a coach, probably Zimmer, to wherever Sanders is playing baseball in order to clue him in to the defensive scheme and any new wrinkles that have been added since last season.

By not being in training camp, Sanders

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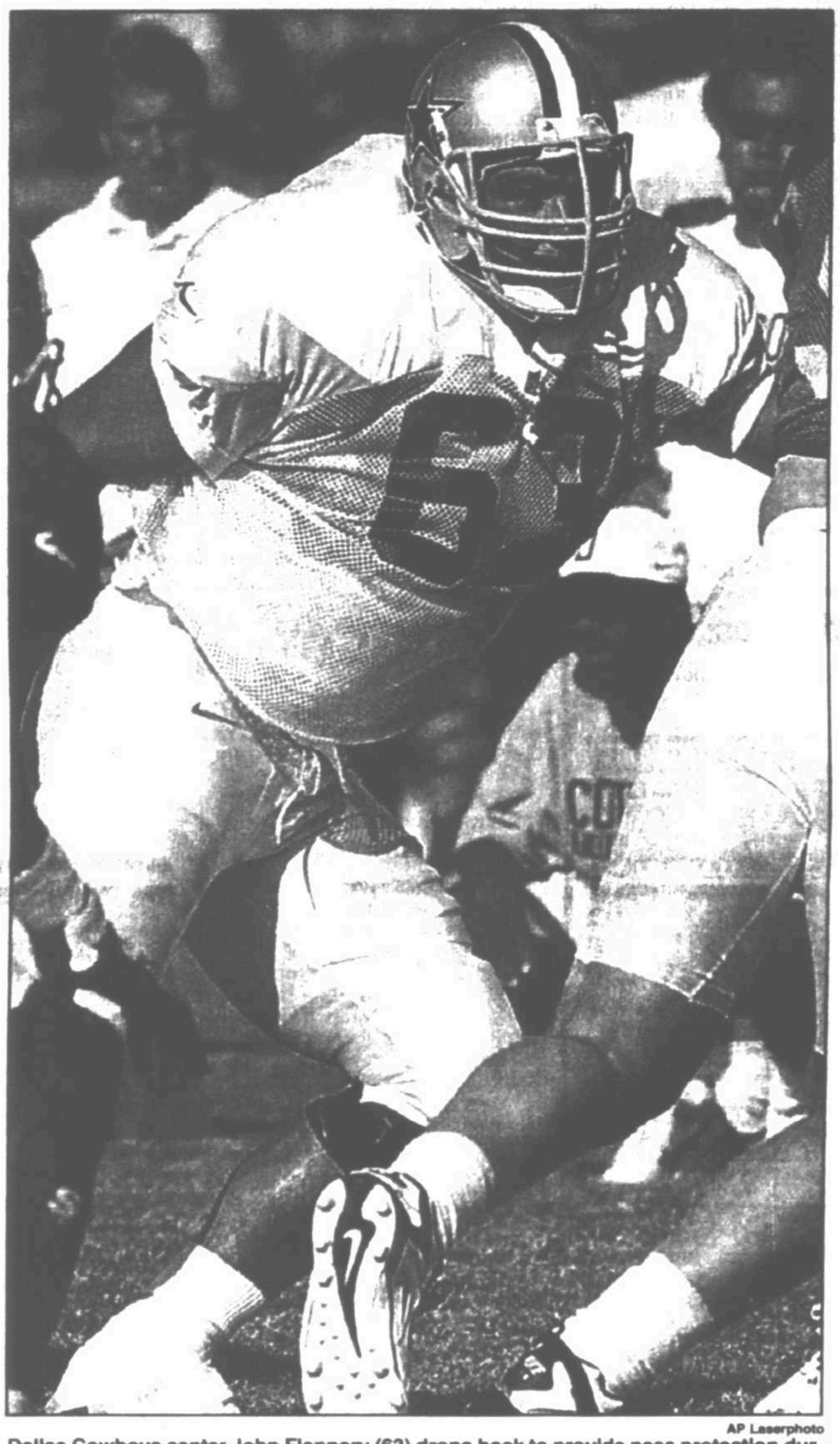

AP Laserphoto
Dallas Cowboys center John Flannery (63) drops back to provide pass protection during a team workout last Tuesday, in Austin. The Cowboys are looking at the former Houston Oilers center and another player to take over for veteran Ray Donaldson.

Cowboys center in on a battle

By Chip Brown
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — After last year, the Dallas Cowboys heard the jokes about how three of their offensive linemen were old enough to run for president.

Make that two.

Ray Donaldson, at 39, the oldest of the aging wall in front of Troy Aikman and Emmitt Smith, was released during the offseason, leaving the battle for center between former Houston Oilers' starter John Flannery and Clay Shiver, a third-round draft pick last year out of Florida State.

The battle — one of the hottest in the Dallas training camp — is so close coach Barry Switzer said Monday he wouldn't comment on it until the team returns to Dallas next month, adding only, "They are both doing well."

Aikman said, "Between the two of them, I don't think we can go wrong."

Flannery (6-foot-3, 304 pounds) is 28. He is taller and bigger than Shiver (6-2, 287) and has an edge in experience, but he also has a history of injuries.

In four seasons with the Oilers, he was injured in three of them, including a torn knee ligament in training camp in 1993.

After starting all of the 1994 season with the Oilers at left guard, he was released and then failed a physical in 1995 with the Green Bay Packers, who said his left knee was torn up again.

He underwent reconstructive surgery for the second time on his left knee and was signed by the Cowboys four weeks into last season.

"I'm just ecstatic to be on the field," said Flannery, who is splitting practice time with Shiver on the starting unit.

"I had seen a lot of doctors prior to my second reconstruction, and some of them said get it fixed and retire. But I didn't want doctors making the decision for me," he said. "I wanted to get it fixed, rehab it and see how it responds. So far it's responding well."

If Flannery starts, it will only be a matter of time before Shiver takes over. Cowboys coaches are hoping Shiver, whom Florida State's Bobby Bowden called the

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Astros likely to stand pat as trade deadline looms

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — When the Houston Astros were battling a few weeks back to stay at .500 in the weak NL Central, general manager Gerry Hunsicker was pulling every string possible to keep his team in contention.

Now, with Thursday's trading deadline approaching, Hunsicker doesn't expect any blockbuster deals and he's really not looking, since the Astros are on their hottest run of the season.

"First of all, we're not in a position to go out and get a premium player from a financial standpoint," Hunsicker said. "Once you get past that, the question is what can you really do?"

The Astros have fretted this season over a lack of production in center field and at shortstop and the combined slumps of third baseman Sean Berry and right fielder Derek Bell.

But Bell, the object of earlier trade rumors, and Berry are showing signs of coming out of their slumps.

Light-hitting, strong-fielding Tim Bogar is giving Hunsicker what he wants at shortstop. And in June the Astros recalled center fielder Chuck Carr from Triple-A New Orleans and he has performed well both offensively and defensively.

The Astros are leading Pittsburgh by five games and are nine games over .500. The starting pitching has improved and if manager Larry Dierker can find set-up pitching to get him to the eighth inning, he's got closer Billy Wagner waiting.

"To me, if you're not going to be able

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STEWART DOREEN

Right or wrong, Pudge most likely a former Ranger

Doreen

DALLAS — Just call it Ranger fate or maybe the Arlington curse. Whatever you want to call it, it looks as though Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez, a potential Hall of Fame catcher, will not finish his career in Texas.

Who's at fault? That is debatable.

One side says "Market Value" means Rodriguez will get close to, or over, $10 million a year and that Texas' five-year, $38 million effort is not enough. Actually, that side says Texas' offer is laughable. One of those guys is usually the agent who collects four percent of what his client makes. He says that his client would settle for five years and $45 million.

The other side says that $38 million guaranteed is fair, especially considering that Texas is one of the few states that does not to have a state income tax and that Rodriguez says he is happy in Texas.

One side says that it is typical Ranger philosophy not to ante up while the other says that if you pay a few players all the money, it leaves you very little to add to a strong nucleus.

So argue all you want about whether the Rangers are cheap or whether Rodriguez is guilty of being greedy. One person who can't do too much is Texas president Tom Schieffer. He has bigger pressures to worry about — such as Thursday's trading deadline.

Good advice for the Rangers is that if they aren't going to get Rodriguez signed now, and figure that they will not be able to sign him in the off-season, pull the trigger on a trade.

For many seasons, the Rangers have made horrible deals in trying to get that perfect player for the stretch run. One was the transaction that sent young, but unproven, players, Sammy Sosa and Wilson Alvarez, to the Chicago White Sox for Harold Baines. Or when they gave up pitcher Robbie Nen, now a legitimate major league closer, to Florida for Chris Carpenter.

Now, Rodriguez' upside is greater than probably all the over-the-hill crackpots they have traded to get, but they can make amends by not letting the catcher get to free agency, and therefore, getting practically zero for him. Also, it is time to take someone else's big-time prospects.

Whether it is Cleveland or New York, let another team have the best catcher in the game and the worry about having to pay up later.

If the Rangers can trade Pudge for prospects and use that $10 million and the money saved by trading Palmer, they can probably find another catcher and two pitchers. Trade Ken Hill and Bobby Witt and the Rangers can get that much more.

One last thing on whether the Rangers should have paid Rodriguez the big-time bucks — word has it that the New York Yankees are ready to give Rodriguez $100 million for 10 years, or the Arizona Diamondbacks will make an equally hard push for the catcher.

The philosophy here is if the Rangers are going to make a serious run at a title, overspending will not help with the bigger worries, like pitching. Also, Pudge said that he is happy and wants to be in Texas. Saying no to the Rangers' contract means he is just another greedy player who doesn't care where he ends up. Why doesn't he just save us the, "I want to remain in Texas," lip service and just say, "Give me all the money I want?" I can respect that.

I will miss Pudge. He is one of my favorite Rangers and maybe the best defensive catcher of his time. He is also hitting over .330 this season. Unfortunately, I don't remember too many World Series teams from 1980-on that have carried elite catchers. I do remember some very good pitching staffs.

Stewart Doreen is a sports writer of the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Ex-Diablo shuts out Clemens in debut, 1-0

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Steve Woodard, who until recently was pitching for the El Paso Diablos in the Texas League, pitched eight innings of one-hit ball in his major league debut to lead the Milwaukee Brewers over Roger Clemens and the Toronto Blue Jays 1-0 in the first game of a twi-night doubleheader.

Woodard, a 22-year-old right-hander who pitched for the Diablos at Christensen Stadium earlier in the season, gave up a double to Otis Nixon, the first batter he faced, and a walk to Alex Gonzalez in the third.

Woodard's 12 strikeouts tied the Brewers' season high. Mike Fetters pitched a perfect ninth for his third save.

Clemens (16-4) held the Brewers to a single through the first three innings, and gave up just three more hits in the fourth as Milwaukee took a 1-0 lead. Jeff Cirillo doubled leading off and scored on a one-out single by Jeromy Burnitz.

Clemens struck out 10 and walked one.

In the second game, the Brewers turned their first triple play in 18 years and Matt Mieske homered to complete a sweep of a twi-night doubleheader 9-3.

The first two batters in the fourth inning singled off Joel Adamson (3-1) before Alex Gonzalez hit the next pitch down the line to third baseman Jeff Cirillo, who stepped on third and threw to second baseman Mark Loretta for the second out. Loretta then fired to first to get Gonzalez by a step.

The Brewers ended the first start of the season by Huck Flener (0-1) when Jack Voigt tripled home two runs in the third.

Orioles 7, Rangers 2

BALTIMORE — Mike Mussina pitched seven strong innings and Rafael Palmeiro snapped a sixth-inning tie with a three-run homer for Baltimore.

Roberto Alomar went 4-for-5 with a two-run homer to help Baltimore to its sixth win in seven games.

The Orioles are 8-1 against the Rangers this season, outscoring them 59-31, after winning only three of 13 against Texas a year ago.

Rusty Greer hit his 15th homer for the Rangers, who had won three straight.

Mussina (11-4) allowed two runs, six hits and one walk in earning his first win in five starts since June 30. He struck out six and retired 14 of 15 batters after a shaky start.

Yankees 4, Athletics 3

NEW YORK — Mark Whiten snapped an 0-for-16 slump with an RBI single in the ninth inning to snap the Yankees' three-game losing streak.

Ernie Young hit a two-run homer for the A's, who took a 3-1 lead into the seventh.

In the ninth, Aaron Small (7-5), Oakland's sixth pitcher, walked Luis Sojo leading off and Derek Jeter sacrificed. Whiten then pulled Small's first pitch past first baseman Mark McGwire and into the corner to bring in Sojo.

Angels 2, Indians 0

Angels 10, Indians 7

CLEVELAND — Dennis Springer scattered eight hits to pitch the Angels to a victory over the Indians in the first game of a day-night doubleheader.

Springer (6-4), who pitched his fourth career complete game and second shutout, did not allow an extra-base hit, struck out two and walked two.

The Angels took a 1-0 lead in the second when Garrett Anderson singled, stole second, advanced to third on Jim Leyritz's groundout and scored on Jack Howell's RBI single.

The Angels got a grand slam from Garret Anderson to score the sweep. Anderson hit a mammoth grand slam off Orel Hershiser in the fourth. Todd Greene broke a 6-6 tie with a solo homer in the sixth.

Pep Harris (2-2) allowed one run in 2 1/3 innings for the victory in relief of starter Matt Perisho, the former Midland Angel, allowed five runs, four hits and six walks in 3 1/3 innings.

Royals 10, Twins 3

Royals 5, Twins 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Royals scored seven first-inning runs and collected a season-high 17 hits in the first game of a twi-night doubleheader.

Yamil Benitez, whose contract was purchased from Triple-A Omaha on July 24, had a career-high four singles and two RBIs.

Johnny Damon and Joe Vitiello homered and three pitchers combined on a three-hitter in the second game as Kansas City swept the doubleheader.

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Milwaukee Brewers' Steve Woodard, delivers a pitch in the first inning Monday in Milwaukee. Woodard, a former El Paso Diablo. Woodard threw a one hit shutout over eight innings.

St. Louis keeps red-hot Astros from achieving tenth straight win

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Just when the Houston Astros were poised to make franchise history, Todd Stottlemyre and Dennis Eckersley stopped them.

The two pitchers combined on a six-hitter Monday night as the St. Louis Cardinals held on for a 2-1 victory that stopped the Astros' winning streak at nine.

The Astros, comfortably in front in the NL Central, have won a team record 10 straight victories five times, most recently May 26-June 4, 1989.

"I'm not disappointed that the streak ended because we all knew we'd lose sometime and we'll lose some more before it's over," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "I'll be disappointed if this starts us going the other way."

Stottlemyre drove in the eventual winning run with an eighth-inning double that raised his batting average to .279.

Jeff Bagwell hit his 28th homer leading off the ninth against Eckersley, and Sean Berry reached on a two-out error. Pinch-runner James Mouton then stole second, but Brad Ausmus grounded out to shortstop to end the game.

It was the 26th save of the season for Eckersley, who made the 1,000th appearance of his career.

"It was very significant," Eckersley said. "I thought about it before the season began. More than anything it's because I've been healthy. To pitch in 1,000 games was one thing as a reliever. But I started 400 games, that's why I feel like I feel I've been so lucky."

Stottlemyre struck out seven and walked one. The only major threat against him came with two outs in the fourth when Luis Gonzalez singled and Derek Bell walked. But Berry, who had homered in the two previous games, flied out to the left field warning track.

Stottlemyre lost his most recent game to the Astros.

"I've probably been driving my family nuts, knowing I was going to have to come here," Stottlemyre said. "It's a situation where I got my butt kicked five days ago and I knew I had my hands full tonight. They've been tough on me and they've been the hottest team in baseball."

St. Louis got on the scoreboard in the fourth when Delino DeShields reached on shortstop Tim Bogar's fielding error to start the inning. He went to second on Dmitri Young's groundout and scored on a single to left by Ray Lankford.

Royce Clayton and Stottlemyre had doubles in the eighth inning. Stottlemyre, who has driven in four runs this season, has 12 hits in 43 at-bats.

The Astros put runners on first and second with one out in the eighth, but Thomas Howard hit a sharp liner to shortstop Royce Clayton, who stepped on second for a double play.

Chris Holt (7-7) pitched well for the Astros but got the loss, allowing six hits, one earned run and striking out three in eight innings.

"I felt pretty good," Holt said. "Tonight I was in a groove and made some pretty good pitches. But we still came out on the bad end. I left a change up to Stottlemyre and that ended up being the game winning hit."

Reds 4, Marlins 0

MIAMI — Joe Oliver's three-run homer broke a scoreless tie in the ninth inning and John Smiley combined with two relievers on a shutout to lead Cincinnati past Florida.

The Marlins lost their third in a row and fell into third place in the NL East. They are 8-9 since the All-Star break.

Reggie Sanders led off the ninth with Cincinnati's third hit, a double against Jay Powell (1-2), and took third on a groundout. Willie Greene was intentionally walked and Oliver followed with his ninth home run.

Mike Kelly followed Oliver's home run with a solo shot, his fifth.

Smiley and Al Leiter dueled for 7 1/2 innings and departed for pinch hitters with the game scoreless. Stan Belinda (1-2) pitched one scoreless inning and Jeff Shaw followed with a scoreless ninth.

Braves 6, Cubs 0

ATLANTA — Denny Neagle pitched a three-hitter and Fred McGriff hit a three-run homer as Atlanta routed Chicago and sent the Cubs to their fifth consecutive loss.

Neagle (14-2) limited Chicago to three singles in tossing his third shutout of the season, tied for second in the NL behind Houston's Darryl Kile. The Atlanta left-hander allowed only one runner to second base and struck out six with no walks.

Chicago starter Kevin Tapani (1-1) wasn't able to duplicate his first start of the season, a brilliant five-hit, one-run performance against the Braves last Wednesday after 3 1/2 months on the disabled list. He lasted only five innings, giving up seven hits and all six runs.

Dodgers 4, Pirates 2

LOS ANGELES — Ismael Valdes worked six strong innings despite a blister on his pitching thumb and Greg Gagne hit a tie-breaking two-run homer as the Dodgers beat the Pirates.

It was the fourth straight victory for the Dodgers and put them a season-high eight games over .500.

Valdes (6-9), in his first start since coming off the disabled list, allowed two runs and eight hits with five strikeouts and no walks. The right-hander missed three starts because of a strained left hamstring, threw 60 of his 81 pitches for strikes.

Local Sports

Permian Basin Speedway

Here are Saturday's results from the Permian Basin Speedway, Inc.

IMCA Modified — 1. Bob Sikes, Eunice; 2. Stacey Owens, Hobbs; 3. Vince Ogle, Lubbock; 4. Neal Flowers, Hobbs; 5. Terry Mosley, Odessa.

Super Stock — 1. Bryan Clements, San Angelo; 2. Norman Newton, Monahans.

Street Stock — 1. Kenneth Ester, Odessa; 2. Chris Sabon, Odessa; 3. Jim Mills, Midland; 4. Paul Vines, Midland; 5. Terry Register, Odessa.

Mini Stock — 1. Bart Hilger, Big Spring; 2. Kerry James, Odessa; 3 Phillip Hayden, Odessa; 4. Jack Turner, Odessa; 5. Jerry Hall, San Angelo.

Twin Cities Speedway

Here are Friday's results from Twin Cities Speedway.

West Texas Outlaw Mini Sprints

Heat: 1. Billy Beckham, Monahans; 2. Mike Wolther, Midland; 3. Mike Caswell; 4. Odie Russell, Hobbs; 5. Marvin Coulson, Odessa. Dash For Cash: 1. Beckham; 2. Caswell; 3. Russell; 4. Coulson. Feature: 1. Beckham; 2. Wolther; 3. Russell; 4. Caswell.

Pro Stock Division

Heat: 1. Tim Pyce, Midland; 2. Paul Wheeler, Midland; 3. Greg Jenkins, Hobbs; 4. Larry Jackson, Odessa; 5. Rick Campbell, Odessa; 6. William Allison, Midland. Semi: 1. Jenkins; 2. Pyce; 3. Campbell; 4. Wheeler; 5. Jackson; 6. Allison. Feature: 1. Pyce; 2. Jenkins; 3. Campbell; 4. Riojas; 5. Wheeler; 6. Jackson. Dash for Cash: Pyle.

Mini Stock Division

Heat: 1. Trent Crawford, Midland; 2. Daniell Flatt, Midland; 3. Dean Harris, Gardendale; 4. Heath Cole, Midland; 5. Jimmy McKinney, Odessa; 6. Henry Greer, Midland; 7. Tracy Vines, Midland; 8. Toby Robertson, Midland; 9. Jared Riggs, Midland; 10. Pat Toolen, Midland. Semi: 1. Harris; 2. Vines; 3. Cole; 4. Flatt; 5. Greer; 6. McKinney; 7. Robertson; 8. Toolen; 9. Riggs; 10. Crawford. Feature: 1. Crawford; 2. Harris; 3. Flatt; 4. McKinney; 5. Cole; 6. Robertson; 7. Vines; 8. Greer; 9. Riggs; 10 Toolen. Dash for Cash: McKinney.

Street Stock Division

Heat: 1. Gary Kerr Jr., Odessa; 2. Paul Vines, Midland; 3. Mike Poole, Odessa; 4. Steve Sigler, Midland; 5. Jeff Laughlin, Odessa; 6. Curtis Simons, Odessa; 7. Kerry Hinsley, Midland; 8. Bob Haskell, Midland. Semi: 1. Vines; 2. Poole; 3. Hinsley; 4. Kerr; 5. Laughlin; 6. Simons; 7. Haskell; 8. Sigler; 9. Elliott. Feature: 1. Hinsley; 2. Sigler; 3. Poole; 4. Haskell; 5. Laughlin; 6. Kerr; 7. Terry Register, Odessa; 8. Jim Harrison, Odessa; 10. Elliot. Dash for Cash: Poole. Spectator Drag Winner: Eddie Vasquez, Midland.

Yankees give Irabu ticket back to minors

NEW YORK (AP) — The Yankees couldn't wait for Hideki Irabu to get to New York. Now they want him to get out of town - for a while anyway.

With expectations falling short every time the Japanese pitcher takes the mound, the Yankees optioned Irabu to the minor leagues on Monday in hopes that he can regain his confidence.

"This is just trying to get him fixed so he can help us," New York manager Joe Torre said. "... the biggest part of this is that he can get away and then come back."

Irabu, hit hard in his last three games, will join Triple-A Columbus later this week after stopping off for a few days to workout at the Yankees' training complex in Tampa, Fla.

The right-hander is next expected to start in Columbus on Friday night against Rochester.

"He's going to Columbus to get things ironed out in a less strenuous atmosphere," New York general manager Bob Watson said in a hastily arranged news conference at Yankee Stadium.

In his last start Saturday against Seattle, Irabu, whom the Yankees signed to a $12.8 million contract after lengthy negotiations, gave up six runs and four hits in only two innings of a 9-7 loss to the Mariners.

Irabu had trouble with his location from the first pitch, and threw just 41 before being booed as he left the mound with Seattle leading 6-0.

Following the game, Torre said he thought Irabu looked preoccupied and seemed to be distracted, possibly by the intense scrutiny placed on him by the media and Yankees fans.

Torre's original plan was to have Irabu skip his next start and pitch out of the bullpen. But after the Yankees braintrust suggested a trip to the minors might help, Torre gave his OK.

"It was just a matter of talking," Torre said. "The bullpen was one option for us, but when we started discussing what our options were, we decided that this would be best."

Irabu spoke through his interpreter for about five minutes before leaving the stadium Monday before the Yankees hosted the Oakland Athletics. He appeared calm and seemed to understand that the Yankees were demoting him for his own good.

Was he embarrassed by the demotion?

"Of course I'm not satisfied with the result or the way things happened," he said. "But in the last couple of weeks I have learned a lot."

After a winning debut against Detroit on July 10, in which he struck out nine and won over Yankee fans with his impressive fastball, Irabu was hit hard by Cleveland in his next start but still picked up the victory.

Indians outfielder David Justice said Irabu's pitches were "just average" and several other players wondered what all the hype was about.

ANGELS: Captains score 7 in four innings

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he came to the dugout. They've been giving him a hard time about not having a home run."

Woods said, "They kind of shined me when I came back to the dugout. They weren't going to say anything to me until I sat down on the bench. Then they all came around."

It was that kind of win for the Caps, who have moved into a first place tie with Tulsa after a 9-3 road trip. In the first four wins, shortstop Ramon Martinez and outfielder Keith Williams, both hitting near the .500 mark for the series, had carried the Caps. This time it was Woods, Calvin Murray and Jay Canizaro who did most of the damage. Canizaro drove in three runs, hitting his third homer in two days. Murray had three hits and two RBIs, driving in the first run of the game in the third to send the Caps on their way.

"It was nice to help get (Midland) down early," Murray said. "They're struggling a bit, and when you can score first on them, it really helps."

Williams had only one hit, but that extended his hitting streak to 15 games, the longest of any Cap this year. During that 15-game span, Williams has 25 RBIs.

Midland's Keith Luuloa nailed his sixth home run of the season in the fifth, breaking the Angels' 13-inning scoreless streak and Aaron Guiel doubled in two runs in the sixth. But if the Angels had any hopes of getting back into this one, it went by the boards in the seventh when Canizaro unloaded with his two-run shot off Midland reliever Juan Alvarez.

ANGEL DUST: Midland second baseman Kevin Young ended an 0-for-18 run at the plate with a single in the sixth... Guiel has hit safely in 28 of his last 33 games with 27 RBIs... The Angels still own a 29-25 record at home, despite the 2-10 mark on this homestand... The Angels now only have games left against teams from the West Division, beginning with the Wranglers on Wednesday... Reliever Nick Skuse, outfielder Guiel, third baseman/catcher Jamie Burke and Washburn will represent Midland in the Texas League All-Star game Tuesday in Shreveport...

Shreveport 10, Midland 3

Shreveport	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Murray cf	4	2	3	2	Dalton cf	3	1	0	0
Rios rf	5	1	2	2	Young 2b	4	1	1	0
Martinez ss	4	0	1	0	Guiel lf	4	0	2	2
Williams lf	5	0	1	1	Burke 3b	4	0	0	0
Simonton 1b	5	0	0	0	Hemphill dh	4	0	1	0
Guzman 3b	5	2	2	0	Buxbaum 1b	4	0	0	0
Canizaro 2b	4	1	2	3	Herrick rf	3	0	0	0
Mayes c	5	2	2	0	Luuloa ss	3	1	2	1
Woods dh	4	2	2	1	Ryder c	3	0	1	0
Totals	41	10	15	9	Totals	34	3	7	3

Shreveport	003	401	200	— 10
Midland	000	012	000	— 3

E-Dalton, Luuloa. DP-Shreveport 2, Midland 1. LOB-Shreveport 7, Midland 3. 2B-Martinez, Murray, Mayes, Young, Guiel. 3B-Guzman. HR-Luuloa (6), Woods (1), Canizaro (8).

PITCHING	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Shreveport						
Taulbee W,1-7	6.0	6	3	3	1	2
Oropesa	2.0	0	0	0	0	2
Howry	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
Midland						
Washburn L,11-10	6.0	13	8	7	1	7
Alvarez	2.0	2	2	2	2	1
Skuse	1.0	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Taulbee. Balk-Washburn. T-2:20. Attn.-3,596.

ASTROS: Not looking to make any trades

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to get an impact player, somebody that's going to make a significant improvement over what you have, it doesn't make a lot of sense to me to just make a couple of cosmetic changes," Hunsicker said.

Shane Reynolds is back from the disabled list and back in the starting rotation with All-Star Darryl Kile and Mike Hampton. Dierker is ready to finish the season with the hand he's been dealt.

"I'd just like to see us continue playing the way we're playing," he said. "I'm not worried about making a trade as long as we keep our guys healthy."

He also is enjoying pulling the strings and having his strategy work.

"Earlier in the year we have felt like we needed to do some things," Dierker said. "I'm not pointing a finger anywhere because I don't want to make guys feel bad, but we had some deficiencies.

"But we've worked them out from within. Everyone would like an all-star at every position but I'm satisfied with what we've got."

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TEXAS	ab	r	hbi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi
TGdwin cf	4	1	0	0 RAlmr 2b	5	2	4
McLmr 2b	4	0	0	0 Hmnds rf	3	1	1
Greer lf	4	1	2	2 RPmro 1b	4	1	1
JuGnz rf	3	0	1	0 ByAdsn cf	3	0	1
WClark 1b	4	0	2	0 CRipkn 3b	4	1	2
IRdrgz c	4	0	0	0 Surhoff lf	4	0	1
LStvns dh	4	0	1	0 Barros dh	3	1	1
FTatis 3b	4	0	1	0 Holles c	4	0	1
DCdeno ss	4	0	1	0 Bordick ss	4	1	1
Totals	35	2	8	2 Totals	34	7	13

Texas	200	000	000 — 2
Baltimore	002	004	01x — 7

E—FTatis (1). DP—Texas 2. LOB—Texas 8, Baltimore 6. 2B—WClark (26), ByAnderson (23), Barros (14), Holles (7). HR—Greer (15), RAlomar (10), RPalmeiro (23). SB—TGoodwin (35). CS—ByAnderson (7). SF—Barros.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Witt L,10-6	5	8	5	5	1	4
Whiteside	1	2	1	1	0	1
Vosberg	1	2	0	0	1	1
XHernandez	1	1	1	0	0	0
Baltimore						
Mussina W,11-4	7	6	2	2	1	6
Orosco	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
ABenitez S,8	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	4

Witt pitched to 4 batters in the 6th.
WP—XHernandez. T—3:03. A—47,627 (48,262).

ANGELS 2, INDIANS 0, 1st game

ANAHEIM	ab	r	hbi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi
Phillips dh	5	0	0	0 Grssom cf	4	0	1
Erstad 1b	4	0	2	0 TFrndz 2b	3	0	0
Salmon rf	4	0	0	0 Thome 1b	2	0	0
Edmnd cf	4	0	0	0 Rmirez rf	4	0	2
GAndsn lf	4	2	2	0 Justice dh	4	0	0
Leyritz c	4	0	1	0 MaWlms 3b	4	0	2
OPmro pr	0	0	0	0 Giles lf	4	0	0
Kreuter c	0	0	0	0 Brders c	4	0	2
Howell 3b	3	0	1	1 DmJkn ss	3	0	1
Grbeck 3b	1	0	0	0			
Alicea 2b	2	0	1	0			
Hollins 3b	1	0	0	0			
DiScna ss	4	0	2	1			
Totals	36	2	9	2 Totals	32	0	8

Anaheim	010	000	001 — 2
Cleveland	000	000	000 — 0

DP—Anaheim 1. LOB—Anaheim 8, Cleveland 8. SB—GAnderson (9), DmJackson (1). CS—Borders (2). S—TFernandez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Anaheim						
DSpringer W,6-4	9	8	0	0	2	2
Cleveland						
Colon L,2-5	9	9	2	2	1	6

PB—Borders. T—2:37. A—43,033 (43,863).

ANGELS 10, INDIANS 7, Second game

ANAHEIM	ab	r	hbi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi
Phillips 2b	5	1	1	0 Grssom cf	2	1	0
OPmro dh	5	2	2	0 Seitzer dh	4	1	1
Hollins 3b	4	3	3	1 Thome 1b	3	2	1
Edmnd cf	3	1	0	0 Rmirez rf	4	1	3
Salmon rf	4	1	2	3 Justice lf	1	0	1
GAndsn lf	5	1	1	4 MaWlm 3b	3	0	0
Leyritz 1b	4	0	1	1 SAlmr c	4	0	1
Erstad 1b	1	0	1	0 DmJkn pr	0	0	0
TdGrne c	4	1	2	1 JuFrco 2b	3	1	0
Grbeck ss	3	0	0	0 Giles ph	0	0	0
				TFrndz ph	1	0	0
				Vizquel ss	3	1	1
Totals	38	10	13	10 Totals	28	7	8

Anaheim	000	421	300 — 10
Cleveland	310	110	001 — 7

E—Leyritz (2). DP—Anaheim 2, Cleveland 2. LOB—Anaheim 7, Cleveland 10. 2B—Phillips (22), Salmon (22), Seitzer (9), Ramirez (27), Vizquel (14). 3B—OPalmeiro (1). HR—GAnderson (5), TdGreene (3). SB—Hollins 2 (11), Erstad (17), JuFranco (8). S—Vizquel. SF—Grissom, Thome, Justice, MaWilliams.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Anaheim						
Perisho	3 1-3	4	5	5	6	1
PHarris W,2-2	2 1-3	2	1	1	2	1
DaMay	2	2-3	2	1	1	0
Percival	1-3	0	0	0	3	0
Holtz S,2	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cleveland						
Hershiser	4	2-3	5	6	6	3
Morman		0	0	0	0	1
Weathers L,1-2		2	6	4	4	0
Plunk	2	1-3	2	0	0	2

Morman pitched to 1 batter in the 5th. WP—Percival. T—4:00. A—42,857 (43,863).

BREWERS 1, BLUE JAYS 0, First game

TORONTO	ab	r	hbi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi
Nixon cf	4	0	1	0 Vina 2b	3	0	0
Merced rf	4	0	0	0 JaValtn ss	3	0	0
Carter lf	3	0	0	0 Cirillo 3b	3	1	1
CDlgdo 1b	3	0	0	0 Nilsson dh	3	0	0
Sprgue 3b	3	0	0	0 Burnitz rf	3	0	1
SGreen dh	3	0	0	0 Mieske lf	3	0	2
O'Brien c	3	0	0	0 Huson 1b	3	0	0
Brito 2b	3	0	0	0 GeWrns cf	3	0	0
AGnzlz ss	2	0	0	0 Levis c	3	0	0
				Mtheny c	0	0	0
Totals	28	0	1	0 Totals	27	1	4

Toronto	000	000	000 — 0
Milwaukee	000	100	00x — 1

LOB—Toronto 2, Milwaukee 3. 2B—Nixon (8), Cirillo (28). SB—Nixon (45).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Clemens L,16-4	8	4	1	1	1	10
Milwaukee						
Woodard W,1-0	8	1	0	0	1	12
Fetters S,3	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:17. A—NA (53,192).

BREWERS 9, BLUE JAYS 3, Second game

TORONTO	ab	r	hbi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h
bl							
Brmfld cf	5	1	2	0 Loretta 2b	6	0	4
RPerez lf	4	0	0	0 JaValtn ss	5	0	2
Samuel rf	4	2	3	2 Huson 2b	0	0	0
Carter 1b	4	0	3	1 Cirillo 3b	5	1	2
Sprgue dh	4	0	1	0 Burnitz rf	0	0	0
BSnitgo c	3	0	1	0 Nilsson 1b	4	1	2
AGnzlz ss	4	0	1	0 Voigt lf	5	1	2
Brito 3b	4	0	0	0 Mieske rf	5	2	2
CGrcia 2b	4	0	0	0 GeWrns cf	4	2	3
				Dunn dh	4	1	1
				Mtheny c	4	1	1
Totals	36	3	11	3 Totals	42	9	19

Toronto	101	000	010 — 3
Milwaukee	013	013	01x — 9

E—Adamson (2). DP—Toronto 1. TP—Milwaukee 1. LOB—Toronto 7, Milwaukee 14. 2B—Samuel 2 (3), Carter (16), AGonzalez (17), Loretta 3 (15), Cirillo (29), GeWilliams 2 (19), Dunn (2). 3B—Voigt (2). HR—Samuel (1), Mieske (5). SB—Samuel (4), GeWilliams (15), Dunn (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Fiener L,0-1	2	7	4	4	2	2
Quantrill	2	2-3	5	1	1	3
Daal	2	1-3	5	3	3	0
Spoljaric	1	2	1	1	0	0
Milwaukee						
Adamson W,3-1	5	7	2	1	0	3
Misuraca	3	4	1	1	1	4
Hansell	1	0	0	0	0	0

Fiener pitched to 3 batters in the 3rd. WP—Fiener, Spoljaric. T—3:12. A—18,034 (53,192).

ROYALS 10, TWINS 3, First game

MINNESOTA	ab	r	hbi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	hbi
Knblch 2b	3	1	0	0 Roberts lf	4	0	3
Hcking 2b	2	0	0	0 Offrmn 2b	5	1	1
RKelly rf	4	0	1	0 CDavis dh	5	1	1
Molitor dh	4	0	1	1 Palmer 3b	2	2	0
Sthviak 1b	4	0	0	0 Halter 3b	0	0	0
Coomer 3b	4	0	0	0 King 1b	5	2	4
MCdva lf	4	1	1	1 Damon cf	4	1	2
GMyrs c	4	0	0	0 MiSwy c	5	1	1
DrJksn cf	3	1	2	0 YBentz rf	5	1	4
Meares ss	2	0	1	0 DHwrd ss	5	1	1
Totals	31	3	6	2 Totals	41	10	17

Minnesota	120	000	000 — 3
Kansas City	700	101	01x — 10

E—Meares 2 (12). DP—Minnesota 1, Kansas City 2. LOB—Minnesota 4, Kansas City 11. 2B—Roberts (16), CDavis (13). 3B—DrJackson (1), Damon (5). HR—MCordova (8). CS—Molitor (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
FrRdgz L,2-4	4	11	8	8	2	0
Swindell	3	4	1	1	0	3
Guardado	1	2	1	0	1	2
Kansas City						
Belcher W,10-9	7	5	3	3	2	5
Carrasco	2	1	0	0	0	0

HBP—by FrRodriguez (Palmer), by Belcher (Meares). WP—FrRodriguez, Belcher. T—2:46. A—0 (40,625).

ROYALS 5, TWINS 2, Second game

MINNESOTA	ab	r	hbi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	hbi
Knblch 2b	3	1	0	0 Roberts lf	4	1	1
Becker rf	4	0	0	0 Offrmn 2b	4	0	2
Molitor dh	3	0	0	0 JBell ss	2	0	1
Stnbch c	4	0	0	0 CDavis dh	4	0	0
Lawton lf	3	0	0	0 Palmer 3b	4	0	0
Cibrnn 1b	4	0	1	0 Vitiello 1b	3	1	1
DrJksn cf	3	1	1	0 King 1b	1	0	0
Meares ss	3	0	1	0 YBentz rf	2	1	1
Hcking 3b	2	0	0	0 Halter rf	0	0	0
				Damon cf	3	1	1
				McIrine c	2	1	0
Totals	29	2	3	0 Totals	29	5	7

Minnesota	100	010	000 — 2
Kansas City	002	102	00x — 5

E—Offerman (6). DP—Minnesota 1, Kansas City 1. LOB—Minnesota 4, Kansas City 4. 2B—Offerman (16). HR—Vitiello (3), Damon (5). SB—Knoblauch (40). SF—JBell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
TraMiller L,0-1	6	7	5	5	3	4
Trombley	2	0	0	0	0	2
Kansas City						
Pittsley W,3-7	6	3	2	1	4	1
MiPerez	2	0	0	0	0	2
JMtgm S,5	1	0	0	0	0	0

T—2:22. A—20,305 (40,625)

YANKEES 4, ATHLETICS 3

OAKLAND	ab	r	hbi	NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi
Spiezio 2b	3	0	0	0 Jeter ss	4	0	1
Mgdan 3b	3	0	1	1 PKelly 2b	3	0	0
Stairs dh	3	0	1	0 Whiten lf	2	0	1
McGwr 1b	4	0	0	0 O'Neill rf	4	1	1
Giambi lf	4	0	0	0 TMrtnz 1b	3	0	1
Brosius rf	4	1	1	0 Hayes 3b	4	1	1
Mayne c	4	0	1	0 Boggs dh	2	1	0
EnYng cf	3	2	2	2 Curtis cf	1	0	1
Batista ss	3	0	0	0 Girardi c	4	0	1
				Pose lf	2	0	0
				Sojo 2b	1	1	0
Totals	31	3	6	3 Totals	30	4	7

Oakland	001	200	000 — 3
New York	010	000	111 — 4

One out when winning run scored.
E—Giambi (2). DP—Oakland 1, New York 2. LOB—Oakland 4, New York 9. 2B—Brosius (16), EnYoung (1), Curtis (12). HR—EnYoung (2), Hayes (8). S—Jeter.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Rigby	5	3	1	1	2	3
Mohler	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
DJohnson	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Groom	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Taylor	2-3	0	0	0	2	1
ASmall L,7-5	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
New York						
Cone	8	6	3	3	3	4
MRivera W,3-3	1	0	0	0	0	0

DJohnson pitched to 3 batters in the 7th. HBP—by DJohnson (Curtis). T—3:13. A—25,570 (57,545).

NL Boxes

CARDINALS 2, ASTROS 1

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	hbi	HOUSTON	ab	r	hbi
DaShld 2b	4	1	1	0 Biggio 2b	4	0	1
DYng 1b	3	0	1	0 THwrd cf	4	0	0
DaBell 3b	1	0	0	0 TMrtn p	0	0	0
LnkIrd cf	3	0	1	1 Bgwell 1b	4	1	2
Pntier rf	4	0	1	0 LGnzlz lf	4	0	1
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0 DaBell rf	3	0	0
Gant lf	3	0	0	0 Berry 3b	4	0	0
Difelice c	3	0	0	0 JMoutn pr	0	0	0
Clayton ss	3	1	1	0 Asmus c	4	0	0
Stttlmyr p	3	0	1	1 Bogar ss	2	0	1
Eckrsly p	0	0	0	0 Carr cf	1	0	0
				Holt p	2	0	0
				Spiers ss	1	0	1
Totals	31	2	6	2 Totals	33	1	6

St. Louis	000	100	010 — 2
Houston	000	000	001 — 1

E—DaBell (3), Bogar (5). DP—St. Louis 1, Houston 2. LOB—St. Louis 3, Houston 6. 2B—Clayton (26), Stottlemyre (4), Spiers (16). HR—Bagwell (28). SB—JMouton (8). CS—DYoung (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Stttlmyr W,10-7	8	5	0	0	1	7
Eckersley S,26	1	1	1	1	0	2
Houston						
Holt L,7-7	8	6	2	1	0	3
TMartin	1	0	0	0	1	2

T—2:20. A—25,995 (54,370)

REDS 4, MARLINS 0

CINCINNATI	ab	r	hbi	FLORIDA	ab	r	hbi
DSndrs cf	5	0	0	0 DWhite cf	4	0	0
Reese ss	2	0	1	0 Rnteria ss	3	0	2
RSndrs rf	3	1	1	0 Abbott 2b	4	0	1
EduPrz 1b	3	0	0	0 Shffield rf	4	0	1
WGme 3b	3	1	0	0 Bonilla 3b	4	0	2
JOlver c	4	1	1	3 Alou lf	4	0	1
MKelly lf	4	1	1	1 Conine 1b	4	0	1
BBoone 2b	4	0	1	0 CJhnsn c	3	0	0
Smiley p	2	0	1	0 ALeiter p	2	0	0
Owens ph	0	0	0	0 Esnrich ph	1	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0 Powell p	0	0	0
LHrris ph	1	0	1	0 Cook p	0	0	0
Shaw p	0	0	0	0			
Totals	31	4	7	4 Totals	33	0	8

Cincinnati	000	000	004 — 4
Florida	000	000	000 — 0

E—JOliver (3). DP—Cincinnati 2, Florida 1. LOB—Cincinnati 6, Florida 7. 2B—RSanders (7), Sheffield (15). HR—JOliver (9), MKelly (5). SB—Reese (17), Rnteria (14), Alou (7). CS—Reese (3), BBoone (4), Owens (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Smiley	7	7	0	0	0	6
Belinda W,1-2	1	0	0	0	1	1
Shaw	1	1	0	0	0	1
Florida						
ALeiter	8	2	0	0	4	11
Powell L,1-2	1-3	4	4	4	1	0
Cook	2-3	1	0	0	0	0

HBP—by ALeiter (EduPerez). WP—Shaw. T—2:47. A—18,393 (41,855).

BRAVES 6, CUBS 0

CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi	ATLANTA	ab	r	hbi
Grnvlle lf	4	0	0	0 Lofton cf	4	2	2
McRae cf	4	0	0	0 Blauser ss	2	0	0
MaGrc 1b	3	0	1	0 Butista lf	0	0	0
Sosa rf	3	0	0	0 ChJnes 3b	4	1	3
Dnston ss	3	0	0	0 McGriff 1b	4	1	1
Orie 3b	3	0	0	0 Blliard ss	0	0	0
JHrndz 2b	3	0	1	0 Klesko lf	4	0	0
Servais c	3	0	0	0 EddPrz 1b	0	0	0
Tapani p	0	0	0	0 AJones rf	4	0	0
Hansen ph	1	0	0	0 JLopez c	4	0	0
Tlmaco p	0	0	0	0 Lemke 2b	3	1	2
Wndell p	0	0	0	0 Neagle p	2	1	1
Snchez ph	1	0	0	0			
Totals	28	0	3	0 Totals	31	6	9

Chicago	000	000	000 — 0
Atlanta	002	040	00x — 6

DP—Atlanta 1. LOB—Chicago 2, Atlanta 4. 2B—ChJones (27). 3B—Lofton (4). HR—McGriff (15). S—Tapani, Neagle. SF—Blauser.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Tapani L,1-1	5	7	6	6	1	3
Telemaco	2	2	0	0	0	1
Wendell	1	0	0	0	0	1
Atlanta						
Neagle W,14-2	9	3	0	0	0	6

T—2:13. A—47,266 (50,528).

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BATTING—FThomas, Chicago, .366; WClark, Texas, .341; RamIrez, Cleveland, .335; IRodriguez, Texas, .334; O'Neill, New York, .334; Cora, Seattle, .328; MVaughn, Boston, .327; EMartinez, Seattle, .327.

RUNS—Knoblauch, Minnesota, 83; Garciaparra, Boston, 75; Griffey Jr, Seattle, 74; EMartinez, Seattle, 74; Cora, Seattle, 74; Jeter, New York, 72; ToClark, Detroit, 71; TMartinez, New York, 71; FThomas, Chicago, 71; Buhner, Seattle, 71.

RBI—TMartinez, New York, 97; Griffey Jr, Seattle, 97; FThomas, Chicago, 89; Salmon, Anaheim, 84; McGwire, Oakland, 81; ToClark, Detroit, 80; JuGonzalez, Texas, 79.

HITS—IRodriguez, Texas, 135; Garciaparra, Boston, 131; GAnderson, Anaheim, 127; Cora, Seattle, 125; Greer, Texas, 124; Jeter, New York, 122; EMartinez, Seattle, 122.

DOUBLES—O'Neill, New York, 33; JhValentin, Boston, 32; Cora, Seattle, 32; ARodriguez, Seattle, 29; RDavis, Seattle, 29; Cirillo, Milwaukee, 29; IRodriguez, Texas, 29.

TRIPLES—Garciaparra, Boston, 9; Jeter, New York, 6; Burnitz, Milwaukee, 6; Knoblauch, Minnesota, 6; Vizquel, Cleveland, 6; Alicea, Anaheim, 6; Damon, Kansas City, 5; TGoodwin, Texas, 5; Offerman, Kansas City, 5; ByAnderson, Baltimore, 5.

HOME RUNS—TMartinez, New York, 35; McGwire, Oakland, 34; Griffey Jr, Seattle, 32; Thome, Cleveland, 27; Buhner, Seattle, 26; ToClark, Detroit, 25; FThomas, Chicago, 24.

PITCHING (12 Decisions)—RaJohnson, Seattle, 14-2, .875, 2.28; Clemens, Toronto, 16-4, .800, 1.52; Moyer, Seattle, 11-3, .786, 4.51; Radke, Minnesota, 14-5, .737, 3.58; Mussina, Baltimore, 11-4, .733, 3.28; Cone, New York, 11-4, .733, 2.53; Erickson, Baltimore, 13-5, .722, 3.70.

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BATTING—Gwynn, San Diego, .391; LWalker, Colorado, .386; Piazza, Los Angeles, .361; Joyner, San Diego, .339; MaGrace, Chicago, .330; Blauser, Atlanta, .329; Lankford, St. Louis, .322.

RUNS—LWalker, Colorado, 95; Biggio, Houston, 93; Bonds, San Francisco, 78; Galarraga, Colorado, 77; Bagwell, Houston, 74; EcYoung, Colorado, 71; Olerud, New York, 69.

RBI—Bagwell, Houston, 95; Galarraga, Colorado, 95; Gwynn, San Diego, 91; LWalker, Colorado, 85; Bichette, Colorado, 84; Kent, San Francisco, 82; ChJones, Atlanta, 80.

HITS—Gwynn, San Diego, 157; LWalker, Colorado, 144; Biggio, Houston, 129; Piazza, Los Angeles, 126; Galarraga, Colorado, 124; ChJones, Atlanta, 122; Bichette, Colorado, 120.

DOUBLES—Grudzielanek, Montreal, 36; Lansing, Montreal, 32; Morandini, Philadelphia, 32; LWalker, Colorado, 30; Bagwell, Houston, 29; Bonilla, Florida, 29; Gwynn, San Diego, 29.

TRIPLES—WGuerrero, Los Angeles, 9; Womack, Pittsburgh, 9; DeShields, St. Louis, 9; Randa, Pittsburgh, 7; DSanders, Cincinnati, 7; Daulton, Florida, 7; Tucker, Atlanta, 6; EcYoung, Colorado, 6.

HOME RUNS—LWalker, Colorado, 29; Castilla, Colorado, 28; Bagwell, Houston, 28; Bonds, San Francisco, 27; Galarraga, Colorado, 25; Karros, Los Angeles, 24; 5 are tied with 22.

PITCHING (12 Decisions)—Neagle, Atlanta, 14-2, .875, 3.15; GMaddux, Atlanta, 15-3, .833, 2.33; Kile, Houston, 14-3, .824, 1.94; Estes, San Francisco, 13-4, .765, 3.06; Juden, Montreal, 11-4, .733, 4.00; Gardner, San Francisco, 11-4.

Texas League

Second Half

Eastern Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Rangers)	21	18	.538	—
Shreveport (Giants)	22	19	.537	—
Jackson (Astros)	20	21	.488	2
Arkansas (Cards)	17	24	.415	5
Western Division				
El Paso (Brewers)	22	18	.550	—
S. Antonio (Ddgrs)	21	19	.525	1
Wichita (Royals)	21	21	.500	2
Midland (Angels)	19	23	.452	4

Monday's Games
Arkansas 1, San Antonio 0
Jackson 4, Wichita 3
Shreveport 10, Midland 3
El Paso 5, Tulsa 0

Tuesday's Games
No games scheduled

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Baltimore	64	38	.627	—	7-3	W-3	29-20	35-18	7-2
New York	59	44	.573	5 1/2	5-5	W-1	30-23	29-21	4-5
Toronto	50	52	.490	14	5-5	L-3	25-30	25-22	4-5
Boston	49	56	.467	16 1/2	z-6-4	W-2	25-31	24-25	6-3
Detroit	47	55	.461	17	4-6	L-3	28-27	19-28	4-5
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Cleveland	54	46	.540	—	z-4-6	L-2	29-24	26-22	5-4
Chicago	51	52	.495	4 1/2	z-4-6	L-3	27-24	24-28	4-5
Milwaukee	50	52	.490	5	z-6-4	W-5	32-18	18-34	4-5
Minnesota	46	58	.442	10	z-4-6	L-4	24-31	22-27	4-5
Kansas City	43	58	.426	11 1/2	z-6-4	W-3	22-26	21-32	6-5
West Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Seattle	60	44	.577	—	7-3	W-5	29-22	31-22	5-5
Anaheim	58	47	.552	2 1/2	z-8-4	W-2	32-18	26-29	2-8
Texas	50	54	.481	10	4-6	L-1	27-26	23-28	7-3
Oakland	42	65	.393	19 1/2	2-8	L-9	22-27	20-38	6-4

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Atlanta	67	39	.632	—	5-5	W-2	32-19	35-20	4-5
New York	59	45	.567	7	z-7-3	L-2	32-17	27-28	2-7
Florida	58	45	.563	7 1/2	3-7	L-3	30-20	28-25	6-3
Montreal	52	50	.510	13	z-2-8	L-5	31-22	21-28	7-2
Philadelphia	30	72	.291	35	z-4-6	L-3	17-30	13-42	1-8
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Houston	57	49	.538	—	z-9-1	L-1	29-22	28-27	3-6
Pittsburgh	52	53	.495	4 1/2	z-5-5	W-1	25-25	27-28	5-4
St. Louis	51	53	.490	5	z-6-4	W-3	29-25	22-28	4-5
Cincinnati	45	58	.437	10 1/2	3-7	W-1	26-27	19-31	6-3
Chicago	43	63	.406	14	z-3-7	L-5	27-24	16-39	6-3
West Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
San Francisco	58	48	.547	—	4-6	L-1	33-24	25-24	7-3
Los Angeles	56	49	.533	1 1/2	6-4	W-3	34-23	22-26	8-4
San Diego	52	53	.495	5 1/2	z-8-2	W-2	28-30	24-23	4-6
Colorado	50	55	.476	7 1/2	6-4	W-5	28-22	22-33	3-7

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AMERICAN LEAGUE
Monday's Games
Anaheim 2, Cleveland 0, 1st game
Anaheim 10, Cleveland 7, 2nd game
Milwaukee 1, Toronto 0, 1st game
Milwaukee 9, Toronto 3, 2nd game
Kansas City 10, Minnesota 3, 1st game
Kansas City 5, Minnesota 2, 2nd game
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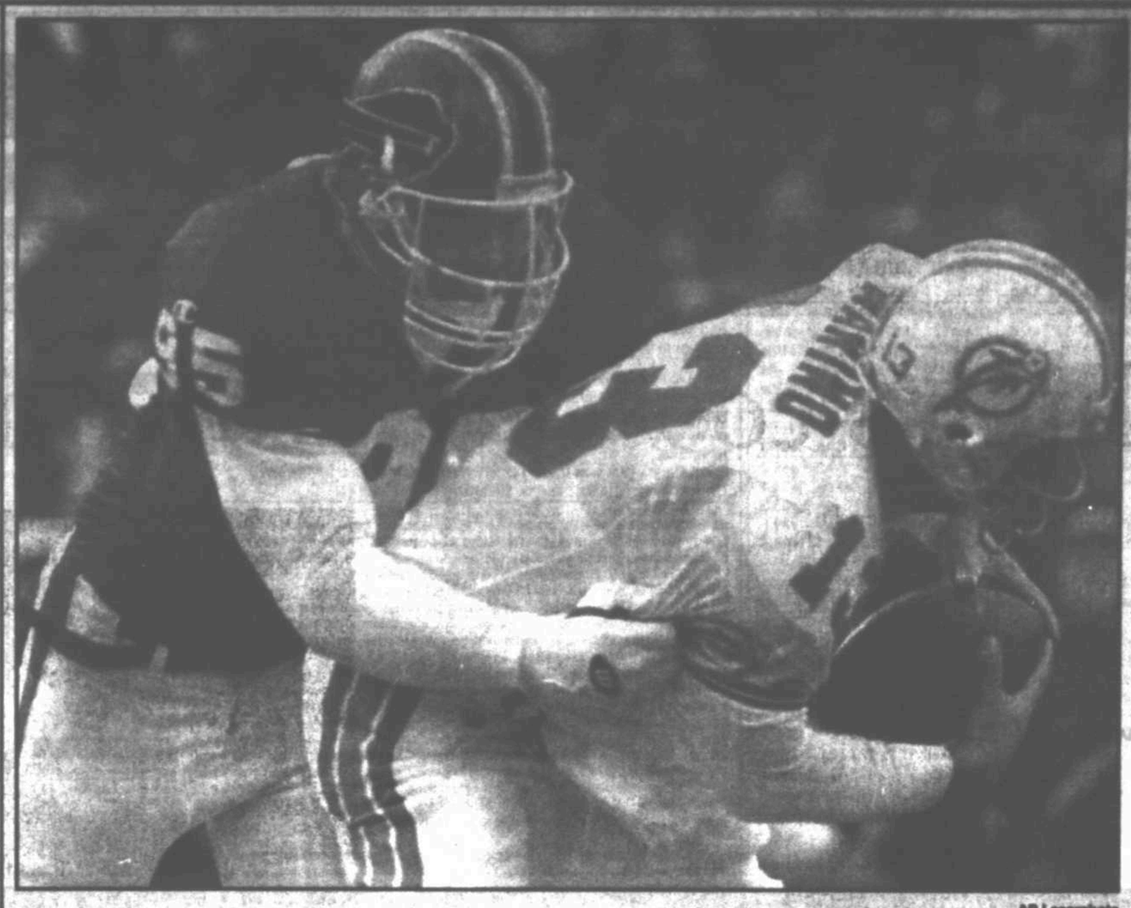

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Buffalo Bills linebacker Bryce Paup (95) sacks Miami Dolphins quarterback Dan Marino (13) Dec. 17, 1995. Nearly 11 months have passed since Paup tore a groin muscle and since his teammates have openly doubted his desire and wondered whether he was worthy of being named defensive player for the 1995 season.

Paup is serious about season

By Bucky Gleason
AP Sports Writer

FREDONIA, N.Y. — Bryce Paup could sense the sneers in the Buffalo Bills' locker room.

Openly, his teammates joked with him about how long his groin injury was keeping him out of the lineup. After all, linebacker Chris Spielman once played a whole season with a torn pectoral muscle.

But Paup knew there was truth in humor. Maybe they doubted his desire and wondered whether the linebacker was worthy of being named defensive player of the year the season before.

"If it wasn't on their minds, why would they even joke about it?" Paup said during training camp Monday. "It hurt, but what are you going to do? You can't retaliate because it's stooping to their level. I just had to live with it. It was frustrating."

Nearly 11 months have passed since Paup tore a groin muscle in a game against Pittsburgh. He played through the injury for seven games but was much less effective than in 1995, when he had 17 1/2 sacks and was named Defensive Player of the Year.

Little by little, his performance disintegrated. He was miserable around the house and moped around Rich Stadium. Mentally, he was exhausted from putting pressure on himself to return. Physically, through all the treatments, the injury wasn't healing. He finished with six sacks.

"There were plays I could have made and should have made, but I just couldn't," he said. "It was embarrassing. I knew I was better than that, and on the field I couldn't show it. There was nothing I could do."

He spent the offseason with a personal trainer, working out other kinks that might have caused the injury. Living in Green Bay and watching his former team win the Super Bowl didn't help his spirits.

On Saturday, in Buffalo's first exhibition game against the Denver Broncos, Paup began showing signs that he will be ready when the regular seasons begins Aug. 31.

During the second series, Paup sacked Broncos quarterback John Elway after the pocket collapsed. Paup generally moved well and showed few signs that he was still nagged by the injury.

"Right now, Bryce is easing his way into things," linebackers coach Ted Cottrell said. "I heard him say the other day that he's like 90 to 95 percent. Well, 95 percent of Bryce Paup is a lot better than 100 percent of a lot of people in this league."

This year Paup enters the final season on a three-year contract worth $7.5 million. He still remains one of the key figures on Buffalo's attacking defense, which was one of the best in the league last season.

Bills general manager John Butler has said he hopes Paup finishes his career with the Bills. The key for Paup will be staying healthy through training camp and getting back into playing shape, which he hasn't been able to do because of the injury.

"If this groin injury sneaks up on me again, who's going to want to take the chance? If I don't come out and produce, who's going to want to pay me? I have to be smart and pick my battles," Paup said. "What I'm shooting for is the first game to be flying around like I used to be."

Buffalo's Smith to face DUI

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Buffalo Bills defensive end Bruce Smith was arrested and charged with driving under the influence after police in his hometown said they found him sleeping at the wheel with his car running.

Smith was slumped behind the wheel at an intersection at 6:21 a.m. Sunday, Virginia Beach police spokesman Mike Carey said Monday. Smith's 1996 4-door Mercedes was in a traffic lane.

Smith, the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year last season, has been holding out of training camp in a contract dispute with the Bills. He has been fined $85,000 by Buffalo so far, $5,000 for every day he misses practice.

"We want to check all the facts before we make any kind of comment," team spokesman Scott Berchtold said. "As an organization, we just found out about the alleged incident. Until we have a chance to check all the facts, we don't want to issue a statement."

Telephone calls to Smith's agent, Leigh Steinberg, were not returned. A call to Smith's cellular phone was unsuccessful.

Smith has been angry for months about what he calls unfair treatment by the Bills, who offered the 34-year-old, nine-time Pro Bowl selection a five-year contract worth $22 million, including a $5 million signing bonus.

Police in went to check on Smith after a citizen told them there was a man slumped behind the wheel of his car, apparently passed out, Carey said.

Smith also was charged with refusing to take a breath test, but was otherwise cooperative with the arresting officers, Carey said. His license was suspended for seven days because he refused to take the breath test.

Smith was released on a $750 personal recognizance bond. He is due to appear in Virginia Beach Traffic Court on Sept. 2.

If convicted of both charges, Smith could face a fine, the suspension of his driver's license for up to a year or restrictions on his license, such as limitations allowing him only to drive to and from work, Carey said.

Smith was suspended for the first four games of the 1988 season for violating the league's substance-abuse policy.

NFL spokeswoman Leslie Hammond would not comment on Smith or any specific player.

Players convicted in alcohol-related violations are subject to fines, she said. The fines typically have been one-half of a one-game check. Under Smith's current contract, that would amount to $68,750.

Brunell must now prove worth

By Doug Ferguson
AP Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The numbers suggest Mark Brunell is a young quarterback with still plenty to prove — 26 years old, a 12-14 record as a starter and 6,630 career passing yards.

The new contract he signed with the Jacksonville Jaguars suggests otherwise.

Brunell, who took the Jaguars to the AFC championship game in his first full season as a starter, signed a five-year contract that makes him one of the highest-paid players in the game.

"There is some increased pressure with a contract like this," Brunell said Monday. "I'm ready to face that."

The new contract is for $30.5 million and includes a $10 million signing bonus. Brunell signed Sunday night, just three days after Brett Favre signed a seven-year contract worth $42 million with Green Bay.

Favre was named the league's Most Valuable Player last year after leading the Packers to victory in the Super Bowl.

"I don't think Brett signing had anything to do with it," Brunell said. "I don't compare myself to other quarterbacks. I don't say, 'Well, I'm making this and I should be making this.' If you play long enough, those things take care of themselves."

Brunell, whom Green Bay drafted in the fifth round out of Washington in 1993, hasn't played all that long. After two years as a backup to Favre in Green Bay, he was traded to the Jaguars on the eve of their first draft and spent his first year battling Steve Beuerlein for the starting job during a 4-12 season.

But Brunell blossomed into one of the more dangerous quarterbacks in the league last year, becoming the first player since Johnny Unitas in 1963 to lead the NFL in passing yards and rushing yards among quarterbacks.

Along with his durability — he was the only quarterback to take every snap last year — Brunell led the Jaguars to four fourth-quarter comebacks. They won their last five games to get into the playoffs, then beat Buffalo and Denver on the road before losing 20-6 at New England in the AFC title game.

Brunell had six 300-yard passing games and two 400-yard games, giving him a league-high 4,367 yards and 19 touchdown passes. He finished the season being honored as the most valuable player of the Pro Bowl.

"I came a long way," Brunell said. "I got a chance to play in some big games and win some big games, all the while knowing I still have improvement to go. I'll continue developing."

Bucs' Dunn looking to share bucks

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — By his own admission, it was a day Warrick Dunn had waited for all his life.

The first-round draft pick of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers had just signed a six-year, $8.86 million contract and already determined how he wanted to share some of his wealth. The operative word with Dunn, who received a $3.5 million signing bonus last Thursday, is share — not spend.

At a time when many young, well-paid athletes struggle to set financial priorities, the 5-foot-8, 178-pound running back is beginning his career by pledging to be tight-fisted, yet generous.

"I'm kind of conservative," Dunn said, breaking into a smile. "I have five brothers and sisters and a grandmother and a baby cousin at home who are always calling me for money. So maybe I can lend them 50 cents. But other than that, I'm just going to spend it wisely and definitely not just throw money away."

Instead, Dunn wants to concentrate on taking care of his younger siblings and helping others, beginning with a fund he plans to establish in his hometown of Baton Rouge, La., for the families of slain police officers.

Dunn's mother, Betty Smothers, was an off-duty policewoman gunned down in an attempted robbery in January 1993, shortly before Dunn accepted a scholarship to play at Florida State.

He went to become the school's leading career rusher, help the Seminoles win a national championship and earn his college degree in four years, while never losing sight of his role as a father-figure in his family.

"Every day he gets calls and deals with any problems that might come up at home," said Leigh Steinberg, Dunn's agent. "When I met him, I was immediately struck by his maturity."

So was Bucs coach Tony Dungy.

"It's phenomenal," said Dungy, who recalled learning of Dunn's background when the rookie was a freshman at Florida State. "It's the type of thing that probably happens all the time, too often."

SANDERS: DB missing key sessions

(From 1C)

is missing chalkboard sessions designed to teach the rest of the secondary what those changes are. But Zimmer is confident Sanders will be able to keep up with the changes because, the coach says, "he's done it before."

"He's a guy that mechanically doesn't do a whole bunch of different things," cornerback Kevin Smith said of Sanders. "He relies a lot on his raw skills."

When Sanders attended training camp last year it was a novelty, and not just because of the fancy golf cart. During training camp last season, Sanders spent most of his practice time with the offensive unit, preparing for his role as a starting wide receiver. He eventually joined defensive drills in August.

If there is a portion of the football season when Sanders is only a part-time player, offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese said he will not expect Sanders to play much at wide receiver. He will, however, probably return punts in addition to playing cornerback.

And Campo thinks not playing offense could work to Sanders' advantage in September.

"I think he might be better at that point in the season only because he'll be concentrating probably more on defense," Campo said. "He won't have as much offense to do and that type of thing. That kind of takes away more than him not being right here all the time does."

For those looking for other possible benefits to Sanders' absence, try Wendell Davis. The second-year cornerback has the inside track on the third cornerback position because Alundis Brice, the third cornerback last season, has yet to practice as he continues rehabilitation on his right knee. That means Davis has been working with the first team defense and will likely continue to do so throughout training camp.

Davis' progress was probably included in the training-camp report Zimmer issued Sanders last week, when the coach called his star player to chat. The conversation, Zimmer said, did not include any specific details about what Sanders should expect on the football field.

"By the time I did it now, I'd have to do it again later," Zimmer said. "He's into baseball right now."

COWBOYS: Flannery, Shiver battling

(From 1C)

best center he'd ever coached, will evolve in the image of former Dallas All-Pro Mark Stepnoski.

"Clay is gaining a lot of confidence," said offensive line coach Hudson Houck. "He worked hard in the offseason to get stronger and he now can use his quickness because he knows what to do.

Offensive guard Nate Newton, who is 35 and second in age on the line to tackle Mark Tuinei (37), says he doesn't expect any drop, no matter who wins the position.

"It'll be a fresh face in the huddle, but John's got experience and Clay's got quickness," Newton said. "I think we'll be all right."

Both are likely to make the team because Flannery has experience at guard as well. Shiver, who worked with the first unit in training camp last year while Donaldson was rehabbing an injured ankle, said he's in the best shape of his life.

"I have a lot more confidence in my abilities and in my knowledge of the game," he said. "It's made a world of difference to be able to turn it loose and play like I know I can."

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
CoHICAs	77866	34⅛	–1⅝
AT&T s	66542	39⅝	+⅛
Pfizer s	61169	57⅝	–1⅛
PhilMor s	58942	44⅞	+⅜
Compaq	47418	132	–3⅝

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RegHR	21¼	+4⅝	+29.4
StanEx gn	4⅝	+⅞	+21.5
FgtMic	31⅜	+4⅜	+17.4
InvInd	6⅝	+1	+16.9
ScotLiq	2⅞	+⅜	+14.7

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ECC Int	3⅜	–⅝	–16.9
HarInd	20	–2½	–11.1
HrtgMda s	17⅛	–2⅛	–10.7
Encal g n	3⅛	–⅜	–10.7
Premwr s	4⅝	–½	–9.2

DIARY

Advanced	1,445
Declined	1,424
Unchanged	536
Total issues	3,405
New Highs	279
New Lows	15
Volume	565,120,550

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
IvaxCp	31594	8⅝	–2⅛
SPDR	27947	93¾	–⅛
TubMex	10643	17⅜	–1⅞
Hasbro s	7777	30⅝	+½
Amdhl	7161	10⅛	+⅜

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CompTch	11½	+1⅛	+17.2
PropCT s	7⅛	+⅞	+13.7
BrillDig n	8	+⅝	+13.3
Helco	25⅛	+2⅛	+12.5
ImpHly	13⅜	+1⅛	+9.9

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
IvaxCp	8⅝	–2⅛	–19.2
Decorat s	9⅝	–1⅛	–10.5
BethCp	2⅛	–⅛	–10.0
Gencor s	13⅛	–1⅝	–9.5
Crystlix gn	3⅜	–⅜	–9.4

DIARY

Advanced	282
Declined	287
Unchanged	208
Total issues	757
New Highs	29
New Lows	7
Volume	34,353,910

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
DellCpt s	169304	78⅛	–2⅝
ChipsTc	87866	17⅛	+3⅛
Novell	86868	7⅝	+11⁄16
Intel s	77667	88⅝	–⅜
Cisco	77304	77⅛	–2⅛

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CobraEl	5⅝	+2	+55.2
CalComp	3¹⁵⁄₁₆	+1⅝	+34.1
PerSptv wt	2	+½	+33.3
ImgaSys n	4⅜	+1	+29.6
PrdEnt pf	2¼	+½	+28.6

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ApptInt n	6	–1¾	–22.6
CellPro	3½	–1	–22.2
DigtTel n	10½	–2½	–19.2
IngMkt	13½	–3⅛	–18.8
PowrCnv	2¼	–½	–18.2

DIARY

Advanced	2,090
Declined	2,056
Unchanged	1,582
Total issues	5,728
New Highs	267
New Lows	71
Volume	589,498,900

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

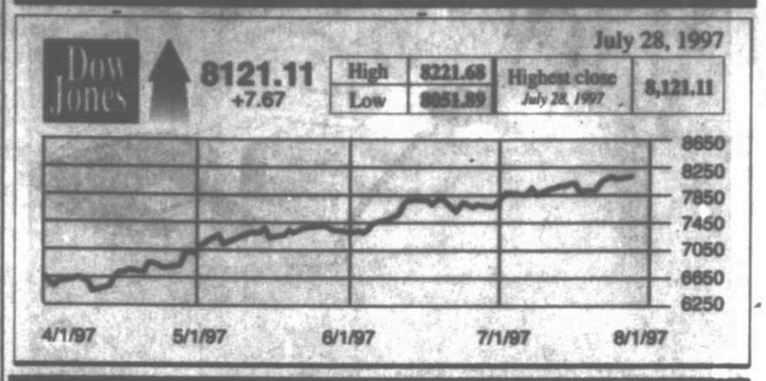
Here are the 1,875 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 923 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.
Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ...

Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S.$. n – New issue in past 52 weeks. q – Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-week high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i– Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. o – Initial dividend, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

MARKET ROUNDUP



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
8,157.11	5,270.35	Dow Jones Industrials	8,121.11	+7.67	+.09	+25.94	+49.43
2,916.38	1,946.04	Dow Jones Transportation	2,906.11	...	...	+28.84	+47.71
243.29	203.32	Dow Jones Utilities	231.63	–.25	–.11	–.39	+12.76
489.56	331.66	NYSE Composite	485.93	–.87	–.18	+23.87	+43.49
638.81	525.11	Amex Index	639.35	+1.55	+.24	+11.71	+19.74
1,582.63	1,017.64	Nasdaq Composite	1,583.53	–8.05	–.39	+21.11	+48.61
945.65	616.43	S&P 500	938.45	–2.34	–.25	+26.42	+48.43
410.26	258.82	Russell 2000	408.68	+.14	+.03	+12.71	+30.52
8,894.45	6,099.34	Wilshire 5000	8,867.93	–17.77	–.20	+23.19	+43.62

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Div	Name	Last	Chg
.48	AAR	38¹⁵⁄₁₆	–9⁄16
2.20e	ABN Am n	24⅛	+⅜
.90a	ACMIn	10⅝	...
.90	ACM Sc	9¹⁵⁄₁₆	...
.57	ACMSp	6⅝	...
1.35	ACMMD	14½	+⅛
...	ACICala n	21⅛	+⅛
...	AES Cp	76⅜	–⅛
2.60	AES pfT	63⅜	–⅜
.46	AFLAC	54⅞	–1⅛
.04	AGCO	30½	+1⅛
.60	Ak Steel	u46	+⅜
...	AMR	102	+2⅛
...	APT Sat n	12⅛	...
2.60	ARCO ch	45	+¼
1.32	AT&T s	39⅝	+⅛
.24	AVX Cp	32⅜	–1⅛
.68p	AtxA uAp	32⅝	+⅜
.13	Aames s	18⅜	–⅛
1.08	AbtLab	63⅛	–½
...	AberFit n	19¼	–⅛
...	AcroStff	27⅜	–1
...	Acusen	26½	+⅜
1.72b	AdaEx	28	+1⅛
...	AMD	35½	+⅜
.12	Advest	23	+¼
...	Advolec	17½	–⅝
1.56e	Aegon	76⅛	–⅝
...	AeroMex	4¼	+⅛
.80	AeroVick	u54	–⅝
.80	Astna Inc	110⅛	–2⅝
...	AffComp B	29⅝	–1⅛
.10a	Agnico g	8⅞	+¼
.11	Agrium g	11⅞	+⅝
.88	Ahmans	51⅜	–1⅛
1.20f	AirProd	66⅝	+1
...	Aegas	19¹⁄₁₆	+⅛
...	AirTouch	u33	+⅜
...	AlskAir	29⅝	...
.42	Alcoa n	u28⅝	+⅞
.20	Alcomar	22⅞	+⅛
.20	Alberto s	27⅛	–¼
.20	AlbCuiA s	23⅛	+⅜
.04	Albertsn	36¼	...
.60	Alcan	u38⅝	+2
.35e	Alcatel	25	–⅝
.68	AlexBrn s	u62⅛	+⅝
.13p	AlexRE n	u24⅝	+⅛
1.72	AlgPow	28⅝	...
.64	AlegTeldy	30⅝	–⅛
.40	Allegnc n	u30	–⅛
...	AlianTel	25⅞	+⅛
.52	Allegn	31⅜	–¼
2.27e	AlldCap	u31⅞	+¼
1.42a	AllwInt2	14½	...
...	AlsTch	52⅝	...
1.04	AlsSignl	u83⅞	–⅛
.20	AlumFn	43⅝	...
.96	Amstate	u78¾	+1⅛
2.30	Alist 98	49	+⅛
1.10	Amax	32⅜	+⅝
...	Alwaste	8⅝	...
.18	Alpharma	17⅜	...
...	Alumax	u40⅜	+⅝
1.00	Alcoa	u68⅛	+2
...	Alza	31⅜	–⅞
...	AmbzG	6¹¹⁄₁₆	–1⁄16
.88	AmbacFn	82⅝	–1⅝
.60	AmHes	57⅞	+1¼
...	AmOnline	65½	+1
...	AmWest	12¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅛
2.40	AEP	43⅜	–⅛
.90	AmExp	78⅞	–1¼
1.00	AFncIGp	u46½	+½
1.40	AGenCp	51	–⅜
1.83	AGnHosp	26⅞	...
1.84	AHome	82	–1
.30	AmIntG s	102⅝	–⅜
...	Ametek	28⅞	–⅛
.26	APrec	19⅜	–⅝
...	AmStd	46½	–⅝
.84	AmStFin	46¼	...
.36	AmStor s	25⅞	+1¼
.99	AmSIP3	11⅝	–⅛
...	AmSte	1⅛	...
.76	AmWtr	21½	...
...	AmericTc	9⅜	...
2.26	Ameritch	67	...
.24	Ametek	26⅛	–⅜
2.80	Amoco	u82	+1 9⁄16
1.04	AmP	50½	–⅜
1.12	AmSouth	s41¹¹⁄₁₆	–1⁄16
.12f	AmwestF	22⅛	–⅜
.88	AmwyAs	38⅞	–1⅛
.30	Anadrk	66¼	–⅝
...	Analog s	30⅝	–½
.88	Anheus s	43⅛	–½
.13p	Anixter	18	–⅜
...	AnnTayl	19¼	+1⅛
1.04	Aon Cp s	52¹¹⁄₁₆	–1
.28	Apache	35⅝	–¾
1.85	Aptinv	u30½	...
...	AppMg	31½	+1⅛
...	Apria	16¾	–3⅛
.17i	Aracruz s	21	+⅜
...	ArcadiaFn	9¹⁵⁄₁₆	–⅛
.20b	ArchDan	22⅜	–⅝
1.16e	ArdenRlt n	27	–¼
...	ArgPC prA	24¾	...
...	Armco	5¾	+⅛
1.76	ArmWl	72	+⅛
...	ArowE	55⅜	+⅛
.76	Arvin	u34⅜	+1⅛
.80	Asarco	32⅝	–⅛
.40e	Ashanti	11¾	+⅛
1.10	Ashland	49⅝	+⅛
.94e	AsiaPc	11⅞	+1⁄16
.04e	AsiaTigr	11¾	–3⁄16
1.86	AtdEstat	23	–⅛
.40	AscFCap	63	+⅛
.19e	AstraAs	18½	–⅛
1.54	AtlEnrg	16⅝	–⅛
2.65	AtlRich s	71⅞	+1⅞
2.23	AtlRich97	u24½	+⅞
1.00	ATMOS	36⅛	...
.13e	Austr	10⅛	–1⁄16
.05	AuthFl	12	+1⁄16
.11p	Autolv n	36½	–⅞
...	ACES Tr n	25⅞	–⅛
.48	AutoDt	48½	...
...	AutoZone	28⅞	–⅛
1.52	AvalonPr	29	–⅛
.68	AvaryD s	42⅝	–⅛
...	Aviation	20½	–1⁄16
.60	Avnet	65⅜	–⅝
1.28	Avon	73½	–⅞
...	Aztar	7	–⅛
1.24f	BB&T Cp	u50¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅞
1.36	BCE g s	29⅝	–⅛
...	BJs	63½	–⅞
...	BJs Wh wi	u28¾	...
.06	BMC	31⅜	–⅛
1.95	BNY pfC	25¹⁵⁄₁₆	+1⁄16
1.17e	BOC ADS n	36–1⅛	+⅞
1.32	BRE	25½	+⅝
...	BakrHu	40½	–⅞
.10	Ballard	19⅛	+1⁄16
1.04f	BaltGE	26⅝	+⅛
1.52	BancOne	u62⅞	+⅛
.60r	BncoFm	37½	–⅞
.92	BcoInd1	17½	–⅜
.06e	BcoWiese	6¾	–⅛
.68e	BcoAEdw	20¼	–⅛
.75f	BcoSant s	27⅛	–⅞
...	Banctec	24⅜	–⅛
.07e	BkTokyo	19¾	–⅛
.96	BkNY s	48⅝	+⅛
1.22	BankAm s	71½	–⅛
2.04f	BkBost	u79¾	+⅛
4.00	BankTr	u89¹⁵⁄₁₆	+1⅛
.72f	Bard	37½	+⅛
...	BarrNbl	u48¹⁵⁄₁₆	+1⅛
1.24f	Barnett s	55	–¼
...	BarnesGp	27½	+⅛
.16f	BarrickG	22⅛	+⅛
.05	BattMt	5⅜	+1⁄16
1.04	BauschL	42¼	–⅛
1.13	Baxter	58¾	+⅛
1.64	BayApt	39¼	–⅛
...	BayNtwk	30½	–⅞
1.85	BeaconPr	38⅞	+1⁄16
.60b	BearSt	u38½	+⅞
.60	Beckns	47½	–⅛
.52	BectDk	54	...
...	BeiYan n	11½	+⅜
.20	Belden	38¼	+⅝
2.96	BellAt	71⅝	+1⅛
1.44	BellSo	46⅞	–⅛
.80	BeloAH	44¼	+1⁄16
...	Bemis	45½	...
+1 1⁄16			
...	BenchE	52	+2½
2.08	BenefCp	70¼	+⅜
...	BentonOG	14	–1⁄16
...	BergElc	39	+2⅛
.48	BergBr s	28⅝	–1⁄16
...	BerkHa A	47600	–100
.40	BerryP	16⅝	+⅛
...	BestBuy	13	–⅛
1.50	BetzDearb	63⅞	–⅜
...	Bevrly	15⅞	–1⁄16
...	Biovail	27¾	–1⅛
.40	BirStl	17⅝	–1⁄16
.48	BlackD	41⅞	–⅜
1.42	BlkHlCp	28¹⁵⁄₁₆	+1⅛
.80	BlkHMTar	u11	+1⁄16
.84	BlkINA	10½	–1⁄16
.48	BlkStr	8½	+1⁄16
.58	BlkTT	9¾	...
.80	BlckHR	37½	–1⁄16
...	Blyth s	35⅝	–⅜
.56	Boeing s	58⅛	–1⁵⁄₁₆
.60	BoiseC	36½	+⅛
2.35	BoiseC pfF	25¹⁵⁄₁₆	–1⁄16
...	Bombay	5⅛	–⅛
.80e	BordCh	11⅝	+⅞
...	Borders s	25⅜	–1⁄16
...	BostBeer	9¹¹⁄₁₆	+1⁄16
1.88	BostEd	27⅞	+⅛
...	BostPrp n	27⅝	...
...	BostSc	74	–⅝
...	BostTech	26	–⅛
.80	Bowatr	50⅞	...
1.80	BoykinL n	23	–⅛
...	Brahma n	15⅝	+⅛
.40e	BrasilD n	22⅞	+⅛
1.36e	Brazil	29¾	+⅛
...	Brinker	17	–⅛
1.52	BrMyBg s	79⅜	–2⅛
2.47e	BrstPet s	79⅞	–1⅛
2.06e	BrstStl	26⅝	–1⁄16
11.15e	BrstTel	70¼	–1⅛
1.48	BrklyUG	29⅞	...
...	BrwnSh	13¾	+⅛
1.08	BrwnFA	47	–⅛
1.08	BrwnFB	48⅛	–⅜
1.00	BrwnGp	16⅜	–⅞
.68	BrwnFr	37	+⅛
2.58	BrnFAC	34⅞	+⅛
.50	Brnwk	32⅝	+⅜
.44	BrshWl	32½	–⅛
...	Brylane n	37⅛	+1⅜
...	BudgetGp	33⅛	–⅝
...	Bufete	19⅞	–⅛
1 1⁄16			
...	BurlCoat	17½	+⅝
...	BurlInds	13¼	–⅜
1.20	BurlNSF	94⅜	–⅛
.55	BrlRsc	47½	+⅝
.81e	BurlRsCl	78	–1⅛
.19p	CANTV n	44¼	...
...	CCA Prts	n30⅞	–½
3.32	CIGNAu	198¹⁵⁄₁₆	...
+6 5⁄16			
.81a	CIGHl	9¼	+1⁄16
.08f	CKE Rst s	36¾	+⅝
.12	CMAC s	47⅛	–⅛
...	CML Gp	3¼	...
1.20f	CMS Eng	36⅛	+⅛
...	CNA Fn	115	–⅝
.40	CNF Tran	39⅜	+⅜
1.84	CPC	89¾	...
+1 11⁄16			
1.04	CSX	58⅞	+1
...	CUC Intl s	24¼	+⅛
.44b	CVS Corp	u58⅝	+1⁄16
.80e	CabWire	29⅝	–⅛
...	Cabltrn s	33½	+⅝
.40	Cabot	27⅞	+1⁄16
.16	CbtOG	19	...
1.36e	CadbyS	37⅛	–⅛
1 9⁄16			
...	Cadence	44	–⅝
...	vjCaldor	1⅛	+1⁄16
...	Calenergy	40¼	+⅜
.32	Calgen	13⅜	+⅛
1.80	CalFRy	u36½	+⅝
.40m	Caliber	39¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅞
2.28	CalFPC pf	28¼	...
.28	CalGolf	34½	–⅜
.40	Calmat	21⅝	–⅜
.20	Camco	60⅝	–⅝
1.96	CamdnP	30½	+⅛
...	CmpRg	11⅝	...
.77	CampSp	s49⅝	–⅜
.92	CdnKy gn	49⅛	–⅞
.48	CdnPc g	30⅞	–⅛
.32	CapOne	34½	+⅜
...	CapitalTr	8⅛	–⅛
.08	CapMAC	28½	...
...	Capstar n	33⅛	–⅞
2.36f	Capstd	25½	–⅛
.10	CardnH s	62⅛	–½
...	Cardnr s	33⅝	+⅛
.49	Carlisle s	41⅜	–⅝
2.00	CarltCm	24⅝	–⅛
1.44	CarnvCp	42¹¹⁄₁₆	–½
1.88	CaroPw	34⅜	–⅛
...	Carson n	9⅞	+1⁄16
.18	CartWal	18½	–⅛
.20	CaseCp	61⅞	–⅝
...	Catelus	19¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅜
1.00	Caterp s	u57⅝	+⅜
.12	CavalrH s	9⅞	–1⁄16
.80	CentEn	10⅝	+1⁄16
.20	CentxCn	27¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅞
.20	Centex	u51⅝	...
1.74	CenSoWst	19¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅛
1.54f	CenLAE	27	+⅛
.90	CelMPw	u12⅝	+⅞
.76	CtrNws	68¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅝
...	CnTrnRti	11½	...
.37	CntryTl	36⅞	+⅜
...	Ceridian	43¼	+1⅛
...	ChmpE	16¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅝
.20	Chmpln	62⅞	+1¾
.20	ChpStl	15⅝	+1⁄16
2.48	ChaseM	106⅛	+⅜
...	Chaus	1⅝	...
.01	Checkpnt	15¹¹⁄₁₆	...
.80	Chspk	30⅞	–⅜
.02p	ChesEng s	8⅜	–⅜
2.32f	Chevronu	78	+⅝
.88p	ChileFd	26⅜	–⅛
.48i	ChileTel s	32⅝	–⅞
.08e	ChinaFd	u18¼	+⅝
.08	ChinTire	8½	+⅜
.20	Chiquta	14¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅛
...	ChkFull	7	+⅛
...	Choicpt wi	u37⅛	+1⅝
1.30t	ChrisCr	50⅝	+⅛
1.60	Chrysir	u36⅞	+⅝
1.16	Chubb	u89⅝	+⅞
.44	ChrDwt	28⅝	+1⅛
.40	CinnBell s	30¼	–⅛
...	CineOd	11½	+⅛
1.80	CINergy	33⅞	–⅛
...	CirCCar n	13⅝	+⅛
.14	CircCtyCC	35⅜	–⅛
...	Circus	24	–3⁄16
2.10	Citicorp	124¹¹⁄₁₆	–2½
.75t	CitzUtlA	8¼	...
.75t	CitzUtlB	8¼	...
.12	ClairStr s	21⅝	+1⅝
.08	ClaytH s	15⅝	+½
...	ClearC s	59¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅝
1.30	ClvClf	43⅛	+⅛
...	CliffsDr s	42⅞	+2
2.56f	Clorox	u134⅝	+⅞
...	CoachUS	25⅜	–⅛
.20	Coachm s	17⅛	+¼
...	CoastSv	47⅝	–¼
.40	Coastal	55⅝	+⅜
...	CstlPhys	1⅝	...
.88	CocaCl	88¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅞
.10	CocaCE	su28¹⁵⁄₁₆	–⅜
27e	CCFemsa	53	+¼
...	Coeur	12¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅜
.12	Cogniznt	n43¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅝
...	Coleman	16⅛	–⅜
1.10	ColgPal s	75¼	–1⅞
.60	ColBgp s	25½	...
...	Coltec	21⅛	–⅛
1.00f	ColumGas	69¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅞
.08	ColHCA s	34⅛	–⅛
1 5⁄16			
1.56	ColumRT	23⅝	–⅞
.22f	Comdisc	s28⅞	–½
1.72	Comeric	u73⅝	+¼
.28	CmcFdl s	39⅛	–⅜
1.20	CmcINL	15½	+⅛
...	ComScop n	15⅜	+⅞
...	CmpUSA s	26⅝	...
...	Compaq	132	–3⅝
...	Compaq wi	52⅜	–1⅝
10	CompAsc	66¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅝
...	CompSci	78½	–⅝
.05	CmpTsk s	40⅝	+⅛
.04	Cmptvsn	3½	–⅛
.20m	Comsat	23	+¼
...	ComstkRs	10⅜	–⅜
1.09	ConAgr	u70⅜	+1½
...	ConeMil	7½	–⅛
1.32	ConnEn	22⅝	+⅛
.12	Conseco s	41⅝	+1⅜
...	CnCigar	n26¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅜
2.10	ConEd	30¹¹⁄₁₆	+1⁄16
1.94	ConsNG	56⅛	–⅛
...	ConStor s	39⅝	–1⁵⁄₁₆
...	CGDina	u3⅜	+⅛
...	CGDina L	2⅜	+1⁄16
...	CstAr B	35⅜	–⅛
.20	CtlHme	21½	+⅛
.07f	Cooker	10⅜	+⅛
...	CoopCa s	52⅜	–1⅞
...	CoopCo	u28⅝	+½
1.32	Cooper	52⅜	+2 1⁄16
.94	CooprTr	24⅛	–⅜
...	Coramnh	4¾	–1⁄16
1.88	CoreStF	60	+⅞
...	Corimon n	10⅛	...
1.20	CorPrpt n	16⅜	...
1.00	ComRit n	10⅝	+⅛
.72b	Comingin	59⅝	–⅛
...	CorrectCp	39½	–⅜
.32	CntwCrd	33¼	+⅛
...	Covance n	19⅛	–⅞
...	CoxCm	25½	–½
.50	Crsne s	43⅞	–⅜
.42e	Credicp s	19⅝	–1⁄16
1.22b	CresRE s	32⅞	+1⁄16
1.18f	Crestar s	46⅞	–⅝
1.40	CrimMa	16⅝	+⅛
.05m	CrmpKnl	23⅜	+⅜
.22	CrosTbr s	19¹¹⁄₁₆	–⅜
1.85e	CrosTim	16⅝	–⅜
...	CrosCAu n	9½	–1⁄16
.80	CrwnAm	9¹¹⁄₁₆	–1⁄16
1.00	CwnCork	51⅝	+1
1.88	CwnCrk pf	48⅛	+⅛
2.15	CwnPac	u25	–⅛
.14f	Culp Inc	17⅛	+⅛
1.10	CumEng	78⅞	–⅝
...	CypSem	14⅜	–⅜
.80	Cyprus	25	+⅜
...	Cytec	39⅝	–⅛
D-E-F			
...	DDL Elc	1	...
1.36	DPL	23⅞	–1⁄16
1.36	DQE	31	+¼
.08	DR Horton	10¹¹⁄₁₆	–3⁄16
...	DST Sys	34¾	–⅛
2.06	DTE	29	–⅝
.14	DalSem	37⅞	+⅜
1.08f	DanaCp	u41⅝	+⅝
.10	Danaher	u53⅝	+¼
.18	Daniel	15⅝	–⅛
.08	Darden	9⅛	...
...	DataGn	29½	–⅞
...	Datapt	2⅜	–1⁄16
.64	DaytHud	58⅞	+⅛
...	DeVry s	28⅞	+⅛
.76	DeanFd	47⅛	+⅛
.60	DWGl	8⅞	+1⁄16
.80	Deere	55¼	–1⅜
1.54	DelmPL	17⅞	+⅛
.12f	DeltPne s	38	+⅝
.20	DeltaAir	85¹¹⁄₁₆	–2¼
.25	DeltTim n	27⅝	+⅝
1.48	Deluxe	34½	–⅛
...	DesignH	7⅛	+⅛
.35p	DeutTel n	22⅝	–⅛
.96	Dexter	u38⅝	+½
.32	Dial n	17⅛	–⅛
.56	DiaOff	89¹⁵⁄₁₆	+⅝
.50	Diebold s	u45⅛	–⅛
...	Digital	41⅝	–½
.16	Dillards	37⅛	–½
.04e	DimeBcp	18¾	–⅛
.53	Disney	79⅝	+⅝
.40	Dole	41⅜	–⅛
.20	DollarG s	u44¼	–⅝
2.56	DomRes	36	–⅛
.50	DonLJ	u86⅝	+2⅛
...	Donnelrs	nu26¼	+⅛
...	DKaran	11¾	+1⅝
.76	Donlley	40½	+7⁄16
.88	Dover	71⅛	–1⅜
3.48f	DowCh	90	+⅝
.96	DowJns	42⅜	–⅛
...	Dravo	10¼	...
.76f	Dressr	40	...
.66	DrySM	10⅝	...
1.26	DuPont s	66¹¹⁄₁₆	–1⁄16
.78a	DuPtUtil	u8⅝	+⅛
2.20f	DukeEngy	49¼	+⅝
.88	DunBrd s	27	+⅜
.24	DutyF	23⅞	–⅛
...	Dynatech	36¼	...
1.34f	DynexC s	14⅝	+⅛
...	EAInds s	4¹⁵⁄₁₆	+⅛
...	ECC Int	d3⅜	–1⁄16
.56	EGG	20⅝	...
...	EMC	48⅝	–⅛
...	EVI Inc s	46⅛	+⅛
.20	Earthgr	u73½	...
1.76	EastChm	59⅞	+1⅜
1.76	EKodak	67¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅝
1.78	Eaton	90⅝	–⅛
.90	Echlin	u37	+½
.64	Ecolab	46⅝	–½
1.00	Edisonint	25	+⅛
.10	EDO	83⅛	–⅝
.72	Edwards	40	–1
...	EKCO	5¹⁵⁄₁₆	...
1.48	ElPasNG	57½	+⅝
...	Elan s	47½	+⅛
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Stk	Sym	Last	Chg
ABR Inf s	ABRI	27⅜	–1⅛
ACID Cp s	ACID	34	+½
ACT Net	ACTN	14⅞	–½
ADC Tel s	ADCT	38⅝	–2⅛
ADFlex	ADFL	u27	+⅜
ADAC Tl	ADAT	17⅛	+1½
APS Hld	APSH	7⅛	–⅛
ASA Hold	ASAH	27¼	–⅜
ASE Tst	ASTS	u57⅛	+1½
ASM Lith s	ASMI	85⅛	–1⅛
Abacan	ABAC	3⅝	+⅛
AbleTel	ABLE	8¼	+⅜
Abraxas	ABAX	13½	–⅛
AccCSci n	ACCS	5	…
AccentS	ACNT	1⅜	–1⅛
AccesHlt	ACCS	25⅛	–⅛
Acclaim	AKLM	4⅛	–⅛
Actel	ACTL	19⅞	–⅛
ActPerf	ACPF	28¼	+⅜
Actrade	ATRD	14⅝	+⅜
AdacLb	ADAC	17⅝	–⅛
Adaptec s	ADPT	41⅛	–
AdobeSy	ADBE	37⅜	–1⅛
AdrianR	ADR	1⅛	–⅛
Adtran	ADTN	33⅛	–⅞
AdvCoSn	ADVS	u9⅛	…
AdvEnId	ADVE	u28⅛	+3⅛
AdvEnv	ADEX	⅛	+1/32
AdvFCm n	AFCC	67⅛	+⅛
AdvTiss	ATSI	14	+⅛
Advanta	ADVNA	34⅛	–1⅛
AdvantB	ADVNB	33	–⅛
Agoum	AGUM	92½	+1⅛
AgriBio	AGRI	6⅝	+1/32
AirExp s	AEXP	u29⅞	–½
Aksys	AKSY	73	+⅜
AlAFG n	AFG	1⅛	–1/32
AlASem	ALSM	1⅛	+⅛
AlnImg	AIMG	10¼	…
AlnSem	ALSE	u12¼	+⅜
AldWste	AWST	17	+¼
AlinCm n	ALNC	3½	…
AlphaBta	ABAT	9½	+⅜
AlphNet	ATAI	17⅛	+⅜
Altera	ALTR	57⅞	–1⅝
AltResc	ARDI	22⅝	–⅝
Altron	ATRN	17⅞	…
AlynCp n	ALYN	9⅜	…
Amazon n	AMZN	27⅞	+1⅛
AmrLink	AMLK	u19⅞	+1⅛
ACom S	ACOM	10	+¾
AmerEco	ECO	7⅝	–⅜
AGreet	AGREA	34 9/32	+2 9/32
AmInPt wt	AMIPW	u1 21/32	+9/32
AmInstPt	AMIP	3⅜	+⅛
AMS	AMSY	25⅝	–¼
AOncol	AONC	16⅛	…
APwrCnv	APCC	23⅞	–1⅛
AmSatRz	AMSR	16⅞	+⅞
AmTele	AMTL	1 3/32	+3/32
AUtdGlb	AUGB	5⅝	+1/16
AmesDS	AMES	u13⅝	+2⅝
Amgen	AMGN	58¾	–
Amresco	AMSC	29¼	–⅝
Amrion	AMRN	28⅝	+¼
AmtchCp	AMTC	4½	…
Amylin	AMLN	13⅜	+⅜
Anadigc s	ANDG	36½	+¼
AnchGm	ANCH	56½	–¼
AncorCm	ANCR	11¾	+1⅜
Andrew s	ANDW	27⅝	+9/32
Angeion	ANGN	4⅞	+⅛
Antec	ANTC	13⅞	+½
AopgeeE s	AOPG	20⅞	–⅜
ApolloG	APOL	33⅞	–⅝
AppleC	APCC	16⅞	+3/16
AppleSou	APSO	15⅛	+1⅝
Applebee	APPB	28	–⅜
ApliCell n	APLC	3⅛	…
ApldDigtl	ADTL	8½	–9/16
AppldMat	APPM	80⅜	+1⅝
ApdVoice	APVI	19⅛	+⅜
Applix	APLX	6⅛	+½
Arakis	ARAK	3½	…
ArbtDrg s	ARBT	u24⅝	–½
ArborSft	ARBR	43¹¹/₁₆	–1⅝
AriadP	ARDP	5⅛	–⅛
ArtVasc	ARTV	34⅛	+⅛
ArthroC	ARTC	9¾	–1⅛
Ascend	ASND	46⅜	–2⅛
AscentEnt	ASCE	12	–½
AspctTel s	ASPT	19⅞	+1⅜
AspenTc s	ASPN	39¹¹/₁₆	+⅞
AtHome n	ATHM	19¾	–⅜
AtlasAir	ATLS	23½	+1
Atmel	ATML	32⅞	+½
AuraSy	AURA	1 29/32	–1/16
Auspex	ASPX	10⅜	+1/16
Autodesk	ADSK	41 11/32	+1/32
Avanti	AVNT	30 9/16	+9/16
AvidTch	AVID	u31	+1
Aviron	AVRN	23¾	–1⅛
Aware n	AWRE	10⅝	–11/16
BE Aero	BEAS	32¹⁵/₁₆	–11/16
BESemi	BESI	u17⅛	+1⅝
BEA Sys n	BEAS	19⅞	–⅛
BMC Soft s	BMCS	56⅞	–⅛
Baan	BAAN	70½	–⅜
BncGaloc	BNCG	31	…
BanynSy	BANY	2⅜	…
BayVw s	BAYV	25⅛	+⅛
BedBath	BBBY	33 3/16	–1/16
Bill Info	BINF	37⅝	+⅜
BioPhar s	BPAM	28 3/16	–1/16
Bioctrl	BIOC	19/32	…
Biogen s	BGEN	37⅛	–2
BioLase	BLAS	3⅛	–1/16
Biomet	BMET	19⅛	+1/16
Bionxl n	BNXL	u21⅛	+1⅞
BioTcG	BTGI	13½	+1/16
BirmnM n	BMMN	5⅜	+⅛
Borlnd	BORL	7½	+1/16
BostChk	BOST	13⅛	–7/16
BostnCom	BOCM	13⅜	–⅛
BrandSv	BRND	4⅝	…
BrdbdTc	BRDB	7⅞	+1/16
BrockInt	BROK	5 7/16	+1/16
BrodSft	BROD	22⅞	–9/16
BrooksAu	BAUT	27	–⅞
BrooksF	BOOM	u37⅞	+9/16
Brookfrt	BKFT	10½	…
BrTom	BTOM	20	…
BrushCrk	BRSH	9⅛	+3/16
Buffets	BOBE	9⅞	+9/16
BurrBr s	BURR	34⅛	–9/16
BusnObj	BOBJ	d71⅛	–3⅜
C–CUBE	CUBE	23⅜	–1⅛
CAI Wire	CAIR	11 3/32	–1/32
CCAIR	CCAI	2½	…
CFM T	CFMT	28⅛	–⅞
CHS El	CHSE	u36⅜	+1⅛
CMG Inf	CMGI	16⅛	+1⅛
CMP Media	CMPM	d24	–¾
CNET	CNET	27⅜	+⅛
CNS	CNSI	7 9/32	–1/16
CadeIn	CDIN	1 13/16	–1/16
CalComp	CALC	u31 11/16	+15/16
CambTch	CAMB	36⅞	+⅜
CarGrpt	CGPT	u29⅜	+⅛
Catalyt	CTLY	14⅜	+1/32
CatoCp	CATO	6½	…
CellNet n	CLLN	12⅛	–⅜
CellPro	CPRO	d3½	–1
CellexB	CLBB	1⅝	+1/16
Cellstar s	CLST	30⅞	+1/32
CellrTch	CLTK	6¼	…
CentHlth n	CTHH	18⅝	–1/16
Centocor	CNTO	37⅛	+⅜
CenFdBk	CFBX	38⅞	–1/16
Centline	CLNE	⅛	…
Cephlin	CEPH	9⅞	–1/16
Cerdyn	CRDN	7⅝	+⅜
Cernar	CRNI	u32⅞	+⅜
Cervecer	CRZ	23⅛	+⅞
ChrmSh	CHRM	8	+1/16
ChkPnt n	CHKP	29	+1⅛
Checkers	CHKR	1⅛	–1/16
Cheeseck	CAKE	u26	+1⅛
ChipsTc	CHPS	17⅛	+3⅛
Chiron s	CHIR	20⅜	–⅛
CienaCp n	CIEN	54⅜	–⅜
CirclnInt	CRCL	u28⅝	+3⅛
Cirrus	CRUS	12 15/16	+⅛
Cisco	CSCO	77⅜	–2⅛
CitrixS	CTXS	41 15/16	–5⅛
Cityscape	CTYS	15½	–1/16
Claire	CLRE	14⅞	–1½
Clarify	CLFY	16⅛	+⅝
ClayEng	CLAY	11⅛	–1/32
ClkCorp wt	CLKCW	1⅝	…
CobraEl	COBR	u5⅝	+2
Cognex	CGNX	32⅛	–1/32
Cognos g	COGN	27	–⅜
Cohernt	COHR	48⅛	–⅜
ColDwns n	COLD	7⅝	+⅛
Comair	COMR	25⅛	…
Comc sp	CMSP	22⅝	–⅛
Commnet	COMT	34⅜	+⅛
ComSys	CMSY	u17½	+1⅛
ComCare	CCAM	3 3/16	+⅛
CompDnt	CPDN	21⅜	+1/16
CmpScript	CMPS	4½	–7/16
CptConc	CPTR	½	–1/32
CmpthHz s	CMPH	37½	–⅞
CptNwk	CPTN	d3¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
Compwr s	CPWR	59⅞	–⅜
ComstBn	CSTB	6⅝	+⅛
Comvers	CMVR	50	+7/16
CncEFS	CEFS	27⅜	+⅛
ConcCm	CCBI	1 9/32	–1/16
CtrDt	CTRD	20⅛	…
Coors B	RKYB	u31 9/16	+2 1/32
Copart	CPRT	18⅛	+⅛
CorTher	CTHR	9⅞	+⅛
CoreCp g	CORE	5 13/16	+3/16
CorpExp s	CEXP	13 1/16	+⅛
CostPlus	CPLS	25⅛	…
Costco	COST	34½	+⅛
CostEner n	CECO	13½	–⅛
Coventry	CVTY	17	+⅛
CrkrBrl	CRKR	25½	+⅞
CreatGam	CGMI	d9 3/32	–1/16
CreTcLtd	CRETF	21½	–2⅜
CrdAcp	CRDA	13⅜	+⅛
Cryomed	CRYO	⅜	–1/64
CrySyn n	CRYS	28⅛	+1⅛
CurrHlth	CURE	32	+2
CMathes	CMTS	25/32	+1/32
CutterB n	CTTR	7 3/16	+1/32
CybrCsh	CYCH	¾	+1/16
Cyberonic s	CYBR	1/32	+1/16
Cylink	CYLK	10⅞	+1⅛
Cymer n	CYMI	75⅛	–5½
CyprBio	CYPB	u2⅛	+⅛
Cyrix Cp	CYRX	23⅛	…
Cytogn	CYTO	d4 9/16	+1/16
Cytyc	CYTC	24½	+⅞
DH Tch	DHTC	22	–½
DII Grp	DIIG	52 3/16	–4 1/16
DSC	DIGI	26¹¹/₁₆	–7/16
DSI Ind	DSII	u1 7/32	+1/16
DSPCm	DSPC	17	+⅞
DSP Gp	DSPG	21 3/16	–5/16
DUSA	DUSA	5⅜	–1/16
DtaDime s	DDMS	23	–⅛
Datum	DATM	33⅝	–¼
DaveB	DAVE	31⅛	–⅜
Davox s	DAVX	30	+⅛
Dawson	DSON	18⅝	+½
DawsnP	DSNP	16½	+1⅛
DBeer	BEER	36⅜	+⅛
Decora	DECO	23/32	–1/16
DefcSitd	DFSI	9⅛	+⅜
Delias n	DLIA	17½	–⅜
DellCpt s	DELL	78⅜	–2⅛
Dentsply	DENT	62¾	–⅛
DiagHlt	DHBO	u10½	+⅛
Diametrc	DMTC	u9¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
DiamM	DMND	9 1/32	+3/32
DigiIntl	DGII	10¾	+13/16
DigMic	DMIC	38⅜	–⅜
Discreet	DSCT	26⅞	+⅛
Documnt	DMNT	29½	+⅜
DllrTree s	DLTR	u38⅝	+1
DressB	DRSB	19	–⅛
Drypers	DYPR	6¾	…
DuraPh	DURA	37 3/16	–2 1/16
Duramed	DRMD	3⅞	…
DynDil	DYNI	u1¾	+⅛
ETrade n	EGRP	25⅞	–⅛
ECI Tel	ECIL	31	+1⅛
EIS Intl	ELIS	9⅜	+1/32
ESCMed	ESCM	35⅝	+⅛
ESSTech n	ESST	14⅞	–⅛
EgHrd	EGHI	21⅛	–⅜
EclpSurg	ECLP	8¼	–⅛
Egghead	EGGH	5	+⅛
800JR n	EJRI	u23⅜	+⅜
8X8 Inc n	EGHT	u10⅝	–⅜
EinstnN	EINS	13⅝	–⅛
Elcom n	ELCO	6⅞	…
Elctrgis	ELTG	31¼	+⅛
Elctmg	ELTM	23⅝	+⅛
ElcArt	ELCA	33¾	–2⅛
ElecCom	ELCO	29¾	+1/64
EFII s	EFII	52⅝	–1⅛
Elexsys	ELXS	23¼	–⅛
ElronEl	ELRN	15 1/32	+⅝
EmplySl	ESLI	5½	–1/16
EnPointe	ENPT	12¼	+⅞
Encad	ENCD	34⅝	…
Endsonc	ENDS	13½	+⅛
Envoy	ENVY	28½	–
EqCompr	ECPR	2¼	–1/16
EricTel	ERICY	45⅝	–⅞
EtecSys	ETEC	52½	–⅛
EvgrMda s	EVGR	44	+2⅜
EvgrnRs	EVRS	11⅜	+⅛
Exabyte	EXBT	11½	–7/16
ExcITch	EXCT	u11¾	…
ExcitInd n	EXCI	7⅜	–⅛
Excite n	XCIT	18	+⅛
ExecTl	EXTL	8⅛	+⅛
Exsorbet	EXSO	1⅛	–1/64
FPA Md	FPAM	26⅝	+⅞
FSi Intl	FSII	17⅜	–⅝
FTP Sft	FTPS	3⅝	…
FDaves n	FDS	15	–½
Fastenl	FSNL	53⅜	–⅛
FfthThrd s	FITB	u82¾	+1
FinLine s	FLNE	14⅛	+⅛
Firearm n	FIRE	6¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
FtATn s	FATN	40⅜	+⅛
FComceC s	FCCC	u51¾	+1⅛
FSecCp s	FSCC	26⅞	…
FstTenn	FTEN	51⅛	+⅛
Frstplus	FPLS	41¼	–2
Flextrn	FLEX	33⅛	–⅜
Fonar	FONR	2 15/16	–1/32
FdLioB	FLIOB	7⅞	+⅛
FdLioA	FLIOA	7¼	–⅛
ForeSys	FORE	137⅜	–¼
FtHoward	FTHO	54	⅝
FoodTech	FTEC	16⅝	+⅛
FGoldmn n	FGLD	25⅛	+⅛
Friedmn	FRIE	15½	+3/16
FrozenFd	FFDS	6⅝	+⅛
FultHB	FULT	47⅜	+⅛
FusionSy	FSYS	39¼	–⅛
GT Interac	GTIC	9¼	…
GbyFd	GBYF	1	–1/16
Gartner	GTNR	28⅞	–1⅛
Gasonics	GASX	18	…
Gamstr	GMST	15¾	–⅛
GnCom	GNCM	7⅛	+1/16
GenNutr	GENU	27⅛	+1⅛
Genicm	GNIC	9⅛	–⅛
Genome	GNMI	7	–1/16
Genta	GNTA	1⅜	–1/32
Gentex	GNTX	22¼	+½
Genus	GNUS	5¾	…
Genzym	GENZ	u27½	+⅜
GenzyTis	GZTI	11	–⅛
GeoTk	GEOT	4⅞	–3/32
Geoworks	GWRX	9⅝	–⅜
GettyCo	GTY	12	–⅛
Gilead	GILD	28½	–⅜
Glasgal	GLSG	4¹¹/₁₆	–1/32
Glenayre	GEMS	20⅛	–⅜
Glntech	GTEC	8¹¹/₁₆	+1/16
Globlind s	GLDN	u28 7/16	+1 1/16
GlbVilag	GVIL	2 29/32	+1/32
Globalstr s	GSTR	29¾	+½
GlbeBus	GLBS	14⅝	–⅛
GolfTSy	GOLF	1 3/32	…
GoodGy	GDGY	5⅛	+1/16
GdyFam s	GDYF	u38 5/16	+3 1/16
GrndJn n	GRJN	1 11/16	…
GulfSou	GSOU	25⅛	–1
GumTch	GUMM	13⅛	–1 1/16
Gymbree	GYMB	25	–⅛
HBO	HBOC	77⅛	–⅛
HCtA	HCTA	15½	–⅛
HMTTch	HMTT	13⅜	–⅛
HNC Sft	HNCS	36⅝	–⅛
HSN Inc	HSNI	35⅞	–11/16
HUBCO	HUBC	u32½	+⅝
Hadco	HADC	62¾	–3⅝
HarmLgt	HLIT	18⅜	+⅛
HrmHid	HRMH	2 29/32	…
HaupgD	HAUP	3¼	–1/16
Headway	HDWY	4 7/32	–1/32
HlthMSys	HMSY	6⅛	+⅜
HIE	HIEI	2⅝	+1/16
HlthTech	HTEC	2⅜	+9/32
HchgA	HCHGA	2⅝	+1/16
Herbilfe	HERB	20½	+⅜
HlywdE	HLYW	19 3/16	–1 3/16
HmeHlth n	HMTH	12½	+1⅛
Homegate n	HOMG	10¼	–⅜
HuntJB	JBHT	14⅞	–5/16
HutchT s	HUTC	28⅞	–⅜
Hybridon	HYBN	3½	–⅜
I2 Tech	ITIC	44¾	–5⅛
IAT Mtl n	IATM	6¼	+1/16
ICG Com	ICGX	22¾	+2⅛
ICOS	ICOS	8⅝	–⅛
IDEC	IDEC	25⅛	–⅜
IdexxLb	IDXX	15⅞	–⅛
IIS	IISI	1 7/32	–5/32
IMC Mt	IMCI	18⅞	+3/16
INSO	INSO	11¹⁵/₁₆	+⅜
ITEQ Inc	ITEQ	10½	–⅞
Imatec wt	IMTCW	1/8	…
Imatrn	IMRN	2¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
ImunRsp	IMNR	8 7/16	+1 1/16
Imunex	IMNX	40¼	–1
Immet	IMMT	31⅝	+2 3/16
InVision s	INVN	15¹³/₁₆	+3/16
Inacom	INAC	33¹³/₁₆	+1/16
IndeNet	INDE	2½	+1/16
IndigoNV	INDG	4⅝	–5/16
Individul	INDV	d3⅜	+1/16
InfMach	IMCH	1⅝	…
IntFincl n	IFCL	16	+¼
InfoStor	ISTO	u12⅞	+⅛
Informix	IFMX	11⅛	–⅛
Infoseek	SEEK	6½	+1/32
IngMkt	INGM	13½	–3⅛
Innovex s	INVX	32	–1
Innovo	INNO	9/32	+1/32
InStaVis	ISVI	5⅛	+5/16
InsgCrp	INSG	26	–⅞
IntgDv	INTG	12½	+5/16
IntgPrc	INPR	27⅝	+1
ISSI	ISSI	10⅜	+⅜
ItgSys	ITGR	16¹⁵/₁₆	+5/16
Intel s	INTC	88 9/16	–⅛
Intel wt s	INTCW	68⅛	–⅞
Intelact	INTL	6⅝	–⅛
IntelEl	ITEL	2⅞	…
Intricin	INTC	26⅛	+⅛
Intgph	INTG	8	+⅛
Intrlsol	INSL	2 9/16	+1/32
IntlnkCS n	ICSI	5⅜	…
IntrCm	INTR	u37⅛	+2⅛
IntrFibcm	IFBX	3 1/32	+9/32
IntlNtwk n	INTK	28⅛	+1½
IntlPrecM	IPMI	3⅝	–1/32
IntlSprts	INSP	u7¾	+⅜
Interneur	INEU	18¾	–⅜
Intpore	IPOR	5⅝	+⅛
Intersiv	ISIV	13	–⅛
Intuit	INTU	24⅛	–⅛
Invacare	IVAC	24	+1
IridmWr n	IRIDW	23¾	–⅛
Isis	ISIS	13¾	+⅛
Isramc	ISRL	11⅛	+⅛
Isrm wtB	ISRLW	3/32	+1/32
Itron	ITRI	23⅛	+⅜
JKL			
Jabil s	JBL	50⅞	+2⅜
JackHenr	JKHY	18½	–⅜
JacorCm	JCOR	42½	–1⅛
JefSmrf	JSMF	18½	+⅛
JetFax n	JFAX	9⅜	–⅛
JnsnMedA	JJSA	7	–⅛
JonesM	JOMA	29	–1⅛
JstFeet s	JFEE	19½	…
KLATenc	KLAC	63⅜	+1⅝
Kaman	KAMNA	16	–⅛
KellOG	KELL	2½	–3/16
Kemet	KEMT	26⅛	–1 3/16
KeysAuto	KEYS	19½	–
Komag	KMAG	18⅜	+⅞
KooKR	KOOK	5⅛	–3/32
Krantor	KRAN	1 1/32	+⅛
KrauseF	KRFI	1 9/32	+3/32
Kulcke	KLIC	39⅞	+⅛
LTX	LTXX	7⅛	…
LaTako	LTWO	1 1/32	+1/32
LamRsch	LRCX	59⅜	+2⅜
Landrys	LNDY	23⅞	–⅛
Larscom n	LARS	8	…
LsrSght	LSHT	6⅝	+9/16
Lasertech	LSTC	2 1/32	–3/32
Lattice	LSCC	63⅞	+⅛
Legato	LGTO	24 3/8	–1 3/16
LrnHaus n	LHSI	u31½	+17⅛
Level 8	LVEL	17	–⅛
Lidak	LIDK	2 9/32	–1/32
Ligand B	LGND	12¹³/₁₆	+½
Lincare	LNCR	u46½	+⅜
LinearT	LINT	u63⅛	–⅞
Liposm	LIPO	8	–3/16
Logans	LOGN	24½	…
Logic n	LGCX	7¾	+⅛
LneSStk	LNCO	22¹⁵/₁₆	–1
LngBchF nu	LBNK	10¼	+⅛
LotusDev	LOTS	31⅝	+2 3/16
Lycos	LCOS	18⅛	+⅜
M–SysFD	MSYS	61¼	–⅛
MCI	MCIC	34 29/32	–3/32
MGI Phy	MGPH	d3¼	…
MRV Cm	MRVC	32⅝	–⅜
MTI Tch	MTIC	1⅝	…
Macrmd	MACR	16	–⅛
Madgelnt	MADG	6¾	–⅛
Maxim	MXIM	88	–1⅜
Maxtor	MXTR	3⅝	…
MarchNG	MNG	1½	+⅛
MarDrl	MDRL	21⅞	+⅞
MarinerH	MRNR	12¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
MktServ	MSVC	3½	+1/32
MargGrp n	MGRP	6¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
Matheft	MATH	3½	–⅛
MatriaH n	MTRX	4¾	+⅜
Matritch	MTCH	6⅛	…
MatrixPh	MTXP	5¹¹/₁₆	–⅛
Mattson	MTSN	14½	+¼
MaxcrHlt	MXHI	19¾	–⅛
Maxim	MXIM	88	–1⅜
McAfee	MCAF	60	–2½
McCor	MCCRK	25⅞	+⅛
McLeod	MCLD	35⅞	+1⅛
Medimun	MEDI	24⅛	…
Medaph	MEDX	9½	…
MedCmp	MEDC	26⅝	+3/16
MedResc	MRES	16⅛	–⅛
Medicis s	MRX	45 7/16	+1½
MentGr	MNTG	9¾	–⅛
MercInt	MERC	16½	…
Merisel	MSEL	2⅝	…
MertMd	MRTL	7⅛	+⅛
MesaAir	MESA	5 1/32	–1/64
MetaCreat	MCRE	13½	+⅛
Metalcld	MTLD	1⅜	–1/16
Methanx	MTHX	9 7/16	–⅛
MetroWst	MWSI	u6½	+½
MichStr	MSX	22 5/16	+9/16
Micrel	MCRL	u69½	+4⅜
Micrion	MICN	21	+⅛
MicroLin	MLIN	8½	+9/16
MicroWre	MWRE	13⅜	–1 3/16
Microchp s	MCHP	36½	+⅛
MicroPh	MPHY	11½	–⅛
Micrgfx	MGFX	7 13/16	–3/16
MicronEl	MRCY	18¹¹/₁₆	+½
Micrnics	MCRN	2 3/16	–13/64
MicSem	MSEM	14¼	+1
Microsft s	MSFT	137	–1½
MicPwr	MPWR	u8¼	+⅛
Midcom	MIDC	8¼	–⅛
MidkNR s	MNRS	48 9/32	–27/32
Mktmcmln	MMIN	u58⅞	+⅛
MiniMd	MMDI	30½	+⅜
Mitcham	MICH	14 5/16	+1/16
MbITel	MBLT	14⅜	+9/16
Mohawk	MOHK	25⅝	+5/16
Molex s	MOLX	40⅛	–⅜
MolexA s	MOLXA	37½	–⅛
MoneySt	MNYS	35¾	–⅞
MornGp	MSTR	35⅞	+⅜
Mosaix	MOSX	14⅜	+⅛
MtlcPrt n	MPOR	d10⅞	–⅛
Mylex	MYLX	9⅞	+⅛
NAL Fn	NALF	1 7/32	–1/16
NBTY	NTY	25¼	+2
NamTai	NAMT	29⅞	+⅜
NCmcBc s	NCBC	23⅞	+⅛
NatEng	NATG	33¼	–1/64
NatMFS s	NMFS	1 9/16	+9/32
NTeam	NTMI	11¹⁵/₁₆	–13/16
Nautica	NAUT	27½	+⅛
Navigtr	NAVR	28 15/16	+1/16
NeoMgic n	NEOM	17¾	–2
Netcom	NTMN	14½	+1⅛
Netmng	NETM	3¼	…
Netscape	NSCP	37½	+1⅞
Netsmrt n	NETS	1⅝	…
NwkCmp	NWKC	8	–9/16
NtwkG	NTWK	16⅛	+½
Neurex	NRX	12 1/16	+3/16
Neumed	NEUM	4⅛	+⅛
NwrCol	NWCL	1⅛	…
Nexstar	NXST	13½	–⅛
NextelCm	NXTL	21¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
Nimbus	NMBS	11¹¹/₁₆	+9/16
NowGp	NOWG	4	…
NoiseCT	NOIS	5	+1/16
Nordst	NOBE	53	–
Norland	NLDI	9⅜	–1/16
NormsCm	NORM	1⅞	…
NrthFce	NFCI	24⅛	–⅜
NorTrst s	NTRS	u55 1/16	+1 1/16
NwstAirl	NWAC	38⅛	+⅜
NwStWr	NSTR	d1¾	–1/16
Novmtx	NOVT	8¾	–⅜
NovelDH n	NVDH	21½	+⅜
Novell	NOVL	7⅝	+1/16
Novlus	NVLS	103½	+⅜
Nu–Tech	NUTK	d1¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
NukoInfo	NUKO	2½	+⅛
NuKote	NUKE	1⅛	+⅛
OPTI	OPTI	5½	–1/16
OakTech	OAKT	12	+⅛
ObjCom n	OBJC	u28	+2
ObjSys	OBJS	6¾	+⅛
Octel	OCTL	30½	…
OcwenAs n	OCWN	u25	+⅝
OcwnFin n	OCFN	u42⅜	+4⅜
OffsLog	OFLG	18⅞	–⅜
OldKent	OKEN	62⅜	–⅝
Oticom	OTIC	20¾	+1/32
Omnipoint	OMPT	15⅞	+⅜
OneWve	ONEW	2⅛	…
OpenMkt	OMKT	11⅜	+⅛
OptnCr	OPTC	4⅛	…
Oracle	ORCL	54½	–⅛
Orbit	ORBT	2	–⅛
OrbSci	ORBS	18½	+1/16
Orbotch	ORBK	u36½	–1⅛
OregMt	ORE	24 9/16	+1 5/16
Orthodon s	OTHD	19	–1
OutbkStk	OSSI	24 7/16	–9/16
OdoorS s	ODSY	26⅛	…
OvrlndD n	OVTL	7⅛	+⅜
OxfordHlt	OXHP	82⅞	–2⅛
P-Com	PCOM	37½	+1
PDK	PDKI	5½	+9/16
PMC Srra	PMCS	33½	+⅛
PMT Svc	PMTS	17	+1/16
PRI Auto s	PRIA	48⅛	–⅜
PSINet	PSIX	9⅛	+⅝
Paccar s	PCAR	48⅜	–⅞
PacTec	PTEC	1⅝	+1/16
PacSun s	PSUN	29⅜	+⅛
PacifCA	PCAL	62⅛	–⅜
PacifCB	PCBC	64⅞	–1
PageMart n	PGMTA	9⅞	+⅜
PagingN	PAGN	9½	+⅞
PairGn	PAIR	21½	–⅛
PalmEx n	PALM	12⅞	–⅛
PalmrMd	PLMD	2 15/16	–1/16
PandaPrj	PNDA	4⅛	…
ParPet	PARP	4 9/16	+1/16
ParmTch	PRMT	50⅜	–⅞
Parexel s	PRXL	38⅛	–1⅛
Parlux	PARL	2⅛	+1/16
PathoG	PTHO	30⅛	–⅛
PatEng s	PTEN	31⅛	–⅛
PhArris	PHAR	16	…
PeaseOG	PEAS	3⅛	+3/32
PennOct	POCT	4 11/16	+5/16
Peoplsft s	PSFT	58	+⅜
PerSoft s	PSFT	8¾	+1/16
Perphin s	PERY	13	+1/16
PetsMart s	PETM	29⅞	–⅛
Perrigo	PRGO	12¹³/₁₆	–1/32
PetroAm	PETM	25¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
PetDv	PDEX	u8⅝	+⅛
PetsMart	PETM	10¹³/₁₆	+⅛
PharmPdt	PPDI	22¹³/₁₆	+1⅛
PhyCor	PHYC	32⅛	–1½
PhysRelt	PRMD	9 1/16	–1/16
PhySafe	PHYS	19	+⅛
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OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Monday $19.81
Previous Close $17.54
Year Ago N/A

POSTED
Today $17.75
Previous Close $15.75
Year Ago N/A

NATURAL GAS PRICES
Monday $16.00

Prices end higher

NEW YORK — Gasoline futures prices shot higher Monday after a fire at a refinery in Venezuela threatened supplies amid already strong demand. Crude oil drifted lower.

Unleaded gasoline for delivery in August settled at 64.84 cents a gallon, up 0.81 cent. It traded as high as 65.50 cents.

Word that Venezuela's government-owned Punta Cardon refinery idled its 300,000 barrel-a-day production drove up prices, despite reports that the United Nations is expected this week to approve an aid plan for Iraq, leading to the resumption of $2 billion in oil exports.

Light sweet crude for delivery in September settled at $19.81 per barrel, down 8 cents. Home heating oil for delivery in August settled at 54.14 cents a gallon, up 0.15 cent.

Natural gas prices were higher, with contracts for delivery in August settling at $2.183 per 1,000 cubic feet, up 3.7 cents.

Dollar sets new high

NEW YORK — The dollar rallied to a 7 1/2-year high against the German mark and rose against the yen, propelled by U.S. economic strength and speculation that the mark will be replaced by a shaky single currency.

Reports this week on wages, growth and employment are expected to confirm that the U.S. economy is expanding with little inflation, an ideal climate for American financial markets and the dollar. At the same time, there's growing concern the euro, Europe's planned single currency, will prove a weak substitute for the mark.

"The dollar's hitting on all cylinders," said Bob Near, institutional currency salesman at Bank of New York. "The U.S. fundamentals are stellar, while the expectation of a weak euro is an anchor around the mark's neck."

The dollar rose as high as 1.8492 marks, its highest since reaching 1.8498 marks on Nov. 17, 1989. Today's move is the latest leg up in a rally that's boosted the dollar almost 9 percent since May 13.

Dow has small gain

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average clung to a small gain for its fourth record high in five sessions, but stocks retreated into Monday's close as investors braced for Tuesday's key economic data.

The Dow rose 7.67 to 8,121.11 after surrendering most of a nearly 65-point gain over the final hour of trading. But since the blue-chip barometer slipped just 3 1/2 points on Friday, the gain was enough for the Dow to beat Thursday's record finish at 8,116.93.

The American Stock Exchange composite index also managed to set a new closing record, but several other broad-market indicators turned lower by the close after flirting with new highs. The Nasdaq market was weighed down all day by another weak showing among computer-maker stocks.

Stocks drew support throughout the session from the bond market, where interest rates sank to their lowest level of the year amid reports that the Clinton administration and congressional leaders were close to sealing a balanced budget agreement after months of haggling.

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U.S. bonds rise before report on employment costs

■ Bonds got a lift Monday after the Treasury estimated it will borrow $10 billion in the financial markets during the current quarter.

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NEW YORK — U.S. bonds rose, driving yields to the lowest in almost eight months, amid optimism a report tomorrow on second-quarter labor costs will suggest inflation remains subdued.

"There's some anticipation that the number tomorrow will be a good one" for bonds, showing wages and benefits aren't rising too quickly, said William Gross, who oversees $90 billion of bonds at Pacific Investment Management Co. in Newport Beach, California. Gross said Pimco bought about $1 billion of Treasury bonds in recent weeks.

The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond rose 21/32, or $6.56 per $1,000 bond, to 102 30/32, pushing its yield down 5 basis points to 6.40 percent, the lowest since Dec. 4. The yield on the two-year note dropped 3 basis points to 5.83 percent.

Bonds also got a lift late in the day after the Treasury estimated it will borrow $10 billion in the financial markets during the current quarter, less than previously estimated, because of strong tax receipts. It also said it retired a record $71.5 billion of debt in the second quarter. The moves might make existing bonds more valuable, by shrinking the pool of available debt, traders said.

A strong dollar also helped. The U.S. currency climbed as high as 1.8492 German marks, its highest since November 1989, from 1.8371 marks Friday. It also rose to 117.60 yen, up from 116.88 yen Friday. A strengthening dollar typically makes U.S. assets more appealing to international investors.

Tomorrow's report on labor costs — the employment cost index — kicks off a busy week for economic releases. It will be followed by second-quarter gross domestic product on Thursday and the July jobs report Friday, as well as reports on manufacturing, housing and consumer confidence. The Treasury Wednesday will also disclose its plans for next week's sales of three-year notes, 10-year notes and 30-year bonds.

Economists surveyed by Bloomberg News, on average, forecast a 0.8 percent rise in the employment cost index, compared with a 0.6 percent increase in the previous quarter.

Bonds rallied the last time the report was released, on April 29, when it showed labor costs rose less than expected in the first quarter. Rising wages are viewed as a precursor of inflation, which eats away at bonds' fixed payments.

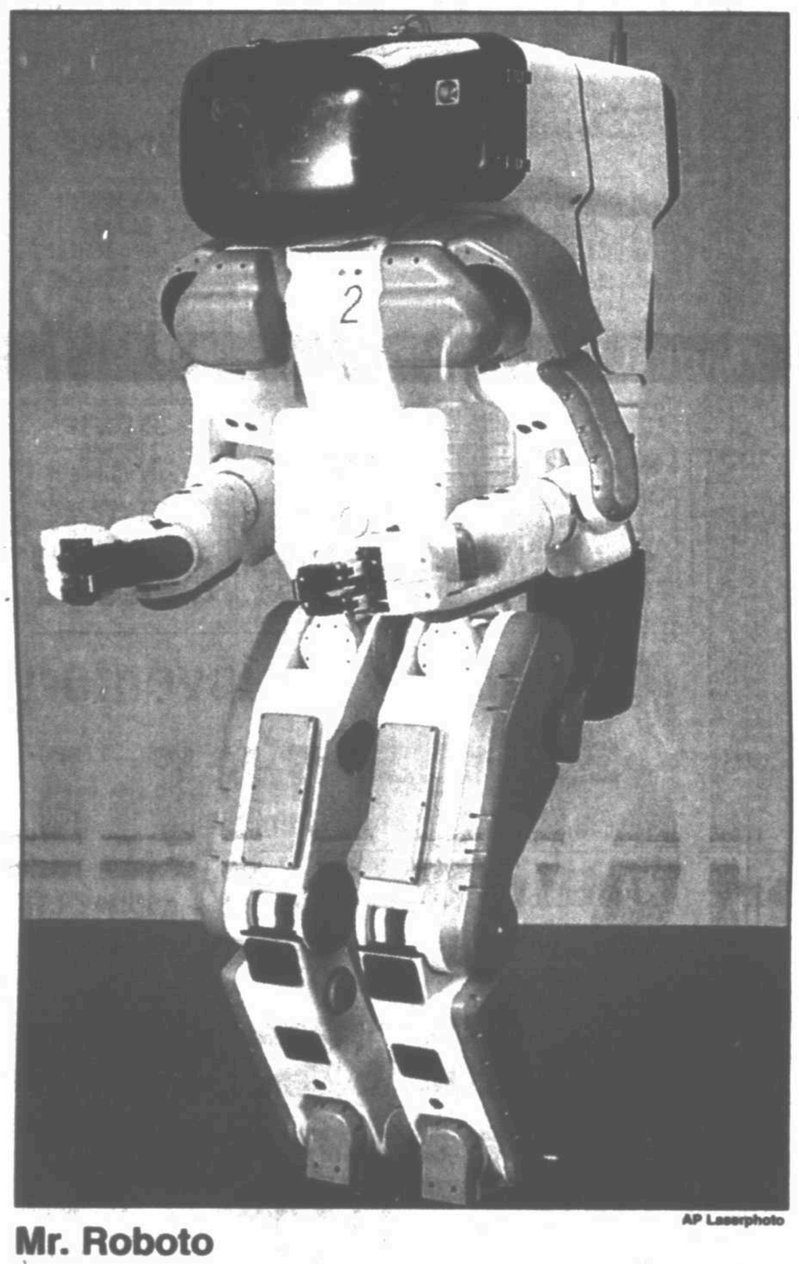
Much of the optimism among investors comes from Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's upbeat appraisal of the economy during two days of testimony to Congress last week. He called the economy's mix of strong growth and low inflation "exceptional," dousing concern the central bank might soon raise bank lending rates to curb growth and slow inflation.

"Everybody's still digesting what Greenspan had to say," said Jay Mueller, who oversees about $3 billion of bonds at Strong Capital Management in Milwaukee.

Investors are looking to this week's reports for confirmation the robust economy isn't pushing prices higher.

"It may be a bit of a roller-coaster, but our view is to hang on" to bonds, said Garth Nisbet, who manages $750 million of bonds at Crabbe Huson Group in Portland, Oregon. Yields might fall to 6 percent by year-end, he said.

Even so, signs of accelerating growth might ignite concern inflation is poised to quicken and spark a sell-off in bonds, some investors said. Others predict gains will be limited, given the size of the recent rally.



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Mr. Roboto

"Humanoid" robot P-2, capable of decision making according to surrounding terrain, is shown in this handout photo released by Honda Motors Co., Ltd., Monday, July 28, 1997. The six-foot tall P-2 weighs 463 pounds and can negotiate stairs, balance itself if pushed and keeps itself upright according to the degree of slope. Honda has spent several years developing the robot and plans to continue developing it to find ways of practical use in society.

Intel slashes chip prices, buys chip maker in aggressive moves

NEW YORK (AP) — It was a brawl in the computer chip business on Monday.

In a two-fisted assault on the chip market, Intel Corp. slashed prices of its Pentium microprocessors and bought chip maker Chips & Technologies Inc. in a $420 million deal, its biggest acquisition ever.

AMD quickly responded with its own price reductions, saying it would continue its strategy of selling its comparable processors for at least 25 percent less than Intel products.

Further heightening the competition, National Semiconductor Corp. announced it would buy Cyrix Corp. for $550 million in a deal that would give Cyrix added muscle to sell its computer chips against Intel's.

Intel, in its purchase, plans to use Chips & Technologies chips to improve the way video and three-dimensional graphics look on portable computers.

Intel's actions demonstrate its resolve to sustain its dominance in its mainstream Pentium microprocessors, which are the brains in 85 percent of the world's personal computers.

The Intel price cuts, ranging from 5 percent to 57 percent, are deepest in Pentium chips for PCs and laptop computers. These are areas where Intel faces rivalry for the first time in years, with challenges from such companies as Advanced Micro Devices Inc. and Cyrix.

Intel reduced prices for its Pentium 200 megahertz MMX chip by 49 percent to $252. Both AMD and Cyrix have come out with rival MMX technology, which improves the ability of computers to run graphics, sound and other media applications.

But Intel also slashed prices for its 150 Mhz chip for laptops by 46 percent to $125, typifying Intel's effort to kick-start slumping demand for older microprocessors as consumers rapidly switch to the newer chips with MMX technology.

That slowdown in purchases of old chips has hurt Intel in the second quarter, weakening profit and revenue compared to the first quarter.

There was one notable exception in the price cuts. Intel left alone prices of most Pentium Pro microprocessors, and reduced the 200-megahertz version only 5 percent to $487, a move that could disappoint some buyers seeking bargains in mid-range business computers known as servers, which run networks of computers.

The prices Intel announces are for individual chips in orders of 1,000.

There are other reasons for the reduced prices. Intel has said that its improved manufacturing of MMX chips has allowed it to cut prices more quickly than expected.

But analysts said increased rivalry from AMD and Cyrix is clearly a factor.

"They just want to blow out the seeming price advantage Cyrix and AMD have had," said Richard Doherty, an industry consultant who heads The Envisioneering Group.

In Intel's acquisition, it said it will offer $17.50 a share for Chips & Technologies' 22 million outstanding shares. Any remaining Chips & Technologies shares will be converted into the right to receive $17.50 a share, Intel said.

Intel said Jim Stafford, Chips & Technologies' president and chief executive, will become vice president of Intel's desktop products group.

Chips & Technologies, of San Jose, Calif., is known for its chips to enhance the graphics capabilities of notebook computers.

Analysts said Intel's acquisition could boost demand for laptop computers using Intel chips as users such as graphic artists turn to portable machines with superior graphics capability.

But it could also hurt rivals such as AMD that sell microprocessors chips to laptop makers. That's because Intel will be able to offer computer makers the added benefit of buying a package of chips, including its Pentium and Chips & Technologies' microprocessors.

UPS squares off against U.S. Postal Service

NY Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Atlanta-based United Parcel Service squares off Tuesday in a congressional bout against the U.S. Postal Service over the lucrative international package trade.

At issue are the profits to be made from shipping millions of packages to high-growth U.S. export destinations, but the larger question is how far Congress should allow the U.S. Postal Service to go in competing with private shippers such as UPS.

The matter comes to a head Tuesday morning, when the House Appropriations Committee takes up a $24.1 billion spending bill. The money would fund operations for the Treasury Department and the U.S. Postal Service for the year beginning Oct. 1.

Committee member Anne Meagher Northrup, R-Ky., will propose an amendment that would block the U.S. Postal Service from expanding an international shipping service already in place in Japan, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Schlotzsky's, Inc. announces increases in second quarter

AUSTIN (AP) — Schlotzsky's, Inc. (Nasdaq: BUNZ) today announced earnings per share of $.20 for the quarter ended June 30, 1997, a 54% increase over earnings per share for second quarter of 1996.

Net income after taxes increased 62% to $1.160 million compared to $714,000 for the same period the previous year.

Systemwide sales for the quarter were $67 million, an increase of 34% over the second quarter of 1996. Total revenues for the second quarter of 1997 increased 48% to $7.34 million as compared to $4.97 million in the second quarter of 1996.

Average weekly sales for all restaurants increased 9.8% to $8,756 as compared to $7,973 for the same period last year. Same store sales increased 3.5% in the second quarter.

Commenting on the quarter, Schlotzsky's, Inc.'s CEO and President John C. Wooley said, "We are again very pleased with our quarterly results. The fundamentals of our business continue to be strong."

In the quarter ended June 30, 1997, Schlotzsky's, Inc. opened 21 new units, bringing the total number of restaurants to 612.

Schlotzsky's, Inc. is a franchisor of quick service restaurants that feature made-to-order sandwiches served on distinctive sourdough bread, and pizzas, salads and soups.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Savers have options with 401(K) retirement plans

By Eric Tyson

Q: I am 38 years old. I worked with my previous employer for 17 years, during which I contributed to my 401(k) plan. Can I leave this money in the 401(k) account even though I am no longer contributing to it?

Tyson

If I work for a company that does not offer a retirement savings plan of its own, can I contribute to my old one or a "self-directed retirement account" of my own choosing?

A: First, contact your prior employer to learn your options there.

Many employers allow former employees to keep money in a 401(k) plan. However, others do not, or they require employees with smaller balances to transfer the money. I suspect, given the number of years you worked and saved money in the 401(k), that you have a large account balance.

Since you are no longer working for your old firm, you may not contribute more money into that 401(k). Thus, if you leave the money in the 401(k), your investment returns are the only thing that can change your account balance.

You could transfer your 401(k) money into an individual retirement account — which would allow you to select your own investment options rather than being constrained to those offered by your former employer. If you do that, make sure you do your homework so you can choose good investments.

If your new employer does not offer a 401(k) plan, all you would be able to set up on your own would be an IRA, which limits your annual contribution to $2,000. Your contribution may or may not be tax-deductible.

If you have a spouse who is covered by an employer retirement plan, then the deductibility of your IRA contribution depends on your combined salary. If together you both make — actually, the Internal Revenue Service term is "adjusted gross income" — more than $50,000, no deduction is allowed; if you make between $40,000 and $50,000, then you may take a partial deduction; $40,000 or less and your contribution is fully deductible.

You may take a full deduction for your IRA contribution, regardless of your combined salary, so long as neither you nor your spouse is covered by an employer retirement plan.

Q: I am 64 years old, with a wife 10 years my junior, and we're in good financial shape for retirement. I have a 401(k) worth about $250,000. What features of the 401(k) would I lose should I roll this money into a variable annuity?

I was told that the annuity has some beneficial features. It is not subject to the claims of creditors nor subject to probate, and at death your principal is guaranteed.

We do not need to touch this money unless there is an extended medical problem.

A: In general, I don't think it's advisable to transfer 401(k) money into an annuity.

The main benefit of an annuity is the tax-deferred accumulation of your money. A 401(k) account — or an IRA that you could roll your 401(k) money into — offers the same benefit.

Annuities, however, carry higher annual operating expenses — and therefore generate lower returns — because they include some life insurance coverage. The coverage actually is that your beneficiary is guaranteed to get back your original investment should you pass away and your investment has declined in value. The benefit is generally not worth the cost.

If you've been speaking with insurance agents, who are the primary distributors of annuities, you need to know that they earn generous commissions — ranging from 6 percent to 10 percent of the amount you would invest, which in your case is considerable.

Some of the other benefits that you've learned about annuities, such as not being subject to probate, also apply to 401(k)s and IRAs.

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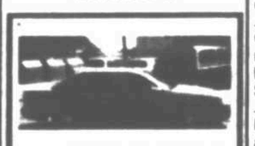

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1967 SHASTA Travel Trailer. Air- stove- heater- refrigerator. $900, cash only. Call 682-8756.

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310 General Help Wanted

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APARTMENT PORTER needed for maintenance on sprinklers, watering, picking up trash and etc. Call 683-9726 for appointment.

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DELIVERY- Pinocchio's Pizza. Our business continues to grow! We are now interviewing delivery drivers. Full and part time positions available. Our drivers are guaranteed $5.50 per hour, experienced drivers earn $7 -$12 per hour. Pinocchio's Pizza will make you a successful driver. Upward mobility is possible. $100 signing bonus. Ask manager for details. If you would like to become a part of the most successful pizza chain in West Texas, apply in person at 3303 N. Midkiff. San Miguel Square. Must be 18 or older with proof of insurance. No phone calls please.

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DRIVER- North American agent seeks driver with class A CDL. Apply at 3411 W. Industrial.

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DRIVERS- HAVE openings for experienced vacuum and transport drivers with CDL and good driving records. Good pay, plenty of work. 4601 Rankin Highway, 682-0434.

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HAIR STYLIST. Patty's Family Hair Salon has immediate lease space available. 1st week free. 682-0321.

GENERAL HELP. Need, dependable, outgoing, people willing to work late nights and weekends. Must be 21 years old. Apply 9-3 at The Emerald Forest Arcade, 3303 W. Illinois Space 3.

GENERAL- Ceramic manufacturer now hiring for 1st and 2nd shifts. Apply in person at 5019 Basin Street. No experience needed.

GENERAL- Local company seeks ambitious, hardworking individual with basic electronics experience. Salary DOE. Apply in person, 10100 W. Hwy. 80, Midland, Texas.

GROUNDSKEEPER needed; full time position, health insurance, paid holidays & vacation. Must be able to pass background & drug check. Apply in person only 4400 N. Holiday Hill.

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LABORERS and Utility Equipment Operators needed. Utility Construction Co. accepting applications for experienced personnel. Wages from $7.00 to $11.00 hour. Depending on experience and qualifications. Valid Texas Drivers License Required (No DWI). 6901 E Hwy 80, Odessa. 6:30 am- 5:00 pm.

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MAINTENANCE Supervisor DelMar Villas. 5 years experience HVAC certified. $13 /up hour, medical. Truck required. Live off. Resume: Property Manager, 509 Delmar Dr. Midland TX 79703. 689-8116.

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NEED EXPERIENCED licensed commercial plumber and experienced sheet metal mechanic. Apply at 311 W. 42nd St., Odessa.

OPEN- HOLE Wireline Operator needed. Competitive salary, class B CDL required with Hazmat certification. Open- hole experience needed, but not a requirement. Send resume to: P.O. Box 60507, Midland, TX 79711-0507.

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PHONE PROS needed. Cash paid weekly. Start today! 684-6399.

TEACHERS. First Presbyterian Child Development Center seeks part time teachers for Music and Spanish. Please call 683-0851.

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RELIEF CLERK wanted full and part time. Apply in person at 2210 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas.

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RESTAURANT MANAGERS- Jumburrito Mexican Food Restaurants seeks experienced restaurant managers for immediate employment. Salary based on employee and salary history. Please send resume to Jumburrito, Inc., 2600 W. Kansas, Midland, TX 79701 Attention Jose Cuevas Jr.

RESTAURANT- LUBY'S is now accepting applications for all positions. Apply 8- 10 am only.

RESTAURANT- Pinocchios Pizza is now interviewing for customer service representatives. Full and part time positions are available. Apply in person at 3303 N. Midkiff, San Miguel Square. No phone calls please.

RETAIL SALES- prefer knowledge of electronics; stereos, TV's, VCR's, car audio, appliances. Possible management opportunity. Apply at Rex TV and Appliance, 4717 N. Midkiff, ask for Ralph.

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WAITSTAFF wanted for downtown area. Apply in person: The Bar, 606 W. Missouri. Monday- Thursday, 2- 4 pm. Best tips in town!

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LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT (Full- Time)
Interested candidates may complete application at:
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Odessa, TX

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CNA's needed for all shifts. Apply in person, 3203 Sage, Courtyard Care Center.

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DENTAL ASSISTANT Needed. Experience preferred. Bring or send resume to: Dr. Vincent Bash, 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 275, Midland, TX 79705.

DENTAL ASSISTANT needed. Please send resume to: 3303 N Midkiff, Ste 166, Midland, TX 79705.

DENTAL ASSISTANT. Immediate opening for chairside dental assistant. Monday thru Thursday, 2 years experience or certification necessary. Send resumes to PO Box 7012, Midland Tx., 79708.

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DENTAL- Front desk/ receptionist needed with ability to handle multiple tasks. Quality oriented, computerized practice. Requires friendly, caring, service oriented person with a positive attitude. Must be quick learner and detail oriented. Dental experience required. Please bring resume by: Dr. Lou Ann Gray, 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 220, Midland, TX 79705, 683-5313.

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LVN- Winkler County Memorial Hospital in Kermit is seeking dependable, experienced LVN for full- time position. Twelve hour night shift, 7 pm to 7 am. Excellent benefit package, competitive salary. For serious inquiries call Kelly Thomas, RN, DON at (915)586-5864.

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OPTOMETRIC TECHNICIAN. Part- time, including Saturdays. Send resume to: #10 Hialeah, Odessa , Tx 79761.

OUR GROWING Dental Office, is searching for a fun, bright, well organized and energetic person with chairside experience who enjoys a fast pace. We offer a challenging career opportunity in a team oriented environment where our employees are truly appreciated for their involvement and talent. Please mail resume to Allison Watts DDS, 2007 W. Ohio, Midland TX 79701

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RN/ DIRECTOR of Nurses Needed at Alpine Valley Care Center located at 1003 Loop Road, Alpine, Texas. The company, MSC Associates, is a non- profit organization. Patient care & quality service are our goals. If interested please contact Doris Martin, 915-837-3343 or fax resume to 915-837-7076.

312 Professional Help Wanted

SAFETY- Looking for conscientious person who is willing to work in sales/ service of safety equipment (SCBA's, monitors, fire extinguishers, etc.) Computer skills a plus. Continuing education possible. Serious applicants only. Send resume to: Southwest Safety Specialists/ Fire Master, PO Box 5169, Hobbs, NM 88241. (505)392-8080.

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Midland, Tx 79704

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System Engineer
Duties will include engineering and design of engineered liquid and gas metering systems, full systems responsibility from sales support, initial proposal preparation and estimating, technical specification, preparation of Bill of Material, purchasing of components, job cost accounting and coordination of all aspects of the project with customer. Will work closely with drafting on drawing preparation and with fabrication shop quality control during the manufacture of systems.

Electrical Design Engineer
EE/EET Graduate
Knowledge of computer hardware and software applications including Relay Logic, PLC Logic, CAD systems, PCB design and layout, including programming skills. Experienced preferred, entry level considered. Will help produce, develop and enhance Linco-Electromatic, Inc. electronic products and develop new products.

Accounting Personnel
Experienced, knowledgeable personnel with computer data entry experience. MS Office97, ten-key, type by touch. Experience in accounts payable, accounts receivable, or general ledger preferred. Some college helpful.

Please refer to position and send resume to address above. No telephone calls accepted.

311 Medical Help Wanted

WANTED
R.N. Case Manager for 153 acute care hospital with good interpersonal skills. Working in a interdisciplinary environment, a team approach with physicians, nurses & financial personnel. A positive outgoing attitude is necessary for this position.

Fax resume to: (915)263-6454

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NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

Tom Brown, Inc. a growing gas and oil exploration and production company headquartered in Midland, Texas, has positions open in the following accounting areas:

Revenue
Individual should have experience in all phases of revenue processing and will be responsible for account reconciliations and severance taxes.

Accounts Payable
Individual will process and input invoices, and will be responsible for the accounting file room.

Tom Brown, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer, offering excellent benefits and salary DOE. Please mail resume to:

Tom Brown, Inc.
Personnel Department
P.O. Box 2608
Midland, TX 79702
or Fax to:
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312 Professional Help Wanted

***PLANT MANAGER**
(Odessa, Texas)

Plant Manager with five years experience. This person needs to have a background in both fabrication and machining and have strong people skills.

Send resume to:
Sam Gandee
905 S. Grandview
Odessa, Texas 79761

***QUALITY SUPERVISOR**
(Odessa Texas)

Quality supervisor with three years experience. This job requires the ability to set-up and manage a quality system to comply with ISO and API requirements.

Send resume to:
Sam Gandee
905 S. Grandview
Odessa, Texas 79761

LANDMAN. Independent Oil and Gas Operator seeks Landman with at least 10 years experience. Must have substantial exposure to all phases of land work including property purchase and trade acquisitions, lease analysis, assignments, mineral and royalty deeds, legal instruments, preparation of division orders; operating agreements, etc., and possess working knowledge of New Mexico and Texas oil and gas law. Must exhibit excellent written communication, presentation and interpersonal skills, and a working knowledge of computers. Individual must be confidential professional responsible and accurate in all aspects of this position. Ideal candidate will be able to work under heavy pressure and meet strict deadlines. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Send resume to: Controller, P.O. Box 10426, Midland, Texas 79702.

LPC of PA. Experienced with woman's issues, fluent in Spanish to work average of 20 to 25 hours per week in psychologist office in Odessa. 550-9208.

PARENT EDUCATOR to facilitate parenting classes. 35 hours/ week, evenings required. Bilingual preferred. Social Service experience helpful. Send resume: Centers For Children and Family, 1031 Andrews Highway, Suite 200, Midland, TX 79701.

REAL ESTATE related License required. Flexible hours. Resume: Box B-01053, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

SALON- POSITION now available at Panache Salon for an experienced Manicurist/ Pedicurist Excellent clientele building opportunity exists for the right person. Non smoking environment. Now accepting resumes at Panache Salon, Inc., 4610 N Garfield Ste B11, 683-7656.

SCHOOLVISION, Inc., is now hiring technicians for the Houston, El Paso, Midland/ Odessa, New Mexico and Oklahoma areas. If you are an Apple certified technician and are interested in a position with a growing company, fax a cover letter, resume with salary requirements, and copies of certifications to: 915-793-9616 or mail to: P.O. Box 90, Abilene, TX 79604. Mark all correspondence: Attn: Certified Technician Position.

TEACHER NEEDED for Monday through Friday Pre-School Class. Education degree required. Inquire at 694-3063.

WAREHOUSE Shipping /Receiving. Oil field service company has a Warehouse, Shipping/ Receiving position available. Oil field computer and forklift experience a plus. Must be a self starter and able to work without direct supervision. General requirements: High School graduate or G.E.D., must have good driving record, be able to lift 75 pounds, willing to work. Pre-employment drug screening required. Excellent medical, dental and 401K benefits. Send resumes or obtain an application at: Core Laboratories, 2001 Commerce Dr., Midland, TX 79703.

Wireline Services
Open Hole Field Engineers
BPB Wireline Services, specialist in open hole logging is presently accepting applications for the above positions. Openings to be filled are in Midland Texas. All positions require a 4 year technical degree and ability to obtain a CDL Class B with HAZMAT endorsement. Major logging company experience a plus but not required please forward your resume in confidence to:

BPB Wireline Services,
P.O. Box 60507,
Midland, TX 79711-0507.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

✔ ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/ Receivable position available, immediate opening. Experience required. Must be detail oriented, 10- key by touch. Non- smoking office. Send resume to: Accounts Receivable Position, P.O. Box 60010, Midland, TX 79711

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Midland's Number One New Car Dealer Is Looking For...

A FEW GOOD PEOPLE

Previous selling experience helpful
Excellent pay plan and benefits.

WE OFFER:
- Guarantee for the right people
- Up to 30% commission
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314 Clerical Help Wanted

CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 683-5677.

CLERICAL POSITION open to person with data entry background. Knowledge of A/R, A/P, PO's and inventory helpful. Send resume to Box 60475, Midland, TX 79711.

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Temp & Permanent positions available
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Select Staff
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V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES- Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits. (915) 686-9722.

SECRETARY- Part time, computer skills required. 2405 Garden City Hwy. 687-2886.

SECRETARY/ Receptionist. Independent Oil and Gas Operator has immediate opening for a Secretary /Receptionist. Ideal candidate must be a highly motivated team player with excellent typing skills preferably in WordPerfect, proficient in Excel, exhibit proper phone etiquette as well as good analytical and organizational skills. Experience in filing, data entry, and light accounting required. Individual must be dependable, professional and responsible. Please send resume to: Controller, P.O. Box 10428, Midland, Texas 79702.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

DATA VOICE SALES needed with some experience. Send replies to: Box P-06036, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

ELECTRICAL SALES & Commercial quotations. Experience with major electrical lines and electrical contractors required. Opportunity unlimited. Send resume and salary history to: Electrical Sales Box 4939, Odessa TX. 79760.

KONO RADIO, San Antonio's Top Rated Oldies station, has two openings for ad sales reps. Business, marketing or selling experience required. Four years of direct -sell preferred, (Not Clerking). Base plus commission, with $90K potential. Call Janet Thomas at 888-522-7437. EOE

RETAIL. Come to work at Midland's Favorite Furniture Store! Carter's Furniture has an opening for a full time Sales Person. Sales experience preferred. Pay is unlimited based on commission sales. Apply at 501 E Illinois. 682-2511

316 Sales Help Wanted

SALES- Large, established, growing wholesale distributor is seeking aggressive outside sales representative for an existing territory serving Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Abilene. Good communication skills are necessary, prior sales experience, and some college preferred. Must locate in Odessa, occasional overnight travel. Reliable vehicle, good driving record required. Salary and commission, full benefits package. Send resume to/ or pickup application at Glazer's Wholesale, 111 S. Belmont, Odessa, Texas 79761 (located off 2nd St., east of West County Road). (915) 337-1589.

SALES: A protected territory is available in West Texas. We're looking for an independent jobber to work with new car dealership and independent shops solving their fuel and lubrication problems. If you are a motivated self-starter with a good work background and credit history please send your resume to: Willis & Associates, P. O. Box 145, Abilene, TX 79604

318 Management Help Wanted

Assistant Manager

We Offer:
- Competitive Salary
- Rapid advancement opportunity
- Paid medical insurance
- Paid sick days
- Paid Holiday and vacation days

Apply in person
SUN LOAN CO.
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Midland TX
No Phone Calls Please.

BE A PART OF THE FUN! Hollywood Theaters is currently seeking motivated, service oriented individuals with contagious enthusiasm, for Assistant Manager positions. Must have some supervisory/ management experience. Theater background a plus. Please fax resume, with salary history to: Marty Felts, General Manager, 915-699-0200 or Mitchell Carlisle, General Manager, 915-369-9726.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

*OILFIELD
GRANT GEOPHYSICAL SERVICES, INC.

Has immediate openings for experienced 3D Observers. We are looking for Observes with experience on I/O Systems I and II. If you feel your qualifications fit our needs, please send resume, call or come by for an application.

110 W. Louisiana, Suite 440
Midland, TX 79701
(915)685-3090 (Phone)
(915)685-3098 (Fax)

319 Oil Field Help Wanted

Schlumberger
Geco-Prakla

Geco-Prakla, (a Division of Schlumberger Technology Corporation), is a worldwide leader in providing integrated seismic services to the energy industry. With more than 6,000 dedicated employees around the world, Geco-Prakla's commitment to training, quality, and health, safety and environmental protection provides employees with a leading edge for advancement in the seismic industry. Geco-Prakla is currently seeking qualified candidates to fill the following positions for placement in the United States and Western Canada.

- Party Managers
- Permit Agents
- Surveyors
- Vibrator Technicians
- Clerks
- Field Geophysicists
- Observers
- Mechanics
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Candidates for the above positions must be willing to work in harsh climatic situations and be prepared to work away from home base for extended periods. Geco-Prakla offers an excellent benefits package, relocation package, competitive compensation and a systematic field rotation to successful candidates. Qualified applicants should forward a resume to the following address via fax, courier or mail to the attention of:

Geco-Prakla
Suite #104
9900 West Interstate 20
Midland, Texas 79706
Fax: (915)561-8495
Attention: Personnel Department

320 Skilled Trades

EQUIPMENT OPERATORS

American Energy Services, a fast growing fracturing and acidizing company, has several openings for Equipment Operators at our ***Midland, Texas District.***

Requirements
- Minimum 21 years of age
- Good driving record
- Pass DOT physical and drug screen
- Class A CDL license preferred
- Must be willing to relocate to Midland, Texas

Benefits
- Excellent Medical/Dental plan
- Prescription Card
- Optical coverage
- Life Insurance
- Disability Insurance
- 401K retirement plan
- Quarterly Bonuses
- Annual Bonuses
- Safety Bonuses
- Paid vacations

Pay
- Earn up to $30,000 the first year
- Top operators can earn over $50,000 a year

Please apply at:
2401 E. I-20 Access Road
Midland, TX
or call (915) 570-4899
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
COME GROW WITH US

320 Skilled Trades

TECHNICIAN TRAINEE needed. Electrical and Technical experience a must. Knowledge of gasoline service equipment helpful. Willing to train right person. Salary DOE. Send resume to: P.O. Box 4262, Midland, TX 79704.

320 Skilled Trades

*IRAAN- SHEFFIELD ISD VACANCIES

General Maintenance Worker and Part- Time Maintenance/ Custodian

Applicants must be willing to obtain a bus driving certificate

Contact: Bobby D. McCall, Superintendent
P.O. Box 486
Iraan, Texas 79744
915-639-2512 Ext 222

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ALARM TECHNICIAN. Local alarm company seeking technician to install and service fire and burglar alarms. Good pay and benefits. Must have clean police record. Non smoking environment. Will train. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1011, Midland TX. 79702.

FRAMERS- wood and metal. Full time position. General construction knowledge. Must have own tools and transportation. 559-4879.

LARGE PROPERTY management company is looking for a full time maintenance technician for an apartment complex in Big Spring. We are looking for an individual skilled, in plumbing, heating/ air conditioning (HVAC PREFERRED) AND drywall work. Our company offers excellent benefits. Please apply in person at Bent Tree Apartments at 1 Courtney place, Big Spring, M-F, 9-11:30 am and 1:30-5 pm.

MECHANIC. A Leader in the industry is seeking a self starter mechanic & rig up hand. Must have own tools, if you want to be a member of a first class team, please call- (915)335-9212, ask for Pete, or fax resume to (915) 335-9858.

METAL BUILDING erectors wanted minimum 2 years experience, 520-9421.

PLUMBER, LICENSED- Hand tools required, Apply at Ken's Plumbing 1004 W. Front 683-3224.

R & R MECHANIC, experienced in gear work. Pay depends on experience. Apply in person Drive Train Specialist, 3717 W. Industrial. 697-2203.

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335 Adult Care Needed

CNA, or person able to assist disabled and willing to clean house. Needed 3 hours /day, pay $6 /hour. Must have good references. Call Mary 699-4747.

336 Adult Care Providers

DAY OR NIGHT. CNA will sit or care for elderly or disabled. Excellent references. 520-8764, 683-1023.

340 Child Care Needed

LIVE IN NANNY for cooking and cleaning- Monday thru Friday. $150 weekly. Spanish speaking okay. 550-0232.

BABYSITTER/ Housekeeper needed in my home. Christian, non- smoking environment. References required. Call 550-4582.

LOOKING FOR Someone who lives in or near the Polo Park area to care for 2 children, girls ages 3 & 5 in their home. Non smoking environment, no pets. If interested, please call 686-9636 after 6 pm, leave name, number & address.

341 Child Care Providers

PRE SCHOOL Program for 18 months and up. Henderson School area. 7:30 -5:30. 699-5637.

★MORE LOVE & Attention than any daycare. Two loving mothers will care for your children, 2 years and up in our home. Transportation to and from school. Great references. 699-7780.

CHILD CARE. 2- 5 Years. 7 am- 7 pm. Open Weekends. Call 694-6575.

LUPE'S CHILDCARE, 25 years experience, has 4 openings for children 18 months to 10 years. CPR and First Aide certified. 5:30 am- 5:30 pm. 697-4715.

QUALITY DAYCARE. Learning fun. Infant to age 5. 697-6715.

ACCOUNTABLE, QUALITY after school care, on school campus. No transportation required. Campfire's KIDS CARE operates at the following elementary schools: Busch, Emerson, Fannin, Henderson, Jones, Parker and West. Financial aid available. 520-1522.,

STAY AT HOME mother to care for children. Rusk District. Hot meals and lots of love and caring. 520-2994.

CHILD CARE IN my Christian home. Evening hours 3 to 11 and 11 -7 am. Saturday, Sunday and holidays also. Reasonable rates. Meals provided. Limited Space. References upon request. Sandra Sweet, 520-0440.

341 Child Care Providers

REGISTERED CHILD CARE 7 am to 5:30 pm. Monday-Friday quality care. Play room, meals & snacks. Call Sonia at 570-9919.

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for Toddler Program, clean, safe environment. Love and learning, breakfast, lunch, snacks. 694-9871.

350 Business Opportunities

COKE MACHINES $550. Guaranteed, some locations available. Call (915)570-8158 or 1 (888)254-9776.

GREAT Opportunity. Established retail apparel business. Good location. Selling due to family concerns. (915)683-5599, 800-561-1832.

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$45,000 income potential
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Ext B-9104

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Attention Readers
Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.
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GET YOUR Real Estate License quickly. Short day, weekend or evening classes. Southwest College, 697-7277,

GOVERNMENT Foreclosed. Homes from pennies on $1. Delinquent Tax, Repo's, REO's Your area- Toll Free.1-800-218-9000 Ext H-1523 for current listings.

WELL ESTABLISHED and equipped Real Estate office in area for sale. Write Box PJ-3035, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

WELL ESTABLISHED (25 years) Answering Service for sale. Has AT&T Difinity equipment. Approx. 150 customers. Will sell building & Answering Service -or- will sell part only. Serious inquiries only. No Realtors. Send inquiry to: Box P-4034, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

400 Auctions

40 Great paintings will go 2:00 pm, August 3rd. Proteous, 114 W. 5th Street, Odessa.

410 Misc. Sales

40 VHS MOVIES for sale. Single bed- make offer. Call 682-5631, leave message.

VITAMASTER 1700 Treadmill. Asking $350. Cash only. Call 520-9016.

410 Misc. Sales

2 WHEEL shop made metal covered utility/ camping trailer with windows. $500. Call: 685-3131.

SEGA GENESIS home video game center. Complete with games and original box. $50. 697-4727.

ROLLTOP DESK 7 drawer, 55 inches wide, solid wood, medium finish good condition, $125. 697-7451.

4 CUSTOM Wheels for GM pickup with nearly new 31 X 10.50 R15LTBF Goodrich Radial all-terrain tires $360. Chrome headache rack $50.Call 694-1711.

COWBOY BOOTS- 4 pair, 2 like new, 13D, $150 all. Call after 5 pm 520-0913.

WESLO FLEX 3XT weight machine, including manual $50 683-5183.

18,000 BTU Air Conditioner $385. Gravity Rider $80. Platform Rocker $25. Loveseat $10. '78 Buick- cold air $795. Van seat $30. 694-8666.

★BIBLE TALK: "Why Can't We All See the Bible Alike?" 520-0381. Free recorded message.

RIDING MOWER- New John Deere LX176, 38" deck. Moved, must sell, $3,420. 699-4274.

RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL Park, one space, Lot 106. Memories Garden. $850. 697-5719.

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RESTHAVEN CEMETERY, 3 section C Adjoining lots, $750 each or $2,000 total, 683-2321.

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GE ELECTRIC DRYER- like new. Decorative Pine Bark 1/2 Price originally $6. 520-4631 or 697-2766.

GOOD BEGINNERS Piano, 1958 Wurlitzer Spinet. Dark wood. Needs tuning. $275. Olympus OM-10 Quartz 35mm camera with flash, lens and telephoto lens. $125. 520-2102.

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MATCHING CRIB & Dresser, $195. Call 689-7304.

BEAUTIFUL OAK table & 6 chairs, Southwest design, custom made, like new. $1,700, Joey 694-4831.

FREE solar and winter covers with all above ground pools- starting at $39 a month- delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

EUROPEAN stop smoking spray as seen on CNN News. 520-0533.

KING WATERBED mattress and heater, black/ white TV. Abflex, antique sewing machine and cabinet, trumpet, pink metal frame bed and bedding. 697-6534.

COOLERS, MOWERS, washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves. Appliances warranted. Dining/ suites, couches, chairs, recliners. 570-4851.

USED CARPET, approximately 300 square yards, rose color, $2./ square yard Call to see, daytime 699-4048, Larry.

RAINSOFT Water Softener complete for total home use, 1 1/2 years old. Take over payments, 694-8754.

HANDICAP Pride Scooter, battery operated, new batteries. Commercial size Asteroids Deluxe Atari. 60,000/ 48,000 BTU mobile home furnace. 683-2586.

TWO PLACES in Original Resthaven Mausoleum. $3,500 for both Call (505)258-4588.

COWBOY TICKETS 37th yard, 26th row 2/ August 15th, 7 pm, St. Louis, $140. 2/ August 22nd, 7 pm, Houston $140. Parking included, cash 697-4339.

JANE FONDA'S non motorized treadmill, $175. 520-3835.

LINOLEUM- Roll 6 1/2 X 9 feet. $35 Call 697-7451.

TROY- BUILT tiller, 3 hp. Craftsman 4 hp air compressor, chipper/ shredder, nail gun. 683-8952.

413 Jewelry & Furs

14 CT. GOLD woman's Pavè diamond ring- $2,500. 14 Ct. gold mabè pearl ring with blue topaz, garnet and citrine around it- $600. Victorian slide bracelet 18 ct. gold- $1,200. 14 Ct. gold Belaire watch with 46 diamonds- $2,500. 14 Ct. gold bangle bracelet with 3 charms- $300. 14 Ct. gold woman's ring with large green sapphire, (1) small pink, yellow, green, and purple sapphire- $1,500. 14 Ct. gold motion ring, 5 layers with diamonds- $1,000. (915)558-7503- Crane.

ESTATE RING- 7 ct Emerald, 20 surrounding Diamonds (2/3 ct total), 14K yellow gold. Appraised $15,000, will sell $7,500. Serious inquiries only, 699-4133.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

FRESH BLACKEYED Peas, Tomatoes and Melons for sale. 686-1058.

FRESH HOMEGROWN Vegetables: green beans, black eyed peas, squash, tomatoes, cucumbers, etc. 682-5592. 3706 S. County Rd. 1192.

420 Good Things To Eat

PERMIAN BASIN Farmers Market tomatoes ~abundant, 1015 Y onions, squash, black eyed peas, okra , etc. Tuesday at 1505 E. Front & Saturday at 5027 Princeton.

430 Household Goods

GLASS topped rattan table and 4 chairs. Good condition. $75. Call 682-9380.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699--1224.

2 PIECE SECTIONAL, 3 piece bedroom suite, black entertainment center, health glider. 520-2076 after 5.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699--1224.

ETHAN ALLEN: Queen Anne cherry dining table, 8 chairs, china, buffet, server. $7,500. Excellent condition. 687-0469.

COUCH and loveseat, multi colored blues, good condition, $400 for both. Call 699-4136.

KING SIZE waterbed, heater, lighted bookcase headboard, good condition, $100. 520-4968.

★FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. 567-5221.

UPRIGHT FREEZER, large, white in color, good condition, $100- cash only . Call 682-8756.

BEAUTIFUL HEXAGON-Shape game table, has slate-like top with extension leaf and 4 matching, black, upholstered captains chairs, $350. 685-1800.

BUNKBED, Red, very sturdy, makes into couch, $300. 697-6813.

ANTIQUE 7 foot sofa, good condition $125. Call 699-5772.

SQUARE beveled glass coffee table with matching end table $80. Computer work station $20. 520-5747.

QUEEN SIZE reversible comforter, matching bedroom curtains, shower curtain, window curtain, wastebasket, Kleenex holder and wreath. Excellent condition, $100. 689-6345.

RECTANGULAR GLASS Dining table, 6 fabric chairs, pastel colors $550. Oil paintings $75, $100. 697-9651.

BEAUTIFUL Solid oak Singer space saver cabinet with Touchtronic 2001 memory sewing machine. $350. 697-2694.

PRICE greatly reduced on all hot tub/ spas- plus free cover-chemicals- and steps. Financing and delivery available. 563-3108.

NEW BEDROOM FURNITURE, king size bed, $2,600. Two recliners, $100 pair.520-5077.

ROYAL BLUE 50's style couch and chair, $75. Call 697-4475, please leave message.

SOFA SLEEPER mint condition, red/ green/ black/ brown stripe. $450. 686-8420 after 5 p m.

FULL/ Queen Size bedroom suite, lights and mirrored headboard, armoire, dressers. Good condition $125. 520-0951.

440 Firewood

MESQUITE COOKING WOOD. Barbecue Pits. MIDLAND IRON WORKS, 1601 W. Florida, 684-4825.

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453--2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

450 Sporting Goods

JIM'S GOLF CLUBS. Custom clubs. King, Cobra II or Big Bertha irons (clone). $184 a set. Reshaft $14.50. Regrip $3.00. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

MIDLAND GUN & KNIFE SHOW. August 9th and 10th, Midland Center. For tables, call Don or Kim at (830)257-5844.

ALL HOT tubs/ spas on sale through July- starting at $89 a month- delivery available. 563-3108.

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NEW SOLOFLEX with butterfly & leg extensions. Great deal! $400. Please call 689-6158.

CONCEALED HANDGUN classes. Certified by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Call Noel Brown, 915-363-8173.

460 Antiques & Arts

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH.'S 24 Years Experience Buying and Selling. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

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ANTIQUE dining table with 6 chairs ($950), antique double desk ($195), library desk ($195). 694-5102.

470 Musical Instruments

MOVING, must sell, DH Baldwin baby grand piano. Black lacquer, excellent condition. $7,500. 694-8858, 697-2407.

FLUTE. Solid Silver Yamaha. 581 HA, B-Foot, In-line G Key plus other accessories. Retail $3,078, Sell for $1,500. 915-367-3632.

YAMAHA ALTO Saxophone, good condition $650. Call 682-1601.

GOOD STARTER piano, console, walnut finish, 45 years old, $350. Call 520-2623.

490 Computers/ Access.

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INTERNET ACCESS.
Call 687-9014 for details.
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SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015-B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686--8805.

PRICED RIGHT for College, used Mac's and PCS's, good condition, 699-1659 after 5 pm.

COMPAQ PRESERIO PC. Keyboard plus monitor, 1 1/2 years old, $1,600. Owner going overseas. 688-4589 office.

495 FOR FREE

FRISKY MALE Kitten, litter box trained. 12 Weeks old. 682-9090.

FREE CAT, male, 3 years old, neutered, de-clawed. 694-9451 or 682-7393.

1/2 GERMAN Shepherd, 1/2 Australian Shepherd puppies, 6 weeks old. 682-6669.

BORDER COLLIE mix. 1 year old female. Gentle, loving. Needs good home. 699-5819.

KITTENS FREE oO good home. Call 689-8049.

6 WEEK OLD PUPPIES, 8 month old puppy and Mama dog. 520-2788.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ASSESSMENT ROLL OR CITY OF MIDLAND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER 3

In accordance with Texas Local Government Code 372.016, the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 11:00 a.m., on August 12, 1997, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, to receive public input on the proposed assessment roll for City of Midland Public Improvement District #3 pursuant to Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, including written or oral objections to the proposed assessment roll.

The proposed improvement is the construction of a water service line within the public right of way of Robin Lane, Cardinal Lane, Meadowlark Lane, Mockingbird Lane, Tattenham Corner, Tanforan Avenue, Oriole Drive and Meadowview Lane with lines will service properties in the proposed assessment district. The cost of the improvement is estimated to be approximately $380,900. Assessment costs for each parcel are based upon a per acreage assessment method.

The description of the proposed assessment district is as follows:

City of Midland Public Improvement District III

Consisting of eighty-five (85) parcels of land situated in the NE/4 of Section 6 and SE/4 of Section 7, Block X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas the deeds of which are recorded in the Deed Records of said county, within the perimeter of said improvement district being further described by metes and bounds as follows:

Perimeter Description of Proposed Public Improvement District No. 3, located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 6, and the Southeast Quarter of Section 7, Block "X", H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas

BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of Lot 49, Melody Acres Second Section:

Thence in a westerly direction with the South line of said Lot 49 to it's Southwest corner;

Thence in a northerly direction with the West line of said Lot 49 to it's Northwest corner;

Thence in a westerly direction with the South right of way of Robin Lane to the Northeast corner of Lot 43 said subdivision;

Thence in a southerly direction with the East line of said Lot 43 to its Southeast corner;

Thence in a westerly direction with the South line of said Lot 43 to a point in the West line of said subdivision;

Thence in a northerly direction with the West line of said subdivision and of Melody Acres First Section (and the northerly projection thereof), along Oriole Drive to the intersection of the westerly projection of the South line of Melody Acres Fifth Section;

Thence in an easterly direction with said projected line, and the North line of a 30 foot alley to the intersection with the East line of a 30 foot alley;

Thence in a southerly direction with said East alley line to the intersection of the North line of a 20 foot alley;

Thence in a easterly direction with said alley line to the Southwest corner of the Gary A. Luna tract;

Thence in a northerly direction with the West line of said Luna tract to it's Northwest corner;

Thence in a northerly direction with said East line to a point in the South line of Green Hill Terrace Second Section;

Thence in a northerly direction with said East line to a point in the South line of Green Hill Terrace Second Section;

Thence in a westerly direction with said South line to the Southwest corner of Lot 6, Block 8 said subdivision;

Thence in a northerly direction following the West and North line of said Lot 6 and the West line of Lot 4 to a point in the North line of said subdivision;

Thence in a westerly direction with said North line to the Southwest corner of the Monty McLane tract;

Thence in a northerly direction with the West line of said McLane tract to it's Northwest corner;

Thence in an easterly direction with the North line of said tract to it's Northeast corner;

Thence in a southerly direction with the West line of Meadowview Lane to the intersection with the westerly projection of the North line of Block 1, Meadowview Addition;

Thence in an easterly direction with said North line to the Northeast corner of said subdivision;

Thence in a southerly direction, with the East line of said subdivision, and with the East line of the Betty Scott tract to the Southeast corner thereof;

Thence in a westerly direction with the South line of said Scott tract to the Northeast corner of Lot 5, said Green Hill Terrace Second Section;

Thence in a southerly direction with the East line of said Lot 5, to a point in the North line of teh Clifford Schaafsma tract and South line of a 15 foot alley;

Thence in an easterly direction with said alley, line to the Northeast corner of Lot 3, Block 3, Melody Acres Sixth Section;

Thence in a southerly direction with the East line of said Lot 3 to a point at the Southeast corner of said Lot 3;

Thence in an easterly direction with the North line of Tanforan Avenue to an intersection with the northerly projection of the East line of the Betty Robins tract;

Thence in a southerly direction with the East lines of said Robins tract and the Jessie Hatfield tract, crossing Tattenham Corner and continuing with the East lines of and the J.D. Luckie tract and the Oscar Orr tract, to the Southeast corner of said Orr tract;

Thence in a westerly direction with the North line of Mockingbird Lane to the intersection with the northerly projection of the East line of Lot 9, Melody Acres First Section;

Thence in a southerly direction across Mockingbird Lane and with the East line of said Lot 9 to it's Southest corner;

Thence in an easterly direction with the North line of Meadowlark Lane to the intersection with the northerly projection of the East line of Lot 12 said subdivision;

Thence in a southerly direction with said line of Lot 12 and across Cardinal Lane to a point for a corner;

Thence in a westerly direction with the South line of said Cardinal Lane to the Northeast corner of Lot 30, said Melody Acres Second Section;

Thence in a southerly direction with the East line of said Lot 30 and East line of Lot 33 to it's Southeast corner;

Thence in an easterly direction with the North Line of Robin Lane to the intersection with the northerly projection of the East line of Lot 49 said subdivision;

Thence in a southerly direction with said East line to the Southeast corner of said Lot 49 and Place of Beginning, enclosing 85 individual tracts with a cumulative area of 1169.329 acres.

SAVE AND EXCEPT the following described parcels:

Tract 34 and 35, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet 5, page 185, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (4.00 Acres)

Tract 27, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet B, Page 185, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (2.00 Acres)

The West One Half of Tract 15, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet B, page 185, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (1.43 Acres)

The North 270.3 feet of Tract 18, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet B, page 185, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (1.50 Acres)

The South One Half of Tract 4, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet B, page 98, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (1.45 Acres)

The North One Half of Tract 4, Melody Acres, Section Two as per Plat thereof filed in Cabinet B, page 98, Plat Records, Midland County, Texas. (1.45 Acres)

The 1.00 Acre Tract conveyed to John E. Jeffreys as recorded in Volume 624, Page 140, Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

The 4.20 Acre Tract conveyed to Ronald A. Novak as recorded in Volume 1188, Page 97, Deed Records, Midland, County, Texas.

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Bdrm	Bedroom
Ba	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
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