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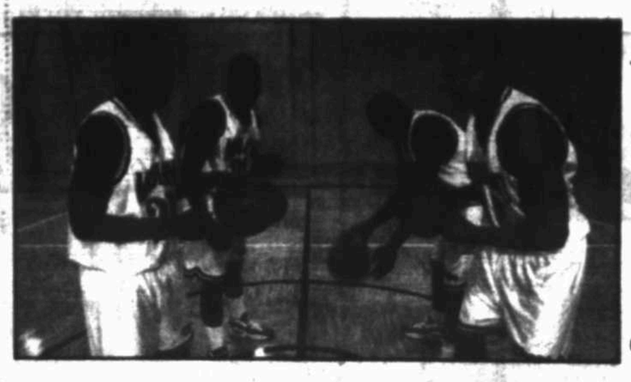

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Dow tumbles more than 550 points

Trading halted as slide triggers safeguards

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A trader reacts to the numbers minutes before trading was halted on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Monday. The stock market suffered its worst single-day point drop in history.

By Bruce Meyerson
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average suffered its worst single-day point drop Monday, tumbling 554 points in a $600 billion sell-off that shut down the market for the first time since the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan.

The market's best known barometer fell 554.26 points to 7,161.15, surpassing the 508-point Black Monday crash of 1987.

But on a percentage basis, Monday's 7.18 percent drop by the Dow only ranked as the 12th biggest ever and didn't come close to the 22 percent loss on Oct. 19, 1987.

Although the Dow is still up 11 percent since the beginning of the year, the sell-off put the Dow's losses at about 900 points over the past four sessions and 1,100 points since it set a record high at 8,259.31 on Aug. 6.

"It's a bloodbath," said Arnold Kaufman, a market analyst at Standard & Poor's. "It scares you because when you get a decline this fast, there's a risk it will keep snowballing."

The damage continued as trading got underway Tuesday in Asia. In Hong Kong, the Hang Seng index tumbled 12.75 percent, or 1,338.66 points, to 9,159.54 points after the first hour of trading. In Tokyo, the Nikkei Stock Average lost 621.18 points, or 3.65 percent, to end the morning session at 16,417.18.

The Dow's drop on Monday amounted to a $600.04 billion loss, shrinking its value to $8.537 trillion, as measured by Wilshire Associates Equity Index, the combined market value of all issues on the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange and Nasdaq composite index.

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The Dow's drop triggered two circuit breakers on the New York Stock Exchange that had never been set off since they were put in place after the 1987 sell-off. The first circuit breaker, at 350 points, closed the market for 30 minutes. The sec-

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McLaren trial

Separatist leader Richard McLaren is led from the Brewster County Courthouse in Alpine Monday after the first day of his trial on charges of engaging in organized criminal activity for allegedly plotting to kidnap a couple last spring near Fort Davis.

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China's image

WASHINGTON — China has a population control policy that many Americans see as brutal. The Chinese use prisoners to make toys and are building the biggest dam in the world, at an environmental cost that grates some Americans. Against that comes Jiang Zemin on a week-long goodwill tour of the United States.

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HIV scare

MAYVILLE, N.Y. — An HIV-positive man who traded drugs for sex with young women and teens he approached in schools and parks infected at least nine of them with the AIDS virus, authorities said Monday. At least one other person was infected by one of the man's sex partners, and at least 70 others, some as young as 13, may have been exposed to the virus.

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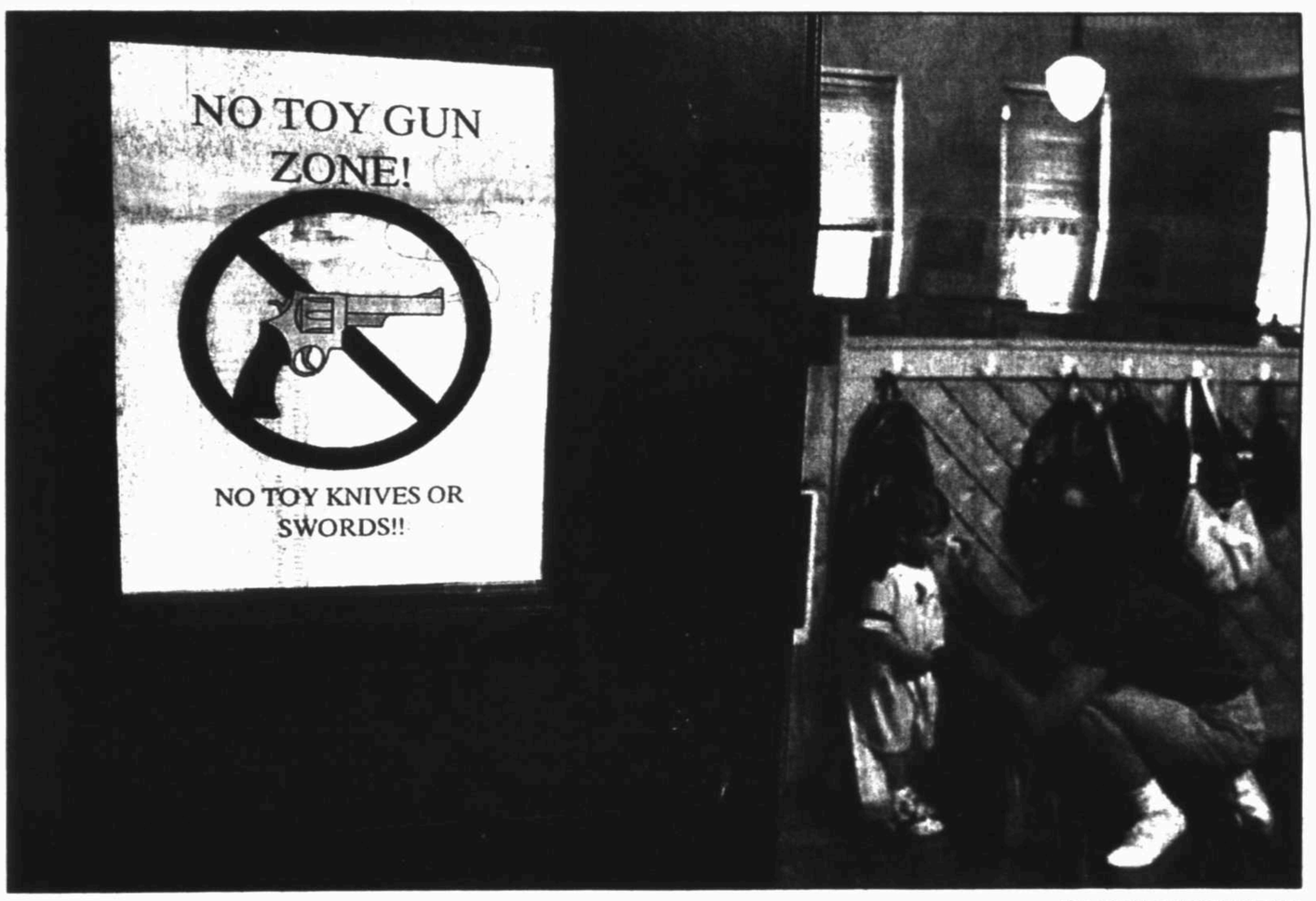

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At right, for preschoolers attending Westminster Children's Center in Beaumont, playing with toy guns on site is not an option. Toy weapons must be left inside book packs along the wall in background. Below, Charles Duncan, 70, a former police officer, teaches firearm safety classes at his son's gun shop in Bay City, Mich.

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Retired officer thinks safety training beats anti-gun laws

'I'd rather gun-proof my kids than kid-proof my guns — then they're safe anywhere.'

—Charles Duncan, handgun safety trainer

By Alicia Holmes
Hearst News Service

BAY CITY, Mich. — Charles Duncan has taught handgun safety to thousands of people, but he didn't have any formal training when he started shooting.

He began hunting during the Depression, before he was 10 years old.

"I grew up shooting," says Duncan, 70. "It was survival. I hunted whatever was available to put meat on our table. Once we ate porcupine for Thanksgiving dinner. It was pretty good."

Today, the former police officer teaches handgun safety classes at his son's gun shop in Bay City. About 60 people a month go through his National Rifle Association-sanctioned classes.

Duncan has taught handgun safety to everyone from kids at the YMCA to police

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Child safety advocates push for trigger locks to prevent unintended firing

Editor's note: This is the third day in a Hearst four-day series of Americans' attitudes toward guns.

By Steven Goldsmith
Hearst News Service

'The one thing that hurts more than anything else is when I see on TV another kid shot. It hurts all over again.'

—Chuck Hastings, whose 14-year-old son Michael, shown at left, was killed by a neighbor

SEATTLE — Michael Hastings was the smallest kid on the junior varsity football team, but the 14-year-old's hustle and grit made him one of the leading scorers.

He couldn't, however, outrun a 10 mm bullet, fired at his head in 1995 by a teenage neighbor who was "just fooling around."

Michael died the next morning. His school held a ceremony and retired his No.10 jersey. His father, Chuck, began campaigning for laws requiring guns to be kept under lock and key.

"The one thing that hurts more than anything else is when I see on TV another kid shot," Chuck Hastings says. "It hurts all over again." With firearms in about half of America's homes, Hastings' goal is shared by President Clinton, Microsoft's Bill Gates and many others who support laws requiring devices known as triggerlocks to prevent unintended firing.

Eight gun manufacturers took a voluntary step in that direction in early October, announcing at a White House ceremony that they will provide child-proof trigger locks with each handgun they sell.

But the National Rifle Association and other gun-rights advocates counter that safety education, not gadgets, is what protects kids. Gun locks, they say, merely interfere with people's right to protect themselves when an attacker suddenly appears.

Probably nowhere is this debate hotter than in Washington state, where the

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 72	High 71	High 77
Low 42	Low 44	Low 46

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a high in the lower 70s. Winds will be from the southwest at 5 to 15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight calls for partly cloudy skies with a low in the lower 40s.

Wednesday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid 70s.

After an record overnight low of 31, Monday's high was 69, compared to the record high for that date of 90 set in 1950. Monday's low temperature of 31 topped the previous record of 33 set in 1967.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	.00 in.
Rainfall Monday	.00 in.
Total for month	1.60 in.
Total for year	15.33 in.

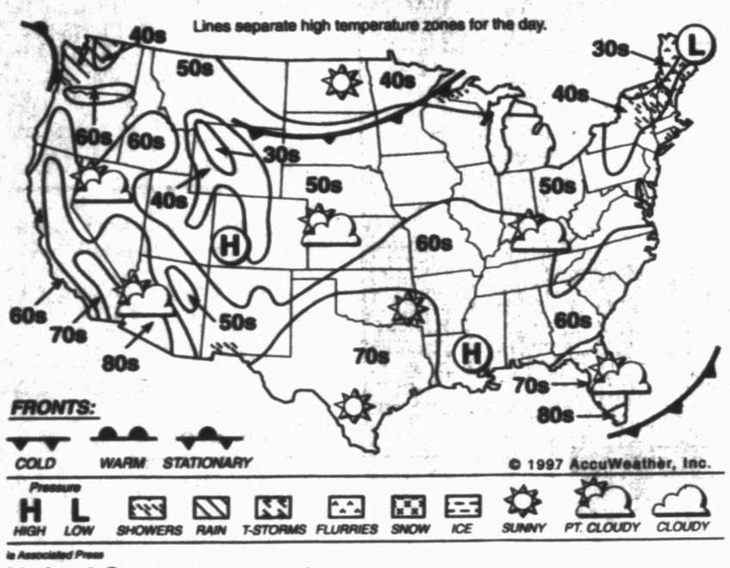
Yesterday's temperatures

High	69
low	31
Normal high	74
Normal low	46

Sunrise 7:02 a.m. Sunset 6:03 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Oct. 28.



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United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:33 p.m. EST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	54	39	.83	cdy
Albuquerque	57	33	clr	
Amarillo	69	19	clr	
Anchorage	19	9	cdy	
Asheville	48	46	.08	clr
Atlanta	49	47	clr	
Atlantic City	63	53	.33	clr
Baltimore	62	50	.11	clr
Billings	61	45	cdy	
Birmingham	47	46	cdy	
Bismarck	66	26	clr	
Boise	56	33	mls	
Boston	52	45	.57	clr
Brownsville	86	52	.01	cdy
Buffalo	49	37	.75	cdy
Burlington,Vt.	48	35	.45	sn
Casper	52	34	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	72	68	1.43	clr
Charleston,W.Va.	47	43	.11	clr
Charlotte,N.C.	67	55	.08	clr
Cheyenne	51	29	cdy	
Chicago	39	32	cdy	
Cincinnati	43	39	.01	clr
Cleveland	40	38	.53	cdy
Columbia,S.C.	68	66	.01	clr
Columbus,Ohio	42	42	.47	clr
Concord,N.H.	46	39	.47	cdy
Dayton	39	35	.13	clr
Denver	47	22	clr	
Des Moines	35	19	clr	
Detroit	35	34	.26	cdy
Duluth	39	20	cdy	
Evansville	45	39	cdy	
Fairbanks	12	-8	.01	clr
Fargo	45	21	clr	
Flagstaff	56	18	cdy	
Grand Rapids	34	30	.56	cdy
Great Falls	55	47	cdy	
Greensboro,N.C.	64	50	.07	clr
Hartford Spgfld	50	41	.73	cdy
Helena	53	31	cdy	
Honolulu	87	73	.02	clr
Indianapolis	42	36	cdy	
Jackson,Miss.	47	47	clr	
Jacksonville	70	68	3.22	clr
Juneau	39	34		sn
Kansas City	45	24		clr
Las Vegas	69	45		clr
Little Rock	55	42		clr
Los Angeles	77	58		clr
Louisville	47	41		clr
Memphis	46	42		cdy
Miami Beach	90	78		cdy
Milwaukee	39	30	.11	cdy
Mpls-St Paul	41	15		clr
Nashville	46	42	.02	cdy
New Orleans	62	52		cdy
New York City	63	48	.63	cdy
Norfolk,Va.	70	64	.55	clr
North Platte	52	15		clr
Oklahoma City	55	34		pcr
Omaha	31	17		clr
Orlando	75	70	1.70	clr
Philadelphia	62	48	.33	clr
Phoenix	78	53		cdy
Pittsburgh	45	44	.32	cdy
Portland,Maine	47	39	.44	cdy
Portland,Ore.	58	48		cdy
Providence	54	43	.87	clr
Raleigh-Durham	71	57	.05	clr
Rapid City	64	23		clr
Reno	63	30		clr
Richmond	67	51	.03	clr
Sacramento	77	48		clr
St Louis	45	36		cdy
Salt Lake City	59	32		cdy
San Diego	72	58		clr
San Francisco	72	54		clr
San Juan,P.R.	88	79		cdy
Santa Fe	56	23		clr
St Ste Marie	35	21		cdy
Seattle	54	48	.11	rn
Shreveport	56	46		cdy
Sioux Falls	43	12		clr
Spokane	48	39	.04	cdy
Syracuse	58	38	.46	sn
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	78	76	1.50	clr
Topeka	45	24		cdy
Tucson	70	43		cdy
Tulsa	52	36		clr
Washington,D.C.	60	49	.04	clr
Wichita	49	30		clr
Wilkes-Barre	55	40	.19	cdy

DOW: Hong Kong crisis spurs sell-offs

(From 1A)

ond, at 550, halted trading for the day.

It remains to be seen how much of Monday's selling was fueled by mutual fund investors. Publicly however, many individual investors portrayed an unflappable facade.

"I wish I had more money to invest," said Helen Ginty, 60, a secretary in New York, asserting that she plans no change in her retirement investment strategy. "I don't think people are as crazy as they used to be" during a downturn.

For many analysts, the drop was notable because the Dow has now fallen 13.3 percent from its Aug. 6 record high of 8,259.31, ending an unprecedented streak of seven years without a "correction" of at least 10 percent.

Declining issues also outnumbered advancers by an astounding 16-to-1 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume came to 685.52 million shares, the busiest day in the exchange's history.

Stocks started Monday lower as another sharp sell-off in Hong Kong triggered another wave of selling in financial markets around the globe, but the selling didn't pick up steam in the United States until Monday afternoon. The Dow, for example, was down just 115 points at midday.

The mounting financial crisis in Hong Kong has ignited fears about whether global business conditions will be undermined by Southeast Asia's shaky economics, where mounting trade deficits have sent interest rates soaring and local currencies plunging.

Hong Kong's Hang Seng index fell 7 percent, as foreign markets also fell Monday.

S&P's Kaufman, however, asserted that a stream of weak earnings reports or a jump in interest rates could have set off a steep decline just as easily as Hong Kong's problems.

"The Southeast Asia crisis is just a trigger," he said. "Something would have come along at some point. This is what came along."

And once again, analysts stressed that although plenty of U.S. companies do business in Asia, this nation's financial health is only slightly dependent on the fortunes of Southeast Asia.

"I take great heart in the fact that fundamentally, the underpinning of our market is solid," said John Shaughnessy, chief investment strategist at Advest Inc. in Hartford, Conn.

"I still view this as a nasty correction in what still remains a bull market. This is such a highly reversible, emotional event. I feel comfortable that something good will happen and turn things around," Shaughnessy said.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock index, the standard against which most mutual funds are compared, tumbled 64.65 to 876.99, a loss of nearly 7 percent.

The Nasdaq, dominated by technology companies that do more business in Asia than most other American industries, also suffered its worst one-day point drop ever, falling 115.83 to 1,535.09.

Once again, though, U.S. Treasury bonds bucked the trend as investors sought safer places to put their cash until the equity markets steady. The rise in bond prices pushed the yield on the 30-year Treasury — a key influence on borrowing costs — fell to its lowest level since early 1996.

With corporate profits still beating Wall Street forecasts and the U.S. outlook on inflation and interest rates remaining favorable, many analysts concluded that the stock market had taken a turn for the better with Monday's sharp pullback.

"It's very healthy to shake some of this out," said Larry Rice, chief investment officer at Josephthal, Lyon & Ross. "We have a very sound economy here. We're going to survive."

AP Photo

Traders react to the Exchange's numbers minutes before trading was halted on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Monday in New York.

Number is familiar, but circumstances are different

By Joyce M. Rosenberg
Associated Press

■ News analysis

NEW YORK — The number looks uncomfortably familiar, but the circumstances on Wall Street are entirely different from a decade ago, the last time the Dow Jones industrial average fell more than 500 points in a day.

That was the message Monday from Wall Street analysts after the stock market suffered its biggest drop in years, sending the Dow down 554.26 to 7,161.15.

The decline was the Dow's largest point drop ever, surpassing the 508 points the stock market's best-known indicator suffered Oct. 19, 1987. But this latest drop translated to 7.18 percent of the Dow's value, compared to the 22.61 percent lost a decade ago, and that's a big difference between the 1987 crash and this latest setback.

Beyond the percentages, we're in a very different market today, analysts said. The U.S. economy is stronger, interest rates are about 4 percentage points lower than a decade ago, and stock prices, while perhaps too high lately, haven't been as overvalued as they were in 1987, said Alfred E. Goldman, a vice president at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc., a St. Louis-based investment firm.

When the market crashed 10 years ago, there was little, if any, investor confidence in the economy. The federal budget deficit was expanding, and the dollar was under attack. This time around, unemployment is low and the public is fairly confident about the economy. The budget deficit for the just-ended fiscal year was the lowest since the mid-1970s. The dollar is considered to be generally healthy.

So why did selling in Hong Kong and other Asian markets, which began spreading to the U.S. last week, rattle Wall Street so badly?

"Panic and irrational hysteria," Goldman stated.

"It provided an excuse for a correction to get started," said A.C. Moore, a stock market analyst with Principal Financial Securities in Santa Barbara, Calif.

For the last two years, as stocks barreled higher and propelled the Dow through 5,000 and onward past 8,000, many analysts and investors believed the market was going too high too fast. Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan issued periodic warnings, the most famous of which was his declaration last December that prices were riding higher on "irrational exuberance."

Still, this is not 10 years ago. The people who have driven the market to its soaring levels the past few years have been individual investors who have withstood declines and kept putting into the market. They were not in the market 10 years ago to the extent they are today. One reason why they've become investors is because they've seen the market falter and then come back.

Analysts expect the individual investors to keep buying mutual funds and contributing money to 401(k) retirement plans, as they've done several times this year during market pullbacks. It's true they may be a little more cautious, but they are not expected to abandon the market.

This begs the question, who was selling Monday? According to Goldman, "the fuzzy-cheeked supposed professional money managers who have never seen a down market and who get a score card almost daily" based on the profits they make. He described individual investors as calmer and less emotional than the pros.

The market is likely to continue to be volatile for a while. But Goldman predicted that in a few days or a week, stock prices will go back up.

"The message is going to be, 'we were too low.'"

Investors mostly shrug off downturn, get ready to buy

By Maggie Jackson
Associated Press

Some winced, many shrugged and others calmly got ready to buy.

But few of the men and women who've sent the stock market sailing with their savings and earnings showed much panic Monday as they watched the Dow Jones plunge.

"I'm a little nervous," admitted Bob Bilton, a semi-retired salesman in downtown Atlanta. "But I'm a long-term investor. I'm not going to get excited."

Gloria Humphrey, who described herself as a casual follower of the market, also preferred to take a long-term view.

"You have to ride it out, like a roller coaster — and not panic like some people do," said the 35-year-old customer service representative in Columbus, Ohio. "I know how to play the game."

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 554.26 points to 7,161.15, the biggest point loss ever for the blue-chip index.

> **'I'm a little nervous. But I'm a long-term investor. I'm not going to get excited.'**
> — Bob Bilton, semi-retired salesman and investor

Seeking to calm any possible panic, White House spokesman Mike McCurry described the drop as "a bare fraction of major breathtaking drops in the past."

Indeed, the loss of 7.2 percent was far less than the plunge of 22.6 percent on Oct. 19, 1987. And when trading was automatically shut down for the day Monday, the Dow was still up 11 percent this year.

"We want everyone to just take a deep breath and think about where we are," McCurry said. "This is a market that has performed amazingly well ... so let's be calm and reasonable."

For the most part, investors agreed as they watched the drop during the day.

"The market is strong," said Dave Gilley, a salesman for a software consultant who has investments both in stocks and through his 401(k) retirement plan.

"I think the U.S. economy is way too stable to be affected by global markets," he said, referring to the Hong Kong stock market downturn that inspired market jitters worldwide.

Even on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, traders were barely flustered. "It was very quiet and orderly," said Joe Pettibone, a trader with the Boston firm of Adams, Harkins and Hill.

Alan Sarroff, an independent member of the Exchange, shrugged off the day. "Now it's time for the down. ... Is that the end of the world?"

Administration moves to reassure nervous investors

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration moved quickly Monday to assure nervous investors that market safeguards were working effectively and the economy remained fundamentally sound despite the worst-ever point loss in Wall Street history.

"It is important to remember that the fundamentals of the United States' economy are strong and have been for the past several years, and the prospects for low inflation and low unemployment are strong," Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said in a brief statement.

Rubin spoke to reporters after a wild day on Wall Street that saw the Dow Jones industrial average plunge by 554.26 points before automatic "circuit breakers" halted trading a half-hour before the normal market close.

It was the first time the circuit breakers designed to stop trading were used. The mechanism had been put in place as one of the reforms institute following the Black Monday crash of October 1987 when the Dow fell by 508 points.

Rubin said the Working Group on Financial Markets — the interagency task force composed of officials at Treasury, the Federal Reserve and the Securities and Exchange Commission — had been convened for the first time and was closely keeping tabs on market operations.

"Our consultations indicate that the payment and settlement systems and other market mechanisms are working effectively," Rubin said.

Analysts saw Rubin's comments as an effort to let stock investors, many of them new to the market since the 1987 crash, know that even with heavy trading volume, all sales orders had been processed in a timely fashion, without the backlogs that occurred in 1987 when many small investors were unable to cash out their holdings when they wanted to.

"The treasury secretary is saying that this time individuals have been able to execute all their orders because the system is much more modern and sophisticated," said David Jones, chief economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York.

At the White House, press secretary Mike McCurry told reporters that President Clinton was being kept informed of developments.

"The president is confident the fundamentals of the American economy are strong," McCurry said. "We want everyone to just take a deep breath and think about where we are. ... Let's be calm and reasonable."

The market plunge Monday came on a day when Clinton delivered a major economic speech to announce that the federal budget deficit for the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30 had fallen to $22.6 billion, the smallest in 23 years.

Clinton said the low deficit proved that his economic policies were working. He made no mention in his remarks of the stock market turmoil.

WALL STREET PLUNGE, BY THE NUMBERS

DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE

■ 554.26 points, the biggest daily point drop ever.

■ 7.18 percent, 12th biggest percentage decline.

■ 5 hours and 5 minutes, time it took from the opening for the Dow to fall 354.37 points and halt trading for a half hour.

■ 25 minutes, time it took for the Dow to drop an additional 200 points and halt trading for the day.

■ Zero, number of the 30 stocks that make up the Dow industrials that rose Monday. Biggest Dow loser: Merck, down $8.37 1/2 at $85 a share. Not on the Dow, but a rare winner on the New York Stock Exchange: Tele Danmark, up $2.25 at $28.12 1/2 after the U.S. phone company Ameritech Corp. said it will buy a third of Denmark's telephone carrier for $3.2 billion.

STANDARD & POOR'S 500

■ 64.65, biggest point loss ever.

■ 6.87 percent, 16th-largest percent drop.

NASDAQ COMPOSITE

■ 115.83 points, biggest point loss ever and more than twice the previous record.

■ 7.02 percent, fourth-biggest percent loss.

VOLUME

■ 685.52 million, the record number of shares changing hands on the New York Stock Exchange.

■ 1,777,982,800, the total number of shares traded on all exchanges, second only to Friday's 1,778,591,700.

THE DOLLAR LOSS

■ $600.043 billion, the drop in market value of the Wilshire Associates Equity Index, the combined market value of all NYSE, American Stock Exchange and Nasdaq issues. It represents the loss on paper. The index still stands above $8.5 trillion, compared with nearly $6.8 trillion a year ago.

— The Associated Press

Pick 3 Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

3-2-5

Cash 5 Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Cash 5 winning numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

12-18-26-32-37

Clarification

While machine guns and other fully-automatic weapons are generally illegal to possess, a Sunday report in the Reporter-Telegram did not point out the conditions that allow Americans to possess these weapons.

Midlander Mark Pelham is one of those Americans who has received a Class 3 federal license that allows him to own fully-automatic weapons.

To gain this certification, a person must have a "clean record" and be approved for ownership by a leader of a local law enforcement agency, such as the police chief or sheriff, he said.

A letter of approval, along with a $200 license fee for each automatic weapon purchased, is submitted to the federal government.

Any American meeting these conditions can own a machine gun or true assault rifle.

While lawmakers may have referred to "assault weapons" in recent legislation, these were actually semi-automatic versions of military rifles, such as the rare Russian-made AK-47 and its common look alike, the Chinese-made AKS, Pelham said.

These civilian versions of assault rifles fire only one bullet each time the trigger is depressed and are therefore not true assault rifles. These can be owned by anyone.

Fully automatic assault weapons, however, cannot be owned without the Class 3 federal license, which includes additional restrictions specific to ownership and use of these weapons.

While fully-automatic weapons are not sold in area gun stores, they can be purchased from licensed Class 3 dealers who advertise in publications such as "Shotgun News," he said.

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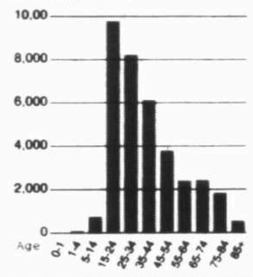
Dying young

Almost 36,000 people were killed by firearms in 1995. Many of them were young adults.



Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Other key figures

- 1,300 boys, 19 and under, murdered with guns in the United States (Journal of the American Medical Association, 1990)
- 16 children and adolescents die in gun-related homicides, suicides, and accidents every day in the U.S. Many more children suffer injuries. (National Center for Health Statistics, 1993)
- 59% of students in grades 6 -12 know where to get a gun if they want one (LH Research, Inc., 1993)
- 1.2 million latchkey children have access to guns when they get home from school. (Journal of the American Medical Association, 1990)
- 60% of all teenage suicides involve the use of guns. (National Center for Health Statistics, 1993)
- 80% of teenage homicides involve the use of firearms. (National Center for Health Statistics, 1993)
- 70% of 5- and 6-year-olds have sufficient strength to fire handguns. (Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine, 1995)

Research by Jennifer Small and Holly Yeager

Kids and Guns

Gun owners who have children are very likely to let their kids know where the weapons are kept, according to a national poll by the Hearst Newspapers on Americans and guns.

Asked of gun owners who keep a gun at home:

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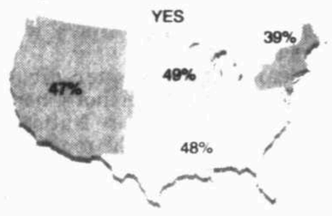
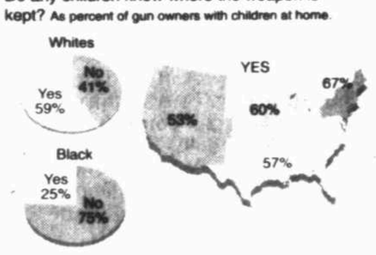


Do any children know where the weapon is kept? As percent of gun owners with children at home.



Source: Hearst newspapers poll on Guns in America, 1997

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LOCK: Every day last year, 16 kids were killed in a firearms incident

(From 1A)

Nov. 4 ballot features an initiative that would impose one of the toughest gun-safety rules in the nation. Initiative 676, which is being promoted with the help of a $35,000 contribution from Bill and Melinda Gates, would require handguns to be sold with triggerlocks, and gun buyers would have to obtain a safety license.

Various cities have experimented with triggerlock giveaways to encourage safer storage. Connecticut dealers provide a triggerlock with each handgun.

California and Florida impose criminal penalties for negligence in permitting minors to have unauthorized access to firearms. Connecticut, Massachusetts and Hawaii require a safety course or exam.

In addition, a focused national effort has been made to prevent young people from encountering guns at school, which became a growing parental worry in the 1990s.

A 1992 survey of New York City high school students found that 7 percent reported carrying a handgun. Lest that be dismissed as a Big Apple phenomenon, a 1991 survey published in the Journal of the American Medical Association found 6 percent of 11th grade boys in Seattle had carried a gun to school.

President Clinton signed a Gun-Free Schools Act in 1994 that ordered states, in effect, to provide for laws to expel any student caught bringing a gun to school. States had a year to comply.

By the 1995-96 school year, 6,276 students were expelled for bringing weapons, mostly handguns, to schools. And on "A Day of National Concern," millions of high school students signed pledges promising never to carry a gun to school.

The zero-tolerance mood carried so much momentum that school districts around the country cracked down on toy guns also.

While the Clinton administration says the crackdowns on guns and youth crime are protecting more kids, the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported more than 50 killings or suicides at or near U.S. schools last year. Three-fourths were caused by handguns.

Each side gives the statistics its own spin. Gun-rights advocates usually cite the relatively modest number of shootings classed as "accidental" excluding deaths from homicide and suicide.

By that tally, firearms accidents among American children sharply declined between 1975 and 1990, from 550 to 200, according to the National Safety Council.

The Children's Defense Fund and other gun-control advocacy groups usually cite all firearms-related incidents, including homicides and suicides. That reflects the rise in youth violence in addition to small children's accidental encounters with guns.

By that standard, the National Center for Health Statistics found that 5,715 American children died from firearms in 1993.

Put another way, it means that every day in America last year, 16 children ages 19 and younger were killed in a firearms homicide, suicide or unintentional shooting.

Triggerlock law advocates say voluntary training isn't enough.

"We've put children in car seats and belts, and motor-vehicle fatalities are declining," says Bruce Gryniewski, executive director of Washington Ceasefire. "But firearms fatalities are rising."

Gun-rights groups say mandatory triggerlock laws merely interfere with a citizen's right to protect himself.

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Michael Hastings, left, is shown with his father Chuck in this family Christmas photo. Michael Hastings was shot and killed by a 10 mm bullet fired at his head in 1995 by a teen-age Everett, Wash., neighbor who was "just fooling around."

"Specifying a particular gadget or device is not what has to be done," says Jim Manown, a spokesman for the National Rifle Association. "Education and training is the key to firearms safety."

Olympia, Wash., gun-rights lobbyist Joe Waldron of Washington Citizens Against Regulatory Excess, says he can cite "cases of people who, if they'd had triggerlocks, they'd be dead." They include an Auburn, Wash., woman who this spring was able to quickly grab her handgun and fire five bullets at an ex-boyfriend who had been stalking her and was about to lunge.

As to children, the NRA says it already has protected nearly 10 million of them through its Eddie Eagle program. Eddie is the tall, feathered mascot of the NRA's education wing. Addressing the kindergarten through sixth-grade set, he tells children to, when they see another youngster with a gun, "STOP! Don't touch! Leave the Area. Tell an Adult."

Ironically, young Michael Hastings took a firearms-safety course three years before he died. Living in Washington state's San Juan Islands, he'd enjoyed going shooting with his dad, a passion later eclipsed by sailing and sports. He wanted to grow up to be an attorney.

Michael tried to leave the room the May afternoon when a 17-year-old visiting his mother's neighbor flashed a gun. Michael didn't leave quickly enough.

The gun had been stolen five years earlier, and it's unclear whether a triggerlock law would have made a difference.

Michael's dad just wants to tell every firearms-owning household to keep guns out of the wrong hands.

"It's a message that has to get across," he says. "Even one life saved is a whole lot."

SAFE: Trainer taught each of his four children gun safety by time they were 4

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officers. For 50 years, he and his wife, Patricia, have been NRA-certified training counselors, instructing teachers of gun safety.

"Discipline is the name of the game in shooting. It rubs off on the rest of your life," he says.

Each weekly class runs for 3.5 hours for eight weeks. The trainers furnish guns and ammunition until students get their own.

"We teach safety above all," Duncan says. "Attitude is very important too — one links to the other. With the right attitude, you won't have a problem with safety."

Class size ranges from one to 30 students; in the bigger classes, Duncan is assisted by volunteers.

He says he first teaches basic shooting principles, including stance, breathing, trigger squeeze, setting a sight, aim and grip. After that, shooting time and classroom time are split evenly.

The last night, Duncan teaches legal issues pertaining to obtaining a permit to carry a concealed weapon.

He believes that everyone but felons should be able to buy and carry any firearm.

"Who are they to tell you whether your life is in danger?" Duncan asks.

Duncan, who always carries a handgun, says he taught each of his four children gun safety by the time they were 4 years old. All four now own firearms, and most shoot competitively.

"I'd rather gun-proof my kids than kid-proof my guns — then they're safe anywhere," he says.

Duncan said training people in handgun safety is better than any anti-gun law. "Training is prevention," he says.

"All schools should contact local gun clubs and get training into people," he says. "It would save a lot of accidents."

Duncan got his formal training when he joined the U.S. Marine Corps at 17. He fought in the South Pacific during World War II. But it was when Duncan became an officer for the Saginaw, Mich., Police Department in 1951 that gun safety became vitally important to him.

"I was hired to replace a man who'd gotten shot," he says. "I thought, 'If I'm going to take this job, I'd better be good.' "There's not much more of a challenge than someone shooting at you."

Duncan began shooting competitively at that time, and he made sure his fellow officers were better trained.

There was a rash of lawsuits in the late 1950s caused by officers who couldn't shoot," he recalls. "One was suing for $350,000. I left an article on the suit and a note for the city manager saying $350,000 could go a long way for a training program. He was very receptive."

He says having his picture in the local newspaper as a "crack pistol shot" meant never having to shoot anyone in 31 years of police work.

Duncan maintains that anyone who owns a firearm should join the NRA, and he said civilians should be able to own automatic weapons.

"The idea behind the Constitution was that civilians be able to match what the military had," Duncan says. "It's not a problem now, but if we had a tyrannical government, it would be."

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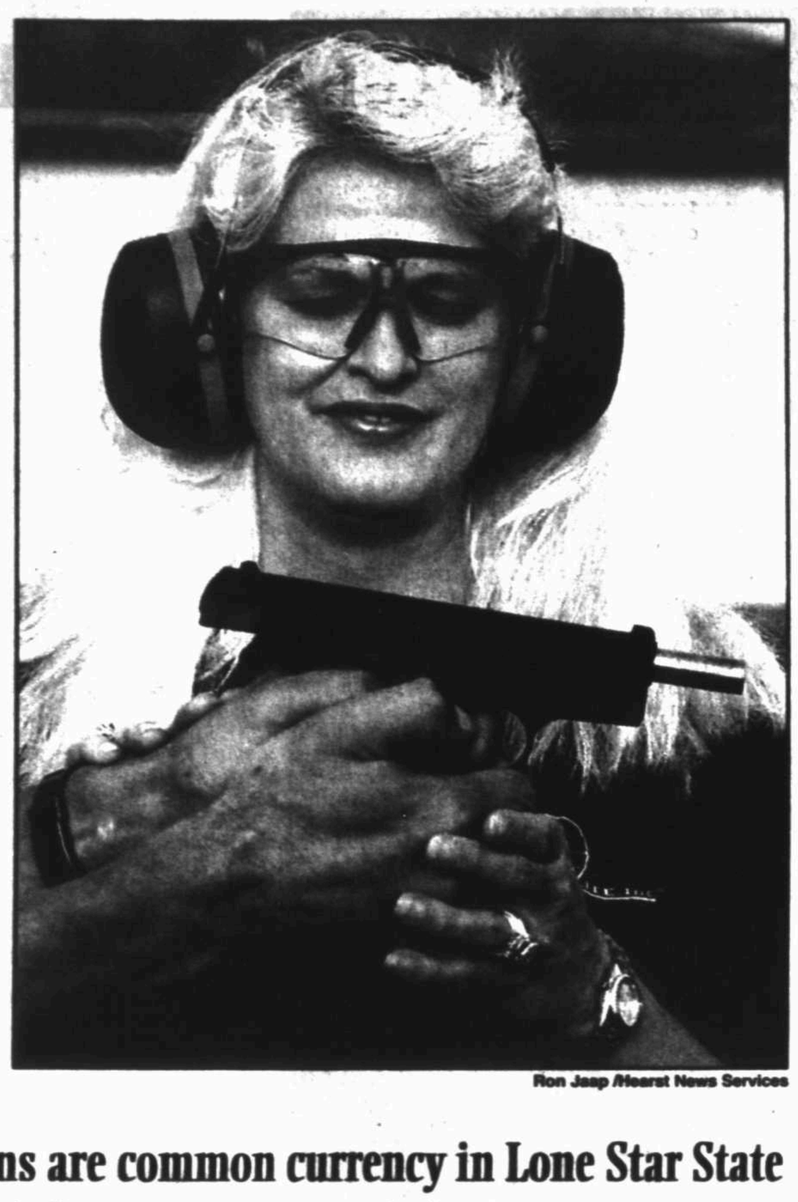

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Above, San Francisco police SWAT force arrives at the 101 California Street office building July 1, 1993, where Gian Luigi Ferri ran amok, killing eight and taking his own life. At left, Lucy Leger, of Beaumont, teaches classes to Texans wanting permits to carry concealed weapons.

Guns are common currency in Lone Star State

By Cathy Frye
Hearst News Service

BEAUMONT — There is an easy acceptance of gun ownership in Texas, which likely stems from the state's colorful history.

Pioneers depended on guns for survival. They used them for hunting and to protect themselves in hostile territory.

Even today, portions of Texas remain vast, isolated and sparsely settled. People here say they simply can't imagine living without a means to protect themselves.

In rural portions of the state, from the rough-and-tumble oil towns of West Texas to the desolate badlands near the Mexican border, to the bayous of Southeast Texas, the common assumption is that everyone owns a gun.

The average household probably has at least one firearm, whether it's kept in the bedroom or a shotgun rack, according to Jake Brisbin of Presidio County, a gun owner since childhood. He knows his county well through his work and his wide knowledge of the community.

State statistics show that 134,079 Texans have permits allowing them to carry concealed weapons. But that does not reflect the true number of gun owners, says Jim Brown, legislative director for the Texas State Rifle Association.

"If you take 17 million people in Texas and multiply that by about three, you've probably got that many guns," he says, basing his estimates on conversations with people throughout the state.

Texans have been permitted to carry concealed weapons since September 1996, so long as they are licensed by the state Department of Public Safety.

Early settlers owned several shotguns because they wanted one gun in each room of their tiny homes. Those weapons were never left unloaded.

Hallie Stillwell, one of the first women ranchers in West Texas, wasn't at all abashed when her appalled mother questioned keeping shotguns where the children could reach them.

In her autobiography, "I'll Gather my Geese," Stillwell recalls what she told her mother. "When you need to use a gun, there isn't time to look for cartridges or load it. The gun should be already loaded or it'll be too late."

Many Texans still live by that rule. "Even though maybe the threat is not there as much, there is a carryover effect from that history," Brisbin says. That's why Texans often are puzzled by the controversy surrounding gun ownership, he says.

"I'm not paranoid," Brisbin, 49, says. "I just believe in being prepared."

Dozens of Texans interviewed share his opinion. Although their weapons are used primarily for hunting and target practice, residents of this state have been vocal at the statehouse about protecting their right to use a gun to defend life and property.

Randy Leger, who owns a gun shop and shooting range, has lost faith in the justice system. Police officers arrive only after a crime has been committed and the courts aren't keeping criminals where they belong, he says.

Douglas Barlow is a criminal defense attorney in Beaumont. His family has been in Southeast Texas since the late 1800s, when his grandmother opened a saloon here.

"I think that most people who own firearms enjoy the sense of security of knowing that they're able to defend themselves if necessary. (That feeling) is probably pretty consistent across the state of Texas and in the South in general," Barlow says.

"I was raised with hunting as a primary sport, and I've probably got a small arsenal. It really isn't a big deal to me."

Nor is it to Beaumont resident LinMarie Garsee, who says, "I've carried a gun all my life.

"My grandfather was a gunsmith, so I grew up knowing how to clean guns, how to put them back together," she says.

When a man armed with a screwdriver broke into Garsee's house and demanded money five years ago, her instinct was to get to a telephone and her gun.

Garsee humored the man, telling him she would look in the bedroom for money for him. Instead, she called 911 and put a .25-caliber gun in her robe pocket.

When the man saw Garsee return with the gun, "He freaked," she says gleefully. He questioned her sanity.

"I said, 'Yeah, I might be crazy, and you never know when this gun is going to go off.'"

The gun didn't go off, but the man did, in police custody.

Garsee's gun ownership isn't unusual. Nearly 20 percent of the state's concealed weapon permits have been issued to women.

Texans' reliance on guns has been further nurtured by today's crime rate, says Al Linzy, owner of Triple L horse farm in rural Southeast Texas.

The boisterous, outgoing Linzy teaches the concealed weapons course required for those who want permits to carry guns.

At a recent "combat poker" party, Linzy and several of his former students explained why Texans continue to feel a need to own guns.

Much of the Old South mentality still exists, says Joy Perdue, who lives in Hamshire, a farming town 70 miles northeast of Houston. Remnants of the distrust evoked by the Civil War and Reconstruction still linger, she says.

"If we give up our guns, what's to keep our military from coming in again?" she asks, referring to old movies in which Yankee soldiers demolish and loot plantations.

"Nobody's going to invade my space," interrupts her husband, Charles.

Residents of the more central portions of the state tend to be a bit more discreet about their guns. Austin, for example, has a reputation as the state's liberal city. There are native Texans, no less, living in that city, who loudly protest the prevalence of guns.

Police officers in relatively conservative Dallas and Fort Worth say residents they've come in contact with, while attached to their guns, are less likely to openly discuss weapons.

Ted Gray, 74, a longtime rancher in West Texas, carries a gun with him, even though he has since moved to town. "The first thing I did when I arrived in West Texas, I bought a Winchester," Gray says. "I felt it very necessary to have guns. I always carried one and I got one in my car right now."

Gray pulled his gun several times, however. "I got an old man stealing calves one time."

Another time, he drew his gun in an attempt to get payment from a cattle trader who owed him money.

Many years ago, Gray served on a jury that heard the case of a man who was accused of illegally carrying a pistol. Gray recalls: "I asked everybody, 'Are there any of y'all who don't carry a gun?' There wasn't anybody who didn't carry a gun, so we just turned him loose."

The PROS and CONS of handgun ownership

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Cities have pursued gun restrictions with new vigor after Gian Luigi Ferri went on a shooting rampage killing 8 in a San Francisco office tower, according to Andrew McGuire, a leading gun-control advocate in the San Francisco Bay area.

Shooting spree triggers closer look at gun laws

By Rachel Gordon
Hearst News Service

SAN FRANCISCO — A madman with a grudge and three handguns went on a bloody rampage in a San Francisco office tower four years ago, killing eight people and sparking an unprecedented political drive for gun control in the area.

In the aftermath, cities and counties surrounding the San Francisco Bay have adopted more than three dozen gun-control laws, putting the region at the forefront of the movement in the United States. Cheap, readily available handguns, in particular, have been the target.

Leaders of the campaign, which has spread throughout the nation, say the afternoon of terror unleashed by Gian Luigi Ferri plays a primary role. The terror ended when Ferri turned one of the handguns on himself.

Ferri, 55, enraged over an old real estate deal, shot up a law office, leaving in his wake stunned and angry attorneys who vowed revenge with the formation of Legal Community Against Violence. The organization pushes for tougher gun-control laws.

One of the group's efforts is to provide free legal support for cities taking on the well-funded and politically connected pro-gun forces when the laws are challenged in court.

Cities have pursued gun restrictions with new vigor. Support of the lawyers' group "has been key," says Andrew McGuire, a leading gun-control advocate in the San Francisco Bay area who serves as the executive director of the Trauma Foundation, a violence-fighting organization started at San Francisco General Hospital.

The first set of Bay area laws — those that apply land-use restrictions to places where guns can be sold, such as away from schools and parks — were adopted in 1993. Oakland launched the law, just months before the high-rise massacre. Later, Berkeley, Fremont, Richmond and others followed.

Then, in the summer of 1996, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors banned the sale of junk handguns, known on the streets as "Saturday Night Specials." Over the next year, similar laws were enacted in more than a dozen other cities and counties in the Bay area, including San Jose and Daly City.

Other gun-control measures, such as requiring dealers to provide trigger locks on their guns and background checks on their employees, also went on the books. San Francisco also added a special 3 percent tax on firearms sales.

In general, it is the cities with the most violence and crime that have adopted the laws, but even the more quiet suburbs are beginning to sign on.

Talk to the gun advocates, and they tell you that the San Francisco Bay area isn't exactly a comfortable place for someone openly enamored of guns.

"As soon as people find out what I do, they immediately think I'm a bad person," says Bob Posner, co-owner of the San Francisco Gun Exchange, a retail gun store.

"They think I'm a staunch Republican," the longtime Democrat says. "And being single, it makes it hard to meet women. They have this preconception of a gun store owner. Their eyes open up wide and they go 'eeyew.'"

It is not known how many handguns are in circulation in the Bay area, but a 1994 poll of San Francisco alone showed 16 percent of the city's households had guns, far below the state average of 41 percent. It is reasonable to expect gun ownership to increase in the more conservative communities in the Bay area.

Posner says San Franciscans are very discreet about their gun purchases, partly "because it's not P.C. ... Basically, they're very quiet about it. You'll never know who owns what."

It wasn't simply one day of violence in downtown San Francisco that triggered the Bay area's political embrace of gun regulations. Some say it is the region's liberal leanings.

"There's a philosophical bent of conservative Republicans that they don't like government regulation," McGuire says. "There's an overall sense with liberals that they don't mind the government coming in with restrictions."

Pro-gun attorney Don Kates calls it "unthinking pacifism." Only one of the new gun-control laws has gone before the electorate. That was in June, when voters in the Alameda County city of Livermore were asked to approve or reject the city council's ordinance to prohibit the sale of junk guns there.

The ban won by 358 votes, 51.3 percent to 48.6 percent. It was the line in the sand for both sides.

"The (campaign) was extremely heated, very passionate — on the same level as the abortion issue," says Livermore Mayor Cathie Brown, who favors the ban.

The campaign was bitter, dividing the city of 68,000. Livermore, home to the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, is one of the more conservative Bay-area communities. Despite its proximity to San Francisco, about an hour's drive away, a strong rural flavor runs through the East Bay town.

Tony Cucchiara, owner of Traders Sports Inc. in the East Bay suburb of San Leandro, is a vocal gun advocate who makes his living selling firearms. He believes there is a silent majority in the region who favor firearm ownership.

"Some of them vote, some of them don't. In Livermore, many in the silent majority didn't vote," he says.

Cucchiara worries about what is next, now that a relatively conservative community has voted a gun ban.

"They aren't going to stop at junk guns," he says. "What's next? They're going to try to take your gun away."

Shawn Richard was moved to take action when two years ago his younger brother, Tracy Richard, then 20, was gunned down in the Western Addition, a San Francisco neighborhood where violence is all-too prevalent.

Police say Tracy was carrying a gun when he was shot.

Richard says that when he was young, he packed a gun, too, starting in junior high. "The turf wars in San Francisco were really bad. You carried a gun for protection," he says. "You didn't know who was against you or who was for you. You had to watch your back."

Richard says he gave up his gun when he left high school; Tracy's death spurred him to do something more. He founded the group Brothers Against Guns, which relies on volunteers to go out into the community and the Youth Guidance Center to talk children and teens into giving up their guns, "to let them know the consequences."

So far, he said, Brothers Against Guns, which does most of its work with blacks, has gotten more than 70 guns off the streets. "And these kids don't carry Saturday Night Specials," Richard adds. "They have 9 millimeters, .380s, Uzis."

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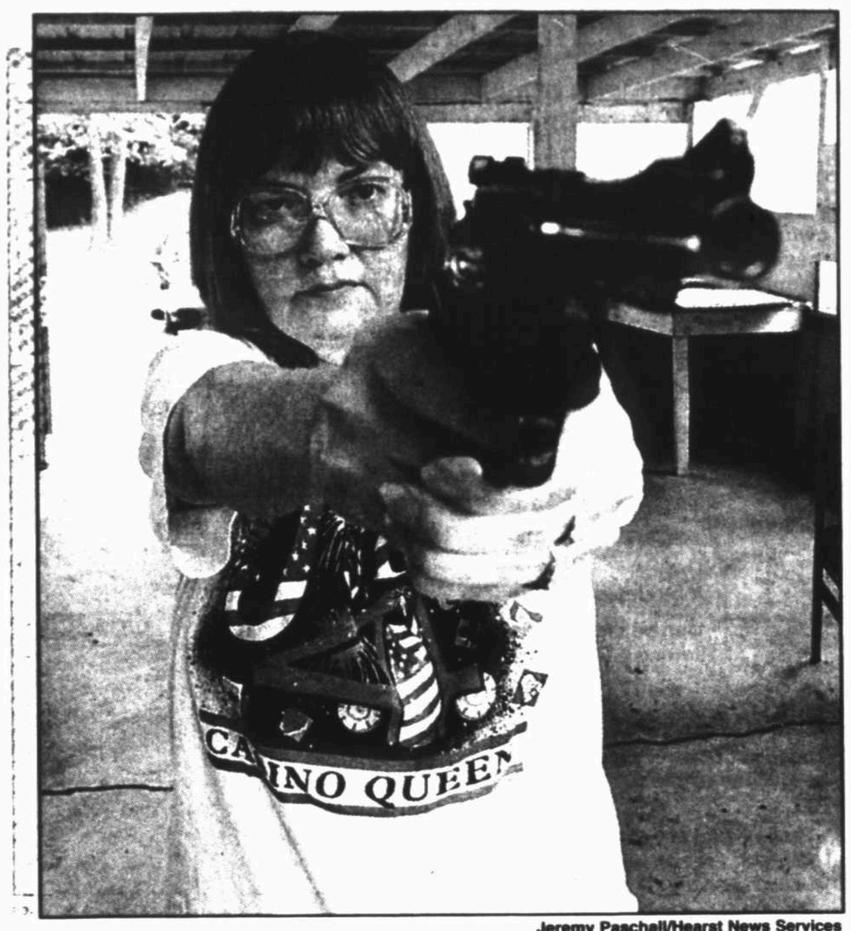

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Lois Burr of Belleville, Ill., shoots her Smith and Wesson .38-caliber handgun at the Caseyville Gun Club in Collinsville, Ill. Burr learned to shoot at an early age while spending time at her relatives home in rural Illinois.

Gun makers take aim at women's market

By Christine Eufinger
Hearst News Service

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill. — Lois Burr learned to shoot when she was too young to lift a gun by herself. At age 4 or 5, she had to use two fingers to squeeze the trigger.

But she quickly became more adept and blossomed into a better marksman than her male cousins with whom she spent the week at her uncle's home in rural Illinois because of her parents' work schedule. There, guns were a way of life and her uncle taught her how to shoot.

Burr gradually got away from shooting to concentrate on school. After high school graduation in 1971, she married and began her family.

About 10 years ago when her husband was out of town, Burr heard the storm door at her Belleville, Ill., home open and close. She figured it was the wind, but the night was still.

"I thought, 'It's time to get the gun back out again and learn how to shoot again,'" Burr says.

Most first-time gun buyers, regardless of gender, tend to purchase firearms for personal protection and later become interested in recreational shooting, says Peggy Tartaro, executive editor of Women & Guns magazine, a 22,000-circulation bimonthly magazine based in Buffalo, N.Y.

Burr participates in at least one shooting competition a week, earning many honors.

When Burr decided to rejoin the work force five years ago, she didn't want a desk job. She passed security guard classes and has worked nights since then at the Casino Queen, a riverboat gambling establishment in East St. Louis, Ill.

She carries a .38-caliber revolver but has never had to use it for work or self-defense, "but I'm not afraid to if I have to," Burr says. It hasn't always been easy for Burr in the gun world. Burr, 44, has occasionally met gun dealers who didn't want to deal with women and others who wisecracked that it's not good to let a woman get a gun in her hands.

However, women have increasingly migrated toward shooting for sport. Says Smith & Wesson spokesman Ken Jorgensen: "It's really a gender-neutral sport. You don't have to be 6-foot-6 and 280 pounds to compete."

Burr knows all too well that gun enthusiasts often are stereotyped. She is quick to point out that guns are not bad, but the people who use them sometimes are.

"There are going to be guns whether you say they can have them or not," Burr says. "Banning guns isn't going to stop guns."

She values the Second Amendment above the First Amendment, arguing that tragedies like Tianamen Square could not have happened if citizens had guns.

"If the government wanted to take our rights, they would first have to take our guns away," Burr says.

She and her husband, George, 70, own a variety of guns, ranging from air pistols to a 12-gauge shotgun.

George Burr joined the National Rifle Association in the mid-80s and is a life member. He retired from pharmaceutical sales in the early 1990s. Lois Burr signed up shortly afterward and is also a life member and a member of the Illinois State Rifle Association.

Pro-gun groups claim the number of women owning guns has continually increased, with anywhere from 15 to 43 percent of women having them.

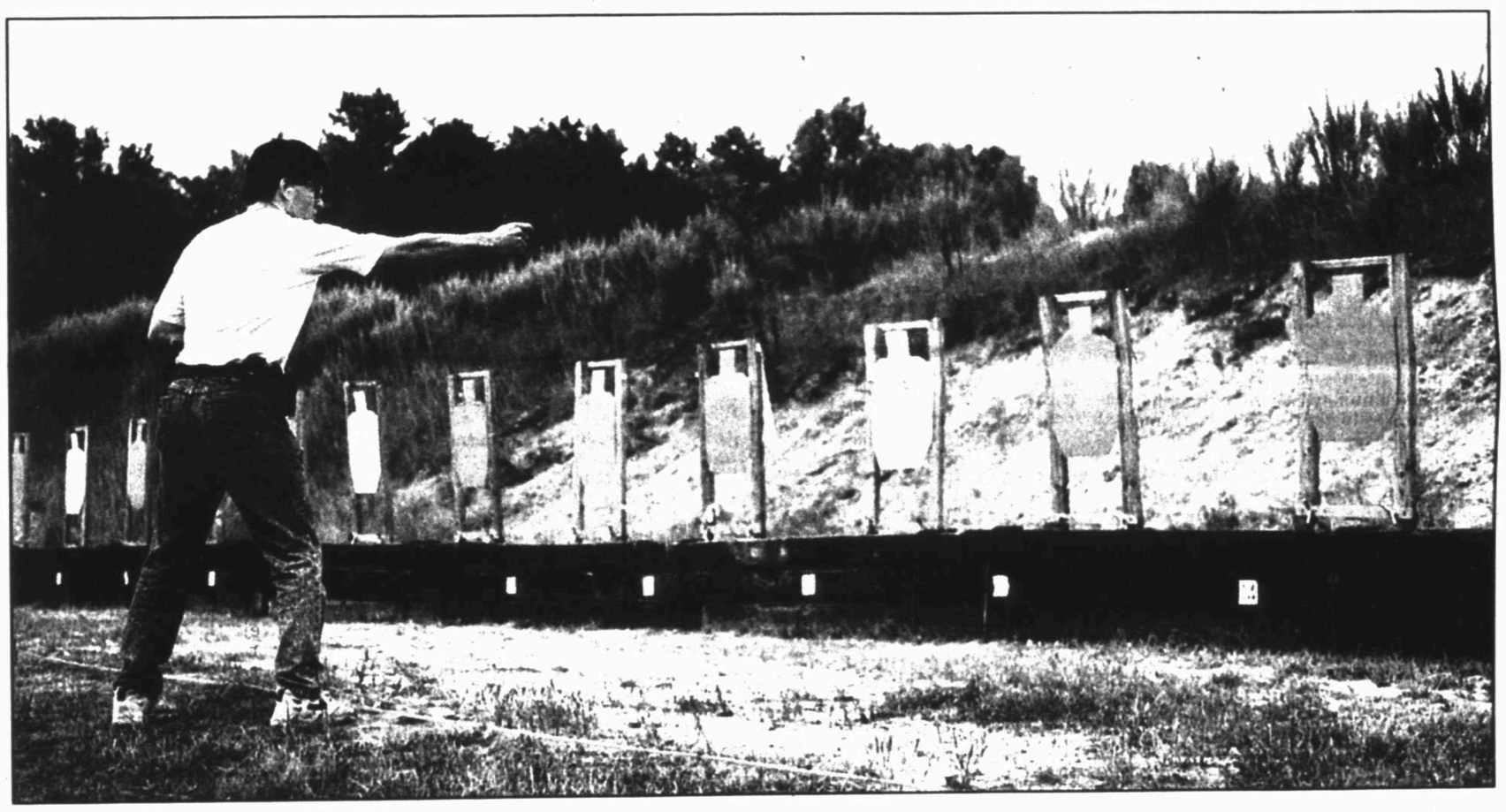
But a 1994 study by Tom Smith and Robert Smith, published in the Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology, estimates that the gender gap in gun ownership has not shifted markedly since 1980.

Their study found that about 11.6 percent of adult women in the United States own firearms and 7.4 percent own handguns.

Gun manufacturers and outfitters have begun to cater to female customers. Smith & Wesson became the leader by releasing the Lady Smith line in 1989. Today, that line has jumped from a single gun to a six-gun series, including a 9 mm pistol and five revolvers, says Smith & Wesson spokesman Jorgensen.

Several other companies like Massachusetts-based New England Firearms, Virginia-based Interarms, and California-based Lorcin, have jumped on board with guns for women, according to gun magazine editor Tartaro.

Holster manufacturers are designing them to fit a woman's curves, even coming up with holster purses and fanny packs, Tartaro says.



Anesthesiologist, Ronald S. Bank, at left, leans into a target. Bank is a frequent participant in target shooting contests held at Fort Meade, Md.

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Hunters use handguns for more of a challenge

By Ralph Wirtz
Hearst News Service

MIDLAND, Mich. — Brian Baker grew up around guns and hunting in the Thunder Bay area of northern Michigan.

He began shooting a .22-caliber rifle at a practice target when he was 6 years old. He tagged along with his father to hunt the plentiful deer, rabbit, duck and pheasant in the woods near Lake Huron long before he was old enough to carry a gun.

His first gun, a Belgian-made, 16-gauge Browning semi-automatic, was a present from his father on his 16th birthday. He still has the gun.

And, at age 48, he still has a great love for shooting and hunting.

He ticks off the firearms he owns — just the one shotgun, seven or eight rifles and "probably that many handguns."

Today, hardly a week goes by that Baker doesn't shoot target practice or hunt. His wife, Gail, enjoys target practice, too. The Bakers are part of an estimated 16 million to 18 million hunters.

Baker works as a materials inventory controller for The Dow Chemical Co. in Midland, Mich. At night, he keeps himself busy making boats, canoes and canoe paddles out of wood. It's not a hobby.

"I'm in it for the money," he says. "It's going to be my early retirement." When he hunts now, he uses a handgun for deer, bear, rabbits and birds.

"Everything I shoot, I shoot with my handguns, exclusively," he says. He uses handguns to hunt because they are more of a challenge than rifles.

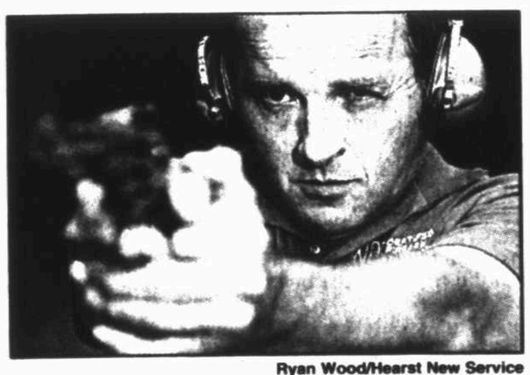
According to the National Rifle Association, about 10 percent of the 30 to 35 million handgun owners say they bought their guns to hunt.

He keeps the guns in a separate room in his home.

"Nobody goes in there," he says. "It's locked when I'm not home and there is an alarm system. That room is strictly off limits."

He has a permit to carry a concealed weapon, which he does when he is traveling, looking for wood for his boat-building business. "Because I travel around so much, nobody knows who I am so I deal in cash quite a bit," he says.

Baker also has a certificate as an instructor from the National Rifle Association. He teaches a personal protection class.



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Brian Baker, a certified firearms instructor who teaches small personal protection and basic firearm safety classes, shoots at his Coleman, Mich., home. Baker says he takes his guns as seriously as he does everything else in life.

Baker says carrying a weapon helped him out of a ticklish situation only once, and all he had to do was show it. That incident, involving what looked to him like a potential holdup on a road in Memphis, Tenn., came about 20 years ago.

"If I hadn't had it, there would have been real trouble. The mere presence of the gun was enough," he recalls.

Baker has been a member of the NRA for 30 years and he believes its tough-minded philosophy toward gun ownership is needed. "My personal belief is any law-abiding citizen should be able to buy a gun without any red tape," he says.

Baker doesn't believe restrictions are needed on the type of weapons that can be purchased, and he has bought his at gun shows and from storefront dealers.

He view on gun laws: "There already are a lot of laws on misuse. They should come down hard on the people who misuse them."

The trouble with people who support gun bans is that they don't understand the true purpose of gun control, he says.

"There are people who honestly believe gun laws will save lives, but the government wants to disarm the people. They're afraid of us," he says. That's why the NRA "won't get any criticisms from me," he says. "I don't think we can relax."

Baker would like to see more balanced coverage of the gun issue in newspapers and on television.

"Definitely, the media is very biased against gun owners," he says.

According to the National Rifle Association, about 10 percent of the 30 to 35 million handgun owners say they bought their guns to hunt.

Doctor shoots at targets for fun, relaxation

By Holly Yeager
Hearst News Service

FORT MEADE, Md. — Anesthesiologist Ronald S. Bank estimates he saw at least one gunshot wound every night during the three years he was a resident physician on call at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins Hospital.

But that doesn't stop Bank from spending some of his free time shooting at human-shaped targets.

"My profession is to save people's lives," Bank, 31, says after an early Sunday morning target-shooting competition at this military base. "I wouldn't hurt a fly." Bank, an avid gun collector, competes two or three times a month in local shooting contests. Sometimes, he aims a high-powered pistol at target silhouettes of chickens, pigs and other animals up to 200 yards away.

But lately, looking for a more lifelike challenge, Bank has been taking his customized Glock .40 caliber pistol to "practical shooting" contests, designed to simulate so-called defensive shooting situations. Among the other contestants are some law enforcement officers who participate to supplement the training they get on the job.

This is high-adrenaline shooting compared with most shooting contests, where competitors stand still, face stationary targets, and are under little, if any, time pressure.

Sometimes practical shooters are on the move, dashing through a course and leaning around makeshift obstacles to fire at human forms. In other courses, the targets themselves may move.

Scores are based on a combination of the time it takes to hit a series of targets and the accuracy of the shots. The shooters incur stiff penalties if they hit white torso-shaped targets — intended to represent innocent bystanders — rather than the brown forms they are supposed to aim for.

Bank, who is also an accomplished scuba diver, says he likes shooting "for the sport aspect of it." "I enjoy competing against other people," he says. "But it's also an individual sport. You compete against yourself, to continually improve." And, he's quick to add, "I firmly believe it's something that could save your life in a pinch."

Bank is one of an estimated 21.2 million Americans — 16.2 million men and 5 million women — who take part in target shooting, according to a 1996 survey conducted for the National Shooting Sports Foundation. That number includes 13.1 million who use handguns, up from 1993, when there were an estimated 19.4 million target shooters, including 11.8 million who used handguns.

The intense young doctor has never fired a shot against a real human target. But his father did, when a would-be robber was holding a gun to his wife's head in the Baltimore clothing store they owned at the time. The thief later died of the wound.

"I refuse to be victimized by some sort of predatory criminal," says Dr. Bank, who is engaged to be married to another doctor.

Bank says he donates money every year to Amnesty International, the human rights group, and the World Wildlife Fund. He's a registered Republican who favors abortion rights.

And, he says, had his father not taught him about guns when he was a child, he would likely be a member of Handgun Control Inc., the gun-control advocacy group led by Sarah Brady, whose husband, Jim, was severely wounded in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan.

"Her heart's in the right place," Bank says of Brady.

But instead, Bank is a member of the National Rifle Association. He complains that, rather than focusing on effective ways to enforce existing laws and limit gun violence, "the Brady bunch" wants "to serially stigmatize and ban every class of gun and ammunition."

HANDGUNS IN AMERICA

Eddie Guffee, curator for the Museum of the Llano Estacado in Plainview, holds some of the guns in the collection.

Hearst News Service

Collectors savor beauty, interest of their armories

By Danny Andrews
Hearst News Service

PLAINVIEW — Museum curator Eddie Guffee has been collecting guns for 37 years while insurance agent Perry Gruhlkey is a relative newcomer of three years.

Both love their hobby and share a common interest in guns from the Wild West and Civil War days.

Neither of the Plainview men is wealthy and both have had to build their collections slowly, mostly passing up gun shows in favor of buying from friends, acquaintances and through advertisements in the myriad gun collector magazines published in this country.

Gruhlkey, 52, buys guns as an investment and now refuses to sell one "as long as I have food on the table."

He's hoping to complete his Winchester rifle collection with a "Henry," the first made by the company in the 1860s.

"I have all the Winchester lever actions except the Henry, which starts at about $10,000 and goes as high as a $100,000 — that's my main problem," he says.

Guffee, 59, says he's "always had an interest in guns since my dad gave me a .22 rifle (as did Gruhlkey's) when I was a kid."

Gruhlkey says his hobby is "a good investment, fun and interesting. I get every book I can on the history of the guns I collect. I like to learn what was going on when they were popular."

Guffee says he's "never shot most of the guns I've owned. Some of them won't shoot or are too valuable to shoot. They might blow up and I'd lose money."

Gruhlkey, on the other hand, enjoys firing his guns.

"I'm just amazed they still work as old as some of them are," he says, appreciatively.

Both men enjoy studying the history of their guns and reading about their use in various historical and fiction books.

Gruhlkey has a Sharp's .52-caliber percussion rifle owned by Buffalo Bill Cody of Wild West Show fame and a .50 caliber Remington Rolling Block owned by Two Dogs, an Indian scout for Gen. George Custer.

A residual benefit of Guffee's job as a part-time archaeologist was finding an 1858 Remington .44 used by the Army, a Civil War Starr Carbine and an 1841 Mississippi Rifle while doing excavations.

"I guess you have two different groups — those who collect modern automatics and semiautomatics for potential defense purposes and those who collect for the interest and beauty of guns," says Guffee.

"But," he adds, "I don't think you can really characterize gun collectors. There are too many different personalities."

Both men lament the high cost of insurance, if you can get it, for gun collections because they are a frequent target of burglars.

"Guns are very valuable right now. They're one of the best investments you can make if you sell them at the right price," says Guffee.

Jack Adkins, a spokesman for the Atlanta-based American Shooting Sports Council, a trade organization representing major gun and ammunition manufacturers and distributors, estimates there are about 3 million gun collectors in America.

"I would estimate the number of gun collectors is up in the past few years because the social, political and cultural situation in this country has made guns more politically incorrect, creating an atmosphere that spurs people to buy guns in a collecting vein because they believe that, down the road, those guns may no longer be available."

Why own a handgun?

Most handgun owners said they owned a handgun for self-defense.

Reasons to own a handgun

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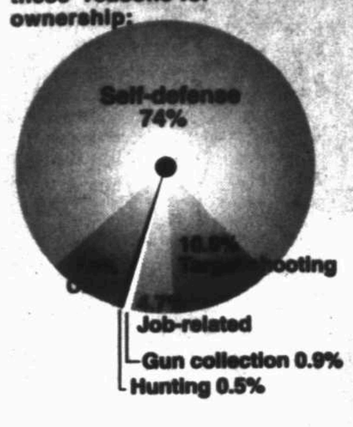
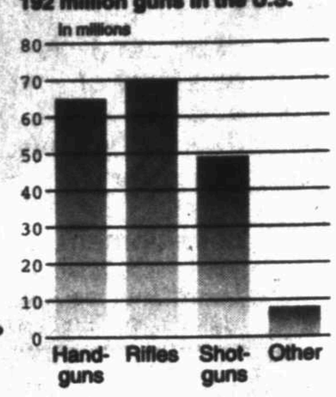


How many guns?

In 1994 there were an estimated 192 million guns in the U.S.



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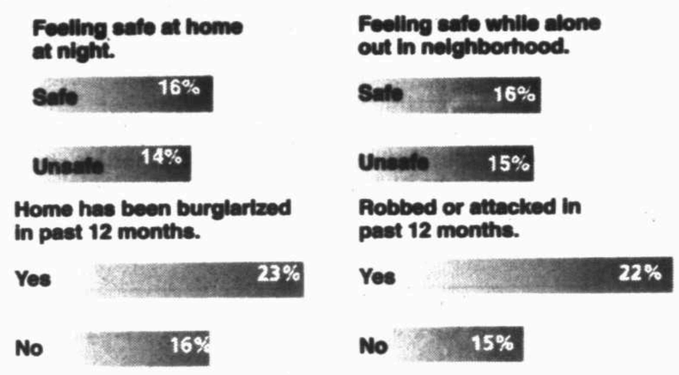

Reasons not to own a gun

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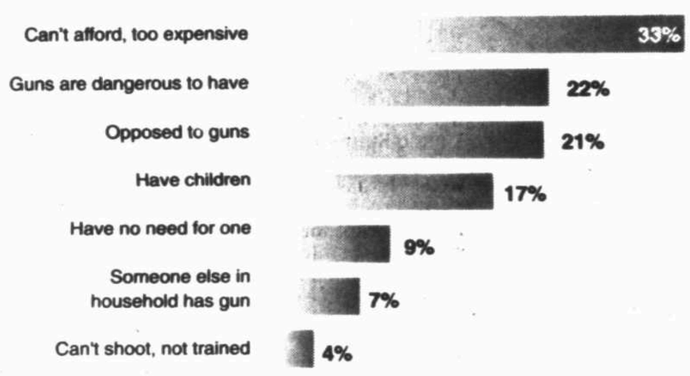

* Some respondents gave more than one answer
Source: 1997 report, conducted for the Department of Justice's National Institute of Justice, is based on 1994 interviews with 2,568 adults.

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Advice to gun owner: Learn how to use it, pray you don't have to

'Few people understand guns, and are quick to assume that you're an extremist, cracker or red neck, militant, or a fanatic. That is not true.'

—Stephanie Smith, concealed handgun carrier

By Eddie Zavala
Hearst News Service

LAREDO — There is something Stephanie Smith wishes to tell those interested in carrying a concealed handgun — learn to use it and pray you won't have to.

While she would regret having to use the weapon against humans, she would do so to protect herself and her loved ones, says Smith, 40, an assistant professor of finance at Texas A&M International University in Laredo.

"I feel strongly that if you haven't made yourself comfortable with those thoughts, then you're not ready to carry a gun," she says.

Now, she is proficient in handling the weapon, and so far has only had to use it for protection against wild hogs.

"I had to use it to kill two javalinas (wild hogs) that attacked my husband and four of our dogs in our backyard," she says. "My husband, a retired army officer, was proud because I shot the javalinas the way I was taught to shoot people: twice in the center of the body. I was shaken for a little while after the incident."

Never, she says, has the gun caused her trouble or harm. Even before permits for carrying a concealed handgun were available in Texas, Smith often carried one when traveling.

Smith, who is now licensed, admits that the decision to carry a weapon illegally was not easy because of the fear of getting caught by police.

She recalls an incident when she was stopped by police before having a permit.

"When I got stopped for speeding in the rain, I got nervous. The officer didn't confiscate the gun, and if he wanted to get nasty with me, I was carrying a concealed weapon, and he could have confiscated it," she says.

Smith says her parents encouraged her to carry a handgun during her college years because of her frequent traveling from Virginia and Louisiana to visit them in Houston.

"Sometimes, I traveled through some deserted places where I could have been hurt," she says.

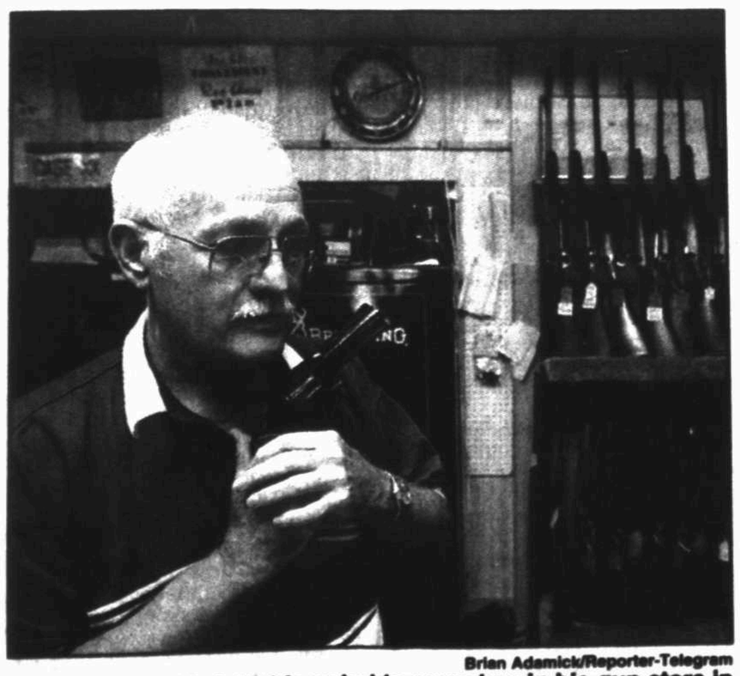
A strong opponent of gun control, Smith says she does not believe in restricting safe and competent people from carrying handguns. Instead, she said, people who commit illegal acts with a gun should be punished "completely and very severely."

A member of the National Rifle Association, Smith says she supports the association's views.

"I definitely agree with the NRA that a human has the right to bear arms, and that they should not seek a permit from the government to carry such weapons," she says. Smith admits, however, that gun owners have a bad reputation.

"Few people understand guns, and are quick to assume that you're an extremist, cracker or red neck, militant, or a fanatic. That is not true," she says.

Smith and her husband participated in the first concealed handgun class in Laredo in November 1995. The couple has never purchased a gun in Laredo "because they are overpriced." Instead they travel to Houston, where firearms are "much cheaper," says Smith.



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Tommy "Hoss Fly" Atchison holds a revolver in his gun store in Midland. Atchison says that guns are to be respected and not feared. He sells firearms ranging from antique buffalo guns to civilian versions of the latest Austrian assault rifles.

Dealer: Ownership requires knowledge, experience, discipline

By Gary Shanks
Staff writer

MIDLAND — Gun store owner Tommy "Hoss Fly" Atchison is aware of the negative image of gun owners that prevails in some areas of the nation.

If people would go out to the practice range and see for themselves, they would find few shooting enthusiasts who resemble the stereotypes that have been foisted upon them, he says.

Gun-control advocates attack gun owners, but they should join them to direct their efforts at the mutual goal of stopping gun violence, he says.

At his Midland gun store, shoppers can find a wide range of firearms for shooting sports, hunting, home protection and collecting.

To Atchison, firearms are objects of beauty and history — and they're symbols of American independence. He sells about 500 firearms in an average year, out of a stock ranging between 300 and 500 guns, with a value of up to $100,000. The number of guns sold can jump to 700 or more in years when restrictive legislation is enacted, he says.

"Whenever you try to take something away from people, people seem to go after it a little harder," he says.

He has been trading weapons for decades, but has only been operating his shop for about nine years. Atchison's new weapons are purchased from the manufacturer or from wholesale distributors. His second-hand guns are bought at estate sales or from customers buying new guns.

Across the nation, there are 110,272 federally licensed gun dealers. This number dropped from 280,000 in 1994 after new regulations required all licensed dealers to have a place of business, according to data from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Having grown up around firearms, Atchison received a BB-gun when still a young boy. For his 14th Christmas, he got a .22-caliber rifle. His father began training him in firearm safety at a very young age, Atchison remembers, although he is now a proponent of keeping weapons locked away from children.

After a long career as "Hoss Fly" the rodeo clown, Atchison began selling and trading firearms, both from his store and by traveling to gun and knife shows across the country.

Atchison is the first to say that firearms are not for everyone. Gun ownership demands knowledge, experience and discipline, he says. He has counseled some would-be gun owners against purchases.

Ignorance is the No. 1 cause of accidents, he says.

Atchison has never been forced to use a firearm in self-defense. Even during his two years as a police officer, he never drew his sidearm in the line of duty.

While he is not a member of the National Rifle Association, Atchison thinks the organization does much to protect the rights of gun owners, even though recent gun control legislation is whittling away at the Bill of Rights, he says.

The Second Amendment, in Atchison's opinion, was put in place as a final insurance that the population of this nation could never be wholly dominated by government, as the populations of Europe had been in the 18th century.

Four to 6 million firearms are sold in the U.S. each year, most from retail chains and single-owner stores, according to Richard Feldman, a spokesman for the Atlanta-based American Shooting Sports Council.

Feldman estimates that between 30 and 40 percent are traded or sold by individuals, except in a few states where laws bar such transfers.

American Jews lobby against religious bill

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — A contingent of Reform and Conservative Jews, mostly from the United States, lobbied the Knesset on Monday against legislation that would deny them legal recognition in Israel. A top government official accused them of trying to bring down the government.

With support from Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Israel's legislature is preparing to pass a bill that will give Orthodox Jews a monopoly on religious matters in Israel.

The issue is political dynamite in Israel and has put Netanyahu's government on a collision course with American Jewry, which is dominated by Reform and Conservative movements. American Jews are among the most generous donors to Israel and provide crucial political backing in Washington.

Even though the law itself will do very little to change things, the fact is that it is perceived as Israelis not accepting diaspora Jews at a level of equality. Psychologically, it is a very painful development.'
— Abe Foxman, director of the Anti-defamation League

"I'm a second-class Jew in the Jewish state," Rabbi Gerald Weider of New York City said as he and some 20 other Reform leaders wandered the Knesset halls, lobbying against a plan that effectively denies the non-Orthodox a place on councils that oversee religious services.

The legislation is to be presented Tuesday by religious parties in Netanyahu's coalition government. Another bill opposed by Reform Jews, making non-Orthodox conversions illegitimate, is pending.

Orthodox religious parties control a third of Netanyahu's coalition and have vowed to topple the government unless the prime minister follows through on a promise to pass the legislation.

It is the climax of a longstanding dispute between the Orthodox stream of Judaism, which adheres to a rigid interpretation of Jewish law, and the more liberal Conservative and Reform movements, which want to adjust Judaism to modernity — allowing women rabbis, for example.

These movements have been waging a court battle to force the state to grant them greater recognition.

Several cases on conversion are scheduled to come before the Supreme Court, which is liberal and widely expected to rule in their favor. To head this off, the Orthodox have demanded immediate passage of the conversion bill, which passed the first of two required readings in June.

American Jewish leaders — and many Israelis — are warning that passage of the bill would bring about a historic split between Israel and the Jewish diaspora.

Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch, head of the Reform Zionist Association in New York, warned of "a catastrophic rift in the Jewish people" and said Netanyahu must choose between the "unity of his coalition and the unity of Judaism."

Netanyahu — who lived much of his life in the United States and has close ties to the U.S. Jewish community — appears sensitive to the dangers. In July, he set up a committee headed by Finance Minister Yaacov Neeman bringing leaders from all the streams together in search of a compromise.

After arriving in Israel on Sunday, the American contingent met with Netanyahu, who asked them to allow time for Neeman's committee to reach a compromise. Neeman reportedly is proposing the establishment of a "conversion institute," where all the movements would work together but the Orthodox would have effective veto power.

On Monday, however, the leaders of the Reform movement announced they were rejecting the compromise and would forge ahead with the court cases.

Netanyahu adviser David Bar-Illan said the decision was aimed at toppling the Netanyahu government. "There is no doubt that they are doing it — since they are affiliated with the opposition — to bring down the government," he told the Associated Press.

Rabbi Ehud Bandel, a leader of the Conservative movement in Israel, called the accusations "paranoid and untrue."

The dispute between Orthodox and the more liberal movements centers on the interpretation of Jewish law. The Orthodox argue that only a rigid set of laws has enabled the Jewish people to survive.

AP Photo

Israeli Finance Minister Yaakov Neeman, left, gestures as he speaks to Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch, right, who heads the American Reform Zionist Association in New York, during a meeting with a delegation of Reform and Conservative Jewish leaders in Jerusalem Monday. Closing the doors to compromise, the leaders said Monday they would press ahead with legal action seeking recognition of their movements in Israel.

"Judaism was handed down to Moses and it was followed by our fathers for 2,000 years. Now they come along wanting to change everything," Aryeh Deri, a leading Orthodox lawmaker, said Monday.

In Israel, the state has ceded certain powers — primarily marriage and divorce — to an Orthodox rabbinate. Even though a majority of Israelis are secular, most are nonetheless married by Orthodox rabbis, and even if they attend services rarely, it is usually in an Orthodox synagogue.

The Reform and Conservative movements are allowed to practice in Israel, but marriages or conversions to Judaism carried out by their rabbis are not recognized by the state.

Abe Foxman, director of the Anti-Defamation League, called on Netanyahu to allow members of his Likud Party to vote of conscience on the conversion bill.

"Even though the law itself will do very little to change things, the fact is that it is perceived as Israelis not accepting diaspora Jews at a level of equality," said Foxman, of New York City. "Psychologically, it is a very painful development."

Commonwealth seeks diverse economic role

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — Seeking a new role for the club with an imperial past, Commonwealth leaders pledged Monday to battle global warming and to promote free trade, despite the cost to some developing countries in the group.

Critics, however, accused the Commonwealth of failing to follow through on a 1995 threat to expel Nigeria, whose military government has refused to hold elections that would restore democracy.

With its strong focus on economic issues, the 54-nation association of Britain and its former colonies appeared to be expanding its traditional role, which dealt primarily with such political concerns as apartheid in South Africa.

On global warming, the Commonwealth leaders set no targets on cutting emissions of so-called greenhouse gases, but promised to push for a decisive outcome at an international climate conference in Kyoto, Japan, in December.

"We have sent a very strong message to the Kyoto conference," said British Prime Minister Tony Blair, the summit host.

The Commonwealth also adopted its first economic declaration, making a formal commitment encouraging free trade. It requires developing nations in the association to accept trade liberalization and ease high tariffs and other barriers. Those requirements could be painful for smaller members, such as banana-producing Caribbean countries.

The association also said that Nigeria, headed by Gen. Sani Abacha, faces expulsion and an embargo on oil, its chief export, if the military is still in power in October 1998. "If there isn't proper progress, there is no doubt that Nigeria's position will be in great jeopardy in the Commonwealth," said Blair.

But the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, a lobby group, said it was "severely disappointed" at the lack of new sanctions against Nigeria, whose membership in the group was suspended at the last Commonwealth summit two years ago.

The lobby group said the Commonwealth should have demanded U.N. human rights officials be permitted to visit political prisoners, including Moshood Abiola, the perceived victor of Nigeria's 1993 elections.

The Commonwealth did give an eight-nation monitoring committee the power to apply at any time a range of less powerful sanctions, including an arms embargo, against Nigeria.

In another development, Britain came under increasing pressure to have two Libyans suspected of bombing a Pan Am jet over Scotland in 1988 tried at a neutral country. London and Washington have insisted they be tried in Scotland or in the United States.

South African President Nelson Mandela, whose country will host the next Commonwealth summit in November 1999, indicated he had agreed with Libya that the suspects would not get a fair trial in Scotland.

Chinese government angry over film portrayals, interferes in film trade show

■ Angry over depictions of harsh rule in recent films, the Chinese government has ordered studio officials to limit their public activities.

Associated Press

SHANGHAI, China — For Hollywood studios keen on cracking the China market, the Shanghai film festival offered a good opportunity for deal-making. That is, until the Chinese government got involved.

Executives from Disney and Sony Pictures kept to the sidelines as China's largest film trade fair opened Monday. MGM sent no representatives. The reticence, at least on the part of some studios, is said to have been motivated by Chinese government anger.

China's Ministry of Radio, Film and Television has ordered the studios to limit their public activities in a fit of pique over three movies depicting Beijing's harsh rule in Tibet and its arbitrary legal system, sources in the state-run film industry said on condition of anonymity.

The images of Communist Party oppression in Sony's "Seven Years in Tibet," MGM's "Red Corner" and the yet-to-be released "Kundun" from Disney are the type of negative publicity Chinese President Jiang Zemin hopes to dispel on his current eight-day tour of the United States.

But the predicament the Hollywood studios are in illustrates the pitfalls of doing business in China. Free market forces have not fully supplanted state controls, and the government has shown a willingness to sacrifice economic gain for political goals.

The Chinese government has signaled to the studios, especially Disney, that the movies might harm their business interests in China.

A year ago, Chinese officials were said to have privately expressed their displeasure with Disney's plans to release "Kundun" — a film directed by Martin Scorsese that deals with the Dalai Lama, the exiled spiritual leader of Tibet. Concern arose in Hollywood that Beijing would use Disney's expansion dreams to force the company to distance itself from the project.

Beijing's view is that the Dalai Lama wants to split Tibet from China, which annexed the Himalayan region in 1951. China's Foreign Ministry has said that any praise for the Dalai Lama "is counter to the facts."

"Seven Years in Tibet," starring Brad Pitt, tells the story of an Austrian explorer's friendship with the young Dalai Lama. "Red Corner," about an American lawyer accused of murder in China, stars Richard Gere, an open supporter of Tibetan autonomy.

Beijing limits imports of foreign films to about one a month, and censors have not approved any by Disney or Sony for release this year. By contrast, 20th Century Fox has received approval for two releases.

The Chinese film industry sources said the government's order, conveyed to studio representatives two weeks ago, demanded the companies withdraw from public activities for a period of time. It did not order that any offices in China be closed or deals canceled, and it was unclear whether it specifically mentioned the Shanghai International Film Festival and its concurrent three-day film market.

A spokesman for the ministry, who identified himself only as Mr. Cao, refused to answer questions about the order.

The tiff between Beijing and Hollywood made the festival's official organizers uncomfortable. Chen Xiaomeng, director of the festival office, said the studios stayed away on their own accord.

"They decided not to come because they have made or are making some movies that have aroused different reactions in our country," Chen said.

Sony and Disney executives, however, did show up, although they maintained a furtive presence. Mishka Chen, Sony Pictures' Beijing-based China representative, kept mainly to the Holiday Inn next door to the trade fair at the Shanghai Film Art Center.

"We're keeping a low profile," said Mishka Chen. "We're trying to get through a difficult period."

Yan Chiu-fan of Disney distributor Buena Vista International's Hong Kong office said he was there to talk to other film executives, not reporters. He referred all questions to headquarters, and said talk of any restrictions was "all rumors."

Tom Deegan, a Disney spokesman in Los Angeles, said he too knew nothing about an order, but acknowledged "it's a sensitive time, and we don't want to make anyone in China not like us."

MGM said it had never sent representatives to the Shanghai film festival and had no particular reason for not doing so this week.

One Chinese source singled out MGM for provoking the ministry order. The studio moved up the release of "Red Corner" to coincide with Jiang's visit: It premiered in Washington last week and opens in theaters on Friday.

Britain delays joining single European currency

Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's treasury chief ruled out converting to a single European currency in 1999, but offered reassurances Monday that the government recognized "it is right in principle" to adopt the euro if the economic benefits of doing so are proven.

"To share a common monetary policy with other states does represent a major pooling of economic sovereignty," Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown told Parliament. "The determining factor ... is the national economic interest and whether the economic case for doing so is clear and unambiguous."

He said evaluating those elements would take "a period of years," too late to join the first wave of conversions on Jan. 1, 1999.

"Barring some fundamental and unforeseen circumstances, making a decision during this Parliament to join is not realistic," Brown said. The move would then be put off until at least 2002.

Brown also reiterated that Britain would not adopt the euro — created to form an integrated economic bloc competitive with the United States and Japan — unless it was approved by voters in a referendum.

"The government, Parliament and the people must all agree," he said.

The European Union Commission, the EU's executive agency, responded by saying "the sooner Britain joins, the better."

In a joint statement, EU Commission President Jacques Santer and Economics Commissioner Yves-Thibault de Silguy said the Commission "welcomes the overall positive British attitude towards the euro, and its determination to prepare intensively for the introduction of the single currency."

Nations that want to adopt the euro have until the end of the year to meet targets of low inflation, narrow budget deficits and falling public debt.

Santer and de Silguy also praised the British government's willingness to do "everything possible" during the British EU presidency in the first half of next year to ensure a successful launch of the euro.

On Sunday, Prime Minister Tony Blair had promised a statement outlining his Labor government's stance on the euro to clear up weeks of confusion, which had sent tremors through the financial markets.

Under a deal negotiated by the previous Conservative government, Britain has until Jan. 1, 1998, to decide whether to participate from the outset.

The Italians have been the most enthusiastic about joining a single currency, followed by the French. German Chancellor Helmut Kohl has been a key supporter, but the German public is less enthusiastic.

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JAIPUR, India — Nestled in the arid, northwestern corner of India is Rajasthan, "Land of the Kings," a belt of desert and mountains dotted with extravagantly mirrored palaces, impenetrable medieval forts and descendants of fierce warrior nobles whose bright turbans and long curled mustaches remain true to the fashions of their ancestors.

Coiffures are not the only things that have changed little over the centuries here. It has been 50 years since some 600 princely states united to join modern India, and more than 25 years since the world's largest democracy abolished royalty. Yet many descendants of the legendary Rajput warriors still cling tenaciously to their traditions.

Like many things about this ancient civilization, Rajput practices are changing with the new generation. But as the residents of Jaipur's City Palace recently discovered, shedding hidebound customs can be painful.

Two months ago, the princess of Jaipur, lone heiress to a 900-year-old dynasty and a fortune estimated at $286 million, announced her engagement to a former palace cashier. Instead of pairing off with a blueblood vetted by her parents, the well-educated, self-possessed 25-year-old defied tradition by choosing her own husband. Worse still, her choice was a member of her own "gotra," or clan, rendering them brother and sister her brother by Rajput custom. Hinduism requires marrying within the same caste, or social class, but outside the clan.

It was a head-butting between late 20th-century India, a society that officially espouses egalitarianism, and ancient India held back by medieval ways of thinking. Princess Diya Kumari's parents objected to the marriage, but their future son-in-law, a law student, pointed out the Hindu Marriage Act of 1955 legalized intra-clan marriages. Then their daughter informed them she had secretly married her love in 1994. The maharaja and maharani relented and gave their blessing to a formal ceremony.

Rajput leaders were furious. The council of elders president demanded the wedding be called off. He fumed at the maharani that she should "become Muslim if she wanted to conduct this marriage." She retorted that he shouldn't meddle in "a personal affair."

Outraged elders demonstrated outside the palace and stripped Maharaja Sawai Bhawani Singh of his titles and community posts and excommunicated the royal family. The maharaja's response: The chief elder "should pay attention to Rajput poverty, lack of education, instead of railing like an obscurantist if he's a community leader."

Indeed, Rajasthan is one of the most socially and economically backward of India's states. Literacy is below 40 percent and medieval practices such as "sati," the self-immolation of a widow on her husband's funeral pyre, still occasionally occur in villages.

Yet Rajasthan is also India at its most exotic and romantic, a land that evokes the spirits of noble kings, lovelorn princesses, and metal-clanging battles for honor. The Rajput's kings, who trace their roots to the 3d to 7th centuries BC, defended Hinduism against invaders. When defeat was inevitable, women and children burned themselves alive while men rode off to martyrdom.

So it is perhaps not surprising that traditionalists are so outraged. Still, Princess Diya's marriage is not the first unorthodox Rajput wedding; her 16th-century ancestor Bharmal of Amber was the first Rajput king to solder an alliance with the militarily superior Muslim invaders by marrying his daughter to a Mogul emperor, Akbar.

Not everyone here is outraged by the princess's choice. "We are a democracy now, so we shouldn't care about such things," said Vivendra Singh, 32, a salesman. "There is a generation gap. My parents care, but I don't."

"We're famous for fighting wars and being brave, but we're also infamous for inbreeding, so it's hypocritical," agreed Sanjiv Singh, 33, a marketing executive and no relation to Vivendra. "In a democracy, a free country, why should people care? One has to change with the times and move ahead."

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Victor to keep heat on Argentina's Peronists

Associated Press

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — She took on the ruling Peronists on their turf and routed them in unprecedented style. Now Graciela Fernandez Meijide says it's time to turn the heat on their "frivolity, complicity and corruption."

That straight-talking style led Mrs. Fernandez Meijide's center-left coalition to victory over President Carlos Menem's Peronist Party in congressional elections Sunday — the Peronists' first nationwide defeat as the governing party in their 51-year history.

Mrs. Fernandez Meijide, 66, is a former French teacher who was driven into politics by the disappearance of her 17-year-old son during Argentina's "dirty war." She now is being tipped as a candidate for the presidency in 1999.

The two parties that make up her Alliance coalition — the Civic Radical Union and the left-leaning Frepaso — beat the Peronists nationwide 46 percent to 36 percent Sunday.

In Buenos Aires province, a longtime Peronist stronghold that is home to 40 percent of the electorate, Mrs. Fernandez Meijide beat the ruling party by 7 percentage points. In the capital itself, The Alliance crushed the Peronists by almost 40 percentage points.

Mrs. Fernandez Meijide said the Alliance's victory was "a warning to the government, the start of a new system of checks and balances and the building of a new alternative" to old-style politics.

Under Menem's leadership since 1989, the Peronists have transformed Argentina's economy but they also have been dogged by sleaze. Former Economy Minister Domingo Cavallo, architect of many of Argentina's free market reforms, has accused the government of graft and manipulating judges to protect organized crime.

Lucrative business opportunities in Argentina's new, dynamic economy also have been clouded by scandals.

Computer giant IBM was accused of paying bribes to win a $249 million contract with state-owned Banco Nacion. A former presidential aide is one of 10 people indicted in the case.

Earlier this year, the Peronist head of Buenos Aires' city council, Juan Manuel Pico, fled the country after being accused of receiving kickbacks from construction companies. Argentine agents found him in Brazil.

Argentines also have grown tired of a climate of impunity.

A symbol of one case hung from the microphone Mrs. Fernandez Meijide used to deliver her victory speech: a photo of Jose Luis Cabezas, a photojournalist killed in January while investigating police corruption.

Insubordinate island decides on secession

PARIS (AP) — A breakaway island in the Comoros has held a referendum overwhelmingly approving secession, but the government of the Indian Ocean nation refused to recognize those results Monday.

Last week's referendum on Anjouan island came one month after Comorian troops were unable to quash a rebellion there. The rebels want to reunite with France, their former colonial ruler.

Anjouan is one of four islands that compose the Comoros chain, which lies off the east coast of Africa between Mozambique and Madagascar. The island declared its independence from the Comoros government in July. Comorian President Mohamed Taki assumed emergency powers after last month's rebellion and dismissed the government of Prime Minister Ahmed Abdou.

An official at the Comoros Embassy in Paris said Monday the government refused to recognize last week's secession vote on Anjouan.

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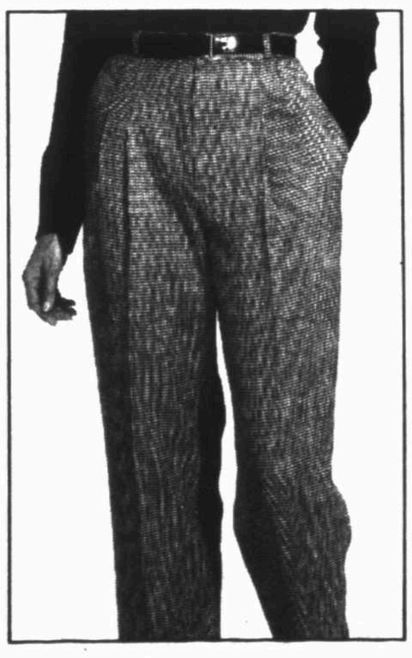

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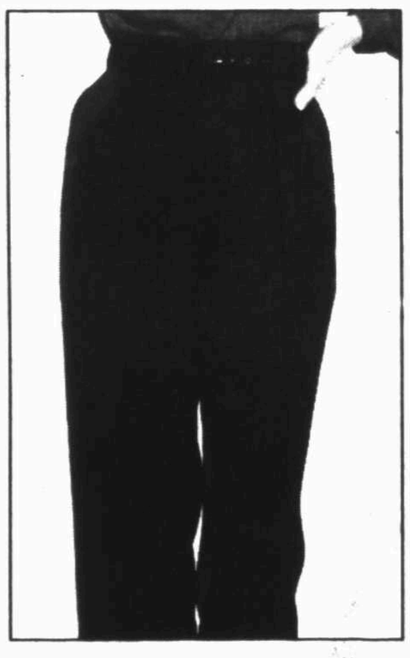

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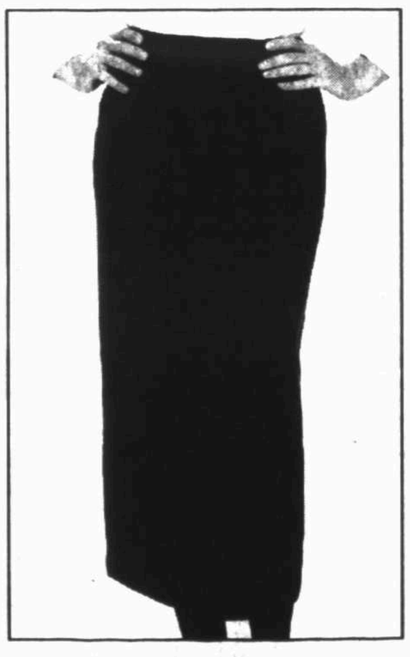

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Testimony begins in McLaren trial

By Alice Ashmore
Staff Writer

ALPINE — Self-styled Republic of Texas Ambassador Richard McLaren had his first day in court — sort of.

McLaren and co-defendant Robert "White Eagle" Otto were ejected from the courtroom nine times and spent most of the first day of their trial listening to court proceedings via a speaker in a separate room.

"This is what I expected would happen," prosecutor Albert Valadez said. "I expected (McLaren) to be disruptive."

An angry McLaren, when asked if he were ready for trial, told 394th District Judge Kenneth DeHart, "We are walking on so many mistrials and defaults that it is beyond my capability to believe this is even transpiring."

"I refuse to proceed wholly," McLaren said.

Both McLaren and Otto are acting as their own counsel, but have court-appointed attorneys standing by.

"You can stick your two monkeys in my place — I am not participating," McLaren said. He added that he planned to object every five seconds if necessary.

DeHart was patient during the first day of proceedings and gave both men a chance to participate in their own defense, but when the going got contentious, he did not hesitiate to have the men removed. At times, their stay in the court room lasted no longer than two or three minutes.

"There are over 30 violations of my rights from this court as it is," Otto said during one of those removals from the courtroom. "Thank you for adding another."

A seven-man, five-woman jury will be weighing the first-degree felony charges against McLaren and Otto. Both are charged, along with three other ROT members, with engaging in organized criminal activity to commit aggravated kidnapping.

In his opening arguments Valadez told jurors, "I expect you are all going to find that Richard McLaren and Robert Otto were in charge of directing the kidnapping of Joe and M.A. Rowe."

The charges stem from the week-long April 1997 standoff between Republic of Texas separatists and about 300 law enforcement officials 17 miles south of Ft. Davis.

The standoff was sparked when ROT members Gregg and Karen

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Evelyn McLaren, wife of separatist Richard McLaren talks to the media outside the Brewster County Courthouse in Alpine Monday.

AP Photo

BASIN BRIEFING

Odessa Hamfest

ODESSA — The West Texas Amateur Radio Club will hold its 14th annual Odessa Hamfest this Saturday and Sunday. It will be held at the Ector County Coliseum, Exhibit Building C, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. Amateur radio operators from across the Permian Basin will gather at the coliseum looking for bargains and selling new and used electronic equipment, computers, software and parts of all sorts.

MHS Band

The Midland High School Marching Band competed in the Lubbock Marching Festival recently. The band is under the direction of Clyde Wilson, Greg Montgomery, and Stephanie Markgraf. Music for the competition was: Patriotic Themes, Tribute to the Armed Forces, and World War II Remembered. The event was conducted by Drum Majors Becca Hoke and Cindy Luna, both seniors at MHS. The band won "Outstanding in Class 5A" as well as "Overall Outstanding Band" trophies.

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.

welfare meeting, 4th tues. only

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.

Dust Devil Divers Scuba Club, 7 p.m., COM swim complex, 570-8761.

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A Day in the Life of George Loera

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

George Loera is a funeral director's apprentice for Ellis Funeral Home in Midland. The most difficult challenge, Loera said, is working with families at their toughest moment.

Apprentice thought being funeral director would be cool

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

There's no telling what kind of day awaits George Loera, a funeral director's apprentice for Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

Loera, 23, does everything from consoling mourners, planning funerals, embalming and casket sales.

The soft-spoken Lee high school graduate remembers his dreams of becoming a funeral director. Loera said it was not a popular ambition among people his age, but a job he always admired.

"I got my ideas about being a funeral director when I was young and my uncle passed away. I was at a funeral and saw the guys in suits and thought it was a cool thing," he said. "I told my friends, and they told me I was crazy. They said, 'You're not all there.' I had that in my mind."

With time, the job seemed more and more interesting, and eventually, Loera got his first job with Ellis performing general tasks. People who he shared his dream with warned him to become acquainted with the environment before making a career choice.

"I never thought about embalming," he said. "Some people are discouraged by it. It takes some getting used to. The first couple of car wrecks I picked up, I said 'I can't handle that.' But in about three months, I learned to deal with it."

On a scholarship from the funeral home, Loera attended the Commonwealth Institute for Funeral Service in Houston. Last year, he obtained licensure. School trained him for all aspects of work with funeral homes, such as grief counseling, psychology, merchandising, anatomy and chemistry.

"If you don't use them all in one day, you'll use them the next," Loera said. "We have six funeral directors and operate 365 days a year. This funeral home had 700 funerals last year."

The most difficult challenge, Loera said, is working with families at their toughest moment.

"It's hard to help people in tears. Their family member just passed away and they are in shock," Loera said. "People come in and don't realize death

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Prop. 1 item may not be easy to find

■ Mayor Bobby Burns stressed importance of election, and noted that voters may have a difficult time locating the amendment on the ballot.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

With 14 different state amendments on the Nov. 4 ballot, the group — Midlanders for City Prop. 1 — is urging voters to be careful and not overlook the city amendment.

On Monday afternoon, Midland Mayor Bobby Burns stressed the importance of the election, prior to casting his own vote at the Midland Elections Administration Building at 709 W. Washington.

It was the heaviest day so far for early voting, with elections officials reporting 426 people had voted on Monday, bringing the early-voting total to 2,565.

Burns and other Proposition 1 supporters noted that voters will need to look closely to find the local amendment, as it can be obscured by the 14 other amendments on the ballot.

"It's very difficult to find this item on the ballot. It's the last item on the back of the ballot," Burns said.

"It's the only local initiative on the ballot — the rest are state initiatives," he said.

"Proposition 1, if passed, would increase sales taxes by 1/2 cent.

That would provide an estimated revenue of more than $6 million with half of it to be used to roll back property taxes within the city, and to create an economic development corporation with the remaining 1/4 cent of property tax.

The estimated $3 million from 1/4 cent of sales tax would fund a 15-percent decrease in property taxes currently collected by the city.

The remaining $3 million will be utilized by an economic development corporation dedicated by law to encouraging growth in the numbers of quality jobs available for Midlanders.

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Computerization grants prepare library for future

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Midland County Public Library and county government will get more and more steeped into the world-wide Internet and Web sites next year if the library receives a $60,000 grant from the Telecommunication Infrastructure Fund (TIF) agency that is offering $7.7 million in computerizations grants to Texas public libraries.

"We're getting ourselves ready for the future," Midland County Public Library Librarian Sandra Wegner said Monday after the Commissioners' Court approved her applying for the grant. "In some cases, it is already here."

And she alerted the county judge and the commissioners

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Matthew DeGriselles "surfs the web" on a computer at the county library.

MISD is experiencing modest growth trend

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District is continuing its trend of modest enrollment growth during the 1997-98 school year, according to officials.

The steady growth makes it easier for officials to plan facilities and staff.

Larry Lusby, executive director of pupil services, estimates that 1997 enrollment peaked at 22,670 students, grades prekindergarten through 12, on Sept. 26.

By the second week of this month, total enrollment had leveled off at 22,365. Figures have matched MISD projections closely, with MISD having about 6 more

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GARY OTT

Is Julia Roberts' mouth sexy or just odd looking?

More rambling thoughts ... — It has been awhile since Hong Kong has found itself on the front page of so many American newspapers.

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— All things considered, I would like to see it OFF those front pages.

— My, how time flies: It was one year ago today that Richard Jewell, after being cleared of the Olympic Park bombing in Atlanta, held that famous news conference and lashed out at investigators and reporters who had depicted him as the bomber.

— He had every right to.

— This just in: The Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame has announced its inductees for 1998 ... the Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, the Mamas and Papas, and Santana.

— Just writing down those names makes me feel 18 years old again, which isn't all bad.

— Speaking of such, Julia Roberts turns 30 today and I still can't decide whether her rather, shall we say, unique mouth is sexy or just odd looking.

— Great pick up line: "If you've got 10 minutes, let's fall in love."

— I'm a little late jumping on the bandwagon, but "Law and Order" is a great TV show.

— According to Winston Churchill, "Men occassionally stumble on the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing had happened."

— Just a guess: Colin Powell will never run for president.

— Bill Bradley will.

— One of the bad things about living, and working, in the computer age is that I miss the sound of an old fashioned typewriter.

— I'm not sure a broken heart ever hurts as much as when you are 16 years old and your girlfriend dumps you for another guy.

— I like ex-smokers who don't look down on people who haven't kicked the habit.

— Overheard: "The only cure for grief is action."

— Has any kid ever decided not to do drugs because of a public service announcement he saw on television?

— It seems to me that we treat the lobster rather poorly.

— How incredibly gullible does a person have to be to believe those sweepstakes letters that begin, "You may have already won"?

— He may not have said it first, but Bill Cosby was right on target when he uttered these words, "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everyone."

— Lousy feeling: Being on an airplane that was delayed by 45 minutes and realizing there is no way you are going to make your connecting flight, meaning, of course, your life is about to become one giant hassle.

— And today's final quote comes from Martin H. Fischer, who once said, "A conclusion is the place where you got tired thinking."

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Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

OBITUARIES

Juanita Rose

DENTON — Jaunita Riney Rose, 87, a lifelong Denton resident, died after a lengthy illness on Monday, October 20, 1997, at Denton Good Samaritan Village.

She was born in Denton on January 16, 1910, to Charles and Violet Roberta Riney. Mrs. Rose grew up in Pilot Point and following her graduation from Pilot Point High School, she began her college career at Texas State College for Women (TWU). She received a bachelor of Arts degree in Latin and English in 1937, from TWU and a Master's in Elementary Education from NTSU (University of North Texas). Mrs. Rose taught elementary school for 27 years in the Texas public school system including schools in Orange Grove, Los Fresnos, Nocona, Graham and Gainesville.

She married Tom Rose in Denton, Texas, on July 31, 1964.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1979. Mr. and Mrs. Rose were among the first residents of Denton Good Samaritan Village moving into the Village in 1976, following its opening.

She was a member of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Denton, active in AARP, NTSU Women's Club, and served on the Directors Board of Good Samaritan Village from 1976 to 1982.

Graveside service was held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, October 22, 1997, in I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Denton with the Rev. John Rasberry officiating. Memorial service was held at 2 p.m. at Denton Good Samaritan Village.

Memorials may be directed to Denton Good Samaritan Village, 2500 Hinkle Dr., Denton, Texas 76201.

Survivors include two nieces, Beverly Lumpkin Conine of Midland and Shirley Lumpkin Dinwiddie of Albuquerque, N.M. and three great-nieces.

Mulkey-Mason/Jack Schmitz and Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Bill Jones

Bill Jones was born Mary 22, 1933, to Roy C. and Ina Jones in Midland, Texas, graduating from Midland High School in 1951. He served in the U.S. Air Force in Japan during the Korean conflict. Later, he was Director of Odessa Commercial College and was also the founder and president of R.P.M. Energy. He was a pilot, an aspiring author, song writer, poet and restauranteur. Mr. Jones was a member of the First Assembly of God Church, the Eagles Lodge and the Constitution Rangers.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roy Culberson Jones, in July, 1996.

He is survived by his son, Justin of Miami, Florida; mother, Ina Jones of Midland; two brothers, Roy L. Jones of Seminole, Texas, and Lonnie Jones of Alexandria, Indiana; and a sister, Nina Jones of Colchester, Connecticut.

Mr. Jones died Sunday afternoon, October 26, at Memorial Hospital in Midland.

Funeral services have been set for Wednesday, October 29, 1997, at 3 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Sammy Hayes, of First Assembly of God Church, officiating. Interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

DEATH NOTICES

Raymond Sneed

BIG SPRING — Raymond Keith "Reverend" Sneed, 53, of Big Spring, father of Midlander Trenae Zuniga, died Sunday, Oct. 26, at his residence.

Services will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, at Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. Robert Lacey officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born on April 1, 1944, in Santa Anna.

He was raised in Big Spring and attended Big Spring schools. He joined the Army in 1961, and served three years in Thailand and Hawaii. He was a self employed contractor.

Other survivors include one son, Thad Keith Sneed of Big Spring; his mother, Mary Sneed of Big Spring; one brother, Leonard Sneed of Big Spring; three sisters, Pat Thomas of Commerce, Cleta Pike of Garden City and Marlene Yoak of Waynesville, Ohio; one grandson, and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Margaret Dimit

Margaret Dimit died Sunday, Oct. 26, at her Midland residence.

Services are to be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Molly Krueger officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Feb. 13, 1933, in Denver, Colo.

She moved to Midland in 1989. She attended Denver University. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Richard O. Dimit of Midland; a son, Robert Leslie Dimit of Midland; a daughter, Rebecca Dimit Martin of Kansas City, Kan.; a brother, Richard G. Perkins of Indian Hills, Co.; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be directed to American Cancer Society, 2304 W. Wadley, Midland 79705.

Florabell Patton

ANDREWS — Florabell "Flo" Patton, 69, mother of Midlander Donna Talent, died Friday, Oct. 24, in a Lubbock hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, at Wesley United Methodist Church in Andrews with the Rev. Cynthia Ballard officiating. Burial was in Andrews North Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

She was born in Dressie on April 15, 1928.

She moved to Andrews in 1961 from Lubbock. She worked as a secretary for Eppler Insurance Co. for 20 years retiring in 1983. She was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church and a lifetime member of the United Methodist Women.

Other survivors include her husband, Milton Patton of Andrews; a son, Johnny Patton of Andrews; and two granddaughters.

Memorials may be directed to Andrews Art Guild.

Hazel Parkerson

Hazel Pearl Parkerson died Monday, Oct. 26, in an Odessa nursing home.

Services are to be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Dec. 29, 1905, in Wynewood, Okla.

She remained in Oklahoma until 1934, when she moved to Farmington, N.M. In 1951, she moved to Odessa.

She is preceded in death by one son, Phillip.

Survivors include her sons, Plez Abney of Odessa and Archie Abney of Midland; and her daughter, Altha Thrasher of Odessa.

Barbara White

Barbara Nell Awalt White died Sunday, Oct. 26, in a local hospital.

Services are to be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Cecil Robinson officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Aug. 17, 1925, in Carlsbad N.M.

She worked for Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, N.M. She and her family owned and operated a paving company in Anchorage, Ala. She moved to Midland in 1978 and was the co-owner of White's Grading and Excavating Company.

She was preceded in death by her husband Elza White III in December, 1988.

Survivors include two sons, Alan White of Valdez, Ala. and Paul R. White of Anchorage, Ala.; two brothers, Arch Awalt of Sacramento, Cliff and Jerry Dan Awalt of Andrews; two sisters, Norma Robinson and Mona Hale, both of Midland; four grandchildren and two great-granchildren; and 12 nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be directed to American Cancer Society, 2304 W. Wadley, Midland 79705.

Garth Boyles

Garth D. Boyles died Monday, Oct. 27, at a local hospital.

Services are to be held at 2 p.m. today, Oct. 28, at the Divide Cemetery in Coke County with Surry Gillum officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 21, 1916, in Brady.

He moved to Midland in 1987. He was a farmer and rancher. He was a member of Golf Course Road Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Tommie Boyles of Midland; a daughter, Joetta Hollis of Loraine; two brothers, Dennis Boyles of Lubbock and R.B. Boyles of Mt. Enterprise; two grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Christopher Hicks

Christopher Alexander Hicks, infant son of Karonne J. Hicks and Cheryl Washington, died Thursday, Oct. 23.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 27, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Robert Lathan officiating. Services were under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Survivors include his parents, and grandparents, Melvin and Betty Jackson of Midland and Walter and Rose Washington of Earth.

Gwindell Donnell

HOUSTON — Gwindell Donnell, 64, brother of a Midland woman, died Saturday, Oct. 25, in a Houston hospital.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Houston National Cemetery Chapel.

Donnell was born Sept. 14, 1933, in Roscoe. He was a decorated Vietnam War veteran, who retired after 23 years of service in the Air Force.

He was preceded in death by his father, Wallace Donnell.

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Donnell of West Texas City; one son, Floyd Wayne Donnell of West Texas City; two daughters, Angela Donnell of Bastrop and Sherry Martinez of La Marque; his mother, Ethel Donnell of Texas City; his sister, Fern Elliss of Midland; and four grandchildren.

Laura Jackson

Laura Jackson, 77, of Midland died Monday in a local hospital following a brief illness.

Services are pending with Thomas Funeral Home.

Dorothy McGruder

Services for Dorothy Phillips McGruder, mother of Joe McGruder of Midland, are set for 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at The Church of The Living God in Lubbock. Burial will follow at the O'Donnell Cemetery in O'Donnell.

The family requests memorials be directed to White's Chapel Church Building Fund, 1106 E. Cherry Lane, Midland, 79701.

Lena Marcom

Lena Marcom, mother of a Midland man, died Saturday, Oct. 25, in a Lubbock hospital.

Services were held Monday in Colorado City. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Mrs. Marcom was born Aug. 20, 1935, in Mitchell County. She married Buddy Marcom on Oct. 15, 1970, in Colorado City. She had been employed as office manager for the Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

She was preceded in death by her father, William A. Lindsey, Jr.; and one sister, Dorothy Lindsey.

Survivors include her mother, Pearl Lindsey of Colorado City; her husband, Buddy Marcom of Colorado City; one son, Alan R. Marcom of Midland; one daughter, Anne Marcom of Lubbock; and three grandchildren.

Concepcion Granado

FORT DAVIS — Concepcion "Chon" Granado, 101, died Friday, Oct. 24, in an Alpine hospital.

Rosary was held Monday. Mass will be at 3 p.m. today at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fort Davis. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Granado was born Oct. 25, 1895, in Presidio County. He farmed for many families in the Fort Davis area, prior to his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Julia Lozano Granado, who died on May 3 of this year.

Survivors include four sons, Francisco Granado, Concepcion Granado, Jr., Richard Granado and Ben Granado, all of Fort Davis; five daughters, Margaret Rodriquez of Fort Davis, Luisa Rodriquez of Elsinore, Calif., Josephine Martinez of Fort Davis, Cindy Urias of Midland and Maria Dutchover of Fort Davis; 42 grandchildren; 102 great-grandchildren and 36 great-great-grandchildren.

T.B. Stewart, Jr.

STANTON — T.B. Stewart, Jr., 89, of Stanton died Sunday, Oct. 26, in Stanton.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, in First Baptist Church with Rev. David Harp officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery with Gilbreath Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Stewart was born Jan. 22, 1908, in Eastland County and had lived in Martin County since 1914. He was married to Bertha Hull on Dec. 22, 1929, in Stanton.

He was a cotton ginner and worked for the Housing Authority for 10 years before his retirement.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Gladys Stewart and Jewel Stewart, and four brothers, Lewis Stewart, Joe Stewart, Ted Stewart and Glen Stewart.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha Stewart of Stanton, and several nieces and nephews.

BALLOT: Overall taxes spent would increase for those not owning property

(From 1B)

That will be accomplished by providing incentive packages to certain employers willing to move here, or for existing businesses who are expanding their local investment in facilities and increasing their employee numbers.

"We think this is very important for the future of Midland. It is very important for the quality of the future of Midland," Burns said.

For those who do not own property in Midland, the measure would increase overall taxes spent throughout the year. But for the home owner, the 1/4 percent increase in the cost of goods and services would be more than offset by the savings in property taxes, Burns explained.

Renters should support the measure as well, he said. Although renters do not pay property taxes directly, it is hoped that with an active economic development corporation, renters can some day be homeowners.

"We want the better jobs for them," Burns said. "They might not own property today, but they want to own property just like we all do," he said.

LIBRARY: Once benefits are set up, Internet connections will double to 20

(From 1B)

to what they already know so well: "Computers are invading all of our lives."

Should the library win the grant, it will be "beneficial to the county as well as the library," Mrs. Wegner noted, since the library and other county-government functions are served by the same mainframe computer in the Midland County Courthouse.

"It happens to be happy coincidence ... just a happy side effect ... that it benefits the county," Mrs. Wegner said of the grant. "Its main objective is to help the library."

Once TIF benefits are set up, the library's Internet connections will at least double to 20 positions, including 10 for public use at the downtown library and the Centennial Branch Library and 10 positions for staff use in such functions as cataloging and book-information ferreting.

The "economical" and almost instantaneous data-gathering system will augment the library's other computerization offerings, including the online "Encyclopaedia Britannica," which the library is getting by way of the Texas State Library "as soon as we get our password set up and everything," Mrs. Wegner said.

"I envision the Internet becoming as important to the (business and public) office as the fax (facsimile) has become," said William P. "Bill" McCullough, who is the county's chief information systems officer. "It's there today. It will be more predominant in the future. The county will establish its Web page."

"By doing this (interfacing with the Internet through TIF aid), we will be part of the Texas Higher Education Agency Network" by way of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, McCullough said.

County Judge Jeff Norwood has used the Internet "this year to check on legislation," Mrs. Wegner said.

Further, the county would have a Web page on the Internet to avail the computer-using citizenry of county data from information on taxes and elections to who's who in county government.

And "guidelines and procedures that all of our users (in county government) must abide by" would be set up to "restrict" the access of certain electronic material, such as pornography, McCullough said.

For research and other purposes, the "public can come into the library and have access to the Internet," McCullough said. "They can E-mail someone. Primarily, it's going to be an educational tool for them to research on, a reference tool."

From her perspective, Mrs. Wegner said that the TIF grant "will not only benefit the library but (will) benefit the county as a whole. We will try to follow the whole county's ... long-range (computer) plan. That will put the library into the long-range plan a little bit earlier. It will also really put us into the Internet world to a bigger degree than we have been thus far."

"We will have faster communications," Mrs. Wegner said. "When you start adding up one telephone line and one subscription cost (under the current ISP system), pretty soon, it gets really big. It won't be very long before this (TIF plan) will be a savings because there will be so many county people (officials and employees) who will want to have Internet connections."

GROWTH: Enrollment followed steady pattern over years

(From 1B)

children than expected this year.

Lusby said administrators haven't been surprised by the enrollment growth. It's followed a steady pattern over the years.

"I would expect us to have a small increase this year," Lusby said. "The birth rate in Midland is continuing to stabilize and there's not expected to be a mass movement of people in or out of Midland in the next couple of months."

Joe Cummins, executive director of administrative services, said the enrollment in recent years has averaged increases of roughly 100 to 120 student per year.

"That's down from several years ago when we were gaining 300 to 400 a year," Cummins said.

MISD has experienced steady — if not spectacular — growth in recent years, even during the oil bust in the mid-1980s.

Some would expect Midland schools' enrollment to have dropped during the period of poor economic performance. But that's not the case, Lusby said.

"People in the Permian Basin need to understand that we have grown every year," Lusby said. "We have not had one year of decline since 1980."

Cummins said it would take several huge corporations leaving Midland in one year to have an impact on that year's enrollment.

That's partly because some of the companies sell their operations to other firms. Then the new owners bring their own employees in.

"You still have to have a group of people to do the job," he said.

Birth rates have remained steady historically too, Cummins added.

Local hospitals in recent years have reported higher birth rates, he said, but more families from out of the MISD area are having their children in Midland hospitals.

Enrollment growth can dictate dramatic changes in facilities and staff, Lusby said. That not only affects classroom space, but also libraries, restrooms and rooms for programs like special education that dictate smaller class sizes.

Districts add portable classrooms as existing facilities become overcrowded. MISD has about 80 portables this year at its 35 campuses.

As a district's enrollment grows, it receives more money from the state. But local districts still pay the majority of their expenses.

"You have to raise more revenue here too," he said. "The majority of the funding still comes from local taxes."

But growth problems are not severe for MISD. The district has averaged a 2 percent annual enrollment growth rate over the last 15 years, Lusby said.

APPRENTICE: Typical day involves tasks to prepare for day's funerals

(From 1B)

until you take them to pick out a casket for their loved one. They break down. It happens most of the time."

On a typical day, Loera opens up the office and changes phone lines, checks the caskets, and makes sure everything is looking fine for visitors.

"After that I get ready for funerals. Sometimes we get calls from people who died during the night. I have to come back and embalm them," Loera said. "The longer it takes for them to become embalmed, the more complications you have."

After helping families plan arrangements, Loera delivers death certificates, notifies the courts of deaths and contacts doctors of the deceased.

"You work with the whole community," he said.

Between all the tasks, he and other employees take turns with the embalming.

The home has so many funeral directors that they rotate their duties, Loera said. Some of the time is spent with the families after he has spent most of the day embalming.

"We put a gown on that can't be penetrated by fluids. You smell funny, but you mask the odor with cologne and comb your hair to look okay."

At a Glance: George Loera

Born: Sept. 7, 1973 in Midland.

Favorite actor: Antonio Banderas. Loera has seen Desperado, Assassins and Evita.

Favorite singer: Tracy Lawrence, though Loera has not seen him in concert yet.

Favorite reading: "Anything I see. Sometimes I even read my sister's Cosmopolitan because it has a lot of girl problems. It's interesting."

Favorite food: Mexican. Especially smothered burritos.

Favorite place to travel: Florida. He recalls falling for the beaches during a childhood trip. "I'd like to go again," he said.

If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be? "I'm satisfied with myself right now. Everything is great the way they are now."

If you won the lottery, what is the first thing you would do? "I'd open my own funeral home. Then I'd invest the rest."

Texas Tech to tinker with lunar legacy

LUBBOCK (AP) — Researchers at Texas Tech and Virginia Tech universities will use technology that helped send man to the moon to get him around town.

The U.S. Department of Energy is granting about 100 fuel cells, similar to those used on the Apollo missions, to the schools for research into super-efficient, hydrogen-powered Earth vehicles.

Chrysler, Ford and General Motors already are investigating the possibilities.

"We're probably not going to beat the Big Three," Texas Tech lecturer Jesse Jones said. "They've got millions of dollars and hundreds of people."

The goal is a low-pollution car that can travel 325 miles without refueling.

Texas Tech will use $384,500 in grant money toward the alternative-fuel program. Scientists expect to receive the first cell by April 1, although the GM-donated Chevrolet Lumina that will be converted to hydrogen power should be here sooner.

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TRIAL: McLaren used forum to issue declaration of war

(From 1B)

Paulson and Richard Keyes took Ft. Davis couple Joe and M.A. Rowe hostage, allegedly in retaliation for the arrest of another ROT member, Robert Scheidt, on weapons charges.

The situation ended peacfully a week later when a "cease-fire" was negotiated by Texas Rangers.

Rowe took the witness stand Monday and had just began to tell of events leading up to the alleged kidnapping when court was adjourned for the day.

He is to resume testimony today, along with a number of law enforcement officials from the standoff situation.

McLaren also used the courtroom Monday to make a declaration of war.

"When the cease fire is over it is back to war," McLaren said. "The people in this country are fed up with this crap. It's lies, lies, lies."

McLaren considers U.S. District Court in Washington, D. C. to be the proper venue to hear his case. "We're going to Washington, boys," he yelled to the media as he was led into the courthouse.

Both McLaren and Otto claim their trial is not being heard by a jury of their peers as there are no Texians — citizens of the Republic of Texas — on the jury. "I expect no justice through this proceeding whatsoever."

He went on to tell the court that "word through the system" was, if convicted, "we probably won't live the first week in the TDC."

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>
> — Richard McLaren, self-styled leader of the Republic of Texas

The defendants also questioned DeHart's ability to hear the case.

DeHart is named along with 41 other respondents in a 60 page lawsuit McLaren filed in the District of Columbia in August of this year. "My feeling is that you have a prejudice in this case that cannot be overlooked," Otto said.

"I consider this nothing but kidnapping, genocide and war crimes," McLaren said. "All the crap you people are covering up ain't going to fly with me."

If convicted of the crimes, both McLaren and Otto face 5 to 99 years or life in prison, as well as a fine of up to $10,000. If they are found guilty, the men will be sentenced by DeHart.

Mauro says he's a few TV ads away from governor's office

Cox News Service

AUSTIN — The polls say Gov. George W. Bush's lead is more of a gulf than a gap, but probable Democratic challenger Garry Mauro is telling supporters he is just a few TV ads away from a "dead heat" with the Republican governor.

In a letter sent to raise the money needed to buy the TV ads, Mauro said "polling, focus groups and mall testing ... have convinced me that I can win the governor's race in 1998."

He offered three positive results in testing done in advance of his expected announcement next month that he will run for governor. The Mauro campaign would not release details about how the tests were conducted.

84 percent of the people questioned at malls found prototype TV ads "believable."

The "mall testing" involved people selected at malls who said they were either swing voters or people predisposed to support Mauro. So, Bush supporters were not included.

Mauro spokesman Joe Cutbirth said the ads used were "very rough cuts of Garry delivering his position on some specific issues."

"My television advertising moved the race between Governor Bush and me to a dead heat among registered voters." (A Texas Poll completed in August gave Bush a 50-point lead).

After viewing the ads, 78 percent of the viewers had "a favorable impression of me."

In his fund-raising letter, Mauro, now the state land commissioner, said, "I realize that mall testing, polling and focus groups mean nothing if I don't have the money to get my message on television. That's why I'm working hard to put more than $1 million in the bank in the next 30 days, which will be a good first step toward raising the $10 million I will need to beat Governor Bush."

Bush has raised more than $10 million for his re-election campaign, and his goal is to have $12 million by the end of the year.

Mauro, in Washington Monday for political events and a meeting of the Western States Land Commissioners, said he has $2.5 million in campaign contribution pledges.

In addition to the money, Mauro said he is trying to make sure he is willing to endure what he believes will be a "very nasty campaign" by Bush.

"The thing I'm most concerned about, and I've got to come to a conclusion on, is obviously the Republican consultants are going to tell him to run against me and not talk about issues," Mauro said. "They are going to want to talk about me and run a very negative campaign. I'm not absolutely certain you can run an issues campaign and win."

Mauro said he believes Bush will attack him on "Bill Clinton, personal bankruptcy, that sort of thing."

Mauro filed for personal bankruptcy in 1992, leaving $3.4 million in debts. He is a longtime friend of the Clintons, and was in Washington last weekend for birthday events for the first lady. The recent testing for the fledgling Mauro campaign was done by Mark Penn, a consultant for President Clinton.

Bush spokeswoman Karen Hughes said the governor "will focus on his agenda for the future of Texas, just as he did in his campaign against Ann Richards" in 1994.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Sunday

Burglary: Jorge Antonio Olvera, 21, at 2 a.m. reported to police the theft of speakers, an amplifier, and compact disks in the burglary of a 1992 Ford pickup truck at 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive.

Assault reported: Michelle McQueary, 23, at 1:20 a.m. reported an assault at Chocolate City, 210 S. Lee St.

Rocker stolen: The theft of a rocker and a dummy from the front porch of 5203 LaVaca Ave. was reported at 12:01 a.m.

Theft: Roxanne Spradlin reported a theft at 1800 W. Cuthbert Ave.

Theft: Larry Miller at 12:05 p.m. reported the theft of a cellular telephone at 3325 W. Wadley Ave.

Criminal mischief: Natalie Subia at 8 a.m. reported passenger-car slashed tires at 2613 N. Midland Drive.

Burglary: The theft of a stereophonic sound system from a 1992 Chevrolet Cavalier was reported at 107 N. G. St. The incident was reported at 1 a.m.

Burglary: The theft of a stereophonic sound system from a 1991 Ford Mustang was reported at 202 S. G. St. The incident was reported at 12:10 p.m.

Chair theft: Adela Newland at 4 p.m. reported the theft of a chair from the front porch at 1603 N. B St.

Monday

Threatened: Mike McCarthy at 4:02 a.m. reported to police that he was threatened with bodily harm in the 900 block of South Big Spring Street.

Cited: A 19-year-old Midlander was ticketed following a traffic stop for not wearing his seat belt in the 800 block of South Pecos Street. The incident was reported at 12:15 a.m.

Jailed on drug-related charges: Jason Kirk Tully, 23, of Midland was jailed on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia, a crack-cocaine pipe, following a traffic stop at Lamesa Road and Indiana Avenue. He was a backseat passenger in a car which police had stopped on a traffic-related cause. Police reported that Tully was leaning against the arm rest on which the pipe was positioned. The incident was reported at 2:19 a.m.

Criminal mischief: A 22-year-old Midland man was arrested for criminal mischief, disorderly conduct by fighting, and public intoxication in the 4500 block of Sinclair Avenue. The incident was reported at 12:02 a.m.

False data: A 32-year-old passenger in a pickup truck at Benton Street and Washington Avenue gave false identification to a police officer. The incident was reported at 1:53 a.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Department
Sunday

Theft: A teenager reportedly stole a pack of Winston cigarettes from the Friend's Convenience Store at 13220 W. U.S. Highway 80. The theft was reported at 10:40 p.m.

Monday

Pecan-eating emus: B. Clack at 7:41 a.m. reported that several emus were eating pecans in her front yard off Farm-to-Market Road 715.

TAAS test retakes to begin today for Midland students

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

Midland public school students who previously had some difficulty with the 10th-grade TAAS standardized test today will get another crack at it.

School officials at Midland and Lee high schools said this year's first wave of TAAS retakes will allow students who did not pass one or more of the 10th grade test's three sections to make a passing grade.

Dennis Stratton, instructional director for MHS, and Fran Sizemore, instructional director at Lee, said students take the writing section today, the math section on Wednesday and the reading section on Thursday.

"These are the kids who have already taken the test at least once," Stratton said. "They're taking one or more portions that they need to complete all three and get a passing grade."

Stratton said 179 MHS students will take the writing portion today, 327 will take math on Wednesday and 179 will finish with reading on Thursday.

MHS is hosting a free breakfast for students taking the math test.

Ms. Sizemore said 118 Lee students will take writing, 266 math and 149 will take reading.

Juniors, seniors and reclassified sophomores will form the group of test-takers.

The retakes will allow the students to satisfy a state requirement for graduation, Ms. Sizemore said. The schools work closely with the students to prepare them for the retakes.

"They can pass all their course work but if they don't pass the TAAS they don't graduate, they don't get their diploma," Ms. Sizemore said.

Each TAAS section has roughly 60 multiple choice questions, with the writing section including a short essay.

The math section includes word problems, prealgebra, algebra and geometry problems. Reading includes vocabulary, context, and content questions.

The writing section includes the essay and grammar questions.

The state sends test forms and questions from a complicated test bank, based on current and past TAAS test information. However, the questions are similar and test on the same skills.

If students do not pass the TAAS on the first try they have at least eight more opportunities to take it up to their senior year, including three times in their senior year.

"If a student stays with us they can get through, but it gets tougher and tougher for the kids because of the pressure," Stratton said. "We've got seniors testing who want to get it over with and not have it hanging over them."

Testing at both schools will begin shortly after the first classes at 8:40 a.m. on each day, as part of statewide testing.

At Lee the scheduling is different on Wednesday for the students not taking the math section. Students not taking the test will report later that day at 10:45 a.m. for their first class. Test takers will report at the usual 8:40 a.m.

The district will receive the TAAS retake results back in December.

New sophomores will take the exit-level test for the first time in March this year.

Four immigrants drown trying to cross Rio Grande

EAGLE PASS (AP) — Border Patrol agents continue to search for as many as four more drowning victims after a group of immigrants tried to wade across the Rio Grande over the weekend.

Already, four bodies have been recovered from the river about seven miles north of Eagle Pass, including a fourth victim found Monday afternoon.

"The Border Patrol is actively searching, and the search will continue throughout the week, said Paty Mancha, a spokeswoman for the agency.

As many as four more victims could be found, law officers said.

The drownings occurred about 1 a.m. Saturday as 27 immigrants, most believed to be from El Salvador, tried to enter the United States across a section of river two- to 20-feet deep, Ms. Mancha said.

"There's a lot of undercurrent, and if they're Salvadoran, a lot of them don't know how to swim," she said. "They're not familiar with the area, and they trust somebody who says, 'yes, we know what we're doing.'"

The Border Patrol learned of the tragedy after apprehending four Mexican nationals who crossed with the group. After the four were processed and returned to Mexico, one returned later Saturday to report the drownings.

"He said he witnessed several people drowning," Ms. Mancha said. "He believed 15 made it back to Mexico."

Three victims, a husband and wife from Mexico and a woman believed to be from El Salvador, were found Sunday. The bodies remained at an Eagle Pass funeral home awaiting positive identification and transportation back home.

The fourth victim, whose nationality and sex were unknown, was found Monday afternoon. Mexican authorities took responsibility of the body, Ms. Mancha said.

The bodies of 13 undocumented immigrants have been found this year in the Border Patrol's Del Rio sector, which covers 205 miles of river from south of Del Rio to past Sanderson, according to the San Antonio Express-News.

The apparent causes of death include drowning, heat exhaustion and dehydration.

According to a study published this year by Nester Rodriguez of the University of Houston, almost 800 undocumented immigrants died between 1993 and 1996 while trying to enter Texas. Most of those drowned.

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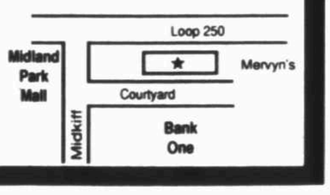

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Summit to cover more than rights

There's no question about it, this week's U.S.-China summit is highly important to setting the tone of relations between the two nations during coming years.

While the issue of human rights in China has not been forgotten by U.S. officials and should not be, it is not the only area of concern that President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin need to discuss during the summit.

As a world power, China holds significant sway and can either be a detriment or supportive of U.S. interests on the world stage.

Yet the issue of human rights should not be discounted because so much of the relationship between the United States and China is hinged to it. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright acknowledged that much when she noted, "We will never have a completely normal relationship with them until they have a better human rights policy."

But China's record on human rights isn't everything at issue here.

As a world power, China holds significant sway and can either be a detriment or supportive of U.S. interests on the world stage. For example, the United States needs China's support on the United Nations Security Council and with it can spoil the designs of such Third World powers as Iraq. United Nations reform is another important issue in which China's support can be helpful.

The United States also needs China's to help limit carbon emissions worldwide, and hopes to increase trade to China's vast markets.

China has the potential to be a nuclear aggressor, however, which underscores the importance of this summit. According to Michael Swaine of the Rand Corp.'s Center for Asia-Pacific Policy, "The most fundamental importance of this trip is the symbolism of establishing an amicable relationship between the two countries. Recent polls have indicated the American public tends to view China as a concern or threat fairly high up on their list, higher than Russia."

With that noted, there's little question that the American people will be watching to see how this summit develops.

ANOTHER VIEW

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Not to mention hypocritical.

Cooperstown is filled with players of questionable character. ...

The pro football and basketball halls of fame have similarly opened their doors to reprobates. ...

But halls of fame weren't designed to reward good citizenship. Their purpose is to recognize the accomplishments of sports' best players. ...

Rose has paid the price for his mistakes.

His continued banishment from active participation in professional baseball is justified. His exclusion from the Hall of Fame isn't.

Baseball should enshrine "Charlie Hustle" as soon as possible.

For Pete's sake. And ours.

— The Bellingham Herald
Bellingham, Wash.

CAL THOMAS

The president's cool-down on global warming

As with his attempt to nationalize health care, President Clinton has realized he can't get it all at once on "global warming," so he appears to have decided to take the incremental approach.

Thomas

The president announced a more modest objective than he has previously stated by calling for the reduction of greenhouse gases to 1990 levels over the next 15 years. The unproved theory in which the president and Vice President Al Gore believe is that emissions of carbon dioxide, methane and other gases trap heat in the atmosphere and cause the planet to heat up, melting glaciers and potentially threatening health and life as we've known it.

The administration is basing its alarm largely on a 2,000-page opus put together under the auspices of the United Nations and with the active support of virtually every major environmental group, from the Sierra Club to the leftist Union of Concerned Scientists and Environmental Defense Fund. But, as noted in an excellent overview of the report in the Nov. 3 Forbes magazine, the political decision to forge ahead on global warming is based on a seven-page executive summary, not the document itself. That summary was not written by a scientist but by Robert Watson, who at the time was associate director of environment at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. He was appointed to that post by Vice President Gore.

The summary reaches different conclusions from the scientists'. Reporters are basing their journalism not on the report, but on the summary and its decidedly political conclusions.

Forbes' Christine Hill interviewed Peter P. Rogers, PhD, a Harvard environmental scientist, who is respected by both environmentalists and businesspeople. Rogers says scientists need "at least five more years to study the problem" of global warming. But the politicians want us to act now, before sufficient evidence is in.

Furthermore, says Rogers, the members of the executive committee who wrote the summary were chosen not for their qualifications as environmental scientists but for regional, racial and gender diversity. Says Rogers, "Instead of looking for an expert in a field of study, the panel needed to fill a position with an African scientist or a woman. Debates were judged by votes rather than reasoning."

Rogers says that while it is true half the world's living Nobel laureates in science have signed a petition urging action on global warming, few of them know much about environmental science or climate change. He says that two of the three climatologists who have won Nobel prizes do not agree with those who believe human activities are causing global warming.

Rogers says while the trapping of greenhouse gases is a plausible theory, it is too early to conclude that it is the correct one. Oceans, he notes, hold most of the thermal mass of the Earth, and they have not been properly studied. Most scientists agree that ocean currents and winds play a big role in world temperatures, but these factors are not included in computer models that forecast global warming.

In fact, the models are so primitive that the Great Lakes and the Sierras are ignored. Predictions are so absurd that one forecasts the flooding of Death Valley. Another says that because of higher CO_2, 100 years from now, rainfall in the Midwest could rise by 15 percent — or it could fall by the same amount. And most global-warming models fail to include cloud cover, the most important factor determining the Earth's temperature.

Texas A&M's Department of Meteorology chairman Gerald North has the right approach: "I believe we have a decade or so in which we can collect data and refine our models before we have to act."

That's a scientific, not a political, response. But the Clinton administration, always seeking new ways to expand the power and reach of government, wants to use "global warming" as a scare tactic to acquire more power for government and, as a side "benefit," propel Gore, one of the most radical of the environmentalists, into the White House.

The president's decision to adopt incrementalism is an acknowledgment that he and Gore can't have it all right now. But that's their goal, and principled scientists and businesspeople should oppose ultimate objective until the facts are in.

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RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

Woolworth's was all two girls needed

The summer we were 12, my best friend, Patricia Yancey, and I tried on every swimsuit and pair of short-shorts in Gaylord's, the first large discount store to locate in our town.

Johnson

We also checked each shade of lipstick on the cosmetic counter, from chalky white to old-lady red, and spent literal hours lugging our big, matching, white straw pocketbooks up one aisle and down another. We never bought anything, but nobody said that was a requirement.

When one day the store detective stopped us at the front door to check our purses, we were shocked. In mine he found a comb missing teeth, a souvenir rock from Lake Martin and the current Sunday School book. Patricia's treasures were similar.

He didn't even say he was sorry for his mistake, for thinking we were thieves. So that very night my father took us back to the store, found the manager and demanded he apologize. My father is strong like that.

The manager looked like he wanted to swat us instead. His apology was short, not too sweet, but it was an apology.

I never went back to the store again.

Instead we returned to our old dime-store haunt, where the clerks and the waitresses at the lunch counter knew us by name. They should have. We spent more time there than they did.

The dime store welcomed junior-high girls, knew it might take us a week to decide on a $1 purchase. Nobody cared if we lingered at the counter for an hour, nursing french fries and Coca-Colas, debating our purchases and planning our weekend; that might put us in the mood for a banana split.

Store policy seemed to recognize that the longer a young customer stayed, the more likely she'd part with her allowance.

This past summer I read that Woolworth Corp. was closing its last 400 five-and-dimes, and it made me sad. I prefer smaller stores to big ones. Each time I visit a discount store it is with some reluctance. I keep waiting to be accused of something.

Frank Winfield Woolworth opened his first stores in 1879 in Utica, N.Y., and Lancaster, Pa. By World War I there were 500 of them glittering all across the nation.

I don't know what Patricia and I would have done without Woolworth's. It was there we bought all of our fine jewelry, our white nail polish, enough french fries to fatten Kate Moss and movie magazines with stories about Dr. Kildare, who made you well just by being so handsome.

Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill just sent me a review copy of Nanci Kincaid's new book, "Pretending the Bed Is a Raft." One story has a reference to Woolworth's that sounds so familiar I can taste the bananas:

"Woolworth's is two doors down from the State Theater and they have this banana-split special. They have a bunch of balloons taped to the wall above the counter. The customer picks out one and the waitress pops it and gets a piece of paper out of it with the price of the banana split on it. Sometimes a person gets a banana split for a penny, but most of them are 39 cents...

"The waitress brought our banana splits just then, two beauties with beehives of whipped cream on top and red cherries sliding, leaving pink trails...."

One fine day Patricia got her banana split for a nickel, and we never stopped hoping for the penny deal.

Best of all, the dime store didn't stop its loyal customers at the door and accuse them of stealing.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 28, the 301st day of 1997. There are 64 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty, a gift from the people of France, was dedicated in New York Harbor by President Cleveland.

On this date:

In 1636, Harvard College was founded in Massachusetts.

In 1793, Eli Whitney applied for a patent for his cotton gin (the patent was granted the following March).

In 1919, Congress enacted the Volstead Act, which provided for enforcement of Prohibition, over President Wilson's veto.

In 1922, fascism came to Italy as Benito Mussolini took control of the government.

In 1936, President Roosevelt rededicated the Statue of Liberty on its 50th anniversary.

In 1940, Italy invaded Greece during World War II.

In 1958, the Roman Catholic patriarch of Venice, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, was elected Pope, taking the name John XXIII.

In 1962, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev informed the United States that he had ordered the dismantling of Soviet missile bases in Cuba.

In 1976, former Nixon aide John D. Ehrlichman entered a federal prison camp in Safford, Ariz., to begin serving his sentence for Watergate-related convictions.

Ten years ago: During a debate in Houston that included the six Republican presidential contenders, Vice President George Bush argued that as President Reagan's "co-pilot," he knew how to "land the plane in a storm."

Five years ago: Less than a week before Election Day, President Bush continued to emphasize that voters could not trust Bill Clinton in the White House; for his part, Clinton accused Bush of abusing the powers of the presidency.

CHARLEY REESE

Clinton will kowtow to Jiang Zemin as he visits United States

What the Chinese communists did to Tibet was genocide, pure and simple.

Nearly 80 percent of the Tibetan population is dead, imprisoned or in exile. Irreplaceable treasures — ancient Buddhist manuscripts, temples and art works — were destroyed.

Reese

I can still recall some details of a United Nation report on the atrocities committed in Tibet. One favorite trick was to round up Buddhist monks, cut off their eyelids, throw the monks into pits and then urinate on them. It was the act of barbarians, entirely unworthy of China's own past.

But then never make the mistake of thinking that a communist is a patriot. A communist is a species of internationalist vermin, an idolater of power. No people who ravage their own country, and murder and enslave their own people, can ever claim to be patriots. No one suffers more than the people of a country who have the misfortune of being ruled by communists.

The coming of communist rule is like the arrival of a plague of locusts, and when they are finally driven out or destroyed, what's left are physical, moral, spiritual and economic ruins.

Keep this in mind as you watch President Bill Clinton, the king of hypocrites, kowtow to President Jiang Zemin during his visit to the United States Oct. 26 through Nov. 2. Back in 1992, Clinton the candidate criticized then President George Bush for "coddling tyrants in Beijing." Since taking office, that's what Clinton has done.

The morally disadvantaged who advocate "constructive engagement" are guilty of two things: hypocrisy and presenting the situation as an either-or choice.

First, the hypocrisy. You will note that these same people do not advocate constructive engagement with countries that are militarily and economically weak. With small countries, such as Iraq or Libya, these pious hypocrites act like schoolyard bullies. This sends a clear message to the world that the United States Establishment is cowardly. American citizens should resent this because the American people are not cowardly.

Second, the either-or deal. No one is proposing that the United States break diplomatic relations with China or go to war. What is being proposed is that the United States forthrightly express its displeasure and disgust at the communist government's abysmal and abusive treatment of people. It is being proposed that the United States should let the communist government know that it values principles and human decency over economic gain.

Alas, however — and that's the rub — our government doesn't value principles or human decency over economic gain. We Americans must also step carefully through our own moral and spiritual ruins left by materialists who are idolaters of money.

Clinton has already given the Chinese communists the whole store. There is hardly anything they want they haven't got or don't expect to get. Consequently, no constructive engagement on human rights is possible because the United States has no leverage. The Clinton administration, vis-a-vis the Chinese government, is like a whore who waits until after the act is completed to discuss price with the customer.

President Jiang, of course, is a much stronger man than Clinton, and this will be evident, too, when they meet. Clinton, like most American politicians, lied, glad-handed, wheedled and backslapped his way to power. Jiang, like all communist leaders, had to play a much rougher game in a much rougher crowd to get to the top.

President Jiang knows that the U.S. government has no guts, and he will be contemptuous. We have come far the wrong way when Hollywood shows more courage than the U.S. government in confronting Chinese government atrocities against its own and the Tibetan people. In this case, hooray for Hollywood.

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DEAR ABBY

Kids' Halloween candy haul is shared with Great Pumpkin

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: For several years I have wanted to share this little trick for parents whose small children consume too much candy at Halloween. Finally, I've found the time to write, and it's actually BEFORE Halloween.

Van Buren

I have always told my children, thanks to Linus in the "Peanuts" comic strip by Charles M. Schulz, that the Great Pumpkin comes on Halloween night and brings a gift for the children who leave him candy. The more of their candy they leave, the bigger the gift is. To make this work — and my children have never kept more than five pieces of candy —you must begin when the children are very young, and keep reminding them that the more candy they leave, the BIGGER the gift. When my children keep only five pieces and turn the rest over to the Great Pumpkin, they get a substantial gift that they really want.

It's worth it to me. My kids have never had a cavity. And my husband and his co-workers are more than happy to eat what the Great Pumpkin reaps. I hope this works for other families. — NO SUGAR IN SEATTLE

DEAR NO SUGAR: What a "sweet" idea for parents who try to limit their children's sugar intake. It's a suggestion I'm sure many parents will welcome this Halloween.

And while I'm on the subject of Halloween, may I add a few more tips from the National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign, which is substantially funded by the U.S. Department of Justice:

1. Instruct children not to eat any treats until they get home. Feed them a meal or snack before they go out to keep them from digging in while they're out. Parents should inspect all the treats.

2. Allow children to eat only those treats that are in unopened and original wrappers. Carefully inspect fruits and homemade goodies.

3. Make sure children wear light colors or put reflective tape on their flame-retardant costumes, which should be short to prevent trips and falls.

4. Try makeup instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.

5. Children should trick-or-treat in groups, and stop only at familiar homes where the outside lights are on. Young children should always be accompanied by an adult.

6. Map out a safe route to familiar homes for older trick-or-treaters, and make sure the children have flashlights, and that they stay on well-lighted streets.

DEAR ABBY: Your letter to "Sleepless, But Not in Seattle," struck a familiar note with me. My natural sleep rhythm also makes me a night owl. I have been like this as far back as I can remember, going to bed after midnight and waking up around 10 a.m. I was always teased about it, and my mother used to stand at the bottom of the stairs and sing, "Lazy Mary, Will You Get Up?"

Now that I'm an adult, I get the same attitude from my husband. He's snoozing in his recliner by 8 p.m. (nobody says he's lazy), and I'm wide awake for four more hours. I even wear a nightshirt that says, "Perky Morning People Should Be Shot!"

I don't know why "Sleepless" should be considered to have a "condition" that can be relieved. She's fine. She should find a job on the second shift and work from 3 p.m. to midnight, or work the swing shift. She'll be glad she did. No sense dragging around, waiting for retirement to enjoy life. Sign me ... SLEEPLESS IN LOUISIANA

DEAR SLEEPLESS: If other factors in "Sleepless's" life don't compel her to conform, that's certainly an option worth exploring.

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

Malibu Grand Prix killer set to die Tuesday

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Even one of the men convicted of participating in one of Houston's worst single mass murders refers to the killing scene as grisly.

"I know that people hate me," Kenneth Ray Ransom says. "I understand that. I've had to deal with that for the past 14 years. There's nothing I can do about it."

Ransom was set to die Tuesday night for what became known as the Malibu Grand Prix killings. An accomplice, Richard Wilkerson, was executed four years ago. A third participant, James Randall, is serving a life prison sentence.

Ransom, now 34, was a 20-year-old parolee the night of July 21, 1983 when he, Wilkerson and Randall walked into the Malibu Grand Prix amusement center in southwest Houston just before closing. They robbed the place of about $1,300 and killed four young men who worked there, stabbing each victim repeatedly.

"Every time I drive by that location, I think about what that scene looked like," J.C. Mosier, a former Houston homicide detective who worked the case, recalled Monday. "In that rest room, there was at least 2 inches of blood on that floor. It was like they had a water leak. I'll never forget that. It's the most blood I'd ever seen at one location. It was awful."

Medical examiners had difficulty determining if the victims also had been shot because the bodies had been stabbed so many times and there was so much blood.

The victims were Anil Varughese, 18, night manager of the business and a college pre-med student, and three employees: Roddy Harris, 22, and brothers Arnold Pequeno, 19, and Joerene Pequeno, 18. Varughese's body was found in an office. The three others were in the rest room.

"I laid awake that next night thinking about those people," Mosier said. "They put them in the stalls in the rest room and took one out each time and killed them. I kept thinking about the people waiting inside waiting their turn and what horror it must have been."

"I'm not going to lie and say I don't want to live," Ransom, in his first comments about the case, said last week from inside a cage at the Texas death row visiting area. "Life and freedom go hand in hand. So if I have to die, I'm accepting it. I'm not afraid of dying. The one thing I say is that I'm afraid of what's beyond death. I don't know if I'm going to a better place or if I'm going to be banished to hell."

Ransom, who had previous prison terms for burglary and auto theft, described himself as a "video freak" who accompanied Wilkerson and Randall to the arcade so Wilkerson, who had been fired two weeks earlier, could pick up his final paycheck.

"I didn't have any idea they were going to kill," Ransom said. "Everything is just — I want to say 'surreal.'

"I'm definitely sorry. I'm not sorry just for myself. I'm sorry for Richard Wilkerson and James Randall and their families and I'm definitely sorry for the victims and their families."

"It's pretty evident I'm going to die," Ransom added. "But I told my lawyer from day one I wasn't guilty of capital murder."

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11 dead after blizzard pummels the Plains

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Emergency shelters supplied warmth today for some of the hundreds of thousands of people left without power by the season's first blizzard, a record storm that paralyzed the Plains.

Most highways were reopened today, but broken trees still littered Omaha streets and many traffic lights were blacked out.

"The city looks as though a tornado has hit on every street," acting Gov. Kim Robak said after touring storm damage Sunday.

The first big snowstorm of the season dumped 22 inches of snow on Denver, the city's worst for October. Record amounts also fell in parts of Iowa and Nebraska. The blizzard knocked out power to hundreds of thousands from the Plains to the Great Lakes, including 230,000 homes and businesses blacked out today in Michigan. More than 70,000 were without power in Nebraska, and utility officials said repairs might not be completed until Wednesday.

At least 10 deaths were linked to the weather, including an Illinois state trooper killed today when he slid on ice and fell off a bridge while directing traffic on an icy highway.

Hundreds of people had spent part of the weekend snowbound in airports, bus terminals and along highways. About 1,000 would-be travelers were still stranded today at Denver International Airport as airlines ran sharply reduced schedules.

Crews resumed searching for a few hunters reported missing in Colorado, said David Holm, chief of operations for the state's Office of Emergency Management.

Schools in many communities were closed from eastern Colorado into Iowa. Major highways had reopened, but several roads were still blocked by 15-foot drifts in southeastern Colorado.

The heaviest snow was in the Colorado foothills, with 50 inches in Coal Creek Canyon about 20 miles west of Denver.

Major ski resorts in the Colorado mountains usually don't open until Thanksgiving, but most got about a foot of snow to help build up their base. Loveland and Keystone, the only ski areas that have opened, were able to use more slopes during the weekend.

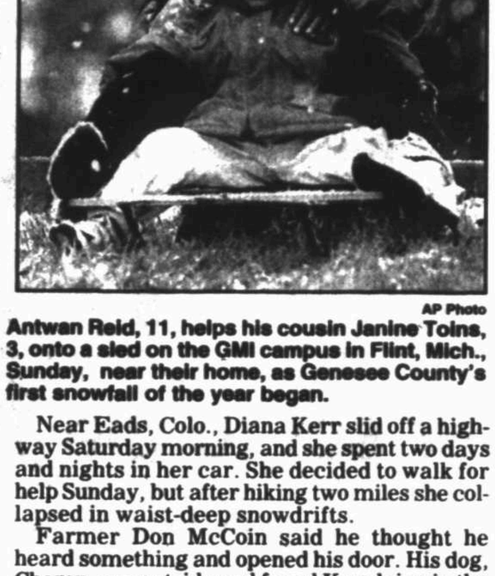
The storm's biggest benefit for ski areas was the "priceless publicity," which had already produced calls for reservations, said Jim Felton, chief publicist for Vail Resorts which operates Loveland and Keystone.

The storm was deadliest in eastern Colorado. Four people were found dead in stranded cars, three of them from the cold and one from carbon monoxide poisoning. In addition, an 11-year-old boy in tiny Stratton, near the Kansas line, died after becoming lost in the snow after sledding.

In Oklahoma, a 77-year-old woman who tried to walk from her stranded car to her home a mile away was found dead in 18 inches of snow. Two deaths were blamed on the storm in Nebraska, one in Illinois and one in Iowa.

While most major roads were open in Colorado, hundreds of abandoned vehicles littered highway shoulders. National Guardsmen had used helicopters, snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles to rescue stranded motorists or residents from powerless homes.

"We've flown, patrolled and reopened the highways and don't believe we have any remaining missing motorists," said David Holm with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.



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Antwan Reid, 11, helps his cousin Janine Toine, 3, onto a sled on the GMI campus in Flint, Mich., Sunday, near their home, as Genesee County's first snowfall of the year began.

Near Eads, Colo., Diana Kerr slid off a highway Saturday morning, and she spent two days and nights in her car. She decided to walk for help Sunday, but after hiking two miles she collapsed in waist-deep snowdrifts.

Farmer Don McCoin said he thought he heard something and opened his door. His dog, Champ, ran outside and found Kerr lying in the snow. Kerr, a nurse, declared herself fully recovered after getting warmed and fed at McCoin's home.

Secret videotapes show details of parental abuse

CHICAGO (AP) — Hidden video cameras caught parents kicking, punching, slapping and trying to suffocate children who were already in the hospital for injuries from suspected child abuse, researchers said Monday.

The tapes, made by doctors at two British hospitals, show one mother deliberately breaking an infant's arm. Another mother tried to ram a toothbrush down her 3-year-old daughter's throat and then to poison the child with disinfectant.

Abusive parents often switched to loving behavior the moment nurses walked into the room.

One expert who was not involved in the study said the chilling findings should pare away doctors' ignorance and society's denial about family involvement in fatal injuries to children.

"For health professionals who find abuse and murder of children unimaginable, the transcripts of the tapes ... should be required reading!" wrote the expert, Dr. Richard D. Krugman, a pediatrician and dean of the University of Colorado School of Medicine, in a commentary accompanying the findings.

The researchers secretly taped parents' visits to 39 hospitalized children and documented abuse in 33 cases, at North Staffordshire Hospital in Stoke-on-Trent and at London's Royal Brompton Hospital.

In 30 cases, parents tried to suffocate children, often with their hands, videotapes showed. In all of those cases, the parents were prosecuted and children were ordered into alternative care.

IRS overhaul features taxpayer-rights provisions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A provision in the legislation to overhaul the IRS could save taxpayers more than $1 billion by placing new limits on penalties for repayment of back taxes.

It's among a host of taxpayer-rights initiatives, some benefiting divorced spouses, the mentally impaired and low-income workers, that have gotten little notice in the political maneuvering surrounding agency restructuring.

"There are some immediate benefits from this legislation," says Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, an architect of the legislation.

Most of the discussion and dispute on the bill has concerned such broader issues as the proposed creation of an 11-member oversight board to draft the IRS' budget and improve management of the agency.

The Clinton administration reversed course last week and backed the bill when sponsors agreed to retain the president's authority to hire and fire the IRS commissioner.

The administration says it still wants further revisions to an item that would shift the burden of proof from taxpayers to the IRS when disputed cases reach court. Treasury Department officials say the bill, as currently written, could strengthen the hand of tax evasion artists, an assertion disputed by the bill's sponsors.

The most significant piece of the taxpayer-rights section involves a change in installment agreements for repayment of back taxes. It could save taxpayers $1.03 billion over five years, according to the Joint Committee on Taxation.

Currently, taxpayers who fail to pay their taxes are subject to a penalty of one-half percent per month of the unpaid amount, up to a maximum 25 percent penalty, plus interest. The legislation would drop the maximum penalty to 9.5 percent for taxpayers who reach an installment agreement to repay back taxes.

For example, a taxpayer who owes $100 and has failed to pay the bill after two years would owe $125 plus interest under the current formula. The legislation would reduce the total to $109.50 plus interest if the taxpayer reached an installment agreement.

The bill's sponsor, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, said the provision seeks to reverse a trend in the 1980s in which several tax bills boosted IRS penalties and allowed the government to collect more revenue without raising taxes.

"Finally, we're moving in the other direction," Archer said.

Many of the other provisions were tailored for more narrow situations, said Gregory Jenner, a partner in the Coopers & Lybrand accounting firm in Washington.

"To be honest with you, the types of cases these will apply in are exceptions rather than the rule," he said.

One item concerns "innocent spouse relief," which would typically apply to divorced spouses who face additional taxes due to mistakes caused by former spouses who prepared the returns.

In a report earlier this year, the General Accounting Office estimated that as many as 587,000 taxpayers could be eligible for such relief.

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Another provision of the legislation deals with the formula on interest penalties for underpayment and overpayment of taxes — a change that could save taxpayers $269 million over five years.

Currently, the IRS charges taxpayers a short-term interest rate plus three percentage points as a penalty for underpayment of taxes. A different formula applies for money the IRS owes taxpayers for overpayments: the short-term interest rate and two percentage points.

To Archer, this formula described a classic problem in the tax code: "Heads, the government wins, and tails, you lose."

The bill makes the overpayment rate the same as the underpayment rate.

Generally, the IRS has to pay interest on refunds if it fails to process a return within 45 days after the April 15 deadline.

Another item would benefit primarily the elderly or others suffering mental disabilities who fail to file for refunds within three years if they made a mistake on their returns. The bill suspends the statute of limitations for refunds if the taxpayer suffers a mental disability, such as Alzheimer's disease.

The bill is based on a 1996 Supreme Court case in which a woman was denied a $7,000 refund for a tax mistake made by her 93-year-old father.

Another proposal would let the Treasury Department make $3 million in annual grants to low-income tax clinics, an amount that would be matched by the clinics. Tax experts say the need for such advice to the poor is growing with the increasing complexity of the tax laws.

These grants would go to tax clinics run by law schools, a small program that helped only 1,145 low-income taxpayers last year.

The House Ways and Means Committee approved the overall measure last week and it is expected to come to the House floor by early November. Senate action isn't expected until next year.

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Americans harbor mixed feelings toward China

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — China has a population control policy that many Americans see as brutal.

The Chinese use prisoners to make toys and clothing that wind up on the shelves of discount houses in this country, American labor leaders say.

China is building the biggest dam in the world, and the environmental cost grates some Americans.

Against the background of those feelings comes Jiang Zemin on a weeklong goodwill tour of the United States. There will be a White House meeting Wednesday with President Clinton for diplomacy and dinner.

About the most Jiang can expect — and it is no small ambition, say China experts — is a restoration of the wellspring of good feeling that once existed between these two countries.

It isn't just the lingering image of Tiananmen Square and the picture of a single Chinese student in a white shirt, arms at his side, staring down a Chinese Army tank that captures America's image of modern China.

But Tiananmen symbolizes the ambiguity of American feeling about China, says David Shambaugh, an Asian expert at George Washington University and a former State Department and National Security Council aide. "It was not just an assault on students, but an assault on democracy," he says.

Americans hold twin impulses toward China, he says — the "missionary impulse to transform China, economically, politically, and strategically," and a second anti-communist feeling enhanced when China abandons liberalization in favor of order and harsh political repression.

AP Photo

Chinese President Jiang Zemin, left, is greeted by Hawaii Gov. Ben Cayetano at the Governor's Mansion in Honolulu Sunday. In center is Jiang's wife, Madam Wang.

China scholar Mary Brown Bullock, president of Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Ga., and daughter and granddaughter of American missionaries in China, says more than the conflict between Eastern and Western values — and more than the inevitable frictions between a capitalist democracy and a communist autocracy — explains the tensions between the two countries.

She sees a time warp at work, "a conflict between 19th and 20th century values." While America now follow the dictates of internationalism, the global economy and the information age, she says, China is catching up with the values of the 19th century — nationalism, sovereignty (and thus the friction over Tawainese recognition) and the basic need to feed so many mouths.

Shambaugh says the China criticisms of American interest groups play a role in shaping U.S. policy toward Beijing.

Thus, environmentalists and archaeologists must be heeded when they rail against the building of Three Gorges Dam in China, destined to be the world's biggest, but also to displace 1.3 million people. These critics say it will obliterate endangered species and inundate ancient sites. They were not around when America built its own great dams, with untold environmental consequences, decades ago.

Labor leaders command attention when they denounce China's use of prison labor to take jobs that they say should go to American workers and when they charge that China uses trade barriers to keep out American products.

Arms control advocates are exercised over reports of Chinese nuclear sales abroad and the transfer of Chinese missiles to Pakistan and Iran. The Pentagon becomes suspicious of China's ambitious military modernization program.

Looming potentially as large as a vexation is China's persecution of Christians, who number in the millions. Some Christian evangelicals and activists — another powerful political force — compare the issue to the Soviets' refusal to permit Jewish emigration and predict that Christian persecution ultimately will become the chief sticking point between Washington and Beijing.

China has its own grievances, chief among them a suspicion that America acts deliberately to keep China from becoming an equal.

When something goes wrong, from losing a bid for the Olympics to being kept out of the World Trade Organization, China sees America's hand at work, says Nicholas Platt, president of the Asia Society.

"The Chinese admire what the United States stands for and does, but they feel that their time is coming, that they are beginning to assume their rightful place in the world and that the United States is holding them back," he says.

Clinton tries to delay Jones' depositions

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — President Clinton's lawyers asked a federal judge Monday to delay and possibly stop depositions in Paula Corbin Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit, contending the questioning is meant only to harass Clinton.

Three former Clinton bodyguards and a high school classmate are among those scheduled to be interviewed by Mrs. Jones' lawyers.

"This discovery clearly is not intended to obtain admissible evidence, nor is it likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, but rather is designed to harass and embarrass the president," Clinton lawyer Robert Bennett wrote to the judge in the case.

Former Clinton classmate Dolly Kyle Browning is to give a deposition Tuesday in Dallas. Bennett wants U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright to stop that deposition and four others set next week.

Bennett said he would file a motion by Friday supporting his request, but he included some of his arguments in papers filed with the court Monday.

The judge did not immediately rule on the matter.

Mrs. Jones' Dallas lawyers did not immediately return calls seeking comment. Her spokeswoman, Susan Carpenter McMillan, said Bennett's request was hypocritical because of what she described as sometimes "grueling and horrible" questioning of others that Mrs. Jones sat through during recent depositions.

Mrs. McMillan has accused Bennett of orchestrating Ferguson's efforts to delve into Mrs. Jones' sexual past.

"Their hypocrisy is past outrageous, to put Paula through what she's been through for two weeks — and she willingly did it — and then try to stop even the first deposition," Mrs. McMillan said.

Three troopers scheduled to give depositions next week have contended they helped set up sexual trysts for Clinton when he was governor.

According to court papers, Mrs. Jones' lawyers have asked troopers L.D. Brown, Larry Patterson and Roger Perry for documents relating to "any woman other than Hillary Rodham Clinton with whom defendant Clinton had sexual relations when he was attorney general or governor of the state of Arkansas."

A fourth deposition next week is scheduled with Marvin Samuel Jones, a partner at the Wright Jennings Lindsey law firm where Clinton worked in 1981 and 1982, when he was out of state government.

Bennett said he and other Clinton attorneys also understood that Mrs. Jones' lawyers are seeking a deposition and documents from Clinton's former Arkansas chief of staff, Betsey Wright, on Wednesday.

Wright has said she was in charge of controlling embarrassing "bimbo eruptions" allegations during Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign. Bennett said he had received no formal notice of the deposition.

In her $700,000 lawsuit, Mrs. Jones alleges that Clinton summoned her to a a Little Rock hotel room, exposed himself and asked her for oral sex in May 1991. He was Arkansas governor and she was a state employee.

Clinton has denied the allegations and said he does not recall meeting Mrs. Jones.

Singer Johnny Cash diagnosed with Parkinson's, halts book tour

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Singer Johnny Cash announced Monday that he has Parkinson's disease and is canceling a book tour.

"He's been sick for a while, but it's not been to the point where he's needed medication. It's now gotten to that point," said Heidi Robinson, a spokeswoman for his recording company, American Recordings.

Cash and his wife, June Carter Cash, were in New York on Monday for a television appearance on ABC's "Good Morning America" to promote his new book, "Cash: The Autobiography."

After the show, the 65-year-old singer told his publisher that he had to cancel the rest of the promotion tour. Cash disclosed his ailment in a press release in which his manager, Lou Robin, said Cash expects to resume a normal schedule when the Parkinson's is stabilized.

Parkinson's affects some 500,000 to 1 million Americans, causing such difficulties as slowed movement, rigidity and tremors. It is caused by lack of a chemical messenger called dopamine in part of the brain.

Robinson said from her Burbank, Calif., office that Cash is returning to his home in Hendersonville, about 20 miles north of Nashville. She said she was told that all appearances were postponed until the end of the year. Cash had about a dozen concerts scheduled in November and December.

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HIV-positive man infected young women

MAYVILLE, N.Y. (AP) — An HIV-positive man who traded drugs for sex with young women and teens he approached in schools and parks infected at least nine of them with the AIDS virus, authorities said Monday.

At least one other person was infected by one of the man's sex partners, and at least 70 others, some as young as 13, may have been exposed to the virus in Chautauqua County in rural western New York, health officials said.

"He liked to lurk around the edges of schools or pa maybe where kids would be playing basketball, and pick out young ladies who may, for one reason or another, be in a risk-taking mode," county Health Commissioner Robert Berke said.

"Sex for drugs appears to be implicated in at least some of the contacts," he said.

Nushawn Williams, 20, infected at least three women and possibly a fourth before learning he was HIV positive in September 1996, Berke said. But he continued having unprotected sex and directly infected at least six more before leaving the region in January, Berke said.

Williams, in jail since Sept. 23 in New York City on drug charges, faces an arrest warrant from Chautauqua County for statutory rape of a 13-year-old girl.

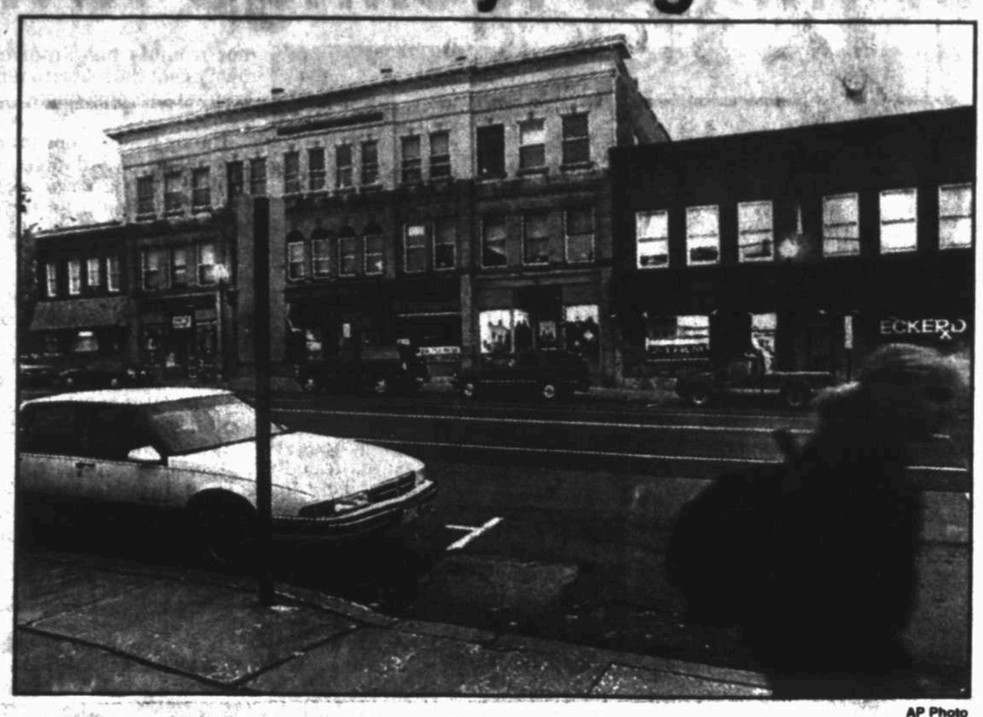
District Attorney James Subjack said he also would pursue charges of reckless endangerment and first-degree assault against Williams for each person he allegedly infected. Each of those charges carry a maximum prison term of 25 years.

"It takes an individual with no regard for human life to do something like this," said Subjack.

Williams used more than a dozen aliases, including Face Williams and Face Johnson, in his frequent travels between New York City and western New York and he may also have had a large number of sexual contacts in other counties in New York state, public health officials said.

"The worse piece of news is we are probably not the worst-case scenario," Berke said.

The state's confidentiality laws prevent people who are HIV positive from being identified. But in arguing that his threat to the community overshadows his privacy rights, prosecutors persuaded a judge Monday in Mayville to disclose Williams' identity and allow for his photograph to be distributed.



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Dusk falls on Erie Street, Monday, in the small Chautauqua County town of Mayville, N.Y. Nushawn Williams is suspected of infecting dozens throughout Chautauqua County with HIV through sexual contact while knowing he was HIV-positive.

Officials counted 28 people who had direct sexual contact with Williams and 53 cases of secondary contact — people who had sex with any of the 28. Seventeen other cases were still being studied, they said.

Investigators are looking into whether Williams intentionally infected the women, Berke said.

"He knew very well what could happen — he was well-counseled" about the risks when he learned he was HIV positive, he said.

It could not be determined Monday if Williams has a lawyer.

Twenty epidemiologists, HIV counselors, public health physicians and health educators are being sent by the state Health Department to Chautauqua County to work on the case. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sent two staff members to assist.

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Baby's death exposes class lines in Boston

BOSTON (AP) — A teen-age au pair from England is accused of murdering their baby, and yet Deborah and Sunil Eappen feel as if they are on trial, too.

For all the sympathy they have gotten, the Eappens, both doctors, have also received hate mail and harassing phone calls accusing them of putting their careers ahead of their children by hiring help on the cheap.

The angry debate has crackled over radio talk shows and in a flood of calls to Court TV, which is broadcasting the trial live.

"It's almost chilling to gauge the reactions toward them," said Court TV programming chief Erik Sorenson, who was struck by the number of callers who condemned Ms. Eappen for choosing to work instead of caring for her children full time.

"Apparently the parents didn't want a kid," one radio talk show caller said. "And now they don't have a kid."

Louise Woodward, the 19-year-old round-faced au pair, spent two days on the stand denying charges she ever shook, hit or slammed 8-month-old Matthew Eappen, who died of head injuries in February. The defense rested Monday and closing arguments begin Tuesday.

Much of Ms. Woodward's testimony dealt with the frustrations and demands of her job as an au pair. She came to the United States believing she would have time to see the country. Instead, she spent her days taking care of the Eappens' two children and doing the household chores, all for $115 a week. A nanny, a full-time professional, would be paid considerably more.

Callers to the Eappens' house have told the couple that their boy's death was their own fault and that they got what they deserved for hiring "slave labor."

Matthew McCue, a family friend and spokesman for the Eappens, who are under a court gag order, said the couple are devastated, not only because they lost their son but because they feel the public and the media have turned against them for who they are — successful doctors who live in the prosperous Boston suburb of Newton.

"This is a class issue," McCue said. "This is not just a case of kooks writing letters. There is an element of mainstream society that seems to be blaming them without the slightest knowledge of the facts."

Ms. Eappen, an ophthalmologist, testified that she scaled back her work to three days a week and came home to breast-feed Matthew on her lunch hour. She and her husband spent their free time reading and playing with the children and conferred closely with Ms. Woodward about their care.

Former California cartel lawyers acquitted on racketeering charges

MIAMI (AP) — Two former lawyers for Colombia's Cali cocaine cartel were acquitted Monday of racketeering charges accusing them of crossing the line and taking part in the drug trade. Jurors deadlocked on four other drug-related charges.

The case was closely watched in legal circles because of the government's bold strategy of charging lawyers with the same crimes as their clients.

Prosecutors charged the cartel employed a network of lawyers to keep abreast of the latest legal developments in the United States, defend smugglers caught in this country and take an undercover criminal role.

Michael Abbell, a former Justice Department extradition expert who lives in Bethesda, Md., and William Moran of Miami had been charged with funneling hush money to defendants, relaying threats from the cartel chiefs and preparing false affidavits to exonerate the Colombian bosses of the cartel.

Jurors heard five months of daunting testimony painting an intricate picture of an organization accused of smuggling 200 tons of cocaine into this country over the last decade. Their verdict came after deliberating for 10 days over three weeks. The charges carried sentences of 10 years to life.

Abbell, who served 17 years with the Justice Department, was head of the criminal division's international affairs office, which handles extraditions from foreign countries, before he left in 1984.

Prosecutors charged Abbell's expertise was crucial in influencing Colombian lawmakers to shield drug lords from extradition. His lawyers tried to show that he was doing legitimate legal work.

Moran testified he never conspired to smuggle drugs.

Bill Genego, a former law professor from Santa Monica, Calif., who is an official with the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, said the verdict shows the government's strategy may have been too ambitious.

"I think it was a case of overcharging by the government and they may have paid the consequences," he said.

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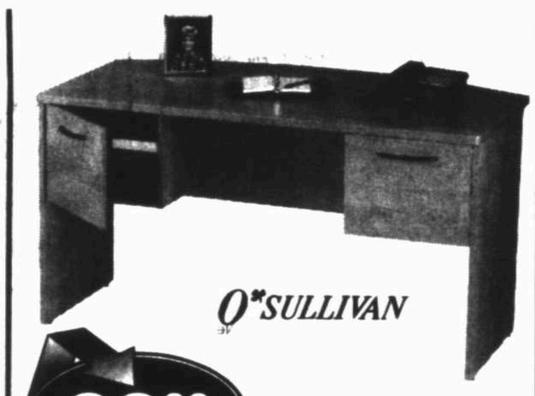

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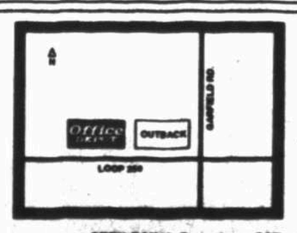

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Wacky 4-5A race reaching end

By Stewart Doreen
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■ 4-5A Report

The crazy race that is this District 4-5A season is coming down the home stretch, and while Odessa High and Abilene Cooper are right in the thick of the title race, the more interesting battle might be for third.

Four teams are fighting for that last playoff spot, and that should make the last two weeks of the regular season as interesting as any in recent memory.

"I can't remember one," San Angelo Central coach Gary Gaines said. "This season has been unusual all the way around. (Abilene) Cooper and Odessa High have run away with things, and the rest of us are in a dog fight."

Trailing Cooper and OHS — who are both 4-0 in district — are Lee (2-2), Central (2-2), Abilene High (2-3) and Odessa Permian (1-3). All four have a shot to make the playoffs.

The next two weeks bring the four teams together in many key matchups. This weekend, Lee plays Permian in Ratliff, Central hosts Cooper and Abilene High has the district's open date. Next week, Lee hosts Central and Permian travels to Abilene High.

"It will be who can put things together," Lee coach John Parchman said. "Whoever can finish strong will go to the playoffs. That is what it is all about."

So who has the advantage?

That will probably go to the winner of the Lee-Permian game. Central goes in as an underdog against Cooper, making West Texas' top rivalry as important if not more so than in the years when the teams faced off for a 4-5A title. If this game isn't for a bell, it might be for survival.

"I think people outside the Permian and Lee families thought that at some point it would not mean much but it probably means more than ever," Permian coach Randy Mayes said. " The district race is going like all the coaches thought it would —with all of us being in the run until the end."

Parchman said, "They are two programs that might not be leading the district, but it is still Lee vs. Permian. It is loser leaves town. I guess that is true."

What is true is if Permian and/or Abilene High loses, that team is out. With AHS and Permian playing in week 10, one team will lose.

What is also true is that if either Lee or Central wins out, that team is in, although that might be easier said than done. Central (4-4 overall) is coming off a heartbreaking loss to OHS on Friday where the difference in the 14-13 game was a missed extra point.

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SPORTS BRIEFING

TV Sports

HOCKEY — Dallas Stars at New York Rangers, 6:30 p.m., FSS.
Buffalo Sabres at Colorado Avalanche, 7 p.m., ESPN.
BOXING — Champion Joseph Kiwanuka vs. Thomas Tate for NABF super middleweight championship; welterweights, Jermal Corbin vs. Mike Griffith, 8 p.m., USA.

Texas Scores

NBA — New York Knicks 93, Dallas Mavericks 74.

Lee-Permian Tickets

Those wishing to purchase tickets to Friday's Midland Lee-Odessa Permian game at Ratliff Stadium should do so this week under the following proceedure at the Memorial Stadium ticket office.

Tickets ($5) will be sold to season ticket holders only on Tuesday (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Tickets will be released only to the season ticket holder or a designated agent. The agent must possess the name of the season ticket holder and a statement of release. Season ticket holders may only purchase the exact number of tickets of which they have season tickets.

Remaining tickets will be sold to the general public Wednesday (7 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and Thursday (8 a.m. to 7 p.m.). Any tickets not sold by 7 p.m. Thursday will be returned to Odessa. There is a limit of 10 tickets per person.

For Midland High's homecoming game with Odessa High at Memorial Stadium, tickets ($5) will be sold to the general public on Wednesday (7 a.m. to 5 p.m.), Thursday (8 a.m. to 7 p.m.) and Friday (8 a.m. to noon) with a limit of 10 tickets each.

Prep Top 10 Poll

DALLAS (AP) — This week's Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. Total points are based on 10 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 10th-place vote. The previous column indicates the team's ranking in last week's poll. Voting is by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

School	Rec	Pts	Pv
Class 5A			
1. Longview (8)	8-0	183	2
2. Austin Westlake (10)	8-0	181	2
3. Killeen Ellison (2)	8-0	168	4
4. Aldine Eisenhower	8-0	132	5
5. Abilene Cooper	7-1	89	6
6. North Mesquite	7-1	79	8
T6. Tyler John Tyler	7-1	79	1
8. Garland	7-1	77	7
9. Humble	7-1	25	x
10. Lufkin	6-2	17	x

FELL OUT: Houston Madison (No. 9), New Braunfels (No. 10)

Also receiving votes: Haltom 15, Victoria 11, Odessa High 9, Arlington Lamar 7, San Antonio MacArthur 7, Beaumont West Brook 5, Flower Mound Marcus 5, Duncanville 4, New Braunfels 2, Richardson Lake Highlands 2, Amarillo 1, Fort Worth Wyatt 1, San Antonio Churchill 1.

Class 4A			
1. Denison (12)	8-0	186	1
2. Sweetwater (3)	8-0	165	2
3. CC Calallen (2)	8-0	147	3
4. Texas City (3)	6-1	135	4
5. Jacksonville	8-0	112	5
6. West Orange-Stark	8-0	97	6
7. La Marque	6-2	89	7
8. Terrell	8-0	61	9
T9. Dumas	7-0	20	10
T9. Grapevine	6-2	20	10

FELL OUT: Brownwood (No. 8)

Also receiving votes: New Caney 15, Waxahachie 13, Schertz Clemens 11, Everman 4, Nederland 4, Stephenville 4, Edcouch-Elsa 3, Highland Park 3, Kilgore 3, Brownwood 2, Friendswood 2, Waco Midway 2, Smithson Valley 1.

Class 3A			
1. Sealy (15)	8-0	191	1
2. Commerce (2)	8-0	175	2
3. Crockett (3)	8-0	166	3
4. Breckenridge	8-0	134	4
5. Friona	8-0	103	5
6. Vernon	7-1	93	6
7. Aledo	8-0	68	7
8. Hitchcock	8-0	49	8
9. Llano	8-0	36	9
10. Cuero	6-2	14	10

Also receiving votes: Rockdale 12, Eustace 11, Loraine 9, Denver City 6, Iowa Park 5, Bishop 4, Devine 4, Kemp 4, Tatum 4, Corrigan-Camden 3, Bridgeport 2, Cameron 2, George West 2, Linden-Kildare 2, Madisonville 1.

Class 2A			
1. Elysian Fields (14)	8-0	186	1
2. Alto (5)	8-0	180	2
3. Italy (1)	8-0	148	3
4. Ganado	8-0	122	4
5. Garrison	8-0	91	5
6. Stanton	8-0	88	6
7. Lexington	8-0	74	7
8. Quanah	8-0	60	8
9. Industrial	8-0	57	9
10. Crawford	8-0	23	10

Also receiving votes: Eldorado 14, Lockney 13, Hico 11, Celina 9, Stamford 7, Godley 5, Holliday 3, Winters 3, East Bernard 2, Iraan 2, Kerens 2, Canadian 1, East Chambers 1.

Class A			
1. Wink (15)	8-0	192	1
2. Runge (3)	8-0	171	2
3. Celeste (1)	8-0	156	3
4. Tenaha (1)	7-1	135	4
5. Alvord	8-0	124	5
6. Cross Plains	8-0	82	6
7. Granger	8-1	73	7
8. Mehard	7-1	61	8
9. Windthorst	7-1	47	10
10. Springlake-Earth	7-1	33	9

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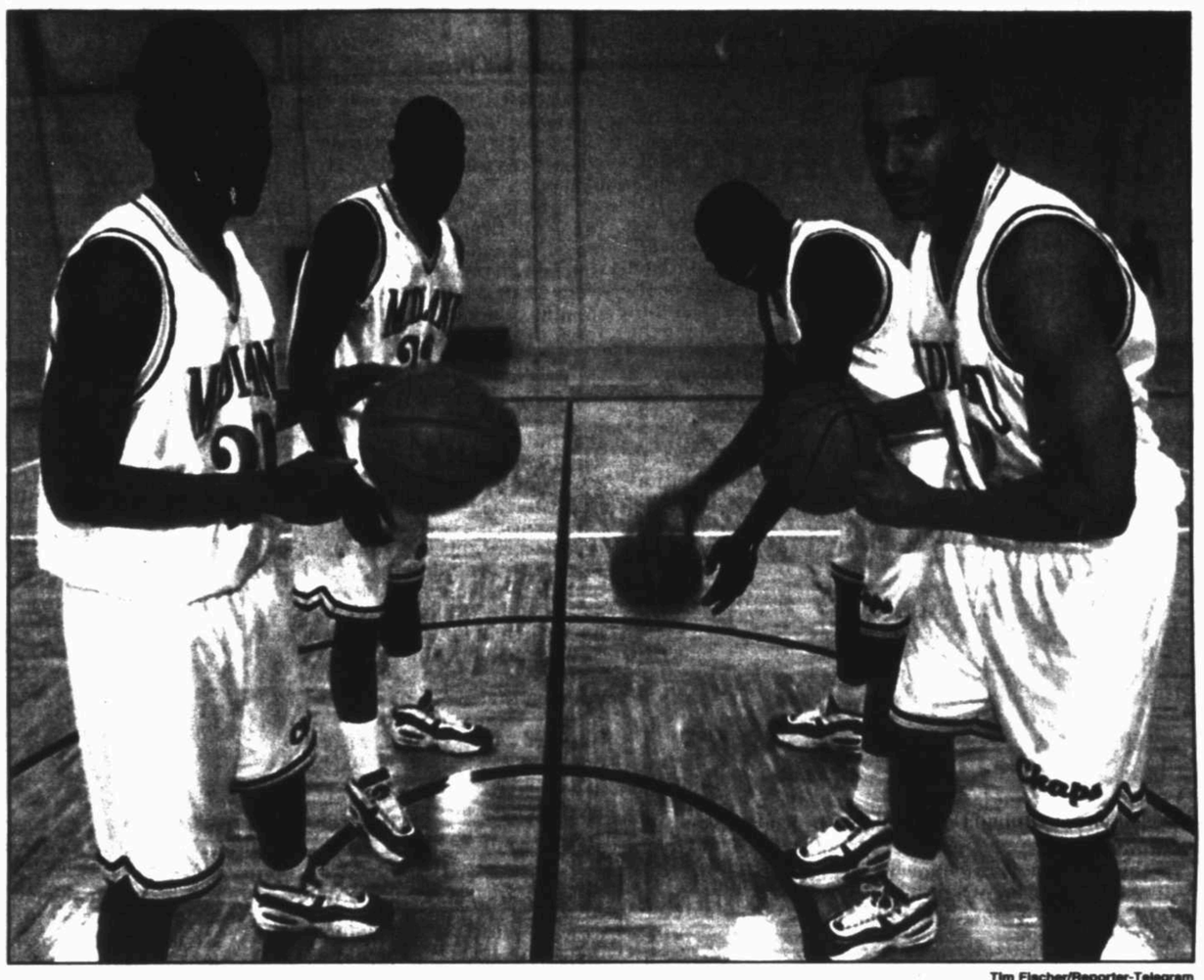

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
The Midland College men's basketball team is counting on, from left, returner Edward Kirk and newcomers Alu Williams, Randall Williams and James Ware to provide the nucleus for a successful run at the Western Junior College Athletic Conference championship.

Chaps ready to take flight

■ MC men hoping infusion of new talent can carry them to WJCAC title this season.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The challenge of coaching in junior college basketball is that a coach must act like a pilot and navigate a team through the peaks and valleys of the season.

For fourth-year Midland College coach Pat Rafferty who is 54-33 during his tenure in Midland, his goal is to take this year's Chaparral team and guide it through those obstacles. Rafferty says he's got the team to survive the jungle wars of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

"I have high expectations for this team," Rafferty said. "But then I've had high expectations for teams in the past.

"In terms of the way this team has bought into the program and its work habits, I think this team expects more from itself than maybe other teams previously. I'm hopeful that the team has high expectations because it doesn't matter if a coach has high expectations. And so far, this team has showed me that they have some quantity in some quality."

What makes this team different is that Rafferty may have the inside-outside depth and balance essential to compete in the conference race. That balance, considering the Chaps return only two players from last year's 15-14 team in guard Edward Kirk and post Dennis Ondeng, should be crucial.

"At least half your team is new every year, but I think the priorities in your returners are more important than quantity," Rafferty said. "In terms of Dennis and 'Prep', they've been good in getting the guys acclimated and helping them understand the way we do things, and they're both great workers."

Having a big batch of new players come into the program every year is just part of living in the junior college basketball world. Players and coaches must adapt and gel quickly. Some do it more successfully than others. This year's team may already have the gelling part going in the right direction.

"That's the hardest thing about it,"

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Ex-Ranger Jones inks with LSU

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

Former Greenwood baseball player Josh Jones has come along way since his days of playing with the Rangers.

But it wasn't until Jones, a sophomore at Howard College, was sitting in the office of Skip Bertman, nationally-renowned coach at Louisiana State University, this past weekend that he found how far that was.

It was then that Jones orally committed to for the LSU Tigers.

"This is a big step," said Jones, who will not actually sign until Nov. 12 when players can officially sign early.

"They are giving me their biggest ride (scholarship offer), and that is good news," Jones added. "I went there, and the tradition is amazing. It is nothing that you can explain. In the spring, they say it is more exceptional. The coach, the program — everything is great about it. I never thought something like this would happen at Greenwood. I wasn't expecting this last year."

Jones becomes the third Howard player in head coach Brian Roper's six years at Howard to sign with Bertman's program, which has proven to be the elite program in the nation with four national titles in the 1990s. Outfielder Wes Davis played on last year's national title team and Ben Phillips signed with LSU but elected to go professional. Roper says it is another honor for his program, but also says that Jones is definitely deserving.

"His future is really bright," said Roper, who alumni included three players who played in the same College World Series. "He has gotten better every day he's been in college baseball. Now, he's going to a great program and playing for a great coach."

Jones, a righthander, says he's consistently clocked around 89 to 90 mph. Last season, Jones was 8-4 with a 2.75 ERA for the 31-20 Hawks, who advanced to the Region V Tournament.

But Jones is more than a great player. Roper goes as far as to call Jones, "a coaches' dream."

"He's a great kid — a coaches' dream," Ropes said. "It comes from his mom and dad. He's 'Yes sir, no sir.' They are super people."

Roper's description of Jones' attitude says a lot about the four-time all-district performer for Tony Pallenez' Greenwood teams. Jones, 19, says that being level headed and responsible has paid off, and he doesn't plan to change anything now.

"We've got another year here, and our goal is to win the whole thing," Jones said of Howard's prospects. "I am glad to get this (the signing) out of the way. If I had not signed, there would be pressure during the season

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Aikman says he'll return to face 49ers Sunday

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Troy Aikman had a stiff neck and headache Monday but vowed he'll start against the San Francisco 49ers.

Aikman suffered the fifth concussion of his NFL career in the first period of the Dallas Cowboys' 13-12 loss to Philadelphia.

"I have no doubt I'll be fine," Aikman said. "I felt I could have played in the second half yesterday. I felt I had gained my senses and could go back in but the doctors wouldn't let me."

As far as concussions go, Aikman said Sunday's wasn't the worst.

"I think the worst one I had was in the 1994 NFC championship game but I practiced and played in the Super Bowl next week," Aikman said.

Aikman, who has had a total of seven concussions counting high school and college, said his helmet-to-helmet collision with Jimmie Jones of the Eagles was legal. It was Aikman's first concussion since Oct. 24, 1994 at Arizona. He said it was the first he has had with a new style of helmet he has been wearing.

Midway through the season the Dallas Cowboys are off to their worst start since 1990.

"Between the 20-yard lines we're the best team in the NFL," said Dallas running back Emmitt Smith, referring to the fact that the Cowboys are the worst at scoring touchdowns after they get inside the 20.

The Cowboys are 4-4, with all four losses coming on the road against NFC East foes. Dallas has won five consecutive NFC East titles and made the playoffs six consecutive years.

Aikman said if the Cowboys can beat the 49ers (7-1) on Sunday they can put the bad game in Philadelphia behind them.

"We need to win all of them now," Aikman said. "We've left no room for error."

Dallas also will have one of its best defensive backs for San Francisco. Strong safety Darren Woodson, who missed the Eagles game because of a

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The not-so-impossible dream

■ Leyland and Marlins show how hard work can lift expansion team to title

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

MIAMI — Jim Leyland hoisted the World Series trophy, the one that had been parked just outside the Cleveland clubhouse an hour earlier, and reflected on the 34 years he spent hoping to win it.

"I wanted to remind those guys in winter ball and the instructional league, guys like me that weren't very good players, they weren't going anywhere, thinking they have no chance to get to the major leagues," the Florida Marlins manager said after Sunday night's thrilling Game 7.

"This win is dedicated to those guys. You're looking at a backup catcher in Double-A," he said. "And I finally arrived at the pinnacle of this sport tonight, so there's hope for all those guys out there. Don't give up, and maybe things will work out for them like it did for me."

Like their manager, the Marlins never gave up. The Series made an exceptional comeback, too. After six games without drama, Game 7 ensured that this week will be remembered for more than snow, sloppy play and paltry television ratings.

Two outs from elimination, Florida managed to score a run in the bottom of the ninth on Craig Counsell's sacrifice fly off Jose Mesa to make it 2-2. Then in the 11th inning, an error by second baseman Tony Fernandez set up Edgar Renteria's bases-loaded single with two outs that gave the wild-card Marlins a 3-2 win.

"I was too nervous to watch," said first baseman Jeff Conine, a member of the Marlins since their 1993 expansion season. "I don't think you can find a better finish than that."

While the Marlins became the youngest franchise to win the World Series, the Indians found yet anoth-

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AP Laserphoto
Florida Marlins fans cheer as they join hundreds of motorists in Miami's Little Havana to celebrate the Marlins World Series Championship Monday.

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Midland Christian volleyball team rebounds into playoffs

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

Last year, the Midland Christian volleyball team missed the volleyball playoffs for the first time in 10 years. This year, the Mustangs made sure it didn't happen again.

The Lady Mustangs make their return to the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools playoffs at 6 p.m. tonight in Class 4A bi-district action at Dallas Christian.

Midland Christian finished the regular season at 18-10 overall, just one year after recording a 5-25 mark. It was a remarkable improvement for a team in its second season in TAPPS 4A, although the players say that a big reason for its playoff run starts at the top. Coach Kathi Hutton took over the team after a year away from the program.

"This season has been about the coaching," senior setter Cathy McCrary said. "We didn't get any new players. Coach Hutton makes the difference."

The Lady Mustangs qualified for the playoffs after finishing second in the three-team District 1-4A playoff this past weekend. MC finished in a three-way tie with Lubbock Christian and Lubbock Trinity at season's end, but defeated Lubbock Christian in three games Saturday to clinch the second seed. The win was highlighted by a comeback from 8-1 and 13-7 deficits in Game 3 before MC rallied to win 15-13.

The Lady Mustangs fell in three games to Lubbock Trinity in the match for the district's No. 1 seed, but a win there would have been icing on the cake.

"They gave me a lot on Saturday," Hutton said. "The feeling with the team is positive, and the support from the school is so great that we are back in the playoffs."

MC is the No. 2 seed and that means having to play Dallas Christian, the District 2 champion. Dallas Christian is similar to MC in that both teams feature a strong presence in the middle. That was a pleasant surprise to Hutton who thinks that her middle hitters, Sarah Koss and Amy Rydell, provide a solid 1-2 punch.

"I expect a tough match," Hutton said. "They have strong middle hitters — one is six-foot and the other is 5-11. That was pretty good news in that it was their strength."

Midland Christian's season has been filled with up and downs. The Lady Mustangs fired out of the blocks to a 14-4 start. However, back-row injuries forced the team to have to make adjustments, and it wasn't until recently that things started to click.

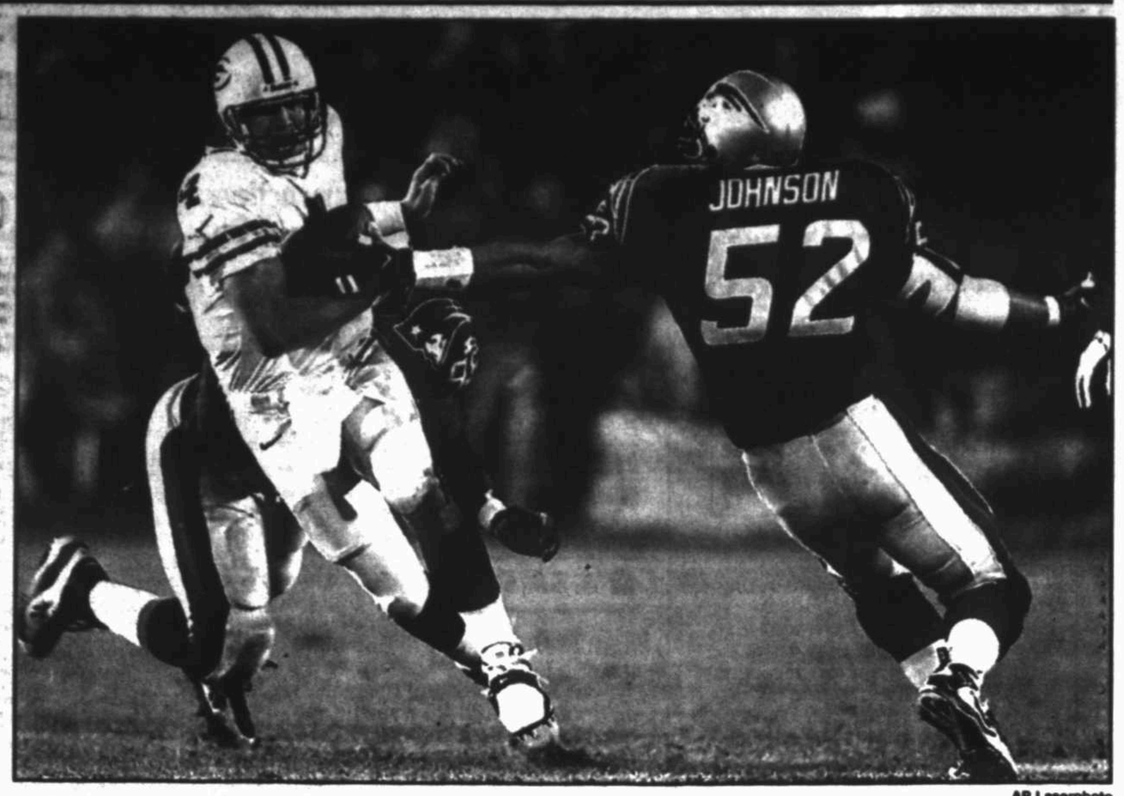
"There was a slump after the Greenwood game. We lost matches that we should not have to Lubbock Christian and Lubbock Trinity," McCrary said. "We couldn't pass, but we have gotten our passing where it should have been. Everything is coming together."

If it clicks tonight that could mean another trip to the Metroplex. The winner of tonight's match will play the winner of Lubbock Trinity and Trinity Christian-Cedar Hill or Denton Liberty Christian.

But for now, the Lady Mustangs will worry about this match. For six seniors — Dana Youngs, Krista Benson, Breanna McGuire, Amanda Urquidez, Rydell and McCrary, it could be their last. However, Hutton doesn't think her team will go will go out without a fight.

"I think they are hungry and like the playoffs," Hutton said.

They have proven that just getting to this point.



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Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre (4) squeezes in between New England Patriots linebacker Ted Johnson (52) and defensive tackle Henry Thomas (95) to pick-up a first down during first quarter action of their NFL game at Foxboro Stadium Monday night. The Packers won 28-10.

Sharp Packers roll through Pats

Associated Press

■ NFL Roundup

FOXBORO, Mass. — Brett Favre made the Super Bowl sequel as successful for the Green Bay Packers as the original. And much easier.

Throwing on the run and scrambling for first downs, he baffled New England's defense with three touchdown passes as the Packers won 28-10 Monday night, nine months and a day after they beat the Patriots for the NFL title 35-21.

The Packers trailed 10-7 late in the first half Monday before Favre led them on scoring drives of 75 yards in the second quarter, 99 in the third and 85 in the fourth. They won the Super Bowl with big plays and led by just six points late in the third quarter.

Coming off a bye week, the Packers had plenty of energy after coach Mike Holmgren gave them six days off before resuming practice.

"I wanted them to get away from football for a while," he said. "They had a little more jump, a little more enthusiasm. I hope we can build on that."

Both teams played down the rematch angle, focusing instead on correcting recent problems — two losses in three games for the Patriots and four wins by fewer than seven points for the Packers.

The crowd was subdued most of the night as tradition prevailed: Super Bowl winners are now 4-1 in games they've played the following season against the teams they beat for the title.

Favre gave the Packers (6-2) a 7-0 lead with a 6-yard pass to Dorsey Levens with 3:19 left in the first quarter. But the Patriots (5-3) went ahead on Drew Bledsoe's 11-yard scoring pass to Ben Coates and Adam Vinatieri's 38-yard field goal. It was his 22nd consecutive successful attempt, the longest current streak in the NFL.

Favre then gave the Packers a 14-10 halftime lead with a 32-yard pass to Mark Chmura 22 seconds before intermission.

And when the Patriots couldn't score after getting a first down at the Green Bay 1-yard line on their first series of the second half, Favre led the Packers on a 17-play, 99-yard march ending in his 20-yard scoring pass to Robert Brooks with 15 seconds left in the third quarter.

That drive "didn't have to be a turning point," Patriots coach Pete Carroll said, "but it was, because we couldn't respond and stop them on defense."

Bears 36, Dolphins 33 (OT)

MIAMI — On the verge of the worst start in franchise history, the Chicago Bears finally found a way to win.

They overcame a 15-point deficit in the final 5:48 of regulation and beat the Miami Dolphins on Jeff Jaeger's 35-yard field goal with 5:35 left in overtime.

Barry Minter set up the winning score when he sacked Dan Marino to force a fumble that Carl Reeves recovered at the Miami 17-yard line. Two fumbles by Marino in the first half led to nine Chicago points.

The Bears (1-7) averted the first 0-8 start in the 78-year history of the franchise. They began 0-7 in 1969.

Miami (5-3) is tied with New England and the New York Jets for first place in the AFC East.

The loss snapped the Dolphins' three-game winning streak.

MC golfers take 2nd at Lovington

Staff Report

LOVINGTON, N.M. — The battle between Western Junior College Athletic Conference foes, Midland College and Western Texas College, continued Monday at the New Mexico Invitational at the Lovington Country Club.

And this time, Western Texas College got the best of Delnor Poss' Chaps.

Western Texas got the early advantage of five strokes en route to its third win over MC with a 281 team score in the first round. The Chaps, who had won the last two events over WTC at Odessa and Andrews, did fare better in the afternoon with a 3-under-par 277, compared to WTC's 279, but it was too little too late. Western Texas finished with a 560 while Midland College ended with a 563.

WTC and MC were the class of the field, distancing themselves by 13 strokes from third-place Odessa College.

Midland College was led by sophomore Charlie Prince of Midland. The former District 4-5A medalist at Midland Lee fell three shots short of taking top honors in the medalist race. Prince, who has been all-tournament three times this season, shot a two-round total of 140 (even par), including a 67 in the afternoon.

Prince, however, fell short of WTC's Fred Widmark who shot a 137. MC's Nathan Goulding also made the all-tournament team, placing fifth with a 140.

"Charlie Prince and Nathan Goulding played exceptionally well," Poss said. "The first round score of 5-over-par was just too much for them to overcome. They did play great in the second round."

Fraser McLaughlan finished with a 143, Kenneth Ferrie and Scott Rundell both fired 146. Another former Rebel Thomas Brantley shot a 156, and Kermit's Stephen Everest shot 153.

Results from the New Mexico Junior College Invitational played at the par-70 Lovington Country Club.

Team Standings: 1. Western Texas College 281-279—560; 2. Midland College 286-277—563; 3. Odessa College 285-291—576; 4. New Mexico Junior College 285-294—579; 5. New Mexico Military Institute 291-310—601.

Medalist: 1. Fred Widmark, WTC, 68-69—137; 2. Charlie Prince, MC, 71-67—138; 3. Audreas Ljunggren, WTC, 69-69—138; 4. Lance Thompson, OC, 69-70—139; 5. Nathan Goulding, MC, 71-69—140.

Midland College Scores: Charlie Prince 71-67—138; Nathan Goulding 71-69—140; Fraser McLaughlan 73-70—143; Kenneth Ferrie 75-71—146; Scott Rundell 71-75—146; Thomas Brantley 77-79—156; Individual: Stephen Everest 76-77—153.

JONES: Pitcher heads for powerful LSU

(From 1C)

about where I am going. Now, I can concentrate on what I'm doing and get better."

Jones also says future decisions like the possibility of turning professional will wait. He plans to honor his commitment to Bertman, but says that a high draft pick and big money could be hard to turn down.

But for now, Jones can focus on his role at Howard and dream of the chance to pitch in an LSU uniform on the mound at Rosenblatt Stadium (home of the College World Series) in Omaha, Neb.

He had been to Rosenblatt before, and fittingly enough, he saw LSU win a national title. On his next visit, he might be the pitcher, and the dream of pitching will come true.

Now, that is coming a very long way.

MARLINS: Team spent big to win Series

(From 1C)

er way to lose. Rather than bringing home its first championship since 1948, Cleveland's curse continued with the most painful loss in club history.

As Leyland celebrated by carrying a big Marlins banner in a victory lap around Pro Player Stadium to the cheers of 67,204 fans, Indians first baseman Jim Thome crouched alone in front of the mound, burying his head in his hands.

Only a few innings earlier, the Cleveland locker room had been set for a celebration. Plastic had been stapled all around to protect against spraying champagne, and a podium with microphones had been put in place to present the World Series trophy, which was resting right outside the clubhouse door.

Later, the smell of victory cigars filled the Marlins locker room.

"It's the seventh game of the World Series and you just don't know the feeling," Cleveland shortstop Omar Vizquel said. "You prepare your whole life for this. You dream about winning the World Series. Then, this happens.

"It is a nightmare," he said, "just a nightmare."

For Livan Hernandez, however, it was a day to remember forever.

Hernandez, who was warming up in the late innings, joined Larry Sherry of the 1959 Dodgers as the only rookies to become MVP of the World Series. The award will fit nicely with the MVP trophy he won in the NL championship series.

But it was the arrival of his mother from Cuba shortly before Game 7 began that topped everything else.

"My mother's here and we're champions," Hernandez said. "The victory, I give to her."

The Marlins eclipsed the mark of the 1969 New York Mets, who took eight years to win the World Series. No doubt, many fans will credit Florida's quick rise to a winter spending spree in which owner Wayne Huizenga paid nearly $100 million to bring Leyland, Bobby Bonilla, Moises Alou, Alex Fernandez and others to the team.

Yet it was also the 22-year-old Renteria, a $180,000 shortstop, and homegrown talent Charles Johnson, a Gold Glove catcher, that pushed Florida to the top.

Did the Marlins pay their dues?

In dollars, certainly, as they bolstered a team that had never had a winning season until this year. But they also did it with desire, winning a total of 27 games in their final at-bat, including only the third Game 7 of the World Series to go into extra innings.

The Marlins served noticed from the start, winning their first 11 exhibition games. They went 8-1 to begin the regular season, then won their first four playoff games and went on to beat the two-time NL champion Atlanta Braves.

Now, in the land where baseball always came to begin its spring ritual, it has crowned a champion. And in 16 weeks, the players will be back to start a whole new season full of hope, with two new expansion teams maybe doing what the Marlins did, only faster.

Anyone for the Arizona Diamondbacks vs. Tampa Bay Devil Rays next October?

4-5A: Three teams contending for 3rd spot

(From 1C)

"If we didn't have two great teams staring us in the face, we would be more optimistic," said Gaines referring to playing Cooper and Lee in weeks nine and 10. "There are upsets. We are banking on it."

Lee (3-4 overall) is coming off a huge 31-21 win over Abilene High. Josh Norman rushed for 181 yards and two touchdowns on an amazing 35 carries. Norman and Stacy Jones, who rushed for 113 yards and two TDs, keyed long drives to pave the way for a Lee win. It was a performance that many have expected and a performance that Parchman hopes to improve on.

"Things were on the line for the football program, and we rose to the occasion," Parchman said. "We have told the kids what they did last Friday would not be good enough anymore. We have to pick it up a notch."

Permian (3-4 overall) is coming off an open date in its 4-5A calendar. It was a week off that Mayes said the team needed. The Panthers could easily be 4-0 in district. Permian lost to OHS by three points, lost to Cooper on a field goal with four seconds to go and fell to Central in triple overtime.

"In all four losses, the kids knew we had a good football team, now we have to prove it," Mayes said. "Mathematically, we know what we have to do. I think we will have to play the two best games this year. That is saying quite a bit. We played well in the four losses."

District 4-5A A-List

Rushing
(100 yards or Multiple Touchdowns)

Shemond Davis, Midland High	191 yards, 2 TDs on 16 carries vs. Cooper
Josh Norman, Lee	181 yards, 2 TDs on 35 carries vs. Abilene High
Freddy Espinoza, OHS	133 yards on 25 carries vs. Central
Arturo Beltran, Abilene High	128 yards on 16 carries vs. Lee.
Stacy Jones, Lee	113 yards, 2 TDs on 13 carries vs. AHS
Ahmad Brooks, Abilene High	12 yards, 2 TDs vs. Lee

Passing
(200 yards or Multiple Touchdowns)

Julio Guerrero, Central	12 or 22 for 191 yards, 2 TDs vs. OHS

Receiving
(100 yards or Multiple TDs)

Andy Montelongo, Central	5 catches for 107 yards, 2 TDs vs. OHS

Special Teams

Peter Abrigg, Cooper — three field goals (24, 23 and 21 yards). The last one beat Midland High with seconds left.

Abilene High (5-3 overall) has the open date this weekend and really has to hope for the best this weekend before battling Permian next week.

OHS MILESTONES: This weekend could be a big week for Odessa High. Quarterback Rick Leach is 66 yards away from the becoming the sixth OHS QB to hit 1,000 yards passing. Running back Freddy Espinoza has rushed for 849 yards and is just 151 yards from being the ninth 1,000 rusher (LaQueency Williams accomplished the feat in 1995). If both players hit 1,000 for the season, it will be the second time for a quarterback and running back to do so in school history. The other came in 1991 when Erik Hartman threw for 1,561 yards and Brad Givens rushed for 1,115.

4-5A NOTES: In the last two weeks, Cooper's Peter Abrigg has kicked field goals in the last 10 seconds to win games... MHS' Shemond Davis was the leading rusher in the district this past week. He became the first back to rush for 100 yards against Cooper this season. Davis, who had 191 yards and two TDs, only needed one half to accomplish the feat against the district's No. 1 defense... The Midland High defense became the first to hold a Cooper running back to under 100 yards... Abilene High's Sneezy Beltran became the first 4-5A back this season to top 1,000 yards. The sophomore gained 128 yards vs. Lee to raise his league-leading total to 1,042.

'BOYS: Dallas hurts after loss

(From 1C)

bone bruise on the knee, said he's playing against San Francisco.

Woodson was missed against the Eagles because rookie Omar Stoutmire, his replacement, gave up the eight-yard winning touchdown pass to tight end Chad Lewis with less than a minute to play.

Coach Barry Switzer said the Cowboys lost a linebacker against the Eagles.

"Vinson Smith broke his jaw and will have to have it wired for three weeks," Switzer said. "We're down to four linebackers."

The Cowboys went without a touchdown for the first time this year, and the first time since they beat New England 12-6 on Dec. 15, 1996.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Lee, MHS Football Stats

4-5A Standings

Season Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Odessa High	7	1	209	117	.875
Abilene Cooper	7	1	197	100	.875
Abilene High	5	3	230	153	.625
San Angelo	4	4	201	201	.500
Odessa Permian	3	4	148	133	.429
Midland Lee	3	4	145	141	.429
Midland High	1	7	167	192	.125

Last Week's Results

Friday: Midland Lee 31, Abilene High 21; Abilene Cooper 23, Midland High 21; Odessa High 14, San Angelo 13. Odessa Permian was open.

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Odessa High	4	0	82	51	1.000
Abilene Cooper	4	0	81	38	1.000
San Angelo	2	2	124	121	.500
Midland Lee	2	2	59	89	.500
Abilene High	2	3	120	118	.400
Odessa Permian	1	3	101	85	.250
Midland High	0	5	90	154	.000

This Week's Schedule

Friday: Odessa High at Midland High, Midland Lee at Odessa Permian, Abilene Cooper at San Angelo. Abilene High is open. All games 7:30 p.m.

Midland Lee Statistics

(3-4, 2-2)

RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Josh Norman	147	807	5.5	10
Stacy Jones	67	370	5.5	3
Jason Hernandez	25	204	8.2	1
Autry Pryor	39	148	3.8	1
Jeremy Deramus	43	57	1.3	0
Shane Fisher	8	17	2.1	1
Stuart Ledgerwood	2	-4	-2.0	0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Com.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Jeremy Deramus	95	46	3	567	3

RECEIVING

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Matt Winston	11	164	14.9	2
Josh Norman	10	111	11.1	1
Stacy Jones	10	102	10.2	0
Brian Boyd	5	72	14.4	0
Stuart Ledgerwood	3	37	12.3	0
Josh Miller	2	32	16.0	0
Eric Clodfelter	1	27	27.0	0
Shane Fisher	3	22	7.3	0
Scott Worley	1	4	4.0	0

PUNTING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.
Chris Ulmo	24	925	38.5

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Int.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Paul Guerrero	1	9	9.0	0
Derrick Walker	1	5	5.0	0

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Josh Norman	11	0	0	66
Chris Ulmo	0	15	4	27
Stacy Jones	3	0	0	18
Matt Winston	2	2	0	14
Jason Hernandez	1	0	0	6
Autry Pryor	1	0	0	6
Shane Fisher	1	0	0	6
Jeremy Deramus	0	2	0	2

Midland High Statistics

(1-7, 0-5)

RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Shemond Davis	137	730	5.3	4
Camar Jackson	63	425	6.8	3
Ryan Stewart	65	280	4.3	5
Laynce Nix	22	145	6.6	0
Jimmy Smith	23	94	4.1	1
Damon Johnson	13	85	6.5	2
Raji Hickey	4	75	18.8	0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Com.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Camar Jackson	90	39	5	549	4
Laynce Nix	33	18	1	217	2

RECEIVING

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Lance King	10	195	19.5	1
Shemond Davis	14	160	11.4	2
Raji Hickey	7	125	17.9	1
Ryan Stewart	9	90	10.0	2
Luke Conder	4	65	16.3	0
Conly Gevecker	7	58	8.3	0
Zach Gardner	2	34	17.0	0
Damon Johnson	2	17	8.5	0
Robert Newells	1	11	11.0	0
Dujuan Andrews	1	11	11.0	0

PUNTING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.
Preston Reeder	25	872	34.9

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Int.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Jason Williams	2	0	0.0	0
Erik McCright	1	2	2.0	0
Joey Kindred	1	0	0.0	0
Jake Menefee	1	0	0.0	0

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	FG	TP
Ryan Stewart	7	2	0	44
Shemond Davis	6	0	0	36
Preston Reeder	0	17	6	35
Camar Jackson	3	0	0	18
Damon Johnson	2	0	0	12
Lance King	1	0	0	6
Jimmy Smith	1	0	0	6
Raji Hickey	1	0	0	6

Erik McCright credited with forced two-point safety. Jason Williams credited with two-point blocked punt for safety.

District 4-5A Leaders

RUSHING (TOP 5)

Player, Team	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Arturo Beltran,AHS	92	1042	11.3	10
Robbie Johnson,Cooper	155	935	6.0	4
Freddy Espinoza, OHS	147	849	5.8	10
Chris Rodgers, Central	109	817	7.5	9
Josh Norman, Lee	147	807	5.5	10

PASSING (TOP 3)

Player, Team	Att.-Comp.-Int.	Yds.	TD
Julio Guerrero, Central	108-64-8	1016	11
Rick Leach, OHS	119-64-6	934	9
Brandon Stover, Cooper	126-63-4	861	7

RECEIVING (TOP 3)

Player, Team	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Mark Rau, Cooper	30	499	16.6	2
Scotty Pence, OHS	18	362	20.1	4
Andy Montelongo, Central	13	347	26.7	4

SCORING

Player, Team	TD	PAT-1	PAT-2	FG	Pts.
Freddy Espinoza, OHS	13	0	0	0	78
Arturo Beltran, AHS	12	0	2	0	76
Josh Norman, Lee	11	0	0	0	66
Chris Rodgers, Central	10	0	1	0	62
Ahmad Brooks, AHS	10	0	0	0	60

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Exercised their 1998 option on OF Eric Davis. Activated RHP Rocky Coppinger off the disabled list and added him to the 40-man roster.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Exercised their 1998 option on OF Chad Curtis.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with OF Alex Diaz on a minor league contract. Announced that RHP Terry Clark, LHP Bryan Eversgerd, C Henry Mercedes and OF Mike Simms have refused outright minor league assignments and have been granted free agency. Named Bob Dernier minor league outfield instructor and Jay Eddings as an amateur scout.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Signed RHP Christopher Mowday.

National League

NEW YORK METS—Named Fred Wright assistant director of amateur scouring, Jack Bowen national scouting cross-checker and Joe Morlan area scout supervisor for Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Named Dave Stewart pitching coach.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Declined their 1998 option on C Damon Berryhill.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Waived G Isaac Burton, G Dell Demps, F Antonio Lang and F Larry Stewart.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Waived F James Forrest.

ORLANDO MAGIC—Acquired G Mark Price from the Golden State Warriors for G Brian Shaw and F David Vaughn.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Agreed to terms with CB Corey Sawyer on a one-year contract extension.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Extended the contract of LB James Willis through the 2000 season.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Recalled C Richard Park and C Matt Cullen from Cincinnati of the AHL. Sent D Dan Trebil to Cincinnati.

CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled C Jim Dowd and G Tyler Moss from Saint John of the AHL.

DALLAS STARS—Assigned D Sergey Gusev to Michigan of the IHL.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Recalled G Peter Skudra from Houston of IHL. Assigned C Robert Lang to Houston.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Assigned D Mark Wotton to Syracuse of the AHL.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Called up F Andrew Brunette and F Todd Krygier from Portland of the AHL.

Western Profession Hockey League

WPHL—Named Bill Gatlin directive of corporate sales.

COLLEGE

JACKSONVILLE—Named Rob Ervin director of sports information, George Sorenson assistant director of sports information and Grayson Marshall director of promotions and sales.

MANSFIELD—Named Danita Pokorny women's swimming coach.

ONEONTA STATE—Named Matt Sorochinsky assistant wrestling coach and Norm Kaufman women's assistant basketball coach.

SOUTH ALABAMA—Named Bob Welttich men's interim basketball coach.

TOLEDO—Named Nicole Pluger graduate assistant softball coach.

AC Delco 400

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — Results Monday of the ACDelco 400 Winston Cup race at North Carolina Motor Speedway, with starting position in parentheses, driver, hometown, make of car, laps completed, reason out if any, and money won:

1. (28) Bobby Hamilton, Nashville, Tenn., Pontiac, 393, $89,150.
2. (2) Dale Jarrett, Hickory, N.C., Ford, 393, $65,175.
3. (9) Ricky Craven, Newburgh, Maine, Chevrolet, 393, $45,625.
4. (6) Jeff Gordon, Pittsboro, Ind., Chevrolet, 393, $41,150.
5. (12) Dick Trickle, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., Ford, 393, $30,800.
6. (3) Mark Martin, Batesville, Ark., Ford, 393, $32,400.
7. (33) Terry Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, Chevrolet, 393, $38,400.
8. (26) Dale Earnhardt, Kannapolis, N.C., Chevrolet, 393, $32,800.
9. (35) Sterling Marlin, Columbia, Tenn., Chevrolet, 393, $32,200.
10. (19) Joe Nemechek, Lakeland, Fla., Chevrolet, 393, $22,625.
11. (1) Bobby Labonte, Corpus Christi, Texas, Pontiac, 392, $36,875.
12. (8) Bill Elliott, Dawsonville, Ga., Ford, 392, $26,575.
13. (27) Robert Pressley, Asheville, N.C., Ford, 392, $14,975.
14. (17) Michael Waltrip, Owensboro, Ky., Ford, 392, $26,075.
15. (24) Jeremy Mayfield, Owensboro, Ky., Ford, 392, $19,675.
16. (16) Chad Little, Spokane, Wash., Pontiac, 391, $18,475.
17. (30) Lake Speed, Jackson, Miss., Ford, 391, $18,175.
18. (18) Rusty Wallace, St. Louis, Ford, 391, $30,975.
19. (7) Geoff Bodine, Chemung, N.Y., Ford, 391, $24,575.
20. (14) Derrike Cope, Spanaway, Wash., Pontiac, 391, $19,175.
21. (29) Jeff Green, Whitehouse, Tenn., Chevrolet, 391, $17,775.
22. (5) Kyle Petty, Randleman, N.C., Pontiac, 391, $16,475.
23. (10) Mike Skinner, Susanville, Calif., Chevrolet, 391, $16,275.
24. (37) Steve Grissom, Gadsden, Ala., Chevrolet, 391, $23,075.
25. (23) Hut Stricklin, Calera, Ala., Ford, 390, $22,875.
26. (4) Ward Burton, South Boston, Va., Pontiac, 390, $22,675.
27. (15) David Green, Owensboro, Ky., Chevrolet, 390, $15,475.
28. (39) Ernie Irvan, Salinas, Calif., Ford, 389, $27,375.
29. (43) Darrell Waltrip, Franklin, Tenn., Chevrolet, 389, $22,275.
30. (38) Ken Schrader, Fenton, Mo., Chevrolet, 389, $21,675.
31. (41) John Andretti, Indianapolis, Ford, 389, $21,050.
32. (34) Ted Musgrave, Franklin, Wis., Ford, 388, $18,950.
33. (32) Steve Park, East Northport, N.Y., Chevrolet, 387, $11,850.
34. (31) Morgan Shepherd, Conover, N.C., Pontiac, 387, $18,750.
35. (21) Wally Dallenbach, Basalt, Colo., Chevrolet, 386, $11,650.
36. (20) Johnny Benson, Grand Rapids, Mich., Pontiac, 384, $18,825.
37. (25) Kenny Wallace, St. Louis, Ford, 379, handling, $18,600.
38. (11) Jeff Burton, South Boston, Va., Ford, 365, handling, $30,050.
39. (42) Greg Sacks, Mattituck, N.Y., Chevrolet, 339, engine, $18,550.
40. (13) Ricky Rudd, Chesapeake, Va., Ford, 241, crash, $26,550.
41. (36) Gary Bradberry, Chelsea, Ala., Ford, 239, crash, $11,550.
42. (22) Rick Mast, Lexington, Va., Ford, 178, camshaft, $18,550.
43. (40) Jimmy Spencer, Berwick, Pa., Ford, 111, crash, $18,550.

Race Statistics

Time of race: 3:17:00.

Margin of victory: 0.941-seconds (about 12 car-lengths).

Winner's average speed: 121.730 mph.

Cautions: 5 for 40 laps.

Lead changes: 20 among 9 drivers.

Lap Leaders: Jarrett 1-15; B.Labonte 16-74; Jarrett 75-79; Gordon 80; G.Bodine 81-83; Petty 84-85; Hamilton 86-88; B.Labonte 89-122; Craven 123-192; Jarrett 193-194; G.Bodine 195; Hamilton 196-213; J.Burton 214-234; Jarrett 235-249; T.Labonte 250; Gordon 251-272; Craven 273-339; Jarrett 340-375; Craven 376-377; Hamilton 378-393.

Unofficial point standings: Gordon 4,486; Martin 4,361; Jarrett 4,341; J.Burton 4,095; T.Labonte 3,947; Earnhardt 3,936; B.Labonte 3,822; Elliott 3,683; Musgrave 3,389; R.Wallace 3,351; Mayfield 3,335; Schrader 3,313; Irvan 3,293; Benson 3,290; Rudd 3,223.

Hockey Results

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	7	3	1	15	38	27
Philadelphia	7	4	1	15	36	31
New Jersey	6	4	0	12	30	21
N.Y. Rangers	3	4	5	11	29	31
Florida	3	5	2	8	21	31
N.Y. Islanders	3	5	2	8	26	26
Tampa Bay	2	8	2	6	21	38

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	7	4	2	16	36	29
Boston	7	4	1	15	35	30
Ottawa	6	3	3	15	36	29
Montreal	6	3	2	14	31	20
Carolina	3	7	3	9	31	41
Buffalo	3	6	2	8	26	37

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	9	1	2	20	47	22
St. Louis	9	2	1	19	43	25
Dallas	7	4	1	15	36	26
Phoenix	5	3	2	12	34	28
Toronto	3	6	1	7	22	32
Chicago	2	10	0	4	16	37

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	6	2	4	16	41	31
Anaheim	4	4	3	11	24	29
Los Angeles	4	5	3	11	39	37
Edmonton	4	6	1	9	23	36
San Jose	4	7	0	8	28	35
Vancouver	3	6	2	8	26	32
Calgary	1	8	2	4	25	39

Monday's Games

Montreal 4, Chicago 2

San Jose 2, N.Y. Islanders 1

New Jersey 5, Philadelphia 0

Tuesday's Games

Dallas at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.

Los Angeles at Florida, 6:30 p.m.

Anaheim at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.

Buffalo at Colorado, 7 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Calgary, 8 p.m.

Sharks 2, Islanders 1

San Jose	1	0	1	— 2
N.Y. Islanders	0	1	0	— 1

First Period—1, San Jose, Guolla 1 (McSorley, Kozlov), 11:59.

Second Period—2, New York, Berard 5 (Jonsson, Reichel), 14:15 (pp).

Third Period—3, San Jose, Sturm 3 (Friesen, Granato), 19:06.

Shots on goal—San Jose 8-6-8—22. New York 3-11-4—18.

Power-play Opportunities—San Jose 0 of 5; New York 1 of 7.

Goalies—San Jose, Vernon 4-4-0 (18 shots-17 saves). New York, Salo 3-4-1 (22-20).

Devils 5, Flyers 0

New Jersey	3	0	2	— 5
Philadelphia	0	0	0	— 0

First Period—1, New Jersey, Elias 2 (MacLean, Holik), 7:31. 2, New Jersey, Carpenter 2 (MacLean, Zelepukin), 8:02. 3, New Jersey, Gilmour 2 (Niedermayer, Sykora), 8:40 (pp).

Second Period—None.

Third Period—4, New Jersey, Elias 3 (McKay, Holik), 1:36. 5, New Jersey, Dean 1 (MacLean), 10:32 (pp).

Shots on goal—New Jersey 12-3-6—21. Philadelphia 3-7-10—20.

Power-play Opportunities—New Jersey 2 of 5; Philadelphia 0 of 5.

Goalies—New Jersey, Brodeur 5-3-0 (20 shots-20 saves). Philadelphia, Hextall 5-1-1 (21-16).

Canadiens 4, Blackhawks 2

Chicago	0	0	2	— 2
Montreal	2	0	2	— 4

First Period—1, Montreal, Richer 3 (Bordeleau, Quintal), 2:56. 2, Montreal, Malakhov 3 (Corson, Recchi), 3:48.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—3, Chicago, Johnson 2 (Krivokrasov, Amonte), 15:20. 4, Chicago, Krivokrasov 4 (Amonte, Zhamnov), 17:26. 5, Montreal, Damphousse 3 (Rucinsky, Rivet), 18:39. 6, Montreal, Stevenson 1 (Tucker, Manson), 19:14 (en).

Shots on goal—Chicago 6-8-20—34. Montreal 10-7-6—23.

Power-play Opportunities—Chicago 0 of 2; Montreal 0 of 4.

Goalies—Chicago, Terreri 2-8-0 (22 shots-19 saves). Montreal, Thibault 3-0-1 (34-32).

NHL Scoring

NEW YORK (AP) — NHL scoring leaders through Oct.26

Player,Team	GP	G	A	PTS	PtM
Lindros, Phi	11	7	12	19	24
Modano, Dal	12	9	8	17	6
Forsberg, Col	12	4	13	17	18
Sakic, Col	12	7	9	16	12
Francis, Pit	13	6	10	16	2
Jagr, Pit	13	5	11	16	8
Leclair, Phi	11	9	6	15	6
Hull, StL	12	8	7	15	2
Lidstrom, Det	12	5	10	15	2
Duchesne, StL	12	3	12	15	6
Macinnis, StL	12	6	7	13	14
Reichel, NYI	9	5	8	13	2
Stumpel, LA	12	5	8	13	6
Yashin, Ott	12	5	8	13	2
Selanne, Ana	11	7	5	12	8
Lafontaine, NYR	12	7	5	12	6
Stillman, Cal	9	6	6	12	8
Weight, Edm	11	5	7	12	6
Gretzky, NYR	12	4	8	12	4
Galley, LA	12	2	10	12	16

Players of Week

Oct. 6—G Patrick Roy, Colorado

Oct. 13—RW Brett Hull, St. Louis

Oct. 20—G Jim Carey and G Byron Dafoe, Boston

Oct. 27—RW Teemu Selanne, Anaheim

WPHL Standings

Eastern Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Austin	6	0	0	12	31	17
Shreveport	5	1	0	10	31	13
Lake Charles	4	3	0	8	34	34
Central Texas	3	2	1	7	33	28
Fort Worth	3	5	1	7	35	43
Waco	1	5	1	3	22	30
Monroe	1	2	0	2	10	19

Western Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
San Angelo	4	3	0	8	32	29
Amarillo	3	3	1	7	23	28
New Mexico	2	1	1	5	19	19
Odessa	2	3	1	5	27	35
El Paso	2	2	0	4	16	17

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory, one for a shootout loss.

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Austin at Amarillo

Waco at Central Texas

Shreveport at San Angelo

Wednesday's Games

No games scheduled

Thursday's Games

Shreveport at Amarillo

New Mexico at Central Texas

Monroe at El Paso

San Angelo at Fort Worth

Waco at Lake Charles

Austin at Odessa

'Bad decision' let Tech play Daniels

HOUSTON (AP) — An NCAA official says a "bad decision" allowed former Texas Tech defensive star Tony Daniels to finish the 1996 season despite proof he was ineligible, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Daniels, a former Odessa Permian standout who avoided being suspended this season by turning pro, was one of 76 Tech athletes recently found to have been improperly certified to play in the last six years. The school discovered its error last November and could have forced Daniels off the field immediately, but instead received permission from the NCAA to delay punishment until this fall, the newspaper reported in Monday's editions.

Daniels told the Chronicle at least one member of the Tech athletic department knew he was turning pro, which could call into question whether the school knew he essentially would go unpenalized.

"It just looks like a bad decision on our part — trusting the institution that (the penalty) would be fulfilled, and it never was," said Carrie Doyle, NCAA director of eligibility appeals.

Doyle said there was a precedent for allowing Daniels to finish the season and serve a suspension the following year. Tech athletic director Gerald Myers insisted that though there had been "some talk" that Daniels would leave early, the player's future reportedly was undecided.

"We didn't assume, 'Well, he's going to the NFL, so this (deferring the penalty to 1997) is going to be meaningless,'" Myers said.

Daniels announced he was turning pro Jan. 3, but he said most of the team knew of his plans long beforehand.

Daniels said he made the decision after undergoing knee surgery in 1995. He had no idea he was ineligible until the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal reported it a month after he declared for the NFL, Daniels said.

The Chronicle reported that documents showed Daniels had been wrongly certified because a self-paced fitness course at Lubbock Christian University had been improperly credited to his course work.

After the error was discovered and the NCAA let him play on, Daniels played key roles in victories over Southwestern Louisiana and Oklahoma. Against the Sooners, he had four sacks in a 22-12 victory.

Daniels went undrafted by NFL teams, then was cut by the Green Bay Packers after attending their summer camp.

More Sports/6C

All parties mum on reports of Mackovic's imminent demise

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas coach John Mackovic said Monday he won't discuss a newspaper's report saying school regents have reached a consensus to fire or reassign him at the end of the season.

"If you're interested in talking about the players or the team or the games, I would be happy to," Mackovic said at his weekly news conference.

"But I don't expect and don't intend to spend any time talking about myself. I don't think it's in the best interest of anybody."

The Dallas Morning News, citing two unidentified sources, reported Monday that there is enough support among the school's nine-member board of regents to fire or reassign the sixth-year coach at the end of the season. Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds, who in the past has denied reports that Mackovic's job is in imminent danger, didn't return repeated phone calls from The Associated Press on Monday.

Any action by the regents is usually preceded by a recommendation from Dodds, interim UT president Peter Flawn and chancellor William Cunningham. Both Flawn and Cunningham were in meetings in Dallas on Monday and didn't return calls.

The Longhorns, Big 12 champions a year ago, have stumbled badly this season. They are 3-4 overall and 1-3 in conference play, and the losses have been embarrassing and lopsided.

The most devastating was a 66-3 rout at home Sept. 13 against UCLA — Texas' second-worst performance ever. The Longhorns have since been drubbed by Oklahoma State and Colorado and lost 37-29 to Missouri.

Texas must win three of its final four — against Baylor, Texas Tech, Kansas and Texas A&M — to qualify for a bowl. The team was ranked as high as No. 11 in the AP poll but fell out after the UCLA loss.

National Football League

Packers 28, Patriots 10

Green Bay	7	7	7	—	28
New England	0	10	0	0 —	10

First Quarter

GB—Levens 6 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), 3:19.

Second Quarter

NE—Coates 11 pass from Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), 10:55.

NE—FG Vinatieri 38, 2:12.

GB—Chmura 32 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), :22.

Third Quarter

GB—Brooks 20 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), :15.

Fourth Quarter

GB—Levens 3 run (Longwell kick), 2:46.

	GB	NE
First downs	27	18
Rushes-yards	39-144	20-69
Passing	227	255
Comp-Att-Int	23-34-0	20-36-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-12	2-13
Punts	4-44.5	3-37.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-25	3-15
Time of Possession	34:20	25:40

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Green Bay, Levens 26-100, Favre 9-32, Hayden 2-6, Henderson 2-6. New England, Martin 18-65, Meggett 1-4, Bledsoe 1-0.

PASSING—Green Bay, Favre 23-34-0-239. New England, Bledsoe 20-36-3-268.

RECEIVING—Green Bay, Levens 7-40, Brooks 6-67, Chmura 4-60, Freeman 3-32, Henderson 2-20, Mayes 1-20. New England, Glenn 7-163, Martin 4-52, Jefferson 3-18, Coates 3-14, Meggett 1-15, Byars 1-3, Gash 1-3.

Bears 36, Dolphins 33

Chicago	7	8	3	15	— 36
Miami	7	6	6	14	— 33

First Quarter

Chi—R.Harris 1 run (Jaeger kick), 9:54.

Mia—McPhail 71 run (Mare kick), 4:08.

Second Quarter

Chi—FG Jaeger 39, 14:00.

Chi—Safety, Thierry sacked Marino in end zone, 12:56.

Chi—FG Jaeger 23, 3:18.

Mia—McPhail 10 pass from Marino (pass failed), :50.

Third Quarter

Chi—FG Jaeger 47, 9:11.

Mia—Buckley 22 fumble return (pass failed), 3:05.

Fourth Quarter

Mia—Drayton 22 pass from Marino (Mare kick), 13:06.

Mia—Abdul-Jabbar 2 run (Mare kick), 7:26.

Chi—Engram 8 pass from Kramer (Jaeger kick), 5:48.

Chi—Penn 25 pass from Kramer (Kramer to Engram), 1:25.

Overtime

Chi—FG Jaeger 35, 5:30.

Standings

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
AMERICAN CONFERENCE											
East											
Miami	5	3	0	.625	176	160	3-1-0	2-2-0	5-0-0	0-3-0	2-0-0
New England	5	3	0	.625	205	132	4-1-0	1-2-0	4-2-0	1-1-0	3-1-0
NY Jets	5	3	0	.625	201	156	2-2-0	3-1-0	5-3-0	0-0-0	2-3-0
Buffalo	4	4	0	.500	151	188	2-2-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	3-1-0
Indianapolis	0	8	0	.000	113	199	0-4-0	0-4-0	0-8-0	0-0-0	0-5-0
Central											
Pittsburgh	6	2	0	.750	194	187	4-1-0	2-1-0	5-1-0	1-1-0	4-1-0
Jacksonville	5	3	0	.625	208	168	4-0-0	1-3-0	3-1-0	2-2-0	3-1-0
Baltimore	4	4	0	.500	194	175	1-3-0	3-1-0	2-4-0	2-0-0	2-2-0
Tennessee	4	4	0	.500	183	161	3-1-0	1-3-0	2-4-0	2-0-0	1-2-0
Cincinnati	1	7	0	.125	125	219	1-2-0	0-5-0	0-6-0	1-1-0	0-4-0
West											
Denver	7	1	0	.875	238	133	4-0-0	3-1-0	5-1-0	2-0-0	2-1-0
Kansas City	6	2	0	.750	181	133	3-0-0	3-2-0	4-2-0	2-0-0	3-1-0
Seattle	5	3	0	.625	169	177	3-2-0	2-1-0	4-3-0	1-0-0	2-2-0
San Diego	4	4	0	.500	140	176	2-1-0	2-3-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	1-2-0
Oakland	3	5	0	.375	213	218	2-2-0	1-3-0	1-5-0	2-0-0	1-3-0
NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
East											
NY Giants	6	3	0	.667	186	180	4-1-0	2-2-0	5-1-0	1-2-0	3-0-0
Dallas	4	4	0	.500	178	131	3-0-0	1-4-0	2-4-0	2-0-0	1-4-0
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500	137	159	4-0-0	0-4-0	4-3-0	0-1-0	3-2-0
Washington	4	4	0	.500	142	137	3-1-0	1-3-0	3-1-0	1-3-0	2-1-0
Arizona	1	7	0	.125	133	185	1-3-0	0-4-0	1-5-0	0-2-0	1-3-0
Central											
Minnesota	6	2	0	.750	186	161	2-1-0	4-1-0	5-2-0	1-0-0	2-2-0
Green Bay	6	2	0	.750	196	159	4-0-0	2-2-0	4-2-0	2-0-0	4-1-0
Tampa Bay	5	3	0	.625	146	134	3-2-0	2-1-0	4-3-0	1-0-0	2-3-0
Detroit	4	4	0	.500	180	155	2-2-0	2-2-0	4-3-0	0-1-0	3-1-0
Chicago	1	7	0	.125	137	232	0-4-0	1-3-0	0-6-0	1-1-0	0-4-0
West											
San Fran	7	1	0	.875	210	98	3-0-0	4-1-0	7-1-0	0-0-0	7-0-0
Carolina	4	4	0	.500	128	139	1-3-0	3-1-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	3-1-0
St. Louis	2	6	0	.250	133	187	2-3-0	0-3-0	2-2-0	0-4-0	1-2-0
New Orleans	2	7	0	.222	118	198	1-4-0	1-3-0	2-6-0	0

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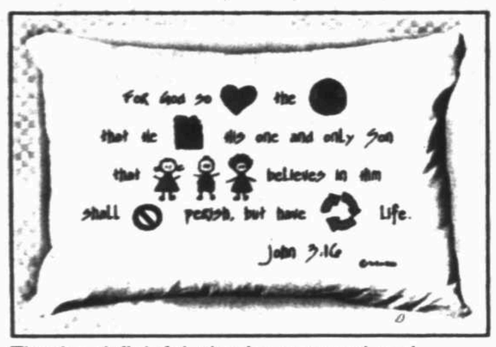

They're delightful, they're personal and they're under $20—they're Pillow Prays pillowcases at A Better Letter. The store carries several types of brightly colorful pillowcases perfect for Christmas and other gift occasions.

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If you need a last-minute present for a birthday, swing by A Better Letter and get the pillowcase and a gift certificate for monogramming. That will let the recipient have it monogrammed to suit them at a later time.

For young children, Libby has some small tri-color "roll bags" that have been really popular. One is pink, lavender and turquoise, and the other is red, yellow and royal. She also has solid colors of royal and pink. These are just $15.99 including the monogramming. They're great for makeup, doll clothes, ballet shoes, toy cars, or clothes and toothbrush for an overnight stay at grandma's. Mom and dad can also find matching larger size bags.

Libby's dog, Punkin, reminds you that A Better Letter has a new shipment of Christmas stockings just waiting for your name to be monogrammed. Prices on these range from $9.99 to $25.00 including monogramming. Make sure Santa knows which stocking is yours.

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A Better Letter is located at 1602 N. Big Spring. They do embroidery or monograms and other designs on a wide variety of items and fabrics, many of which are available in the store. They accept Visa, Master Card and Discover. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The phone number is 687-2437.

Proper wheel alignment points to savings, safety

Do you put off having your alignment checked until your car just wants to drive around in circles? If you do, you could be costing yourself money and impairing the safety of yourself and your passengers, according to Mike Murray of Midland Muffler and Brake. He lists six benefits to keeping your vehicle properly aligned.

First, you can extend tire life. Have you ever bought a set of tires, only to see them begin to wear on one side long before they should? On today's cars, this can happen to the rear tires as well. "The most common cause of unusual tire wear is improper alignment," says Mike. Over the years, a properly aligned vehicle can save hundreds of dollars in tire wear.

The second benefit to regular alignments is the early recognition of suspension problems. "A suspension inspection is part of an alignment," Mike explains. "We have a chance to spot worn parts that might affect alignment, or become dangerous." He adds that they always discuss repairs with customers before going ahead with any work.

Third, proper alignment ensures safe driving. Sudden stops or wet, slick weather can make a misaligned vehicle very difficult to control. This may be the most important aspect of wheel alignment.

Fuel mileage improvement is the fourth benefit. When all four wheels are rolling in the exact same direction, rolling resistance decreases, which means the engine doesn't have to work as hard to get you down the road. Proper alignment along with correct tire pressure provide top efficiency for maximum mileage. A four-wheel alignment may be necessary to reference all four wheels to a common centerline, which makes sure they're all pointed the same way.

Fifth is improved handling. If your car pulls to one side, if the steering wheel vibrates or if you have to keep moving the steering wheel to keep the car going straight ahead, an alignment should help.

Finally, your car will ride better. Proper alignment helps the front and rear suspension systems do their jobs. When everything is working together, the components can more efficiently absorb road shock, giving you a better ride.

What causes a vehicle to get out of alignment? "Hitting a bump in the road, worn shocks or strut putting pressure on the tie rods and ball joints, sagging suspension springs and just general wear and tear on the vehicle," says Mike. He recommends every vehicle be aligned at least once a year for the best performance.

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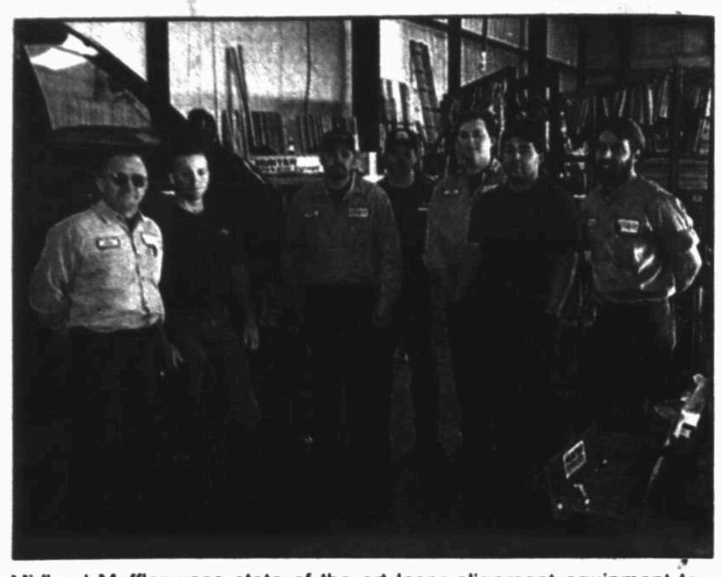

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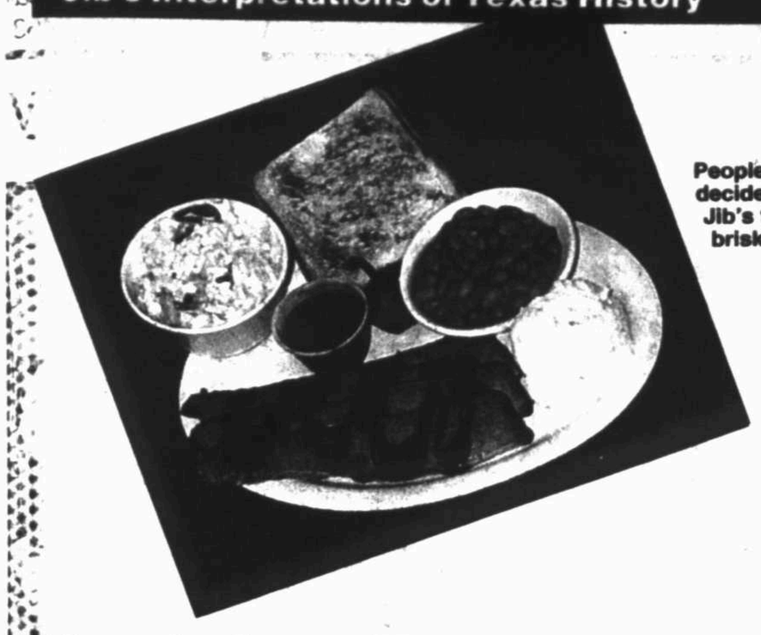

People who wouldn't settle for less decided to settle in Texas and enjoy Jib's tender, deep smoked barbecue brisket platters.

Here's how Texas came to be settled with people who love Jib's barbecue

Note: Not everybody remembers the early colonization of Texas the same way. Here is one interesting theory on how it began.

Stephen F. Austin, seated in a small southern eatery, hungrily attacked his plate of barbecue. After several futile attempts to cut through the brisket before him, he slammed his fork down on the table, stood up, and announced for all to hear, "I've had it with this place! I'm goin' to Texas, where the air is free, the land is plentiful and the barbecue is tender. Who wants to come with me?"

"Did you say the barbecue was free in Texas?" someone asked.

"No," came the reply, "The *air* is free."

"It is? Well, how much do we pay for it here?"

"Gentlemen, ladies, please listen to me," Austin admonished with great passion. "In Texas, I've heard of a place called Jib's. They serve the tenderest, fallin'-apartest barbecue brisket you'll ever eat! Joe and Johnnie Harper take the best cuts of meat and slooooooooow smoke 'em over mesquite for hours and hours. Then they serve 'em at their flavorful best on a plate with their own tangy barbecue sauce, Texas toast and three steaming hot vegetable choices (well...they're not all *hot*...you can also choose tempting potato salad, crisp cole slaw, or a fresh green salad)."

"Wal, that sounds mighty fine," drawled one man. "But what if we're bein' chased by Indians?"

"Easy," said Austin. "Call ahead and get a brisket sandwich to go—it comes with french fries and costs under five dollars. And chopped beef sandwiches with fries cost even less."

"That's mighty cheap," another voice said. "They don't scrimp on portions, do they?"

Austin shook his head. "They put plenty of meat on that bun. As for the platters, if you ain't too much hungry, they've got a half order. If you just rode in from three days on a posse, the full order'll be just fine."

"Now, enough of this talk. Who's ready to ride to Texas? We leave first thing in the morning."

From all over the room voices cried out, "I'll go!" and "Where do we sign up?"

Austin looked happily around the southern restaurant at the faces clamoring to accompany him to Jib's, Texas. "Come on over and sign yer names on this napkin in barbecue sauce," he said. "That's about the best thing we can do with this here variety. I can't wait to taste Johnnie Harper's special homemade sauce poured over those tennnnder slices of brisket!!!"

Located at 3316 W. Illinois, just north of Dunlap's, Jib's features steak fingers, chicken fried steak, chicken strips, deep-fried pork chops, catfish, shrimp, barbecue, smoked sausage, baby-back ribs and more made-from-scratch Texas fare. Their hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Call ahead for carryout orders at 699-3008.

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Model trains: on track for family fun

"We *never* do anything as a family any more," she complained. "Soccer practice, piano lessons, golf games—what can we do *together*?" Good question, and vegging in front of the TV is not the answer. Model railroading can be a good solution, suggests Vince Bernhart at Basin Hobbies.

Model railroading lets your family work together creating a world all of your own. Make it as simple or as complex as you want, depending on how much time you want to spend working on it.

Before you start, drop by Basin Hobbies and see how many sizes and types of trains, cars and scenery items there are. "You can go anywhere from Z scale, in which a whole set will fit in a briefcase, to G gauge which is outdoor worthy and can be set up in your back yard," says Vince. He says HO scale is the most popular, accounting for about half of all model trains sold. HO is also a popular scale for slot car race sets, allowing the two to be combined if desired.

Deciding on the space you can devote to this hobby will help you choose a scale. Will your trains run in a spare bedroom or game room—or in the back yard? It's also helpful, Vince says, to decide on an era to replicate: do you like diesel locomotives or steam; turn-of-the-century or later? Making this decision up front will give you consistency in what engines, cars and buildings you add later.

"There's no need to buy everything at once," Vince advises. Get a starter set with the basics of a train, transformer and track, then add to it as you can. Christmas would be a great time to start.

Many of the accessories are under $20. There are N and HO scale buildings—some kits and some pre-assembled—with houses, railroad stations, urban renewal projects, ice cream parlors and a real favorite, a burned-out IRS building.

Makers such as Lionel and LGB put out great varieties of new cars and engines every year these days. In addition to the classic box cars, tank cars and cabooses, you can find flat cars carrying airplanes, rocket launchers, logs, loaders and many others. Engines now feature digitally produced sounds that are amazingly real. Lionel has a Looney Tunes line that's perfect for younger railroaders.

G gauge trains let you take model railroading to the "whole backyard" level. Basin Hobbies can help you get started on a this hobby that the whole family can enjoy.

Vince and his wife, Rita, have turned their backyard at home into a G gauge world with everything imaginable in it. You can see the setup by appointment, and begin to dream of what you could do yourself.

"The great thing about model railroading is that no two setups are going to be just alike," marvels Vince. "Yours will uniquely reflect your tastes and your personality."

Basin Hobbies is located at 700 Andrews Highway, near Kay Sutton Realtors. They carry a wide selection of model trains in most gauges, radio controlled cars and planes, kites, rockets, plastic kits and HO race cars. The phone number is 683-7026. The store is open 10-6 Monday through Friday and 10-5 on Saturday. Major credit cards are welcome.

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How should you evaluate your investment manager?

If you're an investor, you probably work through a financial consultant, someone licensed to recommend specific investments. Many times, a consultant recommends placing funds with a professional money management organization—either within the consultant's own firm or another professional manager—which will invest the assets for you based on your objectives and tolerance for risk. In these cases, the consultant's role is to find the money manager best suited to helping you achieve your goals. Because there are thousands of professional money managers available today, finding the manager best suited to manage your assets is an enormous challenge.

Consultants who work with brokerage firms usually recommend money managers who have been evaluated by their firm's investment consultancy departments. The extent to which a firm investigates a money manager's investment process, performance record and client servicing capability is critical to the successful matchmaking between you and your money manager. When your financial consultant recommends a specific money manager, be ready to raise the following questions about the organization that will be managing your assets.

Daniel Watts

What is the money manager's investment philosophy?

There is a lot to know beyond simply asking whether a money manager buys stocks, bonds or a combination of both. A good money management firm should be able to articulate its investment style clearly. Ask questions about how they judge whether an investment is suitable for you, how they decide to buy and sell securities, the source of research data and risk management procedures.

What do you know about the personnel of this money management organization?

A key role of a consulting firm is to screen the credentials of money managers and other professionals regarding their education, business experience, tenure with the company and other factors. As a whole, the professionals in a money management organization should represent a variety of expertise and depth of experience, so that the organization's management style will be consistent over the long term.

How do you verify the long- and short-term performance track record of this manager?

Performance measurement is, of course, very important in evaluating a money manager. While short-term performance can be an indicator of developing strengths or weaknesses in a money manager, the better indicator of a manager's effectiveness is the long-term track record. Ask about yearly and cumulative total returns (yield plus capital gains) for five, seven and ten years.

How well does this money manager communicate with clients?

Clients with managed accounts generally receive regular reports of account activity from their money managers. These statements should be an understandable summary of all investments, listed by asset category, with reports of gains, losses and current market values. The same information should be reported for the entire portfolio. Ask to see a sample report for any money manager your consultant is recommending. In addition to this basic level of client communication, good managers communicate with clients, through their financial consultants and sometimes through client newsletters, about general market conditions and how they affect investment decisions. You should ask about a manager's client communication policy before opening an account.

This type of information can help you gauge the quality of the company you hire to invest your money. A firm that evaluates professional investment management organizations thoroughly in these areas is more likely to select better money managers and provide you with the potential for consistent investment results.

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Victim of brawl may file suit with Barkley

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The bar patron who was thrown by Charles Barkley through a plate-glass window is considering a civil lawsuit against the Houston Rockets star, the man's attorney said Monday.

Jorge Lugo suffered a cut to his upper right arm after he was thrown through the window Sunday morning at a popular downtown bar. Lugo, 20, is being evaluated by doctors to see if he injured his head, said Mark NeJame, his attorney.

"He has a contusion on the back of his head and landed in part on the back of his head," NeJame said.

Barkley was charged with aggravated battery and resisting arrest without violence, police said. He was jailed for five hours being released.

Police were investigating Monday whether Lugo would face any charges, said Sgt. Bill Mulloy, an Orlando police spokesman. Witnesses at the bar said Lugo threw ice and a glass at a table Barkley where was sitting with three women.

According to a police report, Barkley then chased Lugo to the front of the bar, lifted him up and threw him through the window. An off-duty police officer tried to intervene but was unsuccessful.

NeJame, however, said his client didn't throw any ice or a glass.

"This kid did nothing but get thrown through a window," NeJame said.

Barkley admitted to throwing Lugo Sunday but said he was only defending himself.

"I think throwing ice on someone who was just minding his own business is inappropriate," Barkley told reporters Sunday.

NeJame said his 5-foot-2-inch client should be compensated for his injury.

Bulls worried about Pippen replacement

By Mike Nadel
AP Sports Writer

DEERFIELD, Ill. — Michael Jordan's toes are fine, Dennis Rodman is signed and the exhibition season is over.

Now, all the Chicago Bulls have to worry about now is replacing Scottie Pippen, one of basketball's best all-around players ever. With Pippen out for about two more months after undergoing foot surgery, Jordan will have to carry more of the load than ever for the two-time defending NBA champions.

The absence of the team's top assist man, ballhandler and defender — as well as No. 2 scorer and rebounder — also will force coach Phil Jackson to juggle role players Ron Harper, Toni Kukoc, Scott Burrell, Jud Buechler, Jason Caffey, Steve Kerr and Randy Brown.

When the Bulls open Friday at Boston, Harper probably will start at small forward as part of a three-guard lineup with Jordan and either Brown or Kerr. But as the season progresses, Jackson said, there probably will be other starting small forwards "depending upon the opponents and the matchups."

In other words, replacing the irreplaceable Pippen is going to be an ever-changing situation.

"We wish Scottie was here, but we know he's not. So we have to find some ways to compensate and make this team successful," said Jordan, who has no lingering pain after having several ingrown toenails removed.

"For us to dwell on it ... next thing you know, we'll walk into a situation where he's coming back and we're 1-35."

One win in their first 36 games? That probably wouldn't happen if four guys off the street joined Jordan on the court.

His point, however, is well-taken. Until Pippen returns, the Bulls simply want to win enough to at least stay in the hunt for the league's best record — and home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

"We look vulnerable. We have to find a way to survive," Jordan said Monday. "We can't console ourselves because of Scottie not being around. The show goes on."

Pippen, traditionally a quick healer, told Jackson he plans to return before the initial early-January projection. In the meantime, there's a small forward-by-committee approach, and there's no perfect plan.

The 6-foot-6 Harper, Jordan's backcourt partner the last two seasons, is a good defender who can help contain the Grant Hills and Glen Rices. But he might have trouble against big guys such as Juwan Howard and Detlef Schrempf.

Kukoc is 6-11, was a starter in 1994-95, was the league's top reserve the following season and can be almost as dynamic offensively as Pippen. But a foot injury kept him from working out all summer, and it showed in his 25-percent preseason shooting.

Johnson leads Knicks over Mavericks to end preseason

NEW YORK (AP) — Larry Johnson, who has played more minutes in the exhibition season than anyone in the NBA, scored 25 points Monday night as the New York Knicks ended their preseason schedule with a 93-74 victory over Dallas.

Johnson shot 11-for-16 from the field and had five rebounds in 35 minutes. The small forward averaged 36.8 minutes in eight exhibition games.

Allan Houston (13 points) and Patrick Ewing (12 points) were the only other Knicks in double figures. New York went 3-5 in the preseason.

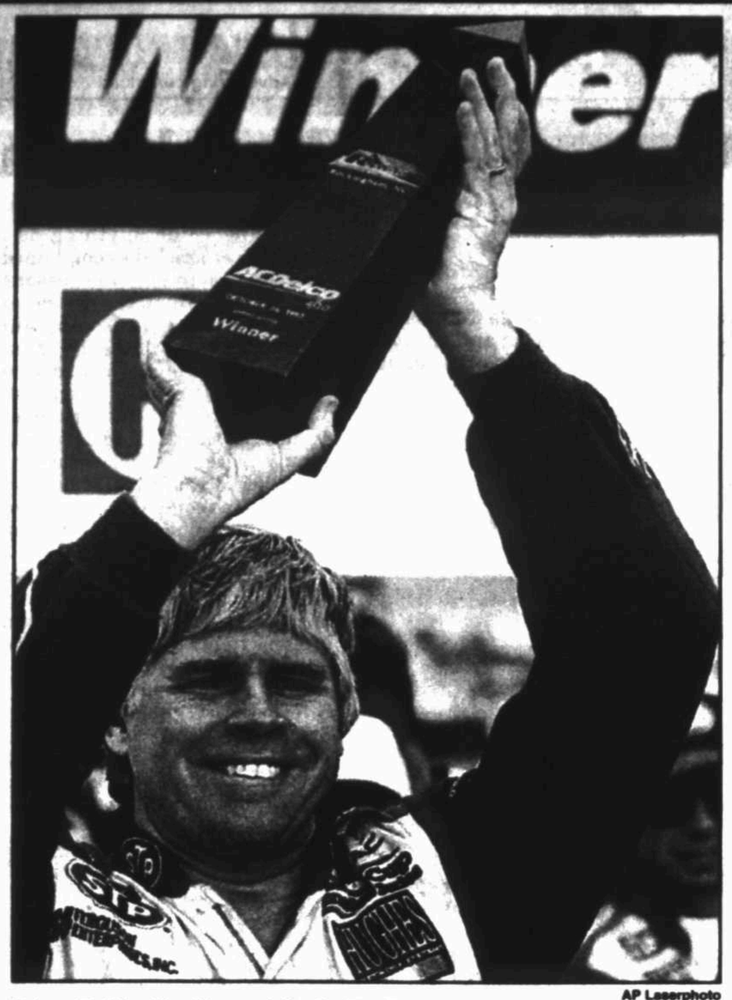
John Starks was the only player not in uniform for the Knicks, who have been hit hard by injuries and roster turnover since training camp began and haven't had their full roster available for a single game.

Starks sat out with an ankle sprain, causing speculation he was being held out because he or someone else on the Knicks would be included in an upcoming trade — perhaps with Sacramento for Mitch Richmond. At halftime, Starks said he hadn't heard anything about a Richmond trade.

One rumor that spread around Madison Square Garden had Houston, Chris Mills and Chris Childs going to the Kings for Richmond, Hurley, Billy Owens and Corliss Williamson.

Michael Finley scored 16 points and Khalid Reeves 15 for Dallas, which lost seven of its eight exhibition games. Shawn Bradley scored 13 points on 5-for-18 shooting and had 13 rebounds before fouling out.

The Knicks led by nine points entering the fourth quarter and steadily pulled away.



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Driver Bobby Hamilton, of Nashville, Tenn., holds his trophy in victory lane at the North Carolina Motor Speedway, near Rockingham, N.C., Monday after winning the ACDelco 400 NASCAR race.

Hamilton's win not Petty to pocket book

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — This was more than a win by a lame duck driver.

Bobby Hamilton's victory Monday in the rain-delayed ACDelco 400 at North Carolina Motor Speedway was an affirmation of a friendship and affection between the driver and his soon-to-be ex-car owner Richard Petty. Besides the $89,150 he earned Petty Enterprises for the win, Hamilton will pocket an extra $100,000 as the payoff to a one-sided bet with Petty.

"We were at dinner one night," Hamilton explained. "Actually, we had just talked about the deal about me leaving and everything. You wouldn't believe how easy this has been and how comfortable this has been dealing with him (Petty) on a business level.

"He said, 'You need to win me a race before you leave.' I said, 'I'm trying.' He said, 'I'll bet $100,000 that you won't win another race before the year is up.' I said, 'Is this a real bet?' He said, 'Yeah, it's a real bet.' We shook hands on it."

Did that mean Hamilton would have had to pay Petty $100,000 if he hadn't won before the end of the season?

"No, that's the great part of it," the driver said. "It was one-sided. I couldn't lose on this deal."

Hamilton has said he is leaving because he felt that his team's effort was getting less attention since Kyle Petty, Richard's son, came back into the Petty Enterprises fold this year with his own PE2 team. It was only the second career victory for Hamilton, but it came exactly a year to the day after his first win for Petty at Phoenix.

Hamilton, who will leave the team and the renowned No. 43 Pontiac to replace Sterling Marlin at Morgan-McClure Racing in 1998, said, "I'm happy for these guys. They get bonuses for this stuff and I didn't want to be labeled as a guy who would just give up."

The 40-year-old driver from Nashville, Tenn., also gave Pontiac its first victory since his win last Oct. 27.

The race, which had been scheduled to be run Sunday, was a wide-open affair, with 20 lead changes among nine drivers, including Dale Jarrett and Jeff Gordon, two of the three men involved in the tight Winston Cup championship battle. In fact, it was Jarrett who was leading when the green flag came out 22 laps from the end of the 393-lap race, following the last of five caution periods.

Hamilton, who had led twice up to that time, was third, trailing Ricky Craven on the restart. Craven, who led a race-high 139-laps, passed Jarrett's Ford for the top spot on lap 376 and Hamilton took the runner-up spot from Jarrett on the next trip around the 1.017-mile oval.

On lap 378, Hamilton drove underneath Craven's Chevrolet on the back straightaway and took the lead for good. Jarrett managed to pass Craven on the last lap for his fourth straight second-place Rockingham finish, crossing the line 0.941-seconds — 12 car-lengths — behind the winner.

"Bobby and Ricky were a little better than us on the short runs," Jarrett said. "We were better on the long runs. When that (last) yellow came out, I knew we were in trouble. Those guys were better on new tires."

Fourth place went to Gordon, while Dick Trickle, celebrating his 56th birthday, finished fifth, barely holding off Mark Martin, the third driver in the championship chase. Gordon increased his lead by 15 points over runner-up Martin to 125, while Jarrett chopped 10 points off his deficit, closing to within 145 points with races remaining at Phoenix next Sunday and Atlanta on Nov. 16.

Gordon, who started sixth in the 43-car field, was at or near the front until lap 275 when he was forced to make a second pit stop during a caution period. The end cap on the hub of the left rear tire, which keeps the axle and rear end grease in place, had come loose.

The two stops dropped the 1995 series champion from first to 14th place — the last car on the lead lap at the time. He got back to fourth place on lap 366, but couldn't catch the lead trio.

"It looked for a while like it was going to be better than fourth," Gordon said.

Midland College
Men's Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 1	Kirtland Air Force Base	3 p.m.
Nov. 4	Ranger College	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	South Plains College (MC Classic)	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 8	Central Arizona (MC Classic)	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	at Jacksonville College	7 p.m.
Nov. 18	Angelo State JV	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 21	at Odessa Classic	TBA
Nov. 22	at Odessa Classic	TBA
Nov. 28	Chap Shoot-Out	
	Odessa College vs. Western Oklahoma	6 p.m.
	Midland College vs. Lamar C.C.	8 p.m.
Nov. 29	Chap Shoot-Out	
	T.B.D.	6 p.m.
	T.B.D.	8 p.m.
Dec. 2	Hardin Simmons JV	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5	at Lamar C.C. Classic	TBA
Dec 6	at Lamar C.C. Classic	TBA
Dec. 13	Jacksonville College	2:15 p.m.
Jan. 10	Brookhaven College	3 p.m.
Jan. 12	*South Plains College	8 p.m.
Jan. 15	at *New Mexico JC	9 p.m.
Jan. 19	*Howard College	8 p.m.
Jan. 22	at *Clarendon College	8 p.m.
Jan. 26	*Frank Phillips College	8 p.m.
Jan. 29	at *Odessa College	8 p.m.
Feb. 2	*New Mexico Militarty Institute	8 p.m.
Feb. 5	at *South Plains College	8 p.m.
Feb. 9	*New Mexico JC	8 p.m.
Feb. 12	*at Howard College	8 p.m.
Feb. 16	*Clarendon College	8 p.m.
Feb. 19	at *Frank Phillips College	8 p.m.
Feb. 23	*Odessa College	8 p.m.
Feb. 26	at *New Mexico Military Institute	8:30 p.m.
Mar. 6-9	NJCAA Region V Tournament	TBA
Mar. 17-22	NJCAA National Tournament	TBA

*denotes Western Junior College Athletic Conference game

CHAPS: MC seems to gel

(From 1C)

Rafferty said referring to having a team gel together. "When you have solid sophomores returning, it makes a huge difference."

"I think we have a chance at having a good team. We're all getting along pretty good," said Kirk, a sophomore from Dallas who's moving from the point to the two-guard. "If everybody sticks together and keep their heads in the games, I think we'll have a real good year."

"I think we can do better than last year," said Ondeng, a sophomore from Thika, Kenya. "This year we're deeper from top to bottom. There's still a lot of gelling to do and so far we have done that very well. This year my role is to help the freshmen and letting them know what to expect."

It also helps when a coach recruits proven winners like Rafferty has done this year.

"We've got some guys that maybe weren't in our program last year but come from winning programs and have that winning mentality. They expect to win," he said.

Just take 6-foot-2-inch Brandon Burney and 6-0 Calvin Williams, both from the two-time defending Texas Class 5A champions at Dallas Kimball. The five players from New York in 6-5 Walter Newsome, 6-6 Randall Williams, 6-4 Doug Wade, 6-1 Lance Robinson, and 6-3 Keith Leslie come from one of the most respected AAU programs in the country in Riverside Church. And then there is 6-4 Alu Williams and 6-5 Harold Arceuneaux, both of whom were starters for the Scenic West Athletic Conference champions at Eastern Utah last year.

"Even though we've got a lot of new guys, nine guys come from winning programs," Rafferty said.

There are also players in 6-5 James Ware, a sophomore transfer from Colorado State and 5-10 freshman guard Jevon Banks, both of whom have gotten a good look from Texas Tech. Banks and Calvin Williams give Rafferty probably the best set of point guards that he's ever had at Midland College.

One thing that Rafferty is counting on with the talent he has this year is at least five players averaging in double figures. That is one aspect that past WJCAC champions have possessed. That versatility is going to equal more of an up-tempo game this year instead running the half-court game.

The only knock on this team may be its size. However, Rafferty said this team possesses good strength and added that he doesn't think big is necessarily the best.

Midland College Chaparrals
1997-98 Basketball Roster

Name	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
Brandon Burney	6-2	205	Fr.	Dallas
James Ware	6-5	195	So.	Minneapolis
Lance Robinson	6-1	190	Fr.	Bronx, N.Y.
Edward Kirk	6-1	175	So.	Dallas
Alu Williams	6-4	205	So.	Chap.Hill, N.C.
Calvin Williams	6-0	180	Fr.	Dallas
Keith Leslie	6-3	170	Fr.	Queens, N.Y.
DeJuan Daniel	6-5	215	Fr.	New Orleans
Harold Arceuneaux	6-5	210	So.	New Orleans
Walter Newsome	6-5	200	Fr.	Bronx, N.Y.
Jevon Banks	5-10	150	Fr.	Las Vegas
Dennis Ondeng	6-5	190	So.	Thika, Kenya
Doug Wade	6-4	200	Fr.	New York
Craig Mitchell	6-6	250	Fr.	Hattiesburg,Miss.
Randall Williams	6-6	200	So.	Bronx, N.Y.
Aaron Henning	6-6	195	So.	Albuquerque,N.M.

"It's not how big you play but it's how hard you play," he said.

Rafferty also believes that with the athletic ability the players have, rebounding should not be a problem.

If you've loved seeing the Chaps play in the past, you're going to get 17 homes games this year, something that pleases any coach. There's also a tough non-conference schedule ahead with games against Ranger College, Central Arizona, Western Oklahoma, Lamar (Colo.) College and a non-conference match-up against South Plains at the Midland College Classic.

Once the Chaps get into the conference part of their schedule, things are a bit different this year with the teams going to a home-and-home series with Clarendon College joining the conference. Rafferty said having the Bulldogs rejoin the conference party changes things up a bit.

"We played Clarendon my first year and playing there is a tough place to play. So they're going to affect the conference race," Rafferty said.

The rest of the conference looks to be pretty balanced, but when you ask Rafferty who's his favorite, of course you're going to get a biased opinion.

"I like our team," Rafferty said. "I think we have as good a chance as anybody, but there's still a lot rivers to cross before March. I think the team that can navigate through those river crossings and land mines will win the conference. That's something that we haven't done in the past. We've had academic casualties, we've had some injuries obviously, I'm not necessarily hoping that we have some good luck, but I just hope we don't have any bad luck. I think depth and balance protects you when you have those injuries.

"I think we have a very good chance (at making the postseason) if we keep this group together. I'll be disappointed if we don't contend for the conference championship."

There's just the matter of navigating past those bumps in the road. Rafferty has his bomber jacket on and is ready to pilot.

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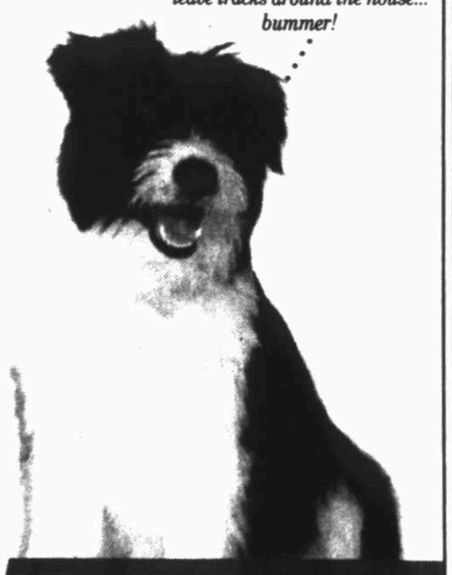

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	AudioBC n	d7⅞	
	Audvox	8 1/16	
	Autotote	2⅛	

THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Compaq s	170903	60½	–8¼
Boeing s	115364	43	–5 7/16
PrimMor s	88915	37¼	–2 5/16
CocaCl	79466	53 9/16	–1 15/16
GenElec s	76834	61 15/16	–4

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
HomeSde n	26¾	+2½	+10.3
TelsDan	28⅛	+2¼	+8.7
Kubota	74	+4½	+6.5
Groupe n	7 11/16	+ 7/16	+6.0
BEC Gp	5⅞	+¼	+4.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SecCG wt	2 13/16	–1 3/16	–29.7
TelArg	24¼	–8 11/16	–26.4
Vitro	10½	–3¼	–23.6
Turksh	7	–2	–22.2
TelBrasil	97¾	–27⅝	–22.0

DIARY

Advanced	182
Declined	2,987
Unchanged	263
Total issues	3,432
New Highs	25
New Lows	175
Volume	812,784,630

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	108387	87 3/16	–6 13/16
Harken	11109	6 3/16	–15/16
Hearx	10238	1 11/16	–1/16
BemaGold	9983	3 5/16	– 7/16
FAusPr	9733	7 13/16	–3/8

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Prvena	2⅞	+⅜	+15.0
CFX Cp	24⅝	+1 15/16	+8.5
VitaFd n	2⅝	+3/16	+7.7
RivieraT n	7¼	+½	+7.4
MagHn wt	2⅛	+⅛	+6.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LeHK 98wt	2 5/16	–13/16	–26.0
Cognitrn	14⅝	–4⅝	–24.0
TubMex	18⅞	–5⅝	–23.0
GldStarR	4 7/16	–1 3/16	–21.1
AudioBC n	7⅞	–2	–20.3

DIARY

Advanced	66
Declined	622
Unchanged	78
Total issues	766
New Highs	11
New Lows	39
Volume	47,279,500

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
OxfordHlt	490820	25⅞	–42⅞
Intel s	262920	74⅜	–5¼
ApldMat s	203948	31	–2 17/64
DellCpt s	172756	81⅞	–12 1/16
Cisco	135396	72⅞	–7⅜

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CumbTc n	3	+1⅛	+60.0
Glassmst	2½	+¾	+42.9
Casco wt	3 7/32	+2 13/32	+25.6
ComndAr	3	+½	+20.0
Panax un	2 11/16	+ 7/16	+19.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
OxfordHlt	25⅞	–42⅞	–62.4
MicroWre	11 15/16	–8¾	–42.3
PhoeInti	14	–10	–41.7
Macrch wt	6¼	–4	–39.0
Macr wtAA	5¾	–3 5/16	–39.0

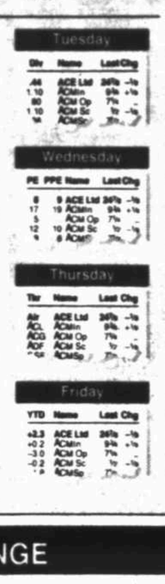
DIARY

Advanced	365
Declined	4,427
Unchanged	938
Total issues	5,730
New Highs	40
New Lows	224
Volume	906,355,200

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 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. p – 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.

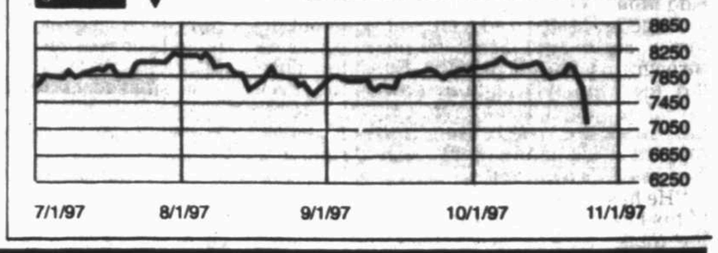
Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

Daily market roundup

October 27, 1997

Dow Jones ▼ 7161.15 -554.26

High	7717.37	Highest close	8,259.31
Low	7150.10	August 6, 1997	



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
8,299.49	5,959.69	Dow Jones Industrials	7,161.15	–554.26	–7.18	+11.06	+19.90
3,372.42	2,089.75	Dow Jones Transportation	3,004.58	–234.56	–7.24	+33.20	+42.70
248.21	208.98	Dow Jones Utilities	237.44	–9.12	–3.70	+2.11	+8.59
514.22	370.56	NYSE Composite	483.21	–32.56	–6.57	+18.08	+24.66
723.03	541.02	Amex Index	660.41	–40.77	–5.81	+15.39	+17.86
1,748.78	1,194.16	Nasdaq Composite	1,535.09	–115.83	–7.02	+18.90	+26.25
983.12	696.22	S&P 500	876.99	–64.65	–6.87	+18.39	+25.78
466.21	248.65	Russell 2000	420.13	–27.40	–6.12	+15.86	+23.53
9,486.69	6,792.59	Wilshire 5000	8,537.05	–600.04	–6.57	+18.60	+25.66

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Div	Name	Last	Chg
	A B C		
.48	AAR	34⅝	–1¼
.56e	ABN Am n	18 1/16	– 1/16
.08	ACE Ltd	92	–4¾
.60	ACM Sc	10	–1/16
.07	ACMSp	6⅜	–1/16
1.35	ACMMD	13 1/16	–1 1/16
	ACNiels	22 15/16	–1 1/16
	AES Gp s	42	–2 1/16
1.46	AFLAC	49⅞	–2⅜
1.04	AGCO	29 1/32	–1 11/16
1.68	AGL Res	18 7/16	– 9/16
1.44	AJL	15 3/16	–1 3/16
1.60f	AK Steel	41 7/16	–2 1/16
	AMR	110 1/32	–8 3/16
.40	APL Ltd	32¼	–3⅜
2.80	ARCOCh	49⅞	–1
1.20	ASA Ltd	d25 7/8	–2 5/16
1.32	AT&T	45 1/16	–5 1/16
.24	AVX Cp	26⅝	–2⅞
.73	Aames s	d10⅝	–2¼
1.08	AbtLab	58¼	–3¼
.40	AberFitch	21 13/16	–
	Acuson	24	–2¾
	Acuson	d18	–2¾
1.72e	AdeEx	23	–1½
	AdiD	20 7/8	–5 5/16
	AdvoInc	21 11/16	– 5/16
1.52e	Aegon	75⅜	–2⅝
	Aeroflex	9⅝	–1⅝
.80	AeroVick	51½	–
8 1/16			
.80	Aetna Inc	69	–6⅜
	AffCmpS s	24 1/4	–1
.10e	Agnico g	d7 11/16	–1 1/16
.11	Agnium g	11¼	–9⅛
.88	Ahmans	56¾	–
3 5/16			
1.20	AirProd	74 11/16	– 5/16
	AirNetS	21½	–1 1/16
.30	AirFrt	55 15/16	–6⅞
	Airgas	15 5/16	– 5/16
	AirTouch	37½	–2¼
1.70	AlaP pfB	24⅝	–⅜
1.60	AlaP pfC	25¼	–
1.38e	AlaP adj pf	24⅜	–
1.84	AlaPC pfQ	24 7/8	–1 1/16
	AlskAir	31	–2½
.20	Alberto s	27 13/16	–3 1/16
.64	Albertsn	36 1/16	–1 1/16
.60	Alcan	d28⅝	–2⅞
.34e	Alcatel	22¾	–1⅞
.53e	AlexRE n	27¼	–⅜
1.72	AlgEngy	26 5/16	– 5/16
.64	AlegTaldy	26⅜	–2 3/16
.40	Allegiance	27½	–2 9/16
	AllenTel	21¾	–2½
.53	Allergn	31 7/16	–2 9/16
2.38e	AlnCap	32¾	–2 5/16
1.53	AllWrld	15⅝	–1 9/16
1.62a	AlWrld2	d12½	–1½
1.46f	AlSgnl s	33⅝	–4⅞
.96	Allstate	80½	–4¼
1.08f	Alltel	34½	–2 1/16
	AlpineGr	14 1/8	– 5/16
	Alumax	32 11/16	–2 5/16
1.00	Alcoa	89	–7 7/16
.58t	Alza	26 1/16	–1⅜
	AmaxG	d4 15/16	– 9/16
.36	AmbacF s	41⅜	–2½
.60	AmHes	58 13/16	–
3 1/16			
.1	AmOnline	74	–
13 3/16			
	AmWest	14	–⅞
	AmBkrt	5 9/16	– 1/16
2.40	AEP	46 3/16	–1 7/16
.90	AmExp	74⅜	–5 5/16
1.00	AFnclGp	35 11/16	–
2 5/16			
.40	AGenCp	48⅝	–5 1/16
1.36	AmGvt	5½	+1/16
1.72f	AHome	70	–
4 9/16			
.80	AmIntG s	99 7/16	–
4 13/16			
	AttalPas n	21	–1
	APadP	12⅛	–⅞
	AmRadio	49	–½
	AResidSvcd	147	–¾
	AmStd	36 11/16	–1 1/16
.36	AmStor s	24⅛	–
1 11/16			
	AmWste	1 7/16	–⅛
.76	AmWtr	21½	–¾
	Amercrd	29¼	–
1 5/16			
2.26	Ameritch	64 5/16	–2 5/16
2.80	Amoco	88 5/16	–
5 11/16			
1.04	AMP	41⅜	–6 1/16
1.20f	AmSouth s	46	–1⅝
.12	AmwestF	19⅜	–1
.88	AmwayAs	d23¼	–
1 9/16			
.30	Anadrk	70 3/16	–
2 9/16			
	Analog s	26	–47/8
1.04f	Anheus	39½	–1 3/16
	AnnTayl	13⅞	–⅞
	Annaly n	d11⅝	–⅜
1.04	Aon Cp s	52 1/8	–3 1/16
.28	Apache	40 5/16	–
2 3/16			
1.85	Aptinv	34½	–⅜
	AppleMg	23	–3 3/16
	Apria	14⅝	–1 7/16
.17i	Aracruz s	17 1/16	–1⅛
	ArcadiaFn	8 11/16	–⅞
.20b	ArchDan	21¼	–2
1.06e	Argentar	25 5/16	–1 9/16
.33e	ArgentFd	11⅞	–2¼
	Armco	5 1/16	–⅞
1.76	ArmWl	65⅝	–2½
	ArrowEl s	27 1/16	–2 3/16
1.40f	Arvin	34½	–2 9/16
.80	Asarco	27⅝	–2⅜
.37e	Ashanti	d9 7/16	–1
.10	Ashland	47 1/16	–1 9/16
.04e	AsiaPac	8½	–1/2
	AsiaPR	3⅞	–
	AsiaPR rt	1/16	–
.05p	AsiaPlp	12⅛	–1½
.04e	AsiaTigr	d7 7/16	–1 1/16
.60	AscFCap	66 13/16	–2
1.19e	AstraA s	14¾	–1¼
1.64	AtlEnrg	17 1/16	– 5/16
2.65	AtlRich s	78 9/16	–
2 9/16			
1.02f	ATMOS	24⅝	–½
.13e	Austr	9¼	–⅞
.44	Autoliv n	37⅜	–1½
.46	AutoDt	49 1/16	–
1 13/16			
....	AutoZone	28 7/16	–2 5/16
1.56f	AvalonPr	30	–7/16
.68	AveryD s	38 1/16	–1⅜
....	Avnet	11 13/16	–2⅜
....	Avns n	26	–27/16
.60	Avnet	60 3/16	–1 9/16
1.24	Avon	69	–4⅜
....	Aztar	7¼	–⅜
2.54	BB&T Cp	56 7/16	–3⅛
1.36	BCE g s	27 7/16	–1 7/16
....	BEC Gp	u57⅞	+1¼
....	BJS	81¼	–4½
....	BJs Wh n	28 1/16	–
1 13/16			
.06	BMC	32 1/16	–3 1/16
.46	BakrHu	41 9/16	–4¼
1.64	BaltGE	27	–1 1/16
1.52	BancOne	47 5/16	–
4 11/16			
.60r	BncoFrn	24⅜	–5⅛
.96f	BcLatn	d38⅜	–3¾
	BcoRioP nd	10 7/8	–2⅝
.42e	BcSantCh	d12½	–½
.06e	BcoWiese	5¾	–1
.80f	BcoSant s	26 7/8	–1 7/8
	Banctec	22¾	–1 3/16
.07e	BkTokyo	d12¾	–1⅛
1.04f	BkNY	46 1/16	–3 3/16
1.22	BankAm s	67 7/16	–8⅛
2.04	BkBost	83¼	–
3 15/16			
4.00	BankTr	116	–5 3/16
.72f	Bard	26	–1 9/16
	BarnNbl s	25¼	–2⅝
1.24	Barnett	65 1/2	–6 1/16
	BarrettRs	34⅜	–2⅛
.16f	BarrickG	20	–1 9/16
.05	BatlMf	5 5/16	–⅝
1.04	BauschL	38½	–2¾
1.13	Baxter	44	–5 7/16
1.68f	BayApt	37¾	–1 5/16
....	BayNtwk	28	–3⅜
2.00f	BeacnPr	39 5/16	–
1 15/16			
.60b	BearSt	38 11/16	–2⅝
.60	BcklnS	39 9/16	–2
.52	BectDk	43⅝	–3½
....	BeiqYan n	10	–1⅜
.20	Belden	34½	–1 11/16
....	BellAtlantic	27⅜	–2⅜
3.08f	BellAtl	79⅛	–2⅞
1.44	BellSo	u46	–
2 5/16			
.80	Bemis	35 13/16	–3 3/16
2.28f	BenefCp	74⅛	–4 5/16
	BentonOG	18⅝	–
1 13/16			
....	BergEl s	24 3/16	–⅞
.48	BergBr s	38½	–2⅜
....	BerkHa A	43300	–
1500			
.40	BerryP	19¼	–⅜
....	BestBuy	26¾	–
1 15/16			
....	BethSt	9 7/8	–15/16
....	Bevrly	15¼	–13/16
....	Biovail	26⅝	–2⅞
.40	BirSti	16 5/16	–11/16
.48	BlackD	37½	–2⅝
1.42	BlkHlCp	29⅞	–¼
.40	Blk2001	8 15/32	+1/32
.56	BlkIT	6¾	–
.61	BlkMTar	10⅝	–1/16
.84	BlkNA	10⅝	+1/16
.58	BlkTT	9⅜	–1/16
.80	BlckHR	34 3/16	–3 1/16
....	Bluegreen	4⅝	–1/16
....	Blyth s	23¼	–
2 7/16			
.56	Boeing s	d43	–5 7/16
.60	BoiseC	37⅛	–3
2.35	BoisC pfF	25½	–1⅛
....	BoisCOff	19	–1 5/16
....	Bombay	6	–1
.80e	BordCh	8 5/16	– 1/16
....	Borders s	24½	–1½
....	BostBeer	9 11/16	–¼
1.88	BostEd	31 1/16	–1 1/16
....	BostPrp n	30⅞	–1
....	BostSc	44 13/16	–
3 13/16			
....	BostTech	25 11/16	–5 9/16
.80	Bowatr	45⅝	–
2 7/16			
....	BoxHill n	d13¾	–1⅞
....	BoydGm	8	–13/16
.29e	Brahma n	d12¾	–1¼
.52a	Brandyw s	23⅞	–1
.40e	BrasilD n	20¼	–3¼
1.36e	Brazil	21¾	–3¾
.02e	BrazilEF	11¾	–2 5/16
.21j	BredTch	21¾	–1⅛
1.12	BrigStrat	48⅛	–2¼
.08	BrillChA	9⅛	–⅞
....	Brinker	14¾	–1⅛
1.52	BrlMySq s81	9⅝	–
5 7/16			
2.57e	BritPet s	82	–4½
2.06e	BritSti	26 7/16	–1½
11.15e	BritTel	76¾	–1⅜
.76e	BHP	d18 13/16	–1 1/16
.30	Brooke	8 9/16	–13/16
1.08	BrwnFA	48⅝	–
1.08	BrwnFB	50	– 7/16
.78f	BrwnFr	31 3/16	–3 1/16
.50	Brnwk	31 11/16	–2 9/16
....	Brylane n	42 3/16	–
2 7/16			
....	BuckCel	41 3/16	–1 5/16
....	Bufete	d13½	–2⅜
.02	BurlCoat s	15 1/16	–1 3/16
....	BurlInds	14	–1⅜
.20	BurlNSF	93 1/16	–
5 11/16			
.56	BrlRsc	47 7/16	–2 9/16
.19p	CANTV n	34 9/16	–8 7/16
.35p	CCA Prns n	33¾	–1⅛
....	CDI	38 9/16	–1⅛
3.32	CIGNA	163 1/16	–8 5/16
.81a	CIGHl	9⅛	–3/16
.08	CKE Rst s	41 7/16	–2½
....	CML Gp	3⅛	– 9/16
1.20	CMS Eng	36⅞	–⅝
.40	CNF Trans	44 5/16	–2 3/16
1.80f	CPC	98 15/16	–
3 13/16			
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1.80f	CPC	98 15/16	–
3 13/16			
1.20f	CSX	51¾	–3⅞
....	CUC Intl	26 15/16	–2⅝
.44	CVS Corp	57⅜	–3⅛
.66e	CabWire	23½	– 9/16
....	CablDsgn	36	–4 5/16
....	CablTrn s	d27 1/16	–2⅞
.40	Cabot	24 7/16	– 9/16
1.30e	CadbyS	40½	–½
....	Cadence	44 7/8	–2 9/16
....	Calenergy	34⅜	–3⅝
.32	Calgon	12 1/16	–¾
2.00f	CalRlty	36 1/16	–3¼
.40	Caliber	48 1/16	–
6 13/16			
.28	CallGolf	31⅞	–2
....	Calpine	19½	–1
.20	Camco	71	–6 1/16
....	CmpR g	9	– 1/16
.77	CampSp s	49	–5⅜
.48	CdnPc g	29 9/16	–
1 11/16			
.32	CapOne	44 1/16	–3¼
....	Capstar	32⅞	–3⅛
2.44f	Capstd	25⅜	–½
.10	CardnlH s	66 1/16	–
4 11/16			
....	Carmik	31¾	–11 1/16
.60f	CarnvCp	45¾	–3½
1.88	CaroPw	34⅜	–13/16
.16	CartWal	14 9/16	–1 9/16
.20	CaseCp	62½	–5¾
.05	CashAm	12	–⅛
....	Catelus	17	–
1 13/16			
1.00	Caterp s	52 13/16	–5⅛
.12	CavaltH s	9 13/16	–⅜
.80	CentEn	u11	–⅛
2.88f	CentxCn	31¼	–1½
.20	Centex	57 11/16	–3 1/16
1.74	CenSoWst	21¼	–¾
1.92e	CentEur	22⅝	–2⅛
2.14	CenHud	35½	–
1.54	CenLAEl	25 15/16	–⅞
.37	CntyTl	41	–3
....	Meridian	37	–2 1/16
....	ChmpE	16 11/16	–1 5/16
.20	Chmpin	54⅜	–5¼
....	Chart s	22 5/16	–⅝
2.48	ChaseM	116 15/16	–
6 11/16			
.01	Checkpnt	16	–1
.08	ChesEng s	9 5/16	–1 9/16
2.32	Chevron	80	–3½
1.12e	ChileFd	d20 5/16	–
1 13/16			
.78e	ChileTel s	24 1/16	–3 9/16
1.29e	Chilgener	25¼	–1 1/16
.08e	ChinaFd	12½	–15/16
....	ChinaTlc n	27 11/16	–1 1/16
.20	Chiquta	16⅝	– 9/16
....	ChkFull	6¾	–⅜
....	Choicpt n	38	–2⅝
1.30t	ChrisCr	49 15/16	–
2 15/16			
1.60	Chrysler	33 1/2	–2 7/16
1.16	Chubb	66	–2 3/16
....	Chyron s	5½	–1/2
....	CIBER	42 1/16	–3 7/16
.40	CinnBell s	27 13/16	– 9/16
.48f	CinMil	26 15/16	–1 9/16
....	CineOd	1⅜	–1/16
1.80	CINergy	33¼	–1
....	CrCCar n	14 1/16	–1
.14	CrcCtyCC	38	–3 1/16
....	Circus	22 7/16	–1 1/16
2.10	Citicorp	123 5/16	–
3 11/16			
6.00	Citcp pf	100⅜	+⅜
75t	CitzUtil	9 13/16	– 7/16
.44	CityNC	29⅝	–⅝
.12	ClairesStr	21 9/16	–1⅜
.08	ClaytH s	16⅜	–1 1/16
....	ClearC s	60	–
3 11/16			
....	CliffsDr s	64 13/16	–7 7/16
1.28	Clorox s	68½	–¾
.20f	Coachmen	19 7/8	–1
.60	CoastSv	56	–4⅛
.40	Coastal	59 1/16	–3 7/16
.40	Coastcst	14⅛	–1
.56	CocaCl	53 13/16	–
1 15/16			
.10	CocaCE s	28 1/16	–1⅝
.27e	CCFemsa	45 15/16	–3⅛
....	Coeur	d10 15/16	–1 1/16
.12	Cognizmt	35 1/16	–3 1/16
1.10	ColgPal s	67 1/2	–4⅛
.68a	ColHl	7½	– 7/16
2.08	ColonPT	28¼	–13/16
1.00	ColumGas	72	–4
.08	ColHCA	27	–1 7/16
.20f	Comdisc s	31 3/16	–
1 11/16			
1.72	Comeric	77 7/16	–2 7/16
....	ComScop	nd10 7/16	–1
....	CmpUSA s	31 1/16	–4 1/16
.03i	Compaq s	60 1/2	–8¼
....	CmpMan	15¼	–1¾
.10	CompAsc	69 1/16	–9 3/16
....	CompSci	69	–4½
....	CmpTsk s	29 7/16	–1
.04	Cmptvsn	2	– 7/16
.20m	Comsat	21½	–2½
....	ComstkRs	12 3/8	–1 1/16
.63	ConAgra s	30	–
7 11/16			
1.32	ConnEn	23 5/16	–⅛
.50	Conseco s	42 3/16	–⅝
....	CnCigar	38½	–2⅝
2.10	ConEd	32¾	–
1 13/16			
1.94	ConsNG	53 11/16	–2 1/16
....	ConStor s	35	–
3 13/16			
....	CGDina	5 1/16	–1 1/16
....	CGDina L	4	–¾
....	Contifinel	25 11/16	–2 3/16
....	ContstOil	2 5/16	–⅛
.20	CtlHme	29⅞	–2 3/16
....	Converse	d7 1/16	–¾
....	CoopCa s	68½	–
7 11/16			
....	CoopCo	34⅝	–1¼
1.32	Cooper	50 9/16	–3 9/16
.34	CooprTr	21	–2 3/16
....	Copel n	d14 1/4	–2¾
....	CoramH	4 5/16	–⅜
1.88	CoreStF	67⅞	–8
.72b	CorningIn	42 5/16	–4¼
....	CorrectCp	31 1/16	–3 3/16
.32	CntwCrd	33 5/16	–1½
....	Covance n	18 5/16	–2 9/16
....	CoxCm	29 15/16	–1½
....	CoxRadio	31⅜	–
2 9/16			
.50	Crane s	40½	–2½
1.52f	CresRE s	34 15/16	–2
1.16	Crestar s	46	–2⅝
1.40	CrimMa	16	–1⅛
.05m	CrmpKnl	24 13/16	–2⅛
.22	CrosTbr s	23 15/16	–2⅜
1.89e	CrosTim	17 15/16	– 9/16
1.00	CwnCork	44⅞	–1⅜
....	CullgnWtr	40 9/16	–1 9/16
1.10	CumEng	58⅞	–4½
....	CypSem	d10⅛	–⅝
.80	Cyprus	21 13/16	–1⅜
....	Cytec	48¼	–1⅞
50e	CzechFd	d11⅜	–1 9/16
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1.36	DPL	24 1/16	–½
1.36	DQE	30¾	–¾
2.06	DTE	28¾	–1¼
....	DVI Inc	18 13/16	–¼
.14	DalSem	45½	–6 1/16
1.08	DanaCp	47½	–
3 11/16			
.08	Darden	10	–1 5/16
....	DataGn	22	–
1 15/16			
....	Datapt	27⅛	–½
.64	DaytHud	52¾	–1½
....	DeVry s	26	–½
.80f	DeanFd	47¾	–
2 11/16			
.95	DebtStrt n	10 7/16	–1/16
.80	Deere	52 9/16	–
3 15/16			
.14	DekbGn s	33⅝	–3
1.54	DelmPL	19 5/16	–⅛
.12	DeltPne s	36 1/16	–3 1/16
.20	DeltaAir	99 3/16	–6⅞
....	DeltaFn	16⅜	–⅞
1.48	Deluxe	32 7/16	–½
....	Deptst	29 13/16	–½
.80	DepGty s	35½	–1 5/16
....	DescSA	32¼	–6⅛
35p	DeutTel n	d16⅜	–1⅜
.32	Dial	16 1/16	–1 1/16
.07e	DiaOffs s	58¾	–5⅞
.50	Diebold s	42¾	–2¾
....	Digital	45 1/4	–5 1/16
.16	Dillards	34 1/16	–3⅜
.04e	DimeBcp	23⅝	–
.53	Disney	77¾	–4⅝
....	Dist&Srv	nd16 1/16	–
1 11/16			
.40	Dole	44 1/16	– 9/16
.16	DollarG s	30½	–1 1/16
....	Domain n	16⅝	–1 5/16
2.58	DomRes	36 1/16	–1¼
.50	DonLd	88	–5 1/16
....	Donczstrs n	26 1/16	– 7/16
....	DrKaran	13⅞	–1⅜
.80	Donlley	34	–1
.78f	Dover	68⅜	–
2 1/16			
3.48	DowCh	86 1/16	–
5 13/16			
.96	DowJns	45 7/16	–3 5/16
.78f	Dressr	40 1/16	–3 7/16
....	DrilQuip n	d33	–5
1.26	DuPont s	53 1/2	–4 9/16
....	Duncan	28 3/16	–2 1/16
.78a	DufPUtil	9½	–
2.20f	DukeEngy	45 3/4	–2 9/16
1.18	DukeRlt s	22 5/16	–1 1/16
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Today $19.00
Previous Close $19.00
Year Ago $N/A

NATURAL GAS PRICES
Monday $3.785

Gas prices soar

NEW YORK (AP) — Prices for natural gas soared Monday as bad weather boosted demand for heating across the country.

Natural gas futures jumped to their highest level since Jan. 6 as snow, high winds, rain and below-normal temperatures hit the central part of the country. Contracts for delivery of natural gas in November rose 23.7 cents to $3.785 for each 1,000 cubic feet.

Many oil traders were distracted, however, by the historic 554-point drop in the Dow Jones Industrial Average and waiting to see if if there would be a spillover effect in energy prices.

Light sweet crude oil for delivery in December settled at $21.07 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, up 10 cents.

Unleaded gasoline for delivery in November settled at 59.95 cents a gallon, up .35 cent.

Home heating oil for delivery in November settled at 57.74 cents a gallon, up .71 cent.

In London, North Sea Brent Blend crude oil for delivery in December settled at $19.99 per barrel, up 10 cents, at the International Petroleum Exchange.

Insurance refunds

AUSTIN (AP) — About 170,000 Texans are in line for refunds from their auto insurer.

Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer on Monday ordered Government Employees Insurance Co. (GEICO) to refund $9.6 million to Texas customers who purchased policies from June 30, 1995, to June 16, 1997.

Customers who renewed policies from Aug. 14, 1995, to July 28, 1997, also will get refunds.

The refund per customer is based on premiums paid and the length of each policy. The average customer will get about $56, although some will get more than $100.

According to the Texas Department of Insurance, GEICO did not properly follow past orders from Bomer regarding industry-wide rate reductions. The company also improperly included extra subsidies for some high-risk policies.

The industry-wide rate reductions are ordered annually based on the amount of money saved by insurance companies because of state laws limiting lawsuits filed against them and damages juries can order them to pay.

In return for the limits, lawmakers have Bomer to impose rate cuts on insurance companies.

"Insurance companies and the public should know that I am determined to pass through to policyholders the full benefits of tort reform, as mandated by law," Bomer said.

GEICO officials said the company did nothing wrong but agreed to the refund in order to settle the issue.

Manufacturing up

WASHINGTON (N.Y. Times) — U.S. manufacturing executives expect business activity to grow at a steady pace in the fourth quarter, while construction companies foresee a drop in activity, according to a pair of monthly industry surveys for September.

The Industrial Sentiment Index, measuring manufacturers' expectations for the three months ending in December, edged down to 21 last month from 22 in August, according to a Dun & Bradstreet Corp. survey.

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Railroad woes cost businesses $1 billion

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Traffic congestion on the Union Pacific Railroad has cost Texas businesses as much as $400 million in the past three months in higher freight costs and lost sales, the chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas told federal rail regulators on Monday.

Charles Matthews told a packed hearing of the Surface Transportation Board that a just-finished assessment of the economic impact of UP's clogged railway lines also found that businesses nationwide have lost an estimated $1 billion.

In an interview before his testimony to the panel, Matthews said the situation is now so bad in Texas that "even the hoboes won't ride the trains."

Speaking before the panel, Matthews said the "higher costs are sure to ripple through the state and the nation's economies in the coming months in the form of higher wholesale and retail prices."

The study was done for the commission by Drs. Bernard Weinstein and Terry Clower at the University of North Texas in Denton.

Union Pacific, its safety record marred again by a weekend collision in Houston, told the board on Monday that it hopes to resolve most of the problems that have tied up its 35,000-mile rail system — the nation's largest — by the end of November.

UP Chairman Richard Davidson acknowledged that the company has made mistakes since its $5.4 billion merger last year with Southern Pacific Rail Corp.

"In September, I came to the conclusion that it wasn't working," Davidson said. "We are going to have to pull out all the stops to get this leaking ship righted."

Last year, UP had told the Surface Transportation Board that the two systems would unite to form a seamless link between the West Coast and the Midwest.

Instead, the merged companies have been beset with traffic problems that have caused safety concerns and angered shippers. Some analysts estimated that UP has already lost more than $125 million as shippers switched to other modes of transportation.

The congestion has been blamed on understaffing of train crews, poor coordination between the two carriers' computer systems and increased traffic loads. Davidson said that Union Pacific is adjusting its crew schedules in the Houston area to give it more flexibility. The railroad also has said it will hire more crews.

Most of the difficulties began on former SP tracks and yards in the Houston area and spread to the rest of the combined UP-SP system, which extends from Chicago to the California coast and to Texas.

Observers say Union Pacific faced an enormous challenge in trying to create a system with 35,000 miles of track and more than 150,000 freight cars.

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Traders on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange work frantically as the Dow Jones industrial average plummets 508 points for a loss of over 22 percent. It was the biggest one-day loss in history.

Dollar stages biggest loss in 2 months

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — The dollar suffered its biggest one-day drop against the mark in more than two months and fell against other European currencies as U.S. stocks registered their worst single-day decline since the October 1987 stock market crash.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell more than 554 points, or 7.2 percent, prompting the close of equities trading. That loss followed a 5.8 percent drop in Hong Kong's benchmark Hang Seng index. When foreign investors sell U.S. stocks they frequently convert the dollar proceeds into their home currencies.

"If the asset markets are not performing well, that's a net negative for the dollar," said Tim Stewart, currency strategist at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter. "You don't want to own the currency in a country where asset markets are falling."

The dollar dropped to 1.7500 marks from 1.7773 marks late Friday in New York, its largest one-day drop since Aug. 13. The dollar was little changed at 122.02 yen from 121.93 Friday.

The decline in Hong Kong stocks — the fifth in six days —touched off declines in stock markets around the world.

Currency traders now are bracing for any effect that further losses in global stocks may have on the foreign exchange market.

"It's very clear that so long as this situation continues, the dollar is going to come under pressure, with money going into marks, Swiss francs and other currencies in Europe," said Thomas Benfer, director of foreign exchange at Bank of Montreal/Harris Bank. "Nobody has a strong conviction as to where it will all end."

While German stocks were among those affected, traders bought marks nonetheless, because the dollar is more sensitive to U.S. stocks than the mark is to Germany's, analysts said.

"The U.S. stock market is much bigger than Germany's," so the Dow is more important for the dollar, said Hillel Waxman, manager of foreign exchange at Bank Leumi Trust Co.

Some traders also are flocking to the mark on speculation that weakness in the world's financial markets could slow global growth and impede Europe's march toward economic and monetary union, due to begin Jan. 1, 1999.

Any delay in the start date for the single currency would extend the mark's status as Europe's benchmark currency.

"If you believe that the currency turmoil will envelop global asset markets, that raises questions about global growth" and could lead to an Emu delay, said Stewart.

Arco third-quarter profit drops 10%

N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES— Atlantic Richfield Co. said third-quarter profit fell 10 percent because of lower earnings from its chemicals business and lower oil prices.

Arco said profit from operations fell to $431 million, or $1.31 a share, from $479 million, or $1.47, in the year-ago quarter.

The Los Angeles-based oil company was expected to earn $1.17 a share, based on the average estimate of 20 analysts surveyed by IBES International Inc.

Arco was expected to post a bigger drop from the year-ago quarter, when the introduction of cleaner-burning gasoline in California raised pump prices and profits. Lower crude oil prices and a surge in gasoline demand in the 1997 quarter helped Arco's refining arm, bolstering overall earnings, analysts said.

"They had a very difficult comparison in refining and marketing against last year, and it was kept essentially flat, well ahead of expectations," said Bruce Lanni, an analyst with Oppenheimer & Co.

Revenue fell 3.6 percent to $4.7 billion from $4.88 billion.

Shares of Arco fell 2 15/16 to 78 9/16.

Net gains of $85 million in the current quarter brought net income to $516 million, or $1.57 a share. There were no special items reported in the 1996 quarter.

Arco reported a gain of $290 million related to its settlement of debt with shares of Lyondell Petrochemical Co. in September, in addition to other tax-related gains. Before the settlement, Arco held a 49.9 percent stake in Lyondell.

The gains were partly offset by charges of $95 million for restructuring at Arco Chemical Co. Arco holds an 82 percent stake in Arco Chemical. In addition, Arco reported charges of $140 million for environmental liabilities related to current operations and to a discontinued mining business. Arco's earnings from refining and retail fuel sales were $134 million, compared with $138 million in the year-ago period. Analysts said the decline was smaller than they'd expected because of high gasoline prices on the West Coast.

Microsoft says government has known of its Internet plans for 3 years

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Microsoft Corp. said Monday that the Justice Department has known for more than three years of its plans to embed Internet browsing software in its Windows computer operating system.

The company said it inserted language into a 1995 consent decree with the government to authorize the very step that the government now alleges violates that two-year-old court order.

A "proviso was included in the consent decree at Microsoft's insistence to retain Microsoft's unfettered liberty," the company said in a brief filed in U.S. District Court.

The Redmond, Wash., software giant said the department's antitrust division was aware of these plans even before a court gave final approval to the 1995 court order which settled government challenges to provisions in Microsoft's licenses of its products to computer makers.

In the 13-page brief for a status conference on the case, the company reiterated its position that adding an Internet browser to the operating system was the logical next step after adding the ability to get information from the computer's hard-drive or from a read-only compact disc.

The government has objected to Microsoft's requirement that personal computer manufacturers that install the Windows 95 operating system on their products also license and install its Internet browser, known as Internet Explorer.

The government argues the browser and the operating system are two separate products that should be sold separately. A week ago, it accused Microsoft of using the monopoly its Windows 95 software enjoys over computer operating systems to steal customers from rival Netscape's popular Internet browser.

"The DOJ knew that Microsoft planned to include Internet-related technologies in Windows 95, including 'browser' functionality, at least by July 1994 when the DOJ and Microsoft were negotiating the consent decree," the company continued.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson gave the company until Nov. 10 to file its formal response to the government's bid to hold the company in contempt for its alleged violation of the 1995 court order. He said he would decide in early December on the next steps in the case, including a hearing.

The Windows operating system is used on more than 80 percent of the nation's personal computers and an even higher percentage of new computers, usually installed at the factory. But rival Netscape markets the leading Internet browser, Navigator, which has 62 percent of that market.

Browsers enable computer owners to easily locate and retrieve information on the Internet.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Ratings services measure risks in buying bonds

Q: I am interested in investing in individual bonds, and the broker I'm working with keeps citing ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's on specific bonds I might buy. Can you please explain how these rating systems work?

Tyson

A: Standard & Poor's and Moody's are two rating services that measure the risks in buying a bond by investigating the bond issuer's financial condition.

Bond issuers themselves rarely publicize their ratings unless they are top of the line.

A higher bond rating means that the entity issuing the bond is financially sound. That is, there is little risk that it will default on its debt.

Conversely, a bond with a lower rating carries a higher risk. However, in order to compensate investors for the increased risk, such a bond should pay a higher interest rate than a lower-risk bond.

Municipal, corporate and international bonds are rated. U.S. Treasury bonds are not, because they are backed by the federal government and are thus, theoretically, risk-free. That might seem puzzling, given the government's outstanding debt of more than $5 trillion!

Moody's ratings use the following grading system, from highest to lowest: Aaa, Aa, A, Baa, Ba, B, Caa, Ca, C.

S&P's ratings use the following grading system, from highest to lowest: AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, B, CCC, CC, C.

Bonds that receive an Aaa or Aa Moody's rating and an AAA or AA S&P rating are considered high-grade bonds.

Bonds that receive an A or Baa from Moody's and an A or BBB from S&P are considered general bonds.

Bonds that receive a Ba Moody's rating and a BB S&P rating, or lower, are considered junk bonds.

Historically, junk bonds have had a 1 percent to 2 percent chance of default — which is not exactly "junky." Junk bonds have a higher interest rate to compensate investors for the higher risk.

Bond ratings can change over time as the issuer's financial condition changes.

That plus the fact that individual investors must pay relatively high transaction fees to buy and sell bonds are prime reasons why I think most people are better off investing in a diversified, low-cost, professionally managed bond mutual fund rather than in individual bonds.

Q: Can you please explain what a prospectus is? Many people say you should read one before investing in something, but I've heard they are hard to read.

A: Mutual funds and publicly owned individual companies are required by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to issue a prospectus.

For a company, the prospectus is a legal document presenting a detailed analysis of the company's financial history, its products and services, its management's background and experience, and the risks of investing in the company.

When analyzing an individual company, I wouldn't recommend that you start with the prospectus; rather, check out the company's Value Line report, which you can find at many large libraries.

A mutual fund's prospectus tells you about its investment objectives, costs and performance history. Reading a prospectus is about as much fun as reading a medical report, but try reading at least the first few pages of a fund's prospectus. Those pages contain the most vital information.

You can obtain a mutual fund's prospectus simply by calling a fund company on its toll-free phone number and requesting one free of charge.

I also recommend reading a fund's most recent annual report, which details its actual investment holdings and includes management's discussion of the fund's recent performance.

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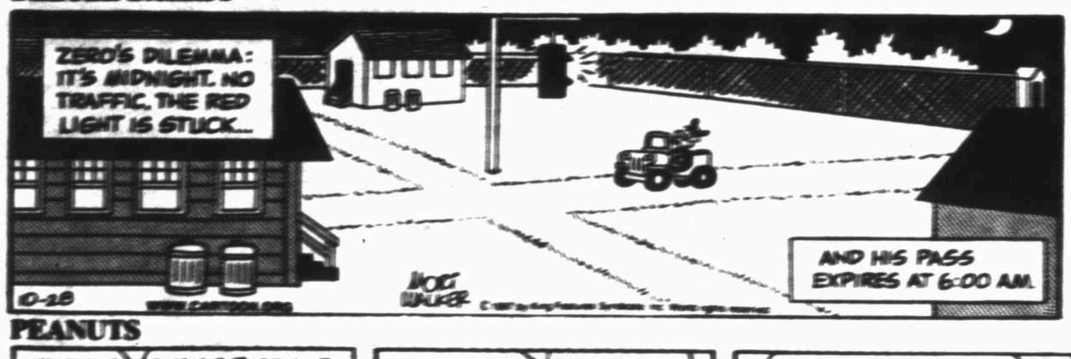

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

TUESDAY, OCT. 28, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Oct. 28, 1997:
Much happens that causes you to question this year; go within to find answers. Also, observe your motives, conscious and unconscious. Your awareness is increased through your willingness to open up to new ideas. Soul-searching enhances your professional status, as well as your personal confidence. If you are single, romance blossoms. However, do your homework and make sure this person is emotionally available. If attached, you and your mate need special time together to reconnect on deep levels. Share some of your own emotional exploration. LIBRA understands more than you know.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Defer to others. Reach out for another, and you'll get your point across. Make that extra effort. Closeness marks conversation. The unexpected occurs with a friendship. Be ready to roll with the ups and downs. Expand your horizons, and be willing to break patterns. Tonight: Say yes to a request.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Stay focused on your work. You get a lot done, very quickly. A partner's insight helps eliminate red tape. Take their suggestions with grace; they have great ideas. A boss makes a positive and unexpected change that supports you. Tonight: Work hard.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You are full of ideas, but also listen to a partner. They give you key feedback. There is always a naughty side to you, and it is likely to flare. Go with the spontaneous. If available, a flirtation could be building. If attached, a little flirting could send temperatures up. Tonight: Just say yes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You can't help but prioritize right now. Trust your limits, and make what you want happen. A partner surprises you with news. What you thought would never change, does. After the initial jolt, you need to rethink. New insights permit a new door to open. Tonight: Happy at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Chat up a storm, and be direct with others. They appreciate your feedback. You love the spontaneity of your associates. Give them permission to be whimsical. Unusual creativity and vitality mark your choices. Let your imagination spin. Tonight: Bat those baby blues, browns or greens.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Your more possessive side emerges when dealing with family and career. Let your imagination flow with a family member. The unexpected occurs at work. Your willingness will help you adapt in the long run. You might be up for a change at home, too. Tonight: Pay bills.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Your allure is evident, even if a loved one acts in an unpredictable manner. They might be overwhelmed by the animal magnetism you project. You are adaptable and might choose to approach a touchy person differently than you have in the past. Tonight: Your call.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Much is going on behind the scenes that you might not be aware of. However, you can see by another's actions where there might be a misunderstanding. You might want to redesign your finances differently or change your banking habits. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Remain in charge of your life, perhaps by canceling an appointment or maybe letting go of a commitment that no longer serves you. You are more in touch with your long-term goals. Go with the element of surprise. Tonight: Wherever you are, the action is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Use instincts with a boss or someone you consider in charge. You might have a very different point of view than they do. In a situation where a power struggle could happen, check in with yourself and examine your motives. Stop and buy a lottery ticket. Tonight: Be noticed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ As usual, you bring an air of excitement and the unexpected. Part of the reason others find you novel is that your perceptions and point of view are very different. Discussions could change a friend's point of view. Flow with the moment. Tonight: Follow the less-trodden path.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Your insight is appreciated, though in discussion you might be startled by a revelation. You will have a moment of illumination. A partner is key to this process. Work is demanding; follow through and leave more pleasant pastimes for later. Tonight: Your door opens to life.

PEANUTS

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

SECOND HAND LOW?

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

	NORTH	
	♠ 7 5 2	
	♡ Q 6 5	
	◇ 9 8 6 2	
	♣ Q 7 4	
WEST		**EAST**
♠ K Q J 8 6		♠ A 10 9 4 3
♡ J 10 8 3		♡ Void
◇ 4 3		◇ 7
♣ J 5		♣ A K 10 9 8 3 2
	SOUTH	
	♠ Void	
	♡ A K 9 7 4 2	
	◇ A K Q J 10 5	
	♣ 6	

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ◇	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	6 ◇	Dbl	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Jack of ♣

If you doubt that experts have a sense of humor, we offer Charles Lochridge's own words about this deal, as reported by Dick Frey in "The Bridge World." Sitting North and West, respectively, were Theodore Lightner and Sam Fry Jr.

The auction is shown as it occurred in a rubber bridge game more than half-a-century ago. Needless to say, North and West had no idea what East and South were up to. We will let Lochridge take over from here.

"West opened the jack of clubs and when I got a look at the dummy I was so awed by my own brilliance I forgot to cover. This play automatically qualifies me as a life-master moron. When the jack held the trick, Fry went into a coma. How long this might have lasted there is no way of telling, but I could see that Lightner was suffering unbearably (and besides my time at the bridge table is very valuable) so I spread my hand and claimed the balance. No one has ever accused Sam of being unable to count to 13. He led a heart which his partner trumped.

"I managed to grab Lightner just before he jumped out the window, and tried to console him with the fact that the opponents can make six spades. But even today, after all these years, when Lightner sees me his mumbled greeting sounds suspiciously like, 'You big jerk!'"

LEND A HAND TO HUMANITY
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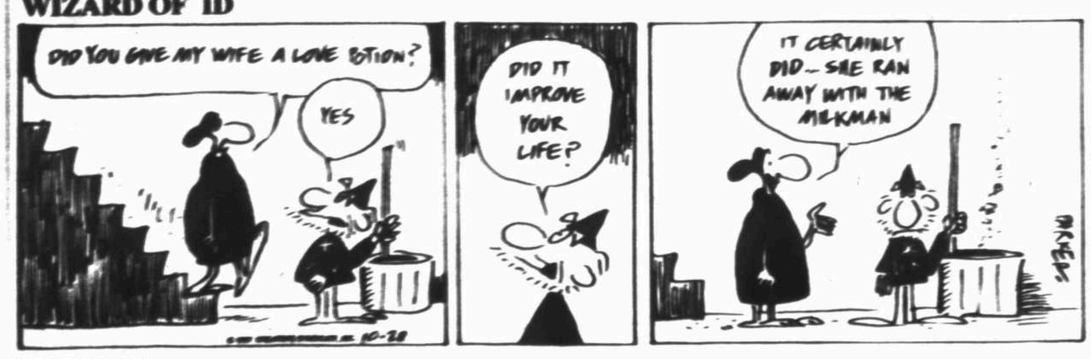

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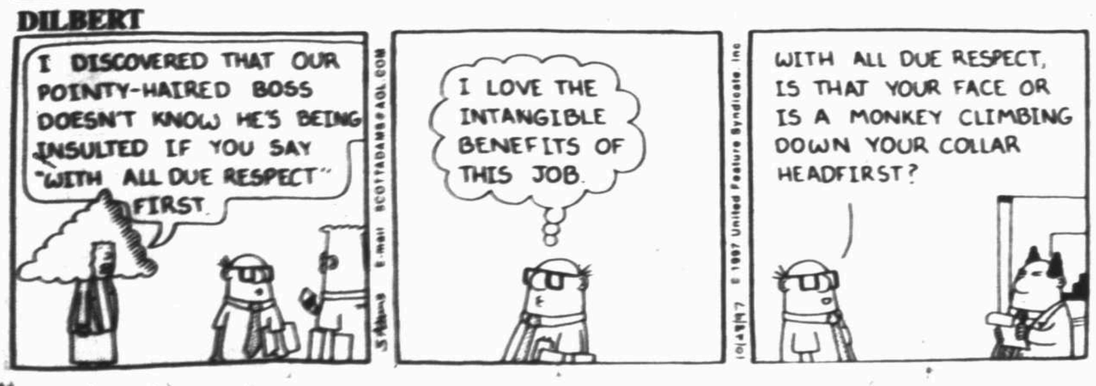

CLOSE TO HOME

With just three days until Halloween, the kids of Maple Avenue had their surveillance teams in place.

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FAMILY CIRC...

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(5) KPEJ	24	5	
(7) KOSA	7	7	
(9) KWES	9	9	
(12) KMLM	42	12	
(15) KOCV	36	13	
Cable	O	C	
(8) CNBC		8	
(10) WGN		10	
(11) WTBS		11	
(18) BRAV		18	
(20) BET		20	
(21) DISN		21	
(23) FAM		23	
(35) CNN		35	
(36) ESPN		36	
(37) USA		37	
(38) FX		38	
(39) A&E		39	
(40) TLC		40	
(41) NICK		41	
(43) LIFE		43	
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(29) VC1		29	
(30) CHTS2		40	
(31) CHTS1		31	
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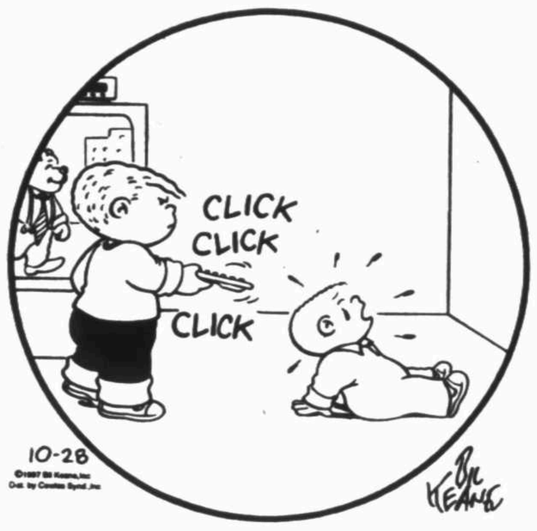

DENNIS THE MENACE

"THE DISH RAN AWAY WITH THE SPOON? IS THIS SOME KINDA SCIENCE FICTION?"

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

TUESDAY EVENING — October 28, 1997 — For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	News 157	Wheel of Fortune	Soul Man 2770	Over the Top 393	Home Improvement	Hiller and Diller	NYPD Blue: The Truth Is Out There 3119		News 3011312	Cheers (10:35)	Nightline (11:05)	Keenen I. Wayans
(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Wolf (R, '94) *** (Jack Nicholson, Michelle Pfeiffer) 97955				Pensacola: Wings of Gold: Grey Ghost 31577		Home Improvement	Mad About You	Vibe 93577	
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 6003	Grace Under Fire	JAG: Vanished 35751		Michael Hayes: Radio Killer 51799		Dellaventura: Fathers 31935		News 8963303	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 6409	Seinfeld 5931	Mad About You	NewsRadio 9645	Frasier 6616	Just Shoot Me	Dateline NBC 77751		News 8477461	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	The Light of the Southwest 850157			Lift Him Up	John Hagee 22867		Praise the Lord 992428					
(15) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 909374		Nova: The Proof 856861		Frontline: Dreams of Tibet 219729		On the Brink of Peace 616585		Telecourse 303645			
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(8) CNBC		8	Business Center	Great Stuff	Equal Time W/Ray	Chris Matthews	Rivera Live 3172374		The News With Brian Williams 3192136		Charles Grodin 3195225		Rivera Live 6721577	
(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	Coach 738111	The Professional (R, '94) *** (Gerard Depardieu, Natalie Portman) 48645				News 515409		Beverly Hills, 90210: Spring Dance 518596		In the Heat of the Night 418157	
(11) WTBS		11	Coach 858645	Coach 872225	Citizen Cohn (R, '92) ** (James Woods, Charles Durning) 397197				Cagney and the Beadle (PG, '77) *** (Burt Reynolds, Sally Field) 417773				Walking Tall (R, '73) ** 4	
(18) BRAV		18	Music for the Movies		Under the Volcano (R, '84) *** 492119				The Last Temptation of Christ (R, '88) *** (Willem Dafoe) 191039					
(20) BET		20	Planet Groove 147022				Hit List 148751		Comicview 168515		BET Tonight		227	Mid. Love
(21) DISN		21	A Disney Halloween ('63) ** 8				Honey, Pumpkin (PG, '93) ** (Dustin Miller, Sarah Jessica Parker) 8		Shanghai (5:10) (PG, '85) ** (Lord Andrew) 7				Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea ('61) *** (Walter Pidgeon) 3	
(23) FAM		23	The Waltons: The Minstrel 392984		Rescue 911 935393		Diagnosis Murder (Part 1 of 2) 944041		Hawaii Five-0: The Two-Faced Corpse 931577		The 700 Club 934664		The Three Stooges	The Three Stooges
(35) CNN		35	Moneyline	Crossfire	Pri. News	Burden	Larry King Live 210461		The World Today		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	Showbiz
(38) ESPN		36	SportsCenter (5:30)	Strongest Man	NHL Hockey: Buffalo Sabres at Colorado Avalanche 992935						SportsCenter 761634		World Dog Show 218747	
(37) USA		37	Highlander: The Road Not Taken 752922		WWF Clip Show 236409		Boxing: Joseph Kiwanuka vs. Thomas Tate, Super Middleweights 219845				WWF Clip Show 228480		Renegade: Rustler's Rodeo 294663	
(39) FX		38	Miami Vice 4489916		The X-Files 9648886		NYPD Blue 9622206		In Color	In Color	The X-Files 9645157		NYPD Blue 5414138	
(38) A&E		39	Law & Order: Sanctuary 116296		Biography 683393		Inspector Morse: Dead on Time 603157				Law & Order: Sisters of Mercy 682964		Biography 665157	
(40) TLC		40	Vila's Home Again	Vila's Home Again	Trauma II: Life in the ER 812799		Wolfman: The Myth and the Science 898119		Bigfoot 801683		Trauma II: Life in the ER 804770		Wolfman: The Myth and the Science 847945	
(41) NICK		41	Doug 164683	Rugrats 155935	World of Alex Mack	Happy Days	The Wonder Years	Bewitched 424577	I Love Lucy	Odd Couple	Taxi 485848	Newhart 494596	Mary Tyler Moore	Dick Van Dyke
(43) LIFE		43	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries		Relentless: Mind of a Killer ('93) ** 6				Homicide: Life/Street		Unsolved Mysteries	
(48) OUTDR		45	Safari 1519954	Zebra in Stable	In Wilderness: A Pageant of Grouse 2142577		Earthwise 6098409	Challenge of Seas	Australia - Remarkable Animals 2131461		In Wilderness: A Pageant of Grouse 2141848		Earthwise 2717041	Challenge of Seas
(49) UNI		49	Mi Querida Isabel 59596		El Alma No Tiene Color 19393		Alguna Vez Tendremos Alas 29841		Primer Impacto: Edicion Nocturna 15577		Impacto Extra	Noticiero Univision	Al Ritmo de la Noche 541157	
(50) HSE		50	Sports Tonight	NHL Hockey: Dallas Stars at New York Rangers 351022						Fox Sports News	Fox Sports News 96480		Fox Sports News 96041	
(51) COM		51	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Comedy Club	Lounge Lizards	Sinbad: Brain Damaged 1586138		Viva Variety	Make Me Laugh	The Daily Show	Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live: William Shatner 7728139	
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(14) DISC		14	Gimme Shelter 121138		All-American Animals 698225		New Detectives: Studies in Forensic Science		Traitors 694409		Justice Files: Do-It-Yourself Justice 697596		All-American Animals 630461	
(15) AMC		15	The Spirit of St. Louis ('57) *** (James Stewart) 491461						Tarzan the Magnificent ('60) 249312		A Star Is Born (PG, '54) **** 8			
(16) TNN		16	Dukes of Hazzard		Life of Richard Petty		Prime Time Country		Soulmates 816515		Dallas 886374		Dukes of Hazzard	
(17) TNT		17	Lois & Clark		Assault on Devil's Island ('57) 8				Assault on Devil's Island ('57) 8				Assault on Devil's ...	
(22) MAX		22	Independence Day (4:30) (PG-13, '96) 282		Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country (PG, '91) *** (William Shatner) 87				Phantasm (R, '79) * (Michael Baltar, Bill Thornbury) 2			Gentleman's Bet (R, '63) (Keith Hunter, Gaby Maurell) 2		
(29) VC1		29	The Devil's Own (R)		Everyone Says I Love You (R, '96) *** 8				WCW Halloween Havoc 6265848					
(30) CHTS2		40	Rosewood (4:30)		Rosewood (R, '97) ** (Jon Voight, Ving Rhames) 6						Rosewood (R, '97) ** (Jon Voight, Ving Rhames) 8			
(31) CHTS1		31	Fathers' Day (PG-13, '97) ** 3				Fathers' Day (PG-13, '97) ** 3				Fathers' Day (PG-13, '97) ** 3			
(32) TMC		32	Jerusalem Ark (5:15) (PG, '98) *** (Cybill Shepherd, Robert Conrad) 2				Stir Crazy (R, '80) *** (Gene Wilder, Richard Pryor) 8				My Boyfriend's Back (9:55) (PG-13, '93) * (Andrew Lawrence) 1		Piranha (11:20)	
(33) SHOW		33	Top Gun (5) (PG, '86) *** 8		The Fan (R, '96) * (Robert De Niro, Wesley Snipes) 2				Joe Torre: Curveballs Along the Way ('97)			Women: Passion	B. Hills Bordello	Movie (11:45)
(34) HBO		34	Rachel's Daughters: Causes of Breast Cancer		Michael Collins (R, '96) *** (Liam Neeson, Aidan Quinn) 8				Where Have You Gone, Joe DiMaggio? (9:15) 3			South Beach Academy (R, '96) (Corey Feldman, Al Leong) 2		
(39) HC		30	Movie (5)	Erotic Confessions 5049848			Vicious Circles (R, '97) (Ben Gazzara) 4977667				Private Parts (R, '97) *** 3578225			

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Journalist who lost lawsuit against Michael Jackson files for bankruptcy

LOS ANGELES — A free-lance journalist who lost a slander lawsuit brought by **Michael Jackson** has filed for bankruptcy protection.

The move automatically put on hold a trial to determine how much Victor Gutierrez owes Jackson in damages.

The trial had been scheduled to begin this week.

Jackson contended Gutierrez lied in a 1995 appearance on TV's "Hard Copy" when he claimed he saw a 27-minute videotape that purportedly showed the singer having sex with a 13-year-old boy.

Jackson contends journalist lied about videotape showing singer having sex with a young boy.

Gutierrez refused to reveal the source of the tape, and a judge found the writer liable for damages. A jury was to determine the amount.

A.E. Hotchner, the writer, was not exactly delighted when he was first asked if he would be willing to have a theater at his alma mater, Washington University in St. Louis, named for him. "I tried to stop it for three years," he said Monday as he returned from St. Louis for the dedication of the A.E. Hotchner Theater.

But the university prevailed, and Hotchner, who graduated from Washington University's college and its law school in 1941, became quite involved in the ceremonies.

As long as he had consented, he decided he wanted the occasion to reflect his own interests, and what better theme, he figured, than Ernest Hemingway, about whom he wrote the best-selling memoir "Papa Hemingway," published in 1966 by Random House.

During the two-day event, he moderated a dialogue between two of Hemingway's sons, John Hemingway, from his first marriage, and Patrick Hemingway, from his second.

"This was the first time that they had ever gotten together to discuss the fact that Patrick's mother, Pauline, had spirited Ernest away from John's mother, Hadley," he said. "They had also never discussed the more than 100 books written about their father since his death in 1962.

"Patrick said that he thought all the books were 'R and C books,'" he said. "When I asked 'What is that?' he said, 'Read and cringe books.'"

Luciano Pavarotti received a special award, presented by Paul McCartney, for raising money for the orphans of Bosnia.

LONDON — **Luciano Pavarotti** was honored Monday for helping raise $8 million for the orphans of Bosnia.

The tenor received a special achievement trophy at the Gramophone Awards.

Cellist Mstislav Rostropovich received the lifetime achievement award for his outstanding contribution to classical music.

The young artist of the year award went to Germany's Isabelle Faust for her debut recording of Bartok's violin sonatas. The award was presented by Paul McCartney, whose symphonic poem "Standing Stone" had its premiere recently.

The Gramophone Awards are sponsored by Gramophone magazine, a leading classical music magazine.

NEW YORK — **He's not a sportscaster** anymore, but **Pat O'Brien** keeps playing one on TV.

Since O'Brien gave up sports on CBS less than two months ago, he has appeared as a sportscaster on two of the network's shows, "Everybody Loves Raymond" and "Early Edition."

"It's kind of fun," he said. "Now I actually have to act to be a sports announcer."

O'Brien left CBS Sports to become cohost with Giselle Fernandez of the syndicated "Access Hollywood."

BUDAPEST, Hungary — **Robin Williams** and **Alan Arkin** are in Budapest to shoot "Jacob the Liar."

They arrived over the weekend after wrapping up work in Warsaw, the primary location of the film about life in a concentration camp in 1944.

Williams is expected to spend most of the seven-week shooting schedule in Hungary, save a brief return to the United States for the premiere of his latest movie, "Flubber."

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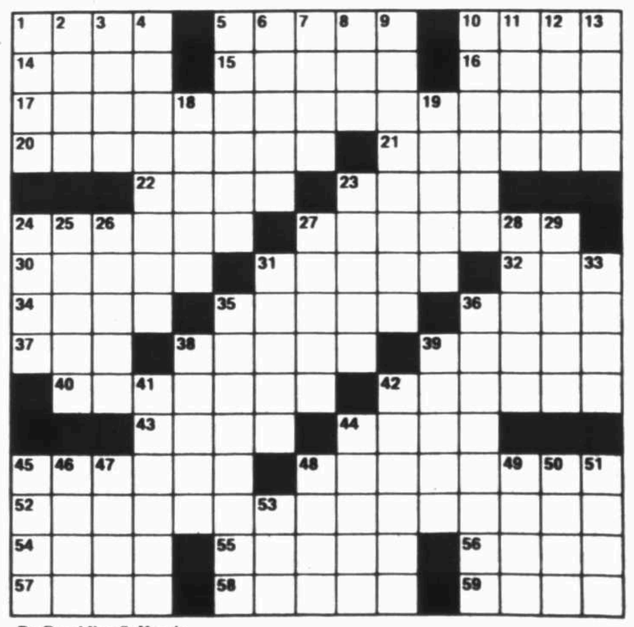

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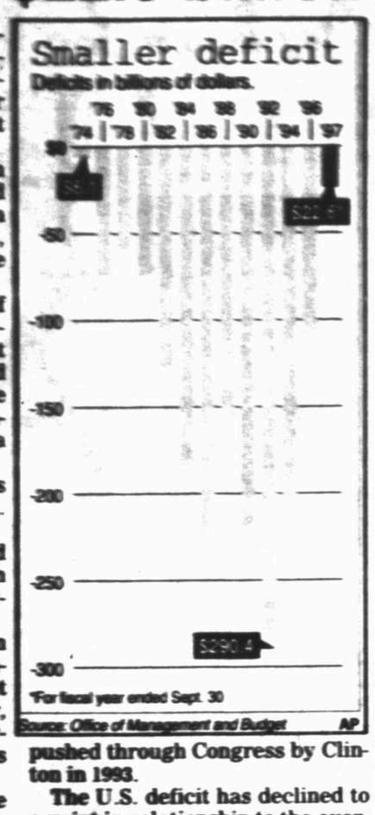
Federal deficit drops to new levels, $22.6 billion



WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal budget deficit for the 1997 fiscal year fell to $22.6 billion, a level lower than any other major industrialized country, President Clinton announced Monday.

The drop reflects a $357 billion decrease since he took office and enacted a balanced-budget plan over objections of Republicans, Clinton said during a speech to the Democratic Leadership Council.

"The deficit-reduction plan of 1993 was supported only by Democrats, enacted in the face of the most withering partisan criticism and deep political risk that cost some members their positions in Congress," said Clinton, fighting a hoarse voice.

"Well, it's time for the naysayers to admit they're wrong. It worked. And America is better for it."

Administration officials credited the drop to strong economic growth and a resulting increase in tax revenue.

The deficit was reduced even before the White House and Congress reached a balanced-budget agreement during the summer, but the final figure was even lower than administration officials had predicted.

The new figure, covering the budget year that ended Sept. 30, was based on the Treasury Department's final calculations of government spending and tax receipts.

The gap is the lowest since 1974, when it was $6.1 billion. The deficit is now equal to 0.3 percent of the nation's economic output, the lowest since 1970, the year after the government recorded its last budget surplus.

The deficit, which hit a record of $290.4 billion in 1992, has been declining since that time, helped out by an improving economy and the tax increases and spending cuts pushed through Congress by Clinton in 1993.

The U.S. deficit has declined to a point in relationship to the overall economy that is viewed as insignificant by many economists.

But administration officials warned that tax cuts would likely cause the deficit to increase next year. Economists said painful fiscal measures — including the tax increases passed in 1990 during the Bush administration and those approved in 1993 under Clinton — were responsible for some of this year's drop.

But they attributed it mostly to economic growth. The administration had started the fiscal year expecting a deficit of $128 billion.

Certain toys already face short supply for holidays

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Halloween isn't even here yet, and Lisa Levine was on the hunt this weekend for Christmas toys.

Her top pick — Tyco Toys' Sing & Snore Ernie — was already sold out at a Toys R Us in New York.

"I came early this year, after I missed getting a Tickle Me Elmo last Christmas," said the mother of two. "But I guess I didn't come early enough."

Around the country, many parents aren't waiting until Thanksgiving to start holiday toy shopping. After the Elmo craze of 1996, parents are already buying what they think will be this year's toy sensation.

That's drying up stocks of Ernie and other toys, including Microsoft's Actimates Barney, Star Wars figures and virtual pets.

"People, having been caught last year in that mad rush, are shopping earlier this year," said Joanne Oppenheim, a New York-based toy consultant. "They don't want to be part of that mess again."

Tickle Me Elmo stole the show last Christmas, with parents using guerrilla-shopper tactics to get one of the giggling, plush dolls based on the Sesame Street character. Over 1 million dolls sold over the holidays, according to Tyco, which also makes Elmo.

In scenes reminiscent of the Cabbage Patch Kids craze in 1983 and Holiday Barbie two years ago, parents waited at store service entrances to grab the Elmo dolls as they were unloaded off trucks, while others paid thousands of dollars for one of the dolls that have a suggested retail price of $30.

This year, at a Wal-Mart in Tampa, Fla., only four Sing & Snore Ernie dolls were still on the shelf late Saturday, after one customer bought eight for her nieces and nephews. At F.A.O. Schwarz in San Francisco, they're running out of Actimates Barney.

Giga Pets were out of stock at a Kay-Bee Toys store in Glendale, Calif., and Tiger Electronics, which makes the electronic virtual pets, said it's flying supplies daily to stores nationwide.

Star Wars action figures, popular among kids and adult collectors, are also running low at stores around the country.

"This is the time of year that toys start to move, but not necessarily sell out," said Chris Byrne, editor of Playthings MarketWatch, a New York-based toy trade publication. "But parents this year are thinking, 'If I see it, I better buy it.' They don't want to be a fool and miss out."

Fueling some of this rush are "hot" toy picks from magazines and trade publications.

That was especially true for Sing & Snore Ernie, which sings "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" before it fades off to sleep and begins snoring. After Family Fun magazine last week picked Ernie as one of its top toys for 1997, sales shot higher, and are now running at about 10 times what they were in early October.

To meet demand, Tyco is already flying in Ernie dolls from its factory in China, something it didn't have to do with Elmo until after Thanksgiving last year.

Also boosting sales are adults who are buying toys they think will be the top-sellers this Christmas. Many then plan to sell them for a premium later in the season.

"After seeing what happened last year, I'd be smart to buy maybe Sing & Snore Ernie now and then sell it for more later on," said Marci Kellman, a New Yorker without children. "Some people made a lot of money last year."

Nerve study offers hope for multiple sclerosis patients

DETROIT (AP) — In a development that could help lead to a treatment for multiple sclerosis and similar diseases, laboratory experiments have found that a certain hormone stimulates the growth of the protective sheath around nerves.

In degenerative diseases like MS and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or Lou Gehrig's disease, damage around the sheath stops signals from being transmitted between the brain and nerves.

An insulin-like growth hormone called IGF-I has been found to regrow these sheaths, University of Michigan scientists reported Monday.

Though several growth factors currently are being studied, IGF-I appears to be most effective at inducing the growth of the sheath and preventing neural cell death, according to Michigan researcher Hsin-Lin Cheng.

The Michigan scientists, who presented the first results from their experiments with IGF-I at a confererence in New Orleans on Monday, removed nerve cells called dorsal root neurons from newborn rats and grew them in a dish.

They found that if they simulated the conditions of diabetes in the dish, then applied the IGF-I, it helped the nerves remain normal, Feldman said.

"This may provide a new treatment for a whole group of diseases we couldn't treat before," said Eva Feldman, associate professor of neurology at the University of Michigan Medical School.

Tests with the hormone, which is produced in the liver and is present in blood serum, are under way on about 40 people with neuropathy at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Dr. Stephen Reingold of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in New York, was cautious about the results.

"They certainly are jumping the gun by saying that it could help with multiple sclerosis. IGF-I has never been studied with MS," he said.

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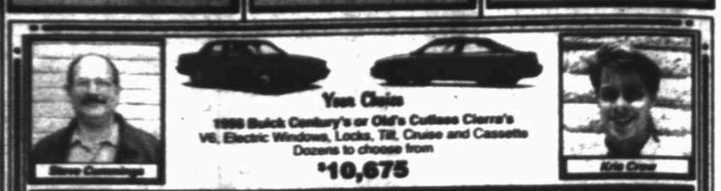

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1980 HONDA 750 with faring, $360. Call after 6 pm, 699-6643.

1995 HONDA ACE. Black & red, lots of extra chrome. $7,300. Call 570-8127.

1983 V65 Magna, 22K miles, new tires, tank, seat, $2,500 or best offer 682-9090.

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1968 HOG, Dresser. low miles. 2nd owner. $11,500- best. 686-7901.

HONDA 1994 XR80 dirt bike. Excellent condition, runs great, one owner, $875. 520-6428.

Kawasaki 1995 Concours. Hitch, trailer, riding suit, helmet many extras. $8,000. 570-9404.

HONDA 1997 XR400. Great shape, some extras! $4,000. Call (806)872-3168.

HARLEY 1986 Sportster 883. Red. 19,500K, hugger package, buddy seat, buckhorn bars, Baloney muffler, Live to Ride medallions. $5,500 (915)520-5171.

1996 HARLEY DAVIDSON Heritage Softtail. Black & silver, Limited Edition color, 7K, extra chrome, $18,300 or best offer. (915)944-2468.

245 Trailers Utility

TERRY'S Trailers, 1403 Garden City Hwy. Hitches, light wiring, trailer repairs. New and used trailers for sale. We also rent trailers. Truck/ pickup rigging a specialty. 688–5198.

WANTED: used 10'- 12' enclosed, single axle, trailer. Preferred Wells Cargo type. Call 694-6964.

250 Recreational Vehicles

1992 24' Shadow Cruiser 5th wheel, light weight. Immaculate, extras. $9,995. 687-1745.

1993 21' Coachman. Special edition travel trailer. Like new many extras. $8,000. 570-9404.

20' WILDERNESS travel trailer. Excellent for deer lease, $2,750. (915)397-2385

✔ NEW Motorhome Rental Company. Call now for your vacation reservations. 694–7144.

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BILLY SIMS TRAILER TOWN
520 E. 2nd Odessa (915) 580-3000

JAYCO 1996 28' travel trailer 262FK, brand new. Call 694-4151.

1978 22' JOURNEY, Dodge 440, 71K, air, generator, fully self- contained and ready to go anywhere. $4,500. Make offer (915)570-4695.

1989 37' BRAVO, 454 Chevrolet, 28K, washer, dryer, backup camera, compactor, microwave, 3 air, 2 refrigerators, much more! $32,000. (915)683-4444.

WINNEBAGO 1987 Lesharo, 31K, fuel- injected 4 cylinder engine, front wheel drive, 15 mpg, roof air, 2,500 watt generator. Was $13,500; now $12,000. 683-2484.

260 Boats & Motors

FOLD UP Portable, 10 foot fishing boat including trolling motor. One person can carry. 682-8867.

1996 CAJUN Boat 17 foot, 115 hp, fish/ ski, excellent condition, $14,500. Call 687-5934 or 687-3225.

15' BASS BOAT. 3 seats, new tires on trailer, excellent condition, $650. Call 697-2731.

290 Parts & Accessories

AUTOCRANE, Model 3203-PRX. Costs over $6,000 new. Asking $4,200. Lift Moore electric crane, Model 2M3, $2,500. 697-4451.

305 Job Services

POSTAL JOBS. $18.35/ hr. Now hiring, full benefits. No experience. For application and exam info. Call 1-800-813-3585, Ext 7606, 8 am- 9 pm, 7 days.

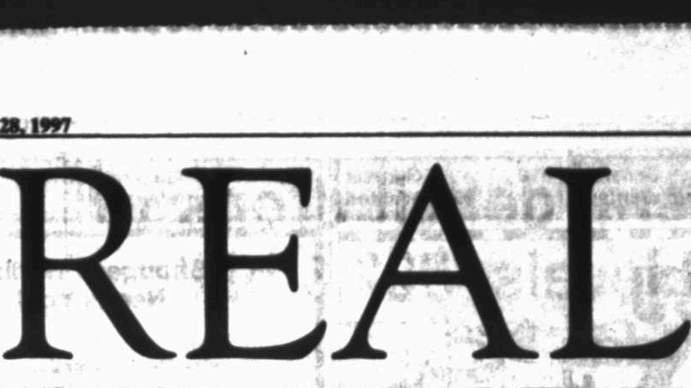
US GOVERNMENT jobs. Hiring now! Entry level to advanced positions available. Paid training plus benefits. $11- $33/ Hour. Call fee 1-888-473-6623, Ext 3200.

WILDLIFE JOBS. $21.60/ Hour. Game Wardens, Security, Maintenance, Park Rangers. Benefits, no experience needed. For application and exam call 1-800-813-3585, Ext 7607, 8 am- 9 pm, 7 days.

310 General Help Wanted

$$$$$ TOP PAY $$$$$
Truck Drivers needed for oil field jobs. Must be able to travel. No need to relocate. Must have Class A CDL, clear driving record and 2 years truck driving experience. Call 1-800-588-2669 Monday - Friday 8- 5.

REAL WHEEL DEAL



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You'll get a total of 14 consecutive days of advertising with this super plan. 24 words and a photo of your vehicle in a 1 column by 1.5 inch advertisement. We take photos on Tuesday from 2-3. just bring your vehicle to us and we'll do the rest. If you prefer, you may take a photo and bring it to us anytime.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
Call One Of Our Classified Consultants For Assistance
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310 General Help Wanted

Business is great at Peerless Tyre Company

We need full and part time help. Must be honest, hard working and full of enthusiasm We will train the right individual. Relocation after training is possible. Starting for full time $7.25 per hour. Apply in person at 2804 W. Wall, Midland, Texas.

PINOCCHIOS PIZZA

Our business continues to grow! We are now interviewing for delivery drivers. Drivers are paid cash daily and earn $7- 12 per hour and up! You are guaranteed $5.50 per hour. Full and part time positions available. Must be 18 years or older and have proof of insurance. Please apply in person at 3303 N. Midkiff in San Miguel Square.

SATIN

A Gentlemen's Club... is accepting applications for bar tenders, DJ's, waitresses and dancers. No experience necessary we will train the right ones.
101 Solo Odessa
Please call 550-4061

10 TELEMARKETERS needed for advertising promo. We train, hours flexible, $6- 10/ hour. Students or retirees welcome. 3404 W. Illinois, Suite 201, 689-8500.

ALARM SYSTEMS MONITOR Seeking one part- time employee to work Saturday & Sunday 7 am- 3 pm. Non-smoking environment, clean police record. Will train. $6.00 per hour. Send resume to: PO Box 1011, Midland, TX 79702.

ASSEMBLERS
Will Train!
You can earn up to $600 weekly assembling and servicing sign up boxes.
1-800-354-7331

BELL PERSON positions available. Clean driving record a must. 5:30 am- 3:30 pm shift or 4:30 pm- 2 am shift. Apply in person, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 4300 W. Hwy. 80, Midland.

DRIVERS, Professional
The key to your future is available at FFE. Conwell Corporation continues to expand and is hiring both experienced and inexperienced drivers for our dry-van and perishable fleets. Come by and visit our company representative:
Thurs., Oct. 30
(10 AM- Noon)
Texas Workforce Commission
501 N. Loraine St.
Midland, TX
FFE offers up to $2,000 sign-on bonus, paid insurance, paid vacations, and late model conventionals.
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310 General Help Wanted

BLIND BOX REPLIES
When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: **(this is an example)**

BOX Z-01
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222.
We do not open or screen any mail that has a blind box number on the envelope. The Midland Reporter-Telegram shall not be responsible for any disclosures of information, loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

CHILD CARE needs experienced workers. Full and part time positions. Must be flexible, high school diploma or GED. Prefer non- smoker. College Scholarships may be available for qualified candidates. Call 689-6309 or apply at 1007 Austin.

CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT needed, experience required. Apply at Hillis Chiropractic Center, 606 Kent, Midland. Call 684-5683.

CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT Campbell Construction Company seeking experienced Construction Superintendent. Paid Health Plan, Paid Vacation 401(k) and Cafeteria Plan available. Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland, Texas 79705 or send resume to PO Box 11293, Midland, Texas 79702, Salary DOE.

DAYCARE TEACHERS needed afternoons. Part- time positions only. Experience preferred but, will train. Apply Salvation Army Daycare, 3500 Park Lane.

DELIVERY person needed full time. Must have good driving record. Heavy lifting required. Random drug screening. Apply Carter's Furniture, 501 E. Illinois, between 1 & 4 pm.

DISHWASHER- Must pay attention to detail, cleanliness and have a good work history. Apply in person at Rockwood Manor, 2000 N. Main, Midland, Texas.

DISHWASHERS needed. Apply between 8- 10 am and 2 - 5 pm, Furr's Cafeteria, 1116 N. Midkiff.

DRIVER FOR Company Truck. Valid CDL license, good driving record, verifiable work history. Must pass DOT, drug screen and physical. Apply in person at McClatchy Bros., 3901 W. Industrial Midland, Texas.

DRIVERS: Our top drivers make over $900/ week. Great pay, equipment and benefits. Based out of Odessa. Call for details 1-800-749-1180.

ELECTRICIANS & Linemen needed. Also needing Electrician and Line crew helpers. Pre -employemnt drug testing. Call 563-5000.

310 General Help Wanted

ESPER House Cleaning Service. Needs experienced person to work five days a week. Must have legal papers to work in USA. 520-8829.

EXPERIENCED COOK/ BAKER for restaurant. Apply in person. Murray's, 3211 W. Wadley.

EXPERIENCED DELIVERY Drivers wanted. Best compensation in town! Apply in person, Mr. Gatti's, 614 W. Wadley.

EXPERIENCED MANAGER for Print Shop. Apply at Reynolds Brothers Reproduction, 315 N. Colorado St., Midland. Call 682-7393.

FAST FREDDY'S now hiring wait persons. Apply in person. 4310 W. Illinois.

FOR RESUMES that get results call 699–1919. Also, Cover letters. Professional, quick service, affordable.

FULL- TIME delivery person needed for local furniture and accessory store. Must have experience and be able to travel out of town from time to time. Send name, address and phone number to: Box B-1030, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and Class C drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)499-4026.

HAIR STATIONS for lease. Great location, friendly atmosphere. Call Debbie, 694-2579/ 694-9729.

HAIR STYLISTS- wet and dry stations now available for lease in our newly remodeled salon. Centrally located with lots of parking and good walk- in traffic. Call 694-2517 (9- 5 Tuesday through Saturday).

HEAD MAINTENANCE applications being accepted. Must Be Experienced, A /C Certified. Must pass criminal background/ drug test. Benefits. Country Crest Townhomes, 6500 E. Ridge, Odessa.

HELP WANTED. Apply at Raindance Car Wash. 1103 Andrews Hwy. Must have a valid ID. Part time & full time positions available.

HEY! The Bar is taking applications for waitstaff and day time shifts. We have flexible hours, great clientele, friendly staff and incredible tips. Come join our team today! Monday through Friday 8- 10 and 1 to 4 pm. 685-1757.

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CIVIL ENGINEERS
Draftsman
AutoCad Draftsman wanted. 1-3 Years AutoCad experience. $10+ per hour based on experience.
Survey Aide
Entry level position open for a rodman on survey crew. $6+ per hour based on experience.
Applications being accepted at LCA, 521 N. Texas, Odessa, Texas.
★★★

310 General Help Wanted

★ MIDLAND CHILDCARE Center now accepting applications for Teacher, experience preferred. Apply in person 3701 Andrews Hwy.

HOT FUN COOL JOB

Looking for 10 sharp Guys and Gals to work/ travel with unique business group. Travel to all major U.S. Cities and resort areas: i.e. Las Vegas, Seattle and all of sunny California. We offer 2 week paid training, transportation furnished and return guaranteed. For interview call Mr. Parkinson at 697-3181, Monday thru Wednesday only.10 am to 6 pm.

HOTEL- Housekeeping Position open. Experience preferred but will train. Apply in person Lexingonton Hotel & Suites, 1003 S. Midkiff.

HOTEL- Part time Front Desk position. Some experience preferred. Apply in person Lexington Hotel and Suites, 1003 S. Midkiff.

INSTALLER/ SERVICE TECH: Install and service Reverse osmosis Units. General mechanical ability a must. Basic plumbing knowledge helpful. Must have common tools and a good driving record. Drug test required. Call 563-9011, Monday thru Friday 9- 5.

JOB OPENINGS for experienced H.D. truck alignment mechanic and spring shop mechanic. Must have own hand tools. Salary: open per experience and know- how. Call Jack or J.C. Job opening for delivery person, good driving record a must. Call James, 1-800-456-2953, (915)337-7301 or FAX: (915)337-7315.

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RESTAURANT
La Bodega
Now Hiring:
Kitchen Manager*
Apply in person:
2700 N. Big Spring
Midland
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KPEJ-TV FOX 24 has an opportunity for you to join the best master control team in the Permian Basin. Job duties include, switching commercials for programming, catching programs for air at later date, checking programs for quality control. You need to be friendly, outgoing and able to work overnight shifts. Experience a plus but not required. Come by and fill out an application at KPEJ-TV Fox 24, 1550 I-20 west, in Odessa. Interviews will be set at later date. Equal Opportunity Employer.

MAINTENANCE PERSON needed. A/ C certified preferred. Westside apartments, 520-0656.

MEAT CUTTER Wanted must have 2 years experience minimum and read, write and speak English. Salary dependent upon experience. 335-7965.

NOW HIRING: All positions for new Midland restaurant. Please apply in person, 3109 Garden City Highway.

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310 General Help Wanted

Ruby Tuesday

IF YOU ARE...
- GUEST-FOCUSED
- ENTHUSIASTIC & ENERGETIC
- HARDWORKING
- A TEAM PLAYER

...THEN COME SEE US!

WE OFFER:
- FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING, FT/PT
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- COMPLETE TRAINING PROGRAMS
- A GREAT PLACE TO WORK

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AUTOMOTIVE SALES HELP WANTED

Fastest Growing Dealer in West Texas, Great Working Environment, Great Benefits:

★Insurance ★Holidays ★Vacation ★401k

SEE MIKE KIRBY 522-7400

Kelly Grimsley AUTO GROUP
3312 W. WALL • MIDLAND

310 General Help Wanted

MIDLAND CORE Analysis Company, seeking entry level or experienced, field service technician. Will train for well site and laboratory duties. Applicant must by 21 years of age with a good driving record. Apply at 2057 Commerce Drive.

NAIL TECH. Station for lease. Good location. Comfortable, friendly atmosphere. Clientele preferred. Call 689-3339 or 570-0749.

NO EXPERIENCE Necessary! $500 to $900 weekly/ potential processing mortgage refunds. Own hours. Call 1-800-348-7185 EXT 634.

NOW HIRING, Full time, Grill cook. Day hours. Come by 3316 W. Illinois.

OPENING for 3 Hairstylists and/ or nail techs. Ask for Trish, 697-3929.

OTR DRIVER, clean CDL, HazMat, 5 years experience. Call, 523-9678.

PART TIME dishwasher, students welcome. Apply in person 1000-A, W. 1-20. 686-8830.

PC LAN Computer Technician needed. Fax resumes to 915-570-6277.

PLAZA CENTER EXXON now accepting applications for station attendants; day shift. Experience preferred but, will train. Must be neat in appearance, honest, willing to work with others. Garfield & Wadley, 686-2457.

ASSISTANT SUPPORT Counselor (primary function driver). Part- time position effective on/ about November 15, 1997. Minimum 20 hours/ week plus fills in for holidays, staff vacation, etc. Pays $7/hour. Primary function is to provide transportation for Center residents. Secondary function is to assist in presenting classes and to maintain a small caseload of residents. Must have high school diploma and good driving record. Knowledge of alcohol/ drug abuse field helpful. Apply between 8 am- 5 pm Monday through Friday at Court Residential Treatment Center, 215 W. Industrial Ave., Midland, TX 79701. Cut- off 4 pm, November 5, 1997.

PORTER/ Janitorial Part time position available at Ashton Way Apartments. No phone calls. Apply 2613 N. Midland Dr., 10 to 5 pm.

PROVIDERS NEEDED. Includes light housekeeping, meal preparation and personal care. Must have dependable vehicle. Apply at 808 W. Indiana, Midland- ask for Karen.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

REECE ALBERT, INC. A local road construction company for dirt and paving. Now hiring for water truck operators, must have CDL, also laborers. Please call (915)570-0481.

❤ REPRESENTATIVES

Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

Restaurant
DOMINO'S PIZZA
$5.30 per hour + MILEAGE & TIPS!

Is looking for friendly, customer- focused people to join their exciting delivery team. You can make $9-$14 per hour while delivering the most delicious pizza in Midland. Full and part time openings, and new advancement opportunities await. Good driving record and insurance required.EOE Apply today, in person, at:

712 West Scharbauer

RESTAURANT- Gill's Restaurant is now accepting applications for Wait Staff. Apply at 4411 W. Illinois.

RESTAURANT- Luby's now accepting applications- all positions. Apply in person 8 am- 10 am only. EOE.

310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT. Now hiring responsible, energetic personnel for all positions. Apply between 2 and 4 at Fuddruckers.

ROUTE DRIVER needed full-time. No CDL necessary. Current, valid drivers license, clean driving record, some heavy lifting and over- the- road experience required. Apply in person Only, Snowhite Laundry, 303 S. Terrell.

SECURITY. Globe Airport Security Services, Inc., Midland International Airport, 9506 LaForce Blvd. $5.15 per hour. Free training, uniforms furnished, free parking, health plan available. Students, retirees homemakers and others welcome. No Criminal conviction- 10 year background check, drug testing required. Apply at security checkpoint, no phone calls please.

SEEKING individual with suspension and alignment skills. Must have own tools, drug test required. Apply at 3111 W. Front.

SERVERS NEEDED- Evenings and weekends, ideal for high school or college students. Come by for application to: 2100 Castleford Road. Midland. Or call 682-5772.

SHOGUN STEAK HOUSE is hiring bus persons, delivery drivers and wait persons, hostess full/ part time. Apply in person, 5- 6 pm, 4610 N. Garfield at Loop 250.

❤ SONIC, America's Drive In, is now accepting applications for crew members, daytime and evening shifts available. We are hiring car-hops, cooks and counter help. Good wages, great working conditions and flexible schedules. Please apply in person, 1109 N. Midkiff.

SPORTS TAP USA. Now interviewing for bar tenders will train. Earn $5.15 per hour plus tips. Bartenders can earn $15- $20 per hour. Sports Tap USA, is Midland, Odessa's most successful sport bar/ restaurant. Come join our winning team! Please apply in person 3303 N,. Midkiff, San Miguel Shopping Center (above Pinocchios Pizza), 1 to 7 p.m.

TEMPORARY GENERAL LABORERS, needed until approximately 12/31/97, must be able to lift heavy objects. Bonus available. Call for interview (915)686-7211.

TUPPERWARE - looking for people who like people, high energy. Earn extra money for HOLIDAYS! 520-4836.

TWIN CITIES Communications is now hiring telephone secretaries for the evening shift. Weekends and typing skills are a must. May apply at: 2002 So. Co. Rd. 1276, located at Air Terminal, directly behind Big 2 News.

WANTED MASSAGE Therapist to share office, classy location with security in building. Nice decor, $90. per month. Call 682-3609.

WANTED: Experienced compressor mechanics, helpers, and trainees. Benefits include health insurance, paid vacation, and sick leave. Pay is negotiable. Call 563-5010.

WANTED: Experienced part-time florist for new flower shop. Call 697-2351/ 689-3340.

WAREHOUSE & DELIVERY driver for local fuel and lubricants distributor. Minimum class B with hazardous endorsement. LP license preferred 11501 W. Co. Rd. 125. 563-0848.

WHATABURGER
now hiring all shifts, all positions. Please apply with manager between 2 & 5 pm at:
800 Andrews Hwy, 1905 N. Big Spring, 3206 Midkiff, 2517 East I-20.

Real Wheel Deals
ONLY $25 w/Photo
Call for information
682-6222

Shoppers' Hotline Needs You!

Full Time -
Service Representative
- Independent Worker
- Enjoy working with the public
- Supervise up to 15 people
- Days, Evenings, Weekends, Holidays
- Some P.C. knowledge helpful

Part Time -
Service Representative
- Independent worker
- Enjoy working with the public
- Days, Evenings, Weekends, Holidays
- Flexible Hours

All applicants must be 18 or older.

Apply between 9 am-4pm Monday - Friday
15 Byron Road, Midland, Texas
694-8240

COLLECTIONS

Associated Publishing Company is searching for a full-time outside collector to begin immediately. Must have collections experience and professional verbal communication skills. Some travel required.

Kimm Franklin
Associated Publishing Company
P.O. Box 50771
Midland, TX. 79710

311 Medical Help Wanted

Nursefinders
Staffing RNs, LVNs
SIGN ON BONUS
$200.00!!!!
Referral Bonus, Daily Pay. We provide Workman's Comp., and Liability Insurance. Earn extra money for Xmas!
580-3535

HOME HEALTH LVN
● LVN ● Private Duty ● ● PART TIME 2● 10 pm to 6 am

For more information or application please contact ORH Home Care Human Resource Department at (915)-334-8397. EOE.

***Registered Nurse**

Immediate opening for RN. Experience in home health, bilingual a plus. Please come by or send resume to InHome Care, Inc., 808 W. Indiana Ave., Midland, TX 79701. Attn: Michael Waters.

C.N.A. CLASS begins, Tuesday, October 28th., 8:30 am, at 3201 Sage, Midland TX. Or call 682-5560, Dianne.

CERTIFIED NURSE Aides and Certified Medication Aides for all shifts. Manor Park, Inc. is now accepting applications- part- time and full- time available. Must be Texas certified. Must be dedicated to the elderly and their care. Competitive salary/ benefits. Complete application at Manor Park, Inc., 2208 N. Loop 250 W. Midland, Texas 79707. EOE M/F

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS - 2- 10 and 10- 6 shifts. New higher salary! Applicants must be dedicated to the elderly and their care. Apply in person at Rockwood Manor, 2000 N. Main, Midland, Texas.

CERTIFIED RN/ Radiology Technician for busy outpatient surgery center. Must work well under pressure in a fast paced environment. For further information or to set up interview, contact our office at 520-5777.

EMTP wanted. 911/ transfer service in Winkler County. Pay competitive, benefits excellent. Send resume to WCEMS, Drawer H, Kermit, Texas 79745 or call and ask for Mary Haley 915-586-5864.

GROWING Therapy Service is expanding from Lubbock to the Midland and Odessa area. We are looking for motivated individuals certified PT's, and PTA's, for a home help setting on a contract bases. Treatment areas are open, and the opportunities are there. Contact Tony pager 915-495-4294.

HYGIENIST POSITION- Available. Progressive, perio-oriented and patient- centered practice is looking for a responsible self- starter. Our new team member will have the freedom to make a difference in our patients dental health, their smiles and their lives. If you would like to work with a motivated, caring staff family call or send Resume to Abilene Dental 3001 S. Danville 79605. Registered Dental Hygienist only please apply.

LVN and Medical Receptionist positions open for very busy clinic. Send resumes to Box T-5058, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LVN NEEDED every other weekend, Saturday and Sunday 9 am- 10 pm, for busy clinic. Please mail resume to First Care, 2310 W. Ohio, Midland, TX 79701.

LVN's needed weekends, RN needed every other weekend. Terrace Gardens Nursing Center. Please call 694-8831.

OT, COTA, PT, PTAs needed for the Midland/ Odessa area. Part- time. Call (915)570-6877.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST needed for Midland area part time. Call 570-1309.

POSITION AVAILABLE in Medical Office. Must have experience in Billing, Insurance, Collections and Computer. Medical Manager experience is helpful. Send Resume to Personnel, 10 Desta Drive, Suite 190, Midland TX 79705.

RN'S & LVN'S Needed for skilled nursing facility. Apply at 3201 Sage. Experienced only.

311 Medical Help Wanted

RNs & LVNs for the Midland/ Odessa area. Medicare experience preferred but not necessary. Full- time salary/ PRN contract. Call (915)570-6877.

TERRACE WEST NURSING CENTER has current openings for RN/ LVN. if interested, please come by in person. Terrace West Nursing Center, 2800 N. Midland, Drive, Midland, Texas 79707

312 Professional Help Wanted

****SURVEYORS****

For a full- time position. Dirt work experience, computer knowledgeable, literate, willing to travel. Excellent company benefits including medical & dental insurance, 401K, etc. Salary DOE. Taking applications at:

Big D Companies
4501 E. Hwy. 80
Midland, TX. 79708
(915)688-8100
Fax resume:
Human Resources
(915)682-2511

ACCOUNTANT/ BOOKKEEPER needed by Midland Independent. Experience should include extensive oil and gas accounting and computer knowledge. Salary commensurate with ability. Good Benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to Box PJ-3007, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

ACCOUNTING firm Requires responsible and motivated Accounting Clerk, work 8 to 12 am, good clerical, computer and typiling skills, job includes responsibility for client checkbooks, payment of bills, deposits, bank reconciliation. Excellent pay for skills. Reply to:Box PJ-3008, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CHOIR Director needed part-time. Grace Lutheran Church. Resumes: 3000 W. Golf Course Rd., Midland, 79701. For information: 697-3221.

LAND SECRETARY. Small Midland independent needs career oriented secretary with computer skills, extensive knowledge of oil and gas lease procedures. Send resume and salary requirements to Box PJ-3006, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LEGAL SECRETARY- Law firm seeking 2 individuals proficient in WordPerfect and Windows. Type 85 wpm. One with prior civil litigation experience and the other with corporate/ probate experience. Send resumes to: Box P-06046, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LEGAL SECRETARY. Law firm seeking individual proficient in Windows, WordPerfect, type 80 + wpm with prior corporate/ securities legal experience. Excellent benefits. Mail resume to: Billie Elliott, 300 N. Marienfeld, Suite 700, Midland, Texas 79701.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY, Gas contracts representative, experience in natural gas accounting producer payments, gas marketing or purchasing. Will train college graduate for entry level position if experienced in natural gas. Send resume to Davis Gas Processing, 211 N. Colorado, Midland Tx. 79701.

OIL & GAS LEASE Analyst. Applicant must have extensive knowledge of Oil and Gas Lease procedures with computer skills, secretarial duties and filing. Must be self motivated, organized, dependable and handle heavy workload. Send resume and salary requirement to Box P-06043, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

QUALITY ASSURANCE Supervisor for API gear shop. Training provided, detail oriented, computer skills, quality control personnel encouraged to submit resume to: Learnco- Ruthco, PO Box 60050 Midland TX 79711 or apply in person to 1000 Co. Rd. 116 W. Midland.

REAL ESTATE INSTRUCTION. License required. Contract work, above average earnings. Resume Box B-1024, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

Southwest Royalties, Inc.

Local independent oil and gas company is seeking qualified candidates in accounting and administration. Southwest is a growth oriented, diversified company with excellent opportunities looking for ambitious individuals for the following positions:

ACCOUNTANTS

3- 5 years experience in GAAP and SEC, accounting or finance degree required. Must be proficient in spreadsheet applications.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

5- 7 years experience in administration or accounting, spreadsheet and word processing applications, good organization skills, self- starter, excellent communication skills.

Good benefits. Salary commensurate with experience. Please mail resumes & salary requirements in confidence to:

Southwest Royalties, Inc.
P. O. Box 11390
Midland, Texas 79702

LEASE ANALYST

Tom Brown, Inc., a growing gas and oil exploration and production company headquartered i Midland, Texas is seeking a self- motivated **Lease Analyst**. Candidate should possess the following attributes:
- ❑ 5 to 10 years experience
- ❑ In- depth knowledge of land administration
- ❑ Proficiency in Microsoft products and integrate operating systems
- ❑ Good communication skills

Tom Brown, Inc., is an equal opportunity employer offering excellent benefits. Please mail or fax resume to:

Tom Brown, Inc.
Personnel Department
P. O. Box 2608
Midland, Texas 79702
Fax: (915) 682-8707

OPERATIONS/PRODUCTION ENGINEERS

An aggressive E & P company has immediate openings for Operations/Production Engineers due to expansion of the Permian Division. Positions are located in Midland, Texas and Farmington, New Mexico. Minimum qualifications include a B.S. in Engineering and 3 years experience in oil and gas operations. Send resume and compensation requirements to:

OFFICE MANAGER
Cross Timbers Operating Company
3000 North Garfield, Suite 175
Midland, Texas 79705
Fax: 915/687-0862

312 Professional Help Wanted

SUBSTANCE ABUSE Counselor. Full- time position on/ about November 15, 1997. Performs A/D assessment (ASI) and screening (SASSI). Conducts individual and group counseling. Provides non-medical detox assistance. Establishes and carries out individual treatment plan for clients undergoing intensive outpatient A/D treatment. Evening hours may be required. Must be LCDC or Qualified Credentialed Counselor. LPC Intern status may be substituted for Qualified Credentialed Counselor. Bilingual preferred. Apply Monday- Friday 8 am- 5 pm, 215 W. Industrial Avenue, Midland, TX. Submit application, resume and proof of credentials. Application close- out 4 pm, November 5, 1997.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

"EXPERIENCE COUNTS"
"Secretarial
"Word Processing
"Oil & Gas
"Never a fee
TEMPORARY RESOURCES
684-0527

BOOKKEEPER POSITION available. Must have working knowledge of PeachTree Accounting and Microsoft Office. Resume with references required! Please send all responses to: Box T-5055, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 689-6607.

Global Personnel Network Temp & Perm positions. Locally & around the globe! 686–8360.

JOBS AVAILABLE
Select Staff
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DP PERSONNEL
Temp & Permanent positions available
682–0033

RECEPTIONIST- 30 year old business seeks receptionist. Must have neat appearance, good telephone and computer skills required. Salary plus benefits. Send resume to P.O. Box 5297, Midland, TX 79704.

RECEPTIONIST/ Accounting Clerk. Motivated individual for non- smoking office environment. Eager to learn. Full time receptionist/ clerk for busy bookkeeping/ tax firm. Extensive training required. Reply Receptionist, PO Box 9535, Midland, TX 79708.

V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES- Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits. (915) 686–9722.

316 Sales Help Wanted

ACCOUNT MANAGER: KMID-TV, ABC affiliate in Midland/ Odessa seeks an individual with a knack for developing new direct business. Previous media experience preferred, but not required. We need a self- starting, energetic team player who is willing to grow with us. Station is under new ownership (GOCON Television) and management. Compensation commensurate with experience level. Rush resume to: Amy E. Hancock, General Sales Manager, KMID-TV, Box 60230, Midland, TX. 79711 or FAX to (915)560-2272. EOE.

MERCHANDISER- SEEKING Part Time Merchandiser for area grocery stores, $7.50 per hour plus mileage. Fax resume to: 972-255-7792.

Fax It! 682-6999

316 Sales Help Wanted

OILFIELD SALESMAN needed with established clientele. Salary commiserated with company, truck provided. Please call 682-5431 or come by 1600 Garden City Hwy, Midland, Texas.

ROUTE SALES- Full time. Salary plus benefits. Call 694-2593 if no answer, leave message.

SALES MANAGEMENT- Midland based enhanced oil recovery company seeks individual to manage Levelland area operations. Responsibilities include: operations, sales and laboratory. Candidate should have petroleum background with sound field experience. Must be willing to relocate to Levelland. Contact Microbes, Inc., (915)563-0555 days, evenings 520-5441.

SEEKING professional outside sales person. Preferred licensed cosmetologist. Top pay, mileage allowance, company benefits. Apply in person at 4706 N. Midkiff. Sally's Beauty Supply.

318 Management Help Wanted

SALES MANAGEMENT- Midland based enhanced oil recovery company seeks individual to manage Levelland area operations. Responsibilities include: operations, sales and laboratory. Candidate should have petroleum background with sound field experience. Must be willing to relocate to Levelland. Contact Microbes, Inc., (915)563-0555 days, evenings 520-5441.

LEASING DIRECTOR for large apartment community. One year's experience, health benefits, 401K, vacation, holidays. Fax resume to: 699-7976.

MANAGEMENT
BURGER KING

Management positions available in Midland/ Odessa area. Food service required. Bring resume to B.K. 710 Andrews Hwy., Midland TX Monday through Friday 9 am- 2 pm or FAX to 1-915-682-6399.

SALES MANAGER Needed with previous retail experience, with excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Competitive wage with opportunity to advance. Send resumes to: Box PJ-3005, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

GANG TRUCK available for pusher who has self established clientele. We provide 1996 Kodiak with good equipment. Good pay. If interested call 682-5431 or come by 1600 Garden City Hwy.

★ HOT OIL Operator needed. Oil field experience and CDL license requried. Very good benefits. 683-0831.

NOW HIRING: Drill Pipe Inspector and Drill Collar Inspector. Experience preferred but will train if willing to learn and commit. Call for interview: 563-1128.

SLICKLINE OPERATOR wanted. Experience required, top pay and benefits. Send resume to PO Box 8571, Midland TX 79708 or call 570-6767.

"HAPPY ADS"
for any occasion
as low as $42
Call 682-6222
for more information.

320 Skilled Trades

PETROPLEX ACIDIZING, INC.

Pump Truck Operators & Transport Drivers
(Must have Class "A" CDL with Hazmat)

Diesel Mechanic
(Experience with pump helpful)

Benefits include: Uniforms Guaranteed hours, Uniforms, health insurance, Monthly safety/ performance Bonus, 401K plan, Vacation benefits.

Apply Monday- Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m.
Call 563-1299

HEAD MAINTENANCE applications being accepted. Must Be Experienced, A /C Certified. Must pass criminal background/ drug test. Benefits. Country Crest Townhomes, 6500 E. Ridge, Odessa.

LAYOUT PERSON experienced in the use of instruments; lasers, levels, and transits. Practical layout experience as related to building layout. We drug test. 563-0458.

MECHANIC

CX TRANSPORTATION
NEEDS CLASS A MECHANIC

REQUIREMENTS

Must have 4 years experience repairing tractor & trailer, 2 years verifiable brake experience, won hand tools required. Must pass DOT physical and drug screen.

BENEFITS

Weekly pay, life, health, dental, vision insurance, paid vacation, paid holidays, 401K available.

381-1210
EOE/M-F

MR. ROOTER now hiring licensed plumbers. Call 570-7473.

PART TIME, Fresh Floral Designer for Classical Greenery. Apply in person 5000 N. Midkiff, No phone calls, please!

WELDER Shop Foreman- busy fabrication and repair shop. Send resume to: Foreman, P.O. Box 11225, Midland, TX 79702.

WELDER: Pipeline; arc and ox-acetylene. Current certification papers a must! 1-800-673-0548.

330 Adult Care Providers

ANGIE'S PLACE- assisted living for the elderly. You'll love it here! Call 684-6155.

INHOME CARE your locally owned sitter service. If you need dependable help call 570-4475, ask for Tamara or Jackie. (Low Rates).

TLC for the Elderly in my home. Reasonable rates. Three meals a day provided, maid and laundry service, transportation provided to appointments. Please call Jan 687-6035.

PRIVATE Sitters for the elderly in home or hospital. Leslie, 520-3416; Jeanette, 520-6295; Ida, 687-5246.

340 Child Care Needed

NANNY. Need full time, requires child care experience, references, non smoker, speak English. Some house keeping, cooking, traveling. Good salary, expenses and benefits, flexible hours. Send resume to P.O. Box 4413, Midland, TX 79704.

NEEDING responsible person to pickup our children from school and bring them home. Please call for information.

341 Child Care Providers

HAVE 2 openings. Over 20 years experience. References available. Call 687-6414.

BABYSITTING in my home. 20 Years experience. Reasonable rates. Call 684-5461.

REGISTERED QUALITY Child Care 15 months- 4 years. Lunch and snacks provided. Please call 697-5226.

LICENSED HOME. Opening 18 months- 3 years. Educational program, lunch and snacks. Call Dorris, 689-7151.

DEPENDABLE CHILD CARE. Fenced play area. Meals and snacks provided. Monday/ Friday Please call 699-4024.

350 Business Opportunities

★★★★★★★★★★★★
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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HOME TYPISTS
PC Users needed.
$45,000 income potential
Call
1-800-513-4343
Ext B-9104

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College 697-7277

COKE/ PEPSI vending route. Many high traffic sites. $2,500 a week potential. 800-342-6653.

NEED HELP! Overwhelmed! Earn 2- 5K/ week. Fantastic support. Not Multi- Level Marketing. 1-800-322-6169 ext. 5828.

5 STORE Franchise business with excellent cash flow for sale. Asking $480,000. Call Bennett & Associates, Business Brokers. 684-5209.

350 Business Opportunities

ESTABLISHED Convenience Store in Goldsmith for sale. Serious inquires only. Call 561-5340.

RELIV Nutrition Supplements improved my health and wealth. Call Success Unlimited, 570-0272.

BIG BEND- Frontier Drug, old - fashioned soda fountain/ gift shop for sale. Lajitas Boardwalk. 915-424-3252.

ESTABLISHED ANTIQUE Mall for sale. Solid business, excellent walk-in traffic and regular customer base. Good one- person operation, good lease. Positive cash flow. Call 689-6373 days or 683-3324 evenings for more information.

410 Misc. Sales

ACCOUSTIC LOUDSPEAKER System, model 99901 speakers, brand new in box. $400/ pair. Call 684-3742.

✿ MUMS AND GARTERS- the biggest and the best. Cheap too! Right behind Midland High. 620-0121.

TWO HELIUM Tanks, standard size, $50. for both. Please call 687-5151 11am to 2pm or 5pm to 8 pm.

DEER BLIND: 24' high scope. Cadillac of deer blinds. Come by 404 W. 7th, Big Spring.

HOMECOMING Mums & Garters starting at $15. and up. Call 570-9681.

WANT TO BUY wood carvings, especially Oriental, Asian and African. Prefer head and figure sculptures. No dealers. Thank you. 684-8222.

COSTUMES- Custom made, kids, poodle skirts & vests $25. Adults $35. Please call 697-2891.

GAS HEATERS, Guaranteed Appliances: Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators, Freezers, Stoves. Dining/ Suites, Couches, Chairs, Recliners. 570–4851.

RESTHAVEN- single plot, 30% discount. Resurrection Garden, lot 283, space 3. $700. Call 685-6096.

HERBALIFE & Natural efx Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB!

WHY PAY rent? Storage buildings starting at $49 a month-various sizes and styles-delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

MEN'S ROLEX $6,000. 682-6030.

★ BIBLE TALK: "Is it Wrong to Debate the Bible?" 520-0381. Free recorded message.

CLOCK/ Radio/ Phone for sale, $15. Please call anytime, 683-3101.

PACKARD BELL Platinum 2260, 200 MHz. Media select. Hewlett Packard HP Deskjet 820CSE Printer, software.Hand crafted 2 drawer wood file cabinet, Riverside Furniture, Sewing machines, washer & dryer, freezer. Call 686-9871 between 8 am - 5pm.

GO CART- 3 horse power. Runs great. $320. Boy's Mountain Bike, $40. Think Christmas! 520-7446.

1993 DARK GREEN Club Car Golf Cart, with charger, headlights, windshield, excellent condition. $2,200 or best. Please leave message 689-9851.

*** MASTER NAILS ***

Grand Opening Specials!
FREE 1 color airbrush design on American/ French manicure with $23 purchase full-nail set/ $13 fill. We do Gel nails, manicure, pedicure, paraffin treatments. Walk-ins OK! Mon-Sat, 9 am- 7:30 pm & Sun, 12-5 pm. 1024-B Andrews Highway.

522-2035

NEW 10 INCH Tradesman Table saw with stand. $150., negotiable. Call after 6 pm. 694-7047.

9X12 WOOL AUBUSSON rug, $600., Pair French toile print chairs, $300 each, lamps and pictures, Christmas pottery, 694-8159.

CUSTOM 14 carat gold ring with emeralds, one of a kind, $300. Smoky quartz, unusual 14 carat mounting, $300. Two, 14 carat wedding bands with 7 stones each $125 for both. Medical- lift recliner, like new, $450. 694-4338.

BRIDAL GOWN- Beautiful, full length, long train, Italian satin, beaded, French lace. Matching veil, choker, and hoop skirt. Size 10 - 14. Paid $2,000 asking $650. 699-1075, leave message.

POOL TABLE, Olhausen Drake. Oak finish and accessories, $1,100. Call 697-5892.

TWO SPACES/ Resthaven Garden of Fountain, lot #284, spaces 1 & 2. $1,500 discounted. 694-0798.

SELF propelled Kirby Generation IV, $295. Call 520-6464.

HANDMADE wall mounted wooden quilt racks with shelve, $60. Call 699-7061.

GAS WEED eater $75, gas edger $50, GE refrigerator $250. Call 520-8412 or 694-5001.

413 Jewelry & Furs

LIKE NEW! Brown Mink coat, size 8. Appraised at $950, negotiable. Call 520-4417 9- 6.

MEN'S ROLEX $6,000. 682-6030.

DIAMONDS- one 2.57 carats round brilliant cut, VS1 clarity, L color, GIA grade #8337284, price $10,000. One 1.93 carats round brilliant cut SI1 clarity, K color, GIA grade #8337283, price $9,000. $16,000 for both. Call 685-3330.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

LARGE GREEN tomatoes 60¢ per pound, all other vegetables 50¢ per pound. You pick, organically grown. 14678 N. Pecan, Gardendale. 362-5708.

HOME CANNED, Tomatoes, Salsa & hot pepper sauce. Great Christmas Gifts! Please call 682-9324.

432 Household Furniture

BEAUTIFUL QUEEN Sleigh waterbed with accessories & 6 drawers- $250. 694-5762.

SLEEPER SOFA- Loveseat size, beige, good condition, $125., rattan chair, $20. 699-7378.

FANTASTIC MONTH- Almost sold out again. Let Judy Jackson's CONSIGNMENT COLLECTION sell your fine furniture and decorative items. Free pickup! - 689-3536- Imperial Shopping Center.

SOFA BED, antique sewing machine, foosball table, Lifton microwave with stand, leather recliner, 520-3146.

KINGSIZE WATERBED, 6 under drawers, headboard, heater, padding, mattress. Good condition, $100. Call 689-2255.

DISPLAY MODEL hot tubs/ spas- back from fair- one of a kind- delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

SOLID walnut Drexel walnut bedroom suite with kingsized headboard/ frame, dresser/ mirror, $1,500. 682-5317.

ORIENTAL DESIGN, sofa and love seat, great shape $225 for both. 570-5874.

UPTOWN CONSIGNMENTS wants to be your Number one consignment store whether buying or selling! Consign today and let us sell your furniture and accessories. Free Pick up. 404 Andrews Highway 570-0099.

❤ LARGE SECTIONAL living room suite by Lane. Beautiful condition. Call 520-4291.

LAZY BOY ROCKERS, cream colored, 8 months old. Please call, 694-2336.

QUEENSIZED BED with bed accessories. Call, 684-6772.

3 MONTH old queensized 85% semi waveless waterbed mattress. Heater & liner included, $100. 520-0548.

LARGE refrigerator $200. Queen size waterbed $150. Call 697-3607.

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.

ANTIQUE Oak Armoir with matching cabinet. Excellent condition, must see! $350/ best offer. Call 570-9098.

435 Household Appliances

A & B APPLIANCES- Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers stoves $100 up. Delivery, warranty. 550-6540.

★ FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. 567-5221.

TWO white Refrigerators, white electric dryer, white electric stove. Call, 620-0148.

WATER HEATER: 50 gallon gas, works good, $25. Call 520-3476.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

GE WASHER, old, works great, you haul, $25. Please call 682-2054.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453–2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

FIREWOOD: Oak or Mesquite. Delivered and Unloaded. No Stacking. No Checks. Call Larry Tucker, 689-7151.

TURF SPECIALTIES Firewood. We deliver. Many varieties. To schedule your delivery/ pickup, call 684-7166.

MIXED FIREWOOD $55. a sstack, $15. to deliver. CAll 697-5768.

450 Sporting Goods

KING COBRA II Irons, steel shafts, $400. Please call 694-6711.

SPORTING GOODS Retail Store for sale by owner. Well established, great location, good cash flow. Requires substantial investment. 699-2047.

REMINGTON MODEL 742 semi- automatic 30.06, Leupold police standard sniper scope with micrometer settings, $450. Call 684-8474 10- 5 Monday through Friday.

✔ NIX'S ROD & REEL REPAIR Custom rods and tackle. 2011 ECR 149, Midland, Texas. Call 684-7643.

K2 COMPETITION Skis, 200CM, Tyrollia bindings, $200. Dachstein ski boots, size 10, new $50. 570-5874.

CLUB RUNNER electric golf caddy, complete, battery/ charger. Used 6 months. New $495- now, $350. 697-3320.

FEEDERS, blinds, tripods, corn, camo clothing. Terry's Trailers, 1403 Garden City Highway.

79705

GIANT YARD sale, several families, clothes all sizes, and miscellaneous items. Wednesday only 9- 4. 111 W. Spruce.

79707

AREA SCHOOLS homecoming mums, garters and supplies for sale, or design your own. We also have costumes for rent. 694-4815 or 520-0416.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

DON'T MISS OUT!

The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.

Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

Tami, Pam, Brandi, Pat, Paula or Sandy are ready to help you!

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20

★7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
★2 Days
★ Stand Out Emblem
★Garage Sale Kit
(includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $5 Value!)
★Package of Flavored Drink Mix
(for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
★$3 Off Classified Coupon
(Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24!

Call **682-6222** Today!

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

480 Antiques & Arts

JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales. An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147.

THE CATS MEOW- 4000 sq. ft of fine merchandise- we buy and sell antiques. 408 Andrews Highway, Mon. - Sat., 10 - 6. (915) 687–2004.

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. 24 Years Experience Buying and Selling. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

ANTIQUE FURNITURE - full size bed, head/ foot board, oak. Oak dresser and mirror. Six bentwood chairs, end tables, 2 arm chairs. call 686-9633.

470 Musical Instruments

BALDWIN GRAND Piano 6'3", L255518. Black satin, ebony finish, Recently tuned., $12,000. 687-4636 days 683-8602 evenings.

490 Computers/ Access.

INTERNET ACCESS. Call 687-9014 for details.

New Computers. (16MB/1.6GB/ 16x14"/ 33.6Kbps/ 80W). ADM K-6 MMX 166 $1399. Pentium 166Mhz $1499. Pentium MMX 200 Mhz $1599. Home delivery, Set- up and training are available. 689-4127.

QUANTUM 486-DX-33 with color monitor, keyboard and mouse. Has 18x CD Rom drive, 3 1/2 and 5 1/4 floppy drive with 16 MB Memory. Windows 3.1 and WP plus other programs. Like new condition. Asking $575. Call 694-2055.

MMX200 32 MB Ram, 3.5 GBHD, 4 MB video, 18X CD ROM, 33.6 modem, 15" monitor, color printer, many extras, $1,400. 563-1862.

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015-B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686–8835.

WINBOOK SP5 laptop computer with docking station. 100 MZ Pentium, 16 MB memory, 33 HZ modem, 800 MB hard disc, 10.4" active matrix screen, 8XCD ROM in docking station, $995. 520-2700.

PACKARD BELL Computer, keyboard, monitor and mouse, 40 MB, $450. Call 683-6032.

CLOSING BUSINESS: Need to sell 2 Compaq PC's with Monitors, Multiple back- up power supplies, 2 HP Laserjet Printers, HP Copier/ Fax and HP External Tape back- up. For information and prices call (915)685-5300 as for Gerald or Marcia.

495 FOR FREE

BLACK KITTY with green eyes. "Marie" has her shots, and is about 3 months old. 697-3754.

6 LITTLE kittens have packed up their mittens and are ready to come with YOU. 687-6508.

5 ADORABLE 8 week old male Collie/ Shepherd loving puppies need a good home. 520-0781.

RED Miniature Dachshund. Wonderful with kids. Moving and she can't go. A real sweetie, 699-4304.

RETRIEVER MIX, 10 month old female puppies, spayed, all shots. 682-0468, 682-5241 (Mary Lou).

ABANDONED Kitties!!! Long haired: Mommy, and kittens. Please call pager 560-7514.

SIAMESE KITTENS: 9 week old boys & girls, ready to be adopted, at "give away" prices. 570-0656.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC WEST HIGHLAND white terriers, 8 weeks, Champion blood lines, paper, trained, $420; 694-0258/ 694-2232.

DISPLAY MODEL 10x16 storage building/ shop. Back from fair- price reduced to move- delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

500 Pets and Supplies

20 BEAUTIFUL PUPPIES, 5 weeks. 1/2 German Shepherd/ Golden Retriever. Some German Shepherd/ Lab/ Golden Retriever/ Rottweiler. White, golden, black /tan markings. $25. 682-0218.

AKC REGISTERED Schnausers, male and female, 6 weeks old. $175 - $200. Please call 625-2668.

PRIMARY VETERINARY SERVICE. Philip Whisnand, DVM; quality care at affordable rates- low cost vaccinations, spays, neuters, minor emergencies. Call for appointment. 24 hour phone- 699-6888.

AKC YELLOW Labrador puppies. First shots, wormed. Champion bloodline, $250. Will deliver. Call (915)382-4421.

5 BEAUTIFUL ROTTWEILER female puppies, $125 each. Please call 699-1126.

ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL AKC. Good with pheasants, guns, children. Barbara Bush. Beautiful pups, rare in area. 683-6073.

ROTTWEILER PUPPIES: Mother & Father on premises, full blooded, $125 each. Leave message 682-4610.

JACK RUSSELL TERRIER, full blood, 4 years old, no papers, for stud services. Call 694-3004.

AKC BRITTANY Spaniel puppies. On the highest rated list with children. $150. 570-4401.

HELP RECYCLE LOVE, become a foster home for a Golden Retriever. Call 683-3863 or e mail PBGRR@AOL.com.

MINIATURE DACHSHUND puppies ready to go. 689-4700.

CARALOT Obedience Training Center. Puppy, beginner and advanced classes. Board and train service available. 683-4718.

2 MINIATURE PINCHERS- 1 red male, 1 black & tan female. Registered and fixed. $250 each. 689-8729.

DOBERMAN, female, spayed and vaccinated to approved home. 694-2275/ 684-8149.

505 Livestock & Poultry

GOOD QUALITY Alfalfa hay, $5 per bale. Round bales fertilized coastal $40 per dale. Free deliver by truck load. (940)392-2003

STALLS & LOT For Rent Monthly- $100. You buy feed. 684-4771 after 5 pm.

2 HORSE SLANT Load, bumper pull trailer. 7' tall, extra large stalls, drop down windows, removable partitions walk- in tack room with saddle racks, $4,000. 684-6792.

BEAUTIFUL AQHA sorrel yearling filly out of one of Noble Tradition's best black daughters. This one is bred for cattle on the top and looks on the bottom. Ready to start, $2,500. Call 570-8965, leave message.

PEANUT HAY- round bales, 14 miles north of Andrews. (915)524-4291 or mobile 523-1123.

15 YEAR GELDING, clean, solid, sound, automatic, fast, gentle barrel horse. One of a kind! Is a money winner! Serious inquiry, $5,000. 684-5857.

RACE BRED 3 year old A.Q.H.A. gelding. Sorrel, 15'2". Gentle for woman or child. No vices. $1,850. 684-6792.

TWO ARABIANS for sale. Easy riding, 7 & 14 years old. $1,500 & $,1000. 697-3607.

540 Building Materials

FIRE BRICKS for sale, $350 per 1,000. Please call Big Spring, (915)263-3093.

550 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings.
MORGAN
(915) 563-1860

METAL BUILDING: 12' x 35', wired and insulated, $4,500. Please call 694-4648/ 570-1730.

550 Portable Buildings

1997 12'x24' Morgan building with loft. $3,200. 570-9404.

BACK FROM rent- office buildings- various sizes to choose from- delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

560 Machinery/ Tools

EQUIPMENT SALE: Forklifts -- Two all terrain both 6,000# lift capacity, $4,000 & $6,000. Forklift -- High lift Pettibone Boom type (no leaks) 8,000 LB capacity to 34 ft, $17,000. Insulation Blowing Machine -- High volume Fiberking International 20' van, $4,000. Truck -- 1985 3 ton stake body C60 Chevrolet, 20 ft steel bed with dump, 35,000 actual miles, $14,000. J.B. Woodruff -- Coors Road, Midland. Days -- 563-4203, Weekend/ after hours, 68671-49.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

INTERNATIONAL 1987 DT466 Roustabout truck. $18,500. Call 682-5456.

Oil Field Equipment.

For Sale: 120 barrel vacuum truck with triplex kill pump mounted on 1981 International twin axle with new DR 466 engine. All hoses, etc. Ready to work. $40,000. Call 915-267-3126.

FOR SALE: Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682–1546.

590 Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 3:00 pm, November 12, 1997, to be opened at 3:00 pm, in the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid # 009-98 for:
Bids for a grazing lease on 116.49 acres of NW/4 Section 6, Block 39, T-2-S T&P Ry. Co. in Midland County, Texas.

Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

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Bid # 010-98 for:
An annual purchase agreement for Vehicle Filters for the Vehicle Services Division.

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Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

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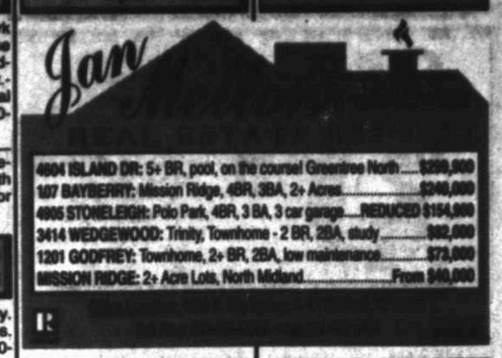

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Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
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QA	Qualifying
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