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Cowboys' focus

Two games and too many penalties and turnovers into training camp, the Dallas Cowboys returned to the practice field with their rest-of-summer priorities coming into focus./1C



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Park fishing

At Tuesday's meeting, Midland City Council members approved fishing in C.J. Kelly Park and Beal Park, which is under construction./1B

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MISD board accepts resignation of MHS Principal Neil Richmond

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District board of trustees voted 6-0 Tuesday to accept the resignation of Midland High School Principal Neil Richmond.

Richmond's resignation was effective today, Aug. 9, and he received \$94,212 in consideration of his benefits and final year's salary.

According to Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr., Richmond offered his resignation Aug. 1, requesting the board buy out the remaining year of his contract, which expires June 30, 2001. Richmond also signed a "compromise settlement agreement and release," relieving the school district of any future charges or claims from Richmond.

Richmond had been with the district 22 years, starting in 1978. His last contract set his salary at \$81,283.11 a year. Richmond did not attend Tuesday's school board meeting, though his wife did.

Baressi said, "I think it's in the best interest of the district."

Trustee Linda Foster said, "I'm pleased the issue is over and I wish him well."

Charles Tighe abstained from voting. His firm — Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe and Dawson — had previously represented Richmond.

Board members would not comment as to whether Richmond had been asked to leave

or why he received monetary compensation for a voluntary resignation.

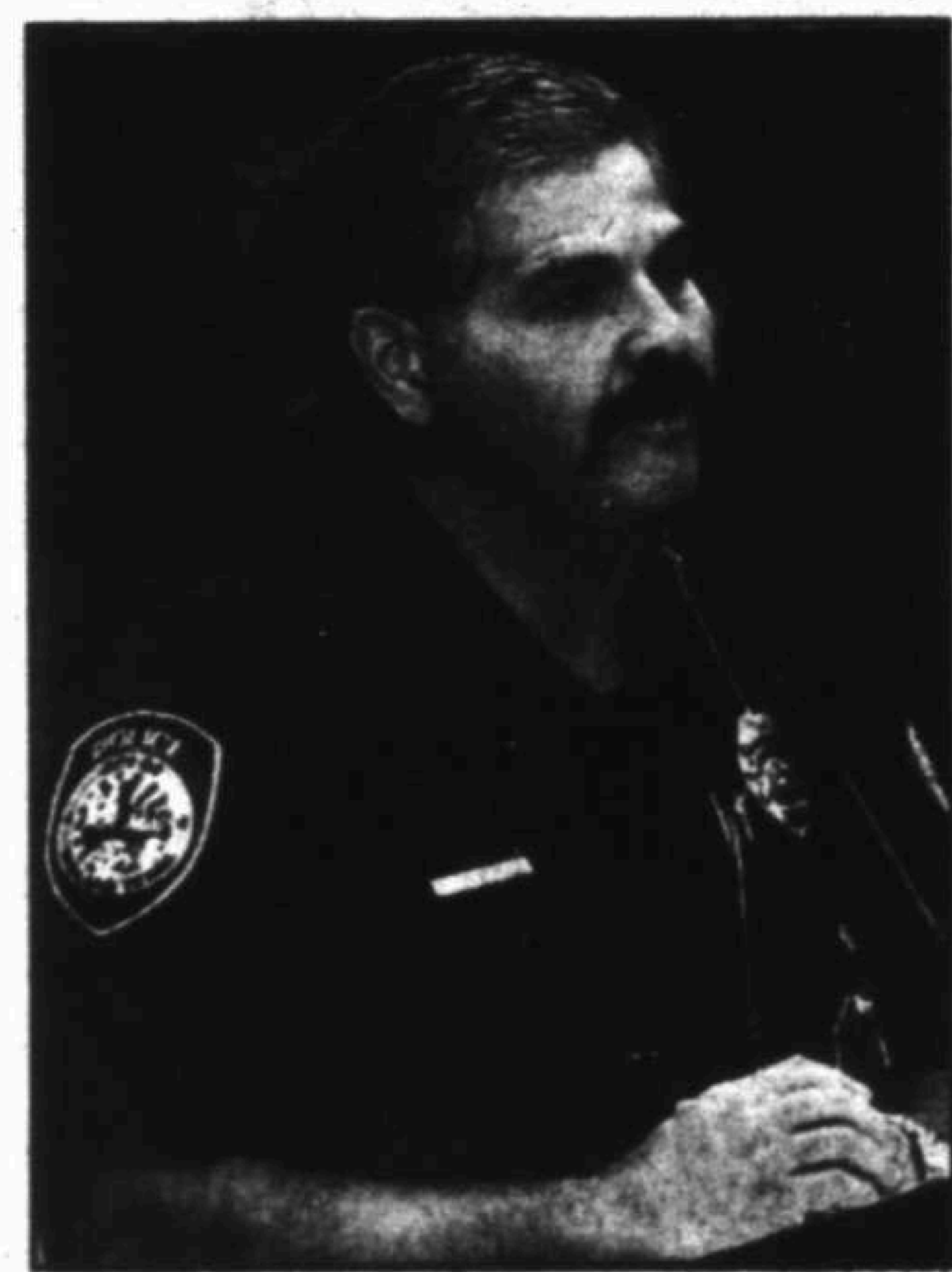
Baressi recommended that Midland High School's Instructional Services Director Dennis Stratton be named acting principal of Midland High School. He also laid out a timetable for the hiring of Richmond's replacement. The job will be advertised for 60 days with a recommendation to present to the school board by the fourth week of September.

In May, Casey Riggan filed a lawsuit against MISD, the board of trustees, Richmond and several other individually named district officials, claiming his rights were violated when Richmond expelled the then-Midland High School senior from school, remanded him to AEP — a form of on-campus suspension — and ordered him to write two letters of apology for disrespecting an adult. The incident that garnered the punishment was possession of a photograph of Richmond's Chevrolet Suburban parked on the same street on which a female teacher at Midland High School lives. He also was accused of disseminating rumors regarding Richmond and the teacher.

That lawsuit was settled in April for \$150,000. MISD paid \$50,000 of the settlement with their liability insurance covering the remaining \$100,000. At Tuesday's meeting, Baressi said the district spent \$54,402.27 for legal fees associated with student grievances since September 1999. He said the bulk of those expenses was related to the Riggan case.



The Midland Independent School District board voted to accept Neil Richmond's resignation, effective today.



"While we definitely appreciate the 4 percent raise and the funding to continue the plan progression for steps 7-9, this still leaves us a tad behind the cities in the survey."

—police detective Arthur Villarreal

Police get 4 percent raise

■ Council votes for pay raise 1 percent higher than original proposal.

By Brian Rogers
Staff Writer

The Midland City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to give local police officers a 4 percent raise instead of the 3 percent raise that originally had been proposed in the 2001 city budget.

Police had wanted a 5 percent increase, and had threatened to take the issue to the voters in the form of a referendum if their request was not met. It is not clear at this time if they will follow through with these plans. A decision is expected to be made on Oct. 1.

Since February, the Midland Municipal Officers Association (MMPOA) has been asking the city to increase police salaries to levels they call comparable to other West Texas police departments.

When the budget came up for discussion at Tuesday's council meeting, the City Council chamber was packed with police officers, representatives of the police and members of the Citizens On Patrol (COP), who were all there to support a police raise of 5 percent.

Midland police detective Arthur Please see PAY/4A



Ronnie Henderson, Dixie Mims, shown from left front, and many other members of Citizens on Patrol and Midland police officers listen to the City Council discussion on police salary increases.

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Board votes 5-1 for teacher pay raises

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District voted 5-1 Tuesday to approve three separate pay raises for its employees at all levels. Linda Foster cast the only dissenting vote.

■ Bond proposal vote/4A

All full-time personnel — at-will and contractual — received a 3.5 percent across the board pay raise. The board also approved an additional \$2,000 increase for junior high and freshman school assistant principals and approved a 10 per-

cent increase for MISD substitute teachers.

According to Art Martin, executive director of business services, those salary increases are part of the district's \$114.8 million maintenance and operation budget. Based on Martin's current calculations a \$1.50 per \$100 valuation tax rate would be needed to balance that budget. That represents a 4.1 cent tax increase over the current maintenance and operation rate of \$1.459 per \$100 valuation.

The school board has not approved the tax rate yet. However, without a tax increase, the district would have to eliminate \$1.6 million dollars from the budget in order to fund the pay raise.

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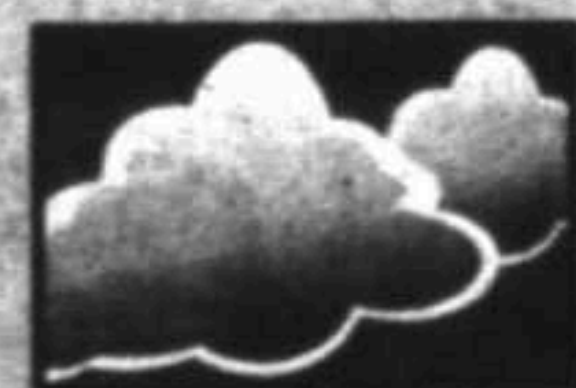


Emerson Elementary School Principal Mary Smith, left, and Rae Hoffacker, the principal at South Elementary, go over their papers before giving a presentation to the MISD school board Tuesday.

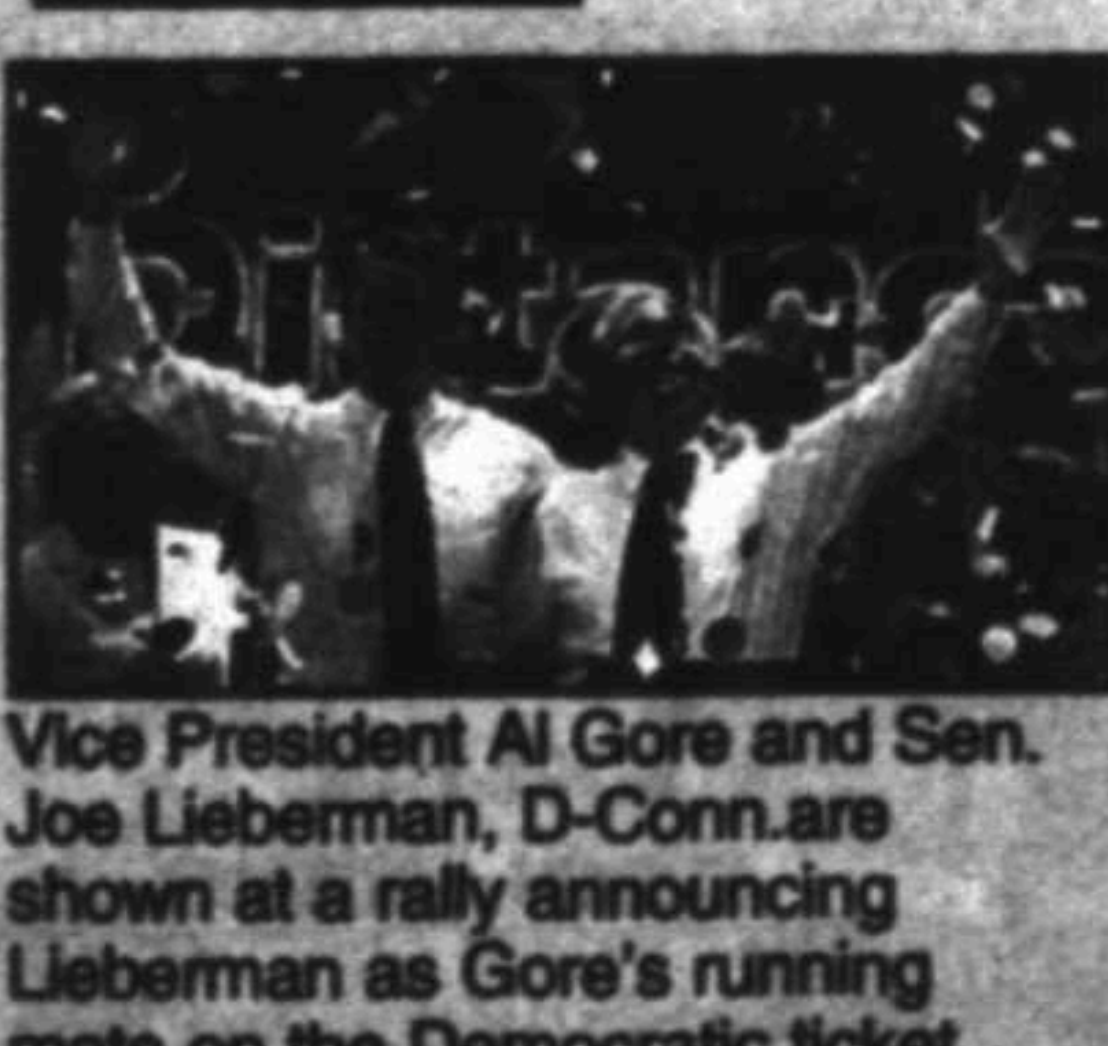
U. Frank Williams Jr.
Reporter-Telegram

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Cloudy with high
in mid-90s.
Weather on 4A



Vice President Al Gore and Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn. are shown at a rally announcing Lieberman as Gore's running mate on the Democratic ticket. Story page 7A

Off the wire

■ Teen-agers are having babies at the lowest rate in at least 60 years, and everyone is taking credit — from religious groups that push abstinence to advocates for contraceptives and sex education in schools./10A

No cause found in death of baby

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

Forensic tests were unable to identify the cause of death for a baby whose body was found Thursday in an abandoned house outside Big Spring.

However, medical examiners have discovered the baby was a girl and 32 to 36 weeks into fetal development, said Bennie Green, a Howard County justice of the peace.

"It was not a full-term baby," Green said Tuesday after speaking with an anthropologist. The investigation began last week when a ranch worker called the Sheriff's Office to report a dead body. The rancher told deputies that he found a suitcase in a farm house his family occupied at one time. He opened it and found a dead baby wrapped in a towel.

Deputies at the scene couldn't determine the baby's age, gender or race because its body was in advanced decomposition.

A pathologist and an anthropologist with the Lubbock County Medical Examiner's Office each have run tests on the body, but they could

not determine if the baby was stillborn or alive when it left the womb, Green said.

"They said they've done about all they could with the body," Green said, adding that the complete autopsy report will arrive in his office within several days.

Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings said his office hasn't given up on solving the child's death.

"We're still following some leads," he said Tuesday.

Jennings has said the baby's mother faces criminal charges regardless if the baby died of natural causes. The minimum penalty, he said, is "abuse to a corpse" — which according to the Texas Penal Code is a misdemeanor and applies to a person who "conceals a human corpse knowing it to be illegally disinterred."

Green said investigators have other prospects. "There's some evidence that's been turned over to the DPS (Department of Public Safety) lab," he said. "That's all we have until someone comes forward."



Explosion

Rescue personnel help an injured woman exit an underground walkway after an explosion in downtown Moscow Tuesday. A bomb ripped through the underground walkway, killing at least seven people./Story page 3A

AP Photo

AUGUST 9, 2000

Germans move to ban Nazi slogans as Web addresses

By Paul Galtner
Associated Press

BERLIN — Germany moved Tuesday to block Nazi slogans as German Web addresses after discovering someone had registered www.heil-hitler.de. But officials worried about rising neo-Nazi violence concede there's little they can do about sites based elsewhere in cyberspace — especially the United States.

The initiative comes as Germans search for ways to combat a wave of neo-Nazi activity, ranging from vandalism at Jewish cemeteries to attacks on minorities that have left three people dead so far this year. Justice Minister Herta and Paul Galtner said her office approached Denic, the Frankfurt-based cooperative for issuing Internet addresses in Germany, to remove the Nazi slogan, which is illegal in Germany, and to prevent other such sites from getting online.

"I've looked at the guidelines, and one can pull these things if there's a clear violation of the law," Daubler-Gmelin said on WDR broadcasting.

Denic and the Berlin-based Internet service provider involved, Strato AG, both said the application — like thousands of others daily — had been handled by fully automated systems without being checked.

"With 200,000 reservations a month, it's not possible to do it any other way," said Denic spokesman Klaus Herzog.

But the justice minister said such arguments were unconvincing, and that a means for blocking "anti-Semitic, racist or other kinds of clearly Nazi or otherwise provocative words" had to be found.

"I believe there's absolutely no worry here about having to face charges of censorship either," she said, adding that her office would help draw up a list of names to be banned.

The simmering problem of rising neo-Nazi activity was pushed onto front pages two weeks ago

after a bombing at a train station in Dusseldorf injured 10 recent immigrants, including six Jews.

Another bomb was defused Monday outside the home of a former local Jewish community leader in the southern town of Bamberg, and as in Dusseldorf, police said they were not ruling out neo-Nazi involvement.

Chancellor Gerhard Schröder interrupted his vacation Monday night to issue a call for using the "full force of the law" against right-wing extremists. Opposition lawmakers proposed creating special courts to hold fast-track trials for anyone charged with neo-Nazi crimes.

Tennis legend Boris Becker, who once threatened to leave his home country because of racist slurs against his wife, indicated he would join a new "Show Your Face" publicity campaign against right-wing extremism.

"You can't do enough" to combat intolerance and violence, said Becker, whose wife is the daughter of a black American.

The person who applied for the www.heil-hitler.de site was identified by Denic officials only as Ralf K., from the small town of Dabel, north of Berlin near the Baltic coast. The Bild tabloid said he was a 28-year-old staff sergeant in the German army and had denied any connection with the site.

The domain name — including "de" for Deutschland, the German word for Germany — was entered Thursday but no page was ever created.

According to the Frankfurt newspaper that first reported the site, attempts have been made in recent weeks to register other provocative names such as the German equivalent of "kill-all-foreigners" or "KZ" — the German initials for concentration camp.

Those sites have been blocked, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung reported Tuesday.

Strato spokesman Soeren Heinze said whoever ordered the heil-hitler.de domain name may

have been reserving it to prevent neo-Nazis from using the address. An anti-fascist group blocked www.nsdap.de — the German initials for the Nazi party — by putting up its own nonsense pages, for example.

A U.S.-registered site, www.heil-hitler.com, brings up a Web page for Namezero.com, a Silicon Valley company that provides free commercial domain names for individuals and small businesses.

German authorities reported in April that far-right extremists were increasingly organizing themselves via the Internet and using it to spread hate material, "hit lists" of leftists and other perceived enemies

and even bomb-making instructions.

German neo-Nazis now have more than 330 Web sites, compared to about 32 in 1996.

About a third contain content that could be prosecuted in Germany as incitement to racial hatred, but the anonymous authors circumvent the law by posting their sites on Internet service providers outside Germany, mostly in North America.

"Whenever someone posts this Nazi propaganda using foreign providers, our criminal prosecutors become powerless," Joachim Jacob, the government commissioner overseeing privacy laws, said in a recent radio interview.

"That's the real problem."

German Jewish leader Paul Spiegel said the efforts are useless without U.S. involvement.

"Washington cuts off interfe-

rence by pointing to freedom of opinion," he said in this week's Focus newsmagazine. "That's an area where the European governments must apply pressure."



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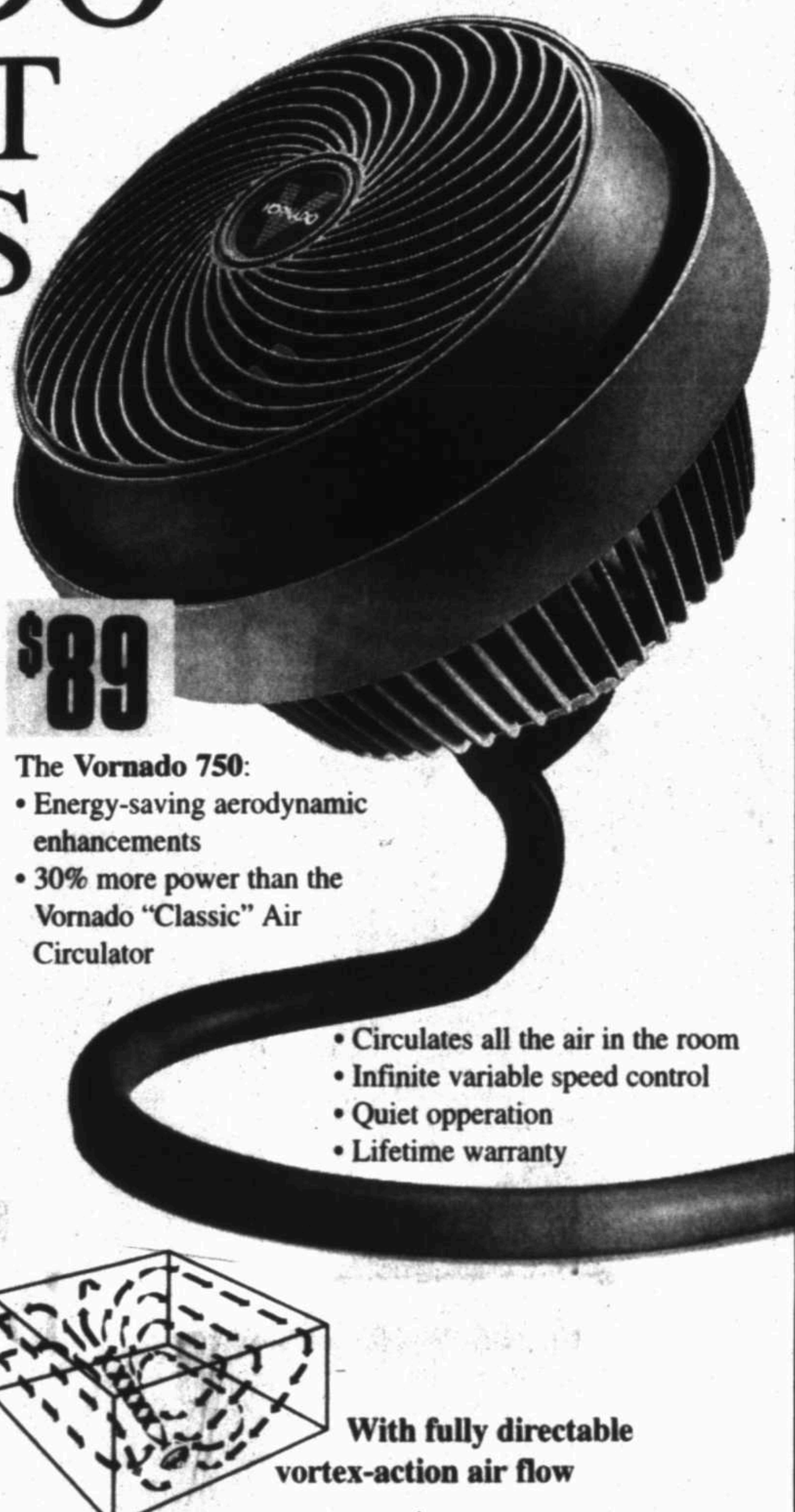
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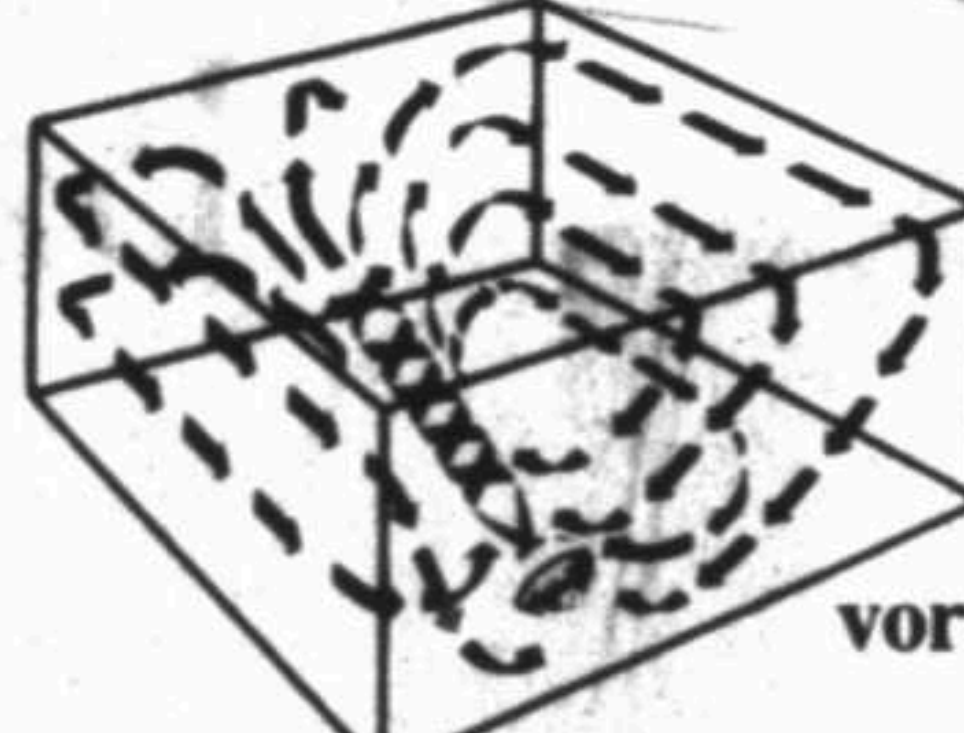
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U.S. troops train Colombians under anti-drug initiative

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — U.S. Special Forces have begun training Colombian soldiers at a jungle base, officials said Tuesday, as a \$1.3-billion U.S. aid initiative to help Colombia fight drugs and rebels gets under way.

The 83 U.S. military personnel are working with members of a Colombian anti-narcotics battalion at Larandia military base, Colombian and U.S. officials said on condition of anonymity.

The base is in the Amazon River jungle only a two-hour drive from the main stronghold of the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

The U.S. troops are barred from accompanying Colombian soldiers into combat. Although FARC has declared it will fight the anti-drug offensive, it has not threatened to attack the U.S. soldiers directly.

The U.S.-trained Colombian troops — backed by donated Black Hawk and Huey combat helicopters — are to seize vast swaths of drug-producing areas from FARC and other armed groups, which use drug proceeds to buy weapons.

Airplanes could then destroy the crops of coca and poppy, which produce cocaine and heroin respectively, by aerial spraying without risk of being shot down.

Washington's aim is to stem the flow of drugs into the United States and shore up Colombia's democratically elected

government.

Under the aid package passed by Congress and signed by President Clinton last month, no more than 500 U.S. troops and 300 contractors can be in Colombia.

Underscoring Washington's stake in the anti-drug effort, Clinton is scheduled to visit Colombia on Aug. 30 — the first trip by a U.S. president to Colombia since George Bush came in 1990.

One Colombian battalion previously trained under an earlier aid package is deployed at Tres Esquinas base near the heart of Colombia's coca-growing region. The two additional battalions to be trained under the current package were expected to also operate from Tres Esquinas.

The battalion in training is expected to be operational by December.

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By Andrew
Associated Press

MOSCOW — through a crowd of people and sending triars staggering, singed, tattered blood.

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Blast rips through central Moscow square, killing at least seven

By Andrew Kramer
Associated Press

MOSCOW — A bomb tore through a crowded underground walkway in central Moscow on Tuesday, killing at least seven people and sending wounded pedestrians staggering out, their clothes singed, tattered and soaked in blood.

Suspicion for the bombing immediately fell on Chechen rebels, and there were fears of a renewed terrorist onslaught in the Russian capital.

The blast shook the crowded walkway filled with kiosks in Pushkin Square during evening rush hour. Pedestrians, many with limbs bleeding, stumbled up the steps from the passageway to the surface, shouting and coughing, while others ran for cover.

Emergency Minister Sergei Shoigu said seven people were killed and 53 injured in the blast. President Vladimir Putin ordered police on alert around the country.

The Interior Ministry released descriptions of two suspects, both men in their late 20s with dark skin and "apparently from the Caucasus region," Russian television reports said. Chechnya is in the Caucasus.

Police said there was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blast. Moscow Mayor Yuri Luzhkov said city prosecutors were treating it as a terrorist attack and that Chechens could be to blame. Chechen rebels were blamed for a series of apartment bombings last fall that killed around 300 people and in part prompted the Kremlin to launch the current war in Chechnya.

Maria Korzhenikova, a 19-year-old saleswoman who was working in one of the kiosks that lined the



Rescue personnel help an injured woman exit an underground walkway after an explosion in downtown Moscow, Tuesday. A bomb ripped through the underground walkway packed with hundreds of commuters and shoppers, killing at least seven people and injuring nearly two dozen others, officials said.

passageway when Tuesday's blast hit, wandered around dazed. "I thought if I don't get out now I'll die," she said. "I was sitting reading a book ... then the lights went out. The door I was supposed to go through was jammed. It was pitch dark. I climbed through a window," she said.

The area is one of the busiest junctures in Moscow, adjoining two major streets and three subway stations less than a half mile from the Kremlin and a few hundred meters from the Moscow mayor's office.

People outside the walkway when the bomb exploded said the

blast barely disturbed them and sounded like a minor car accident. Only as blood-soaked people

began stumbling out was it clear what happened, said Galina Romanova, who sells ice cream in the area.

Police and security agents flooded the square, pushing frightened onlookers back toward a McDonald's restaurant as smoke gushed from the passageway.

A second bomb was found and defused near the scene, the Interfax news agency said. Officials would not confirm the report.

Putin, who gained popularity partly through his tough response to last year's bombings and handling of the Chechnya war, called an emergency session of his top law enforcement officials Tuesday.

Last year's blasts put pressure on the government to show it was increasing security, and residents in Moscow and other big cities set up neighborhood patrols to guard homes around the clock. Human rights activists said police responded to the earlier bombings by indiscriminately detaining and harass-

ing minorities.

The Kremlin blamed Chechen rebels for those bombings — two of which were in Moscow — and sent troops into Chechnya a few weeks later. The Chechens denied responsibility.

Tuesday's blast came two days after Russian security forces had been on alert in case of possible attacks by Chechen separatists to mark the Aug. 6, 1996 anniversary of the rebels' capture of the Chechen capital of Grozny during the first Chechen war.

Earlier Tuesday, security agents seized large batches of explosives during raids in Moscow and the southern city of Ryazan, the Interior Ministry said, according to the ITAR-Tass news agency. The ministry said the explosives were intended for terrorist acts by Chechen separatists.

The U.S. State Department and German Chancellor Gerhardt Schroeder expressed condolences for the victims of Tuesday's explosion.

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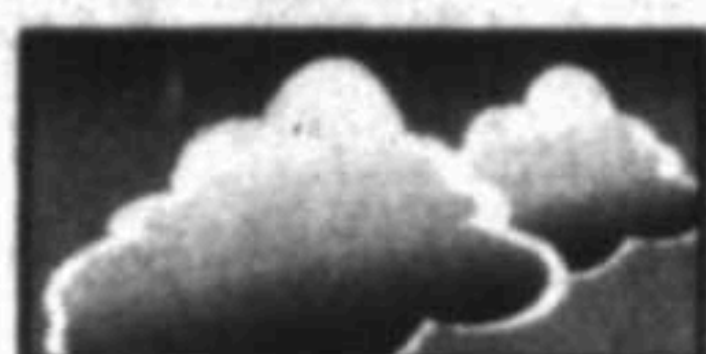
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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today
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High 96
Low 79



Thursday
Partly cloudy
High 95
Low 72



Friday
Partly cloudy
High 93
Low 70

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. The high will be in the mid-90s with winds from the south at 5 to 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. The low will be near 80.

Thursday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and less than 20 percent chance of showers. The high is expected to be near 95. Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a high near 93.

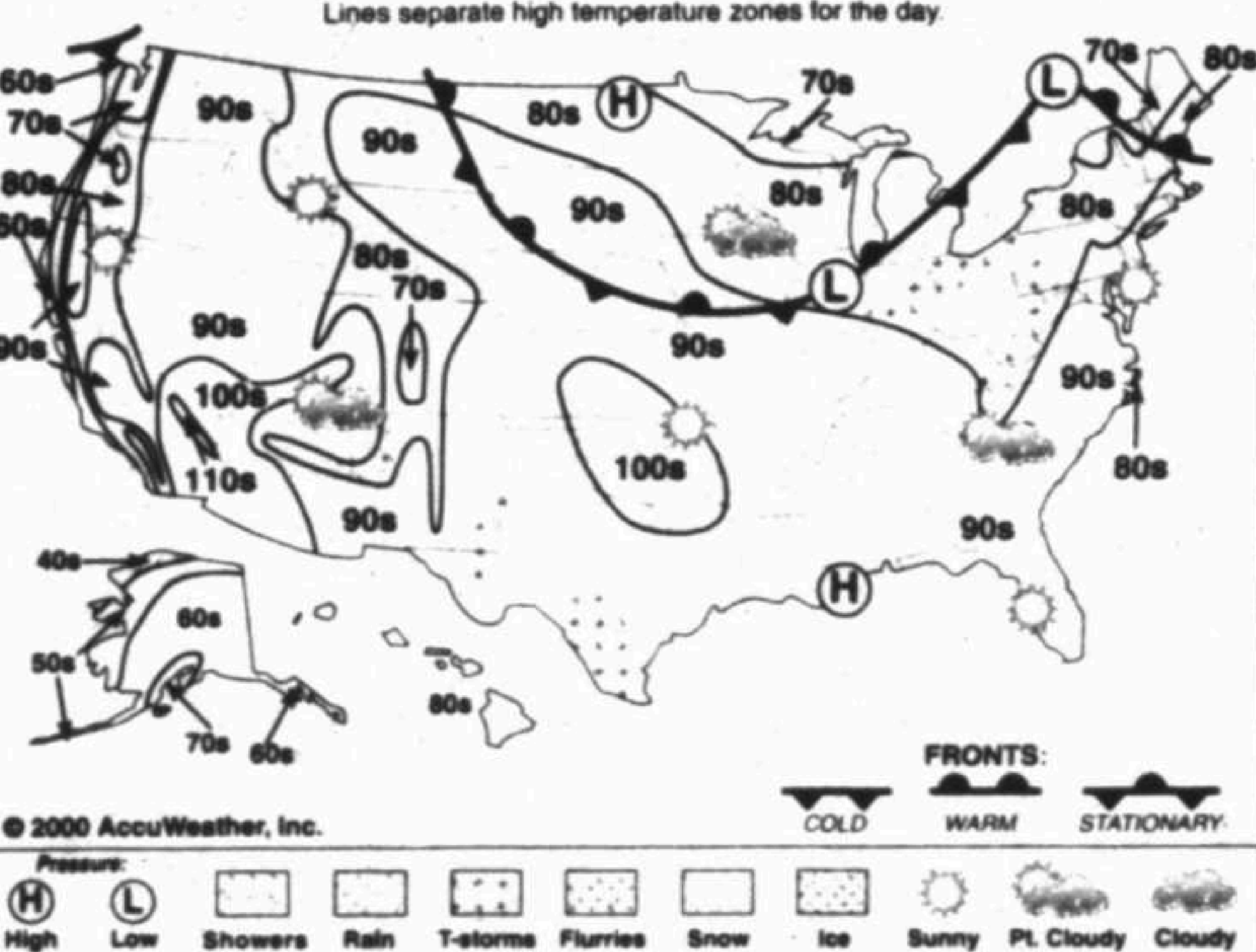
After an overnight low of 72, Tuesday's high reached 95, compared to the record high for that date of 104 set in 1952. The record low of 68 was set in 1979.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Monday	0.01 in.	High	95
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.	Low	72
Total for month	0.06 in.	Normal high	96
Total for year	6.05 in.	Normal low	68
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		Sunset ... 8:39 p.m.	

National forecast

National weather

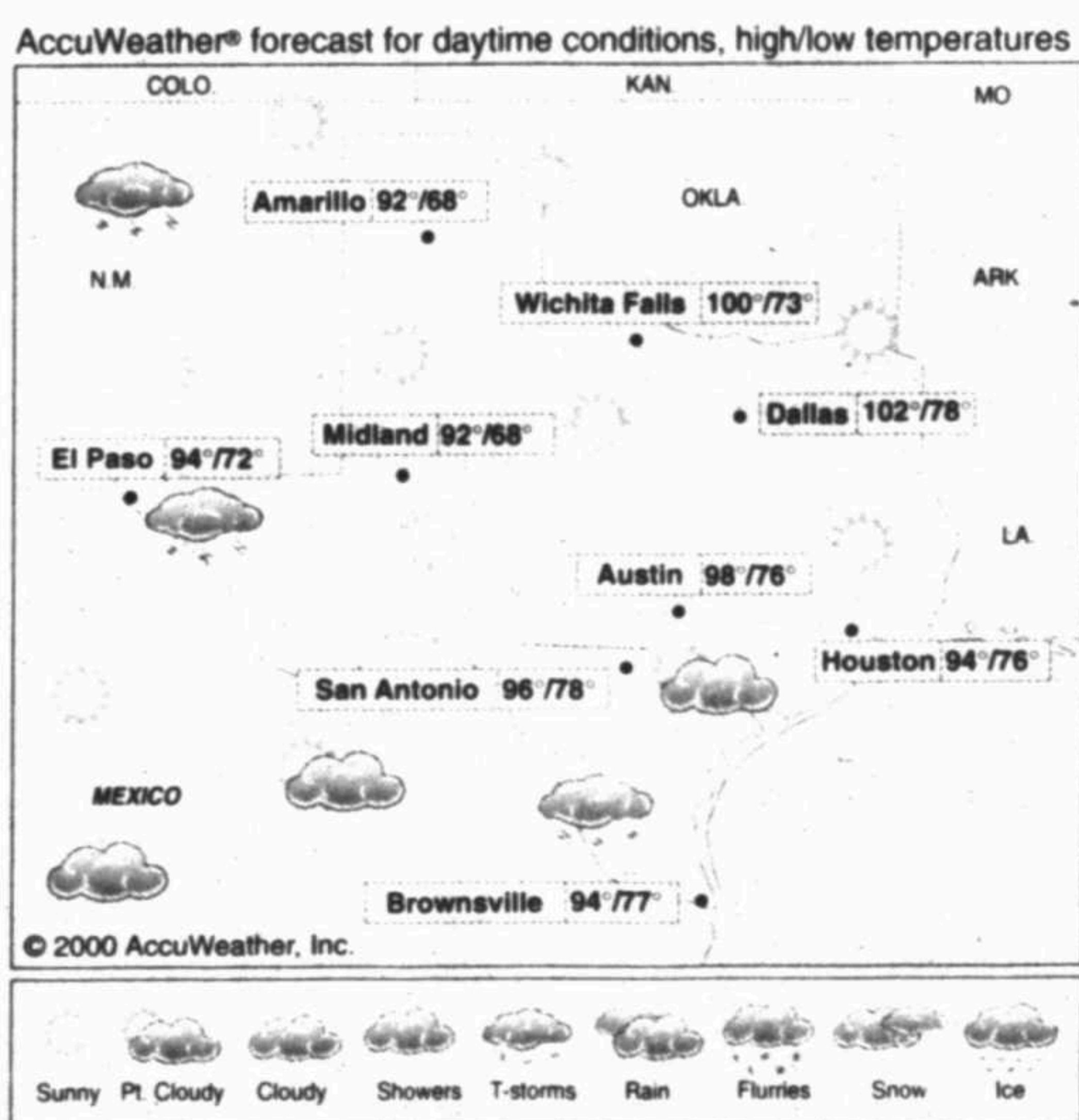
The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, Aug. 9.



United States temperatures

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Anchorage	64	Lo	50	Anchorage	81	Lo	65	Anchorage	81
Asheville	86	Lo	66	Asheville	86	Lo	66	Asheville	86
Atlanta	92	Lo	73	Atlanta	92	Lo	73	Atlanta	92
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Boston	88	Lo	75	Boston	88	Lo	75	Boston	88
Buffalo	83	Lo	68	Buffalo	83	Lo	68	Buffalo	83
Burlington, Vt.	81	Lo	67	Burlington, Vt.	81	Lo	67	Burlington, Vt.	81
Casper	96	Lo	55	Casper	96	Lo	55	Casper	96
Charleston, S.C.	95	Lo	76	Charleston, S.C.	95	Lo	76	Charleston, S.C.	95
Charleston, W. Va.	85	Lo	65	Charleston, W. Va.	85	Lo	65	Charleston, W. Va.	85
Charlotte, N.C.	94	Lo	74	Charlotte, N.C.	94	Lo	74	Charlotte, N.C.	94
Cheyenne	92	Lo	63	Cheyenne	92	Lo	63	Cheyenne	92
Chicago	84	Lo	70	Chicago	84	Lo	70	Chicago	84
Cincinnati	87	Lo	64	Cincinnati	87	Lo	64	Cincinnati	87
Cleveland	82	Lo	66	Cleveland	82	Lo	66	Cleveland	82
Columbia, S.C.	96	Lo	76	Columbia, S.C.	96	Lo	76	Columbia, S.C.	96
Columbus, Ohio	82	Lo	69	Columbus, Ohio	82	Lo	69	Columbus, Ohio	82
Concord, N.H.	87	Lo	64	Concord, N.H.	87	Lo	64	Concord, N.H.	87
Dayton	81	Lo	71	Dayton	81	Lo	71	Dayton	81
Denver	97	Lo	67	Denver	97	Lo	67	Denver	97
Des Moines	87	Lo	66	Des Moines	87	Lo	66	Des Moines	87
Detroit	84	Lo	68	Detroit	84	Lo	68	Detroit	84
Duluth	67	Lo	59	Duluth	67	Lo	59	Duluth	67
Evansville	86	Lo	72	Evansville	86	Lo	72	Evansville	86
Fairbanks	60	Lo	45	Fairbanks	60	Lo	45	Fairbanks	60
Fargo	85	Lo	60	Fargo	85	Lo	60	Fargo	85
Flagstaff	78	Lo	50	Flagstaff	78	Lo	50	Flagstaff	78
Grand Rapids	82	Lo	65	Grand Rapids	82	Lo	65	Grand Rapids	82
Great Falls	90	Lo	52	Great Falls	90	Lo	52	Great Falls	90
Greensboro, N.C.	93	Lo	73	Greensboro, N.C.	93	Lo	73	Greensboro, N.C.	93
Hartford	88	Lo	71	Hartford	88	Lo	71	Hartford	88
Helena	91	Lo	55	Helena	91	Lo	55	Helena	91
Honolulu	87	Lo	76	Honolulu	87	Lo	76	Honolulu	87
Indianapolis	81	Lo	71	Indianapolis	81	Lo	71	Indianapolis	81
Jackson, Miss.	98	Lo	75	Jackson, Miss.	98	Lo	75	Jackson, Miss.	98
Jacksonville	93	Lo	73	Jacksonville	93	Lo	73	Jacksonville	93
Juniata	55	Lo	47	Juniata	55	Lo	47	Juniata	55
Kansas City	96	Lo	71	Kansas City	96	Lo	71	Kansas City	96
Las Vegas	102	Lo	85	Las Vegas	102	Lo	85	Las Vegas	102
Little Rock	99	Lo	77	Little Rock	99	Lo	77	Little Rock	99

State forecast



Texas weather

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 6 p.m.				Harrington	89	77	0.03
	High	Low	Pcp	Hondo	101	75	
Abilene	99	78		Houston	95	74	0.07
Alice	96	78	0.04	Huntsville	96	74	0.01
Amarillo	94	67	0.28	Kingsville	96	78	
Arlington	99	78		Laredo	99	76	
Austin	100	77		Longview	99	75	
Beaumont	92	76	0.12	Lubbock	96	70	0.00
Brownsville	89	77	0.16	Lufkin	95	72	0.00
Burnet	96	73	1	Maria	88	63	
Childress	102	73		McAllen	87	78	0.00
College Station	100	73	0.10	McKinney	98	78	
Conroe	94	72	0.01	Mineral Wells	103	75	
Corpus Christi	94	78		Navy Cross	92	61	
Cotulla	97	74		New Braunfels	100	75	
Dalhousie	95	66	0.02	Odessa	97	75	
Dallas	99	81		Palacios	92	79	0.10
Del Rio	100	78		Paris	97	75	
Denton	101	78		Rockport	82	60	
Dryden	96	75		San Angelo	99	76	
El Paso	93	71		San Antonio	98	77	
Fort Stockton	95	76	1	San Marcos	97	73	
Fort Worth	100	80		Temple	97	77	
Galveston	91	82		Tyler	98	75	
Georgetown	100	75	0.03	Victoria	97	76	0.40
Guadalupe Pass	91	65		Waco	98	77	
				Wichita Falls	104	83	
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PAY: Council to meet to finalize budget on Aug. 22

(From 1A)

Villarreal, president of the MMPOA, spoke to the council members, urging them to consider the 5 percent pay raise, saying it was necessary to retain officers who had been on the force for five to seven years and who had been extensively trained. He said these are the officers who Midland most frequently loses, causing the city to lose training dollars.

Villarreal also said new recruit application rates were down and some officers have had to take second jobs in order to make ends meet. He also said a 5 percent raise would bring in new recruits and keep officers from having to

work second jobs.

During the meeting, before Villarreal's comments, City Manager Rick Menchaca said although the police were slated for a 3 percent raise, a 4 percent raise would put the Midland Police Department on par with other West Texas towns such as Odessa, Abilene and Amarillo. During an interview afterward, Villarreal said, "While we definitely appreciate the 4 percent raise and the funding to continue the plan progression for steps 7-9, this still leaves us a tad behind the cities in the survey."

Menchaca said at the meeting that the city of Midland does not deal with unions or associations. He said Texas is a right to work

state, and negotiating with unions is collective bargaining and ties the hands of city government.

"We don't see it as collective bargaining," Villarreal said. "We just want to be heard by the mayor, the City Council and the public."

While Villarreal made it clear the raise was a step forward and he was pleased, he also said members of the MMPOA will meet on Oct. 1 to determine whether to call for a referendum. The City Council will meet again to finalize the budget on Aug. 22.

Council member at large Bill Dingus said he was happy about the increase from 3 percent to 4 percent. "According to our fig-

ures, the 1 percent difference puts police a little above the area average instead of a little below it."

Mayor Bobby Burns said the City Council and the city staff struggled with the issue of the police raises. In an interview after the meeting, Burns said, "We all admire the job the police do, and we feel very good about the 4 percent raise."

When asked about a possible referendum, Burns said, "I hope the police don't go to that step, but that certainly is their choice. Hopefully, they are pleased with this raise."

Reform Party splits over Buchanan's presidential bid

By Michael Janofsky
N.Y. Times News Service

LONG BEACH, Calif. — With nastiness boiling over to screaming and shouting, the Reform Party split apart on Tuesday, as a faction opposed to Pat Buchanan's presidential candidacy stormed out of a meeting of national party leaders and vowed to proceed on its own, perhaps as a new party.

After the walkout, each group declared itself the true Reform Party, depicting the other as a bunch of rule-breaking misfits who have either stolen the party (Buchanan's supporters) or destroyed it (his opponents).

With both groups still claiming to be the Reform Party as founded by Ross Perot eight years ago, it was not immediately clear what effect the walkout might have on the party's plans for the 2000 elections or even its selection of a nominee — or nominees — for president. For his part, Perot, the Texas billionaire, has had almost nothing to do with the party since his second run for president four years ago.

"If it keeps on going like this, on parallel tracks, we could end up with two nominees," said Russell J. Verney, the party's first chairman and one of those who led the walkout. "Or it might come back together, and then even come apart again. Who knows?"

In the view of Buchanan's allies, the protesters essentially surrendered control of the party organization by leaving the session of national committee members, held in an ornate ballroom of the Westin Hotel. This would virtually assure Buchanan the

presidential nomination later this week at the expense of his only rival, John Hagelin, a physicist from Iowa.

The Reform national convention is scheduled to begin on Thursday at the Long Beach Convention Center. But the protesters — about a quarter of the 164-member national committee — began discussing their own plans for the convention, beginning with a meeting they convened at the Renaissance Hotel immediately after their walkout.

In effect, both meetings conducted the same business at the same time — the resolution of national member challenges. But no one at either meeting faced any opposition.

"We've reconvened the meeting of the one we walked out of," said Jim Mangia, the national secretary and a vocal critic of Buchanan.

Almost at the same moment that Mangia's group voted to disqualify Buchanan from the primary over questionable ballot signatures, the other group voted to ignore any attempts to disqualify Buchanan. The Mangia group also voted to confirm two executive committee members whom the other group had voted to expel.

Gerald M. Moan, the party's acting chairman, called for the two groups to resolve their differences and join what he called, "The new and improved Reform Party." But strongly defending the Buchanan faction and affirming its legitimacy, he warned the opposing group, "If their plan is to cause a mockery of democracy by storming the convention, they

would be guilty of the same thing they accuse other people of doing."

Tuesday's meeting at the Westin was called several weeks ago by the Buchanan campaign to clear up a series of lingering issues that could have prevented Buchanan, the former television commentator, from winning the party nomination and \$12.6 million in federal campaign money.

Foremost among them was a planned review of challenges to national committee members, a favorable disposition of which Buchanan was counting on to give him a majority of supporters on the committee. This, in turn, would assure the affirmation of a strong Buchanan ally as chairman of the convention credentials committee.

The walkout took care of the uncertainties. With none of Buchanan's most ardent opponents in the room at the Westin, challenges proceeded smoothly. He won his majority, and Buchanan's sister and chief campaign strategist, Bay Buchanan, emerged to tell reporters: "We won. Pat has the nomination."

The convention, ostensibly, would make it official, but no one among the Buchanan supporters was quibbling. Earlier, however, the meeting cemented the public image of the Reform Party as a bickering group more occupied by procedural matters than issues of interest to voters.

After hours of arguments over procedures and regulations inside the room, party members who were locked out began crowding

the locked doors and screaming at security guards. Verney, who is not a member of the national committee, was kept out by security guards who ignored his pleadings. "The party is voting and I have every right to be inside."

Minutes after Verney and others were turned away, about a quarter of committee members inside burst through the closed doors and accused Buchanan supporters, including Moan, of subverting party rules to assure that Buchanan won the nomination.

"Moan won't listen to us," said Victor Good, a national committee member from Colorado who is supporting Hagelin. "He is ignoring the rules and the constitution. He's running a dictatorship."

As Good and other Buchanan opponents tried to explain their version of the meeting to reporters and camera crews, Buchanan supporters drowned them out, screaming: "Go, Pat, go. Go, Pat, go."

Both meetings proceeded the same way, with Moan at the Westin and Mangia each going state by state to consider challenges. With no real opposition or complaints at either meeting, the members seated whom they wanted to seat. And both groups planned to begin the convention claiming to be the legitimate source of party power.

But on Tuesday, no one could say how that might happen, or how looming conflicts might be resolved, not the least being whether the protest group would rally around Hagelin over Buchanan.

Xerox gunman gets life without parole

HONOLULU (AP) — A Xerox employee who gunned down seven co-workers was sentenced Tuesday to life in prison without parole.

Byran Uyesugi was convicted in June of fatally shooting the seven men and trying to kill an eighth, an attack Deputy Prosecutor Chris Van Marter described as "the execution of seven unarmed, good hard-working men."

Uyesugi was also sentenced to life with parole by Circuit Judge Marie Milks for the attempted murder of the eighth man. The judge also ordered Uyesugi to pay \$70,000 restitution to the victims' families.

His left hand rubbing his chin, Uyesugi appeared

not to pay attention as victims' family members spoke of their pain and suffering since the November slayings.

"I hate you for what you have done," Susan Sakamoto said between sobs as she spoke of her husband, John. "You have stolen our lives away and you can never suffer enough for what you have done."

Lorna Kanehiro's husband, Ford, was also killed.

"Byran Uyesugi took away my life," she said. "My heart would leap whenever I saw him. He was my life. It's been nine months and I still don't know how to pick up the pieces."

Board votes to limit bond issue to high schools

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

With a 5-2 vote Tuesday night, the Midland Independent School District board of trustees voted to limit the bond issue to the renovation of Lee High School and replacement of Midland High School.

The vote came after pleas from several parents and presentations by two board members to include a new elementary school south of Interstate 20 as part of the package.

"Our children, they want an education just like the children who are getting an education on the west side of town," southside resident Lydia Padilla said, asking the school board to include a new elementary school in south Midland.

Cheryl Luginbill, a mother of children attending Bush Elementary spoke out on behalf of the southside elementary proposal, saying that, although her children would not be affected, the school was needed. "I feel if the building was needed in northwest Midland, it would already have been taken care of," Ms. Luginbill said.

The board's 5-2 vote excluded the elementary school which would have cost \$8.5 million to build, according to Wilson Heidelberg, executive director of auxiliary services. In citing Alamo and Lee Freshman, Ms. Sandate was referencing two public forums called to discuss the dismantling of the cluster system and implementation of the current 14-2 elementary assignment plan.

Board President George Lara and trustee James Fuller voted against the motion made by Charles Tighe to go forward with the bond, including only the \$72.2 million bond package that had previously been discussed for Midland High School and Lee High School.

That motion met with the recommendation by Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr., who acknowledged the need of the elementary school but felt "he district should 'curb our appetite' to only include the high school facilities."

The board is set to meet in a special meeting Aug. 15 (first day of school) to call the bond election.

TEACHERS: Pay raise will cost \$3.5 million

(From 1A)

According to Martin, the total of all the pay raises will cost about \$3.5 million.

Substitute wages were raised from \$50 a day to \$55 a day for assignments lasting one to nine days and from \$60 to \$65 a day for assignments lasting more than 10 days. Certified teachers substituting on long-term assignment will receive the same daily rate as a starting teacher — approximately \$165 a day.

Larry Winget, principal at San Jacinto Junior High School, made a presentation on behalf of junior high school and freshman school principals and assistant principals. According to Winget, MISD junior high and freshman assistant principals currently make less per day than their counterparts in other West Texas school districts, including Ector County ISD. Likewise, he said, they are paid on the same pay scale as counselors, who do not have the same

level of responsibilities as assistant principals.

Winget demonstrated that based on daily rates of pay, assistant principals in Midland make between \$2,177 and \$7,288 less than their peers in other districts. He also argued that junior high and freshman principals should be put on 248 day contracts as opposed to the 217 days for which they are currently contracted. The basis of Winget's argument was that principals at the high school level and at the junior high level in other districts are contracted for more days, thereby making more money. Winget also argued that Midland principals at that level work more

than 217 days out of necessity.

The board took no action on his second proposal. Mary Smith, principal of Emerson Elementary also made a presentation asking for higher wages for elementary principals. The board also took no action on her proposal.

Linda Hancock, past president of Midland Classroom Teachers Association spoke, supporting raises for all employees. "It takes all of us from the bus driver all the way to the superintendent and we all deserve that 3.5 percent increase because it takes all of us to educate the children of this community," Ms. Hancock said.

Pinochet stripped of immunity, but it might be years before trial

By Eduardo Gallardo
Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile — Chile's Supreme Court lifted Gen. Augusto Pinochet's immunity from prosecution on Tuesday, paving the way for the former dictator to be tried on human rights charges. But chances for a quick trial appeared slim.

Pinochet's supporters in Congress announced a bill to try to block a trial of the 84-year-old Pinochet on grounds of health. Pinochet suffers from diabetes, uses a pacemaker and has had three mild strokes.

Even Eduardo Contreras, a lawyer and Pinochet opponent, predicted putting Pinochet on trial could take "up to eight years."

The court voted 14-6 to allow Pinochet to be prosecuted on charges stemming from his 1973-90 rule, court secretary Carlos Meneses said.

Ensclosed in his heavily guarded suburban Santiago mansion, Pinochet received a show of solidarity from the military, as

army chief, Gen. Ricardo Izurieta, and eight other generals visited.

"History has not yet been fully written, and when that happens, you can be assured that Gen. Pinochet will receive the place he deserves in it," Izurieta said.

A government report says 3,197 people died or disappeared at the hands of Pinochet's secret police after he toppled the country's elected Marxist president Salvador Allende in a 1973 coup.

Efforts to prosecute Pinochet center on the so-called "caravan of death," a military squad that executed 72 political prisoners after the coup.

In a 49-page ruling, the court said Pinochet should respond as to whether he gave authority to the members of the caravan, as the plaintiffs alleged.

The government said the ruling "shows the full independence of the courts and the fact that everybody in Chile is equal before the law."

"Our obligation is to respect what the courts decide," President Ricardo Lagos said.

The United States hailed the court's ruling.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said, "The decision is clearly historic. It's significant for Chile, for the rule of law and for the promotion and protection of human rights."

"The decision affirms the fundamental principle that no one stands above the law," he said. "We certainly hope that it will contribute to the resolution of long-pending human rights issues and further advance the process of justice and reconciliation in Chile."

The Supreme Court had voted last week, but the decision was only announced Tuesday once it had been written out and signed by the justices.

The court turned down Pinochet's appeal of a lower court decision in June, stripping him of the immunity he had as a senator-for-life, a post he cre-

ated for himself in the constitution written under his regime.

"This was a completely political process from the beginning," Pinochet's younger son, Marco Antonio, charged.

"If a trial takes place, my father will almost certainly not see its end, but I will fight all the way," he said.

Friends and foes of Pinochet were kept a block apart behind police barricades outside the century-old court building. As the news of the ruling came, the anti-Pinochet demonstrators, mostly relatives of victims and members of leftist groups, cheered and applauded. Many embraced. Some wept.

Viviana Diaz, president of an organization of dissidents missing under the dictatorship, called the ruling "a step toward justice."

Several hundred anti-Pinochet demonstrators marched to the newly inaugurated monument to Allende outside the presiden-

tial palace. Allende's daughter, congresswoman Isabel Allende, tears in her eyes, was among the marchers.

Pinochet's followers were disbanded by police after they shouted insults and tossed coins and fruit at bystanders.

They later assembled at the Pinochet Foundation to hear its director, retired Gen. Luis Cortes, call the ruling "the last link in a chain of revenge against Gen. Pinochet organized by Chilean and international socialism."

Cargo ship docks with space station

MOSCOW (AP) — An unmanned Russian cargo ship docked safely with the international space station Wednesday, carrying 2.4 tons of fuel, clothing and other supplies, according to news reports.

The ship, called the Progress, was launched Sunday from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. It docked at about 12:15 a.m. Moscow time, the ITAR-Tass news agency and Russian television reported.

The fuel will be used to adjust the space station's orbit. The ship was also delivering scientific instruments, linen and personal hygiene supplies.

It is the first of two Progress missions ferrying supplies to the space station in preparation for the arrival of the first crew on Nov. 1. The next supply mission will be in late August.

The Zvezda control module, put into orbit last month, con-

tains living quarters and a guidance system. The installation means the space station can finally be manned. Russia's inability to pay its bills and rocket problems had delayed the module's installation by two years.

Construction is now expected to speed up, and the space station is scheduled to be complete in 2005, after more than 40 more launches.

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Tobacco taxes could save millions of lives, says WHO

By Naomi Koppel
Associated Press

GENEVA — Big increases in taxes on tobacco products could save millions of lives, above all in developing countries, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

"There is an expression that death and taxes are unavoidable. We argue that this is the one tax that can help you avoid death," said Prabhat Jha, co-author of the Tobacco Control in Developing Countries study.

The 512-page report, the result of a three-year research project, argued that a 10 percent increase in tobacco taxes worldwide would persuade about 42 million people to give up smoking and could prevent about 10 million deaths — 9 million of them in developing countries.

"There is absolutely clear evidence that higher prices reduce consumption, especially among youth," Jha said. "In Canada in the late 1980s and early 1990s, when they significantly increased prices, consumption fell by 50 to 60 percent."

The report was rejected by British American Tobacco, which said increased taxes would only lead to more cigarette smuggling and would not stop people smoking.

Philip Morris headquarters in Europe referred questions to its U.S. head office, which was not yet available for comment.

The study said youth, poor people, and the less well-educated are more likely to respond to an increase in price than wealthier, better-educated people.

This means that tobacco taxes would be particularly successful in the developing world, where the majority of tobacco-related deaths are expected to occur in the coming century. The WHO said that tobacco companies target developing countries for sales because of their high potential for market growth.

The World Health Organization estimates that smoking kills more than 4 million people per year and says the toll may rise to 10 million per year by 2030 because of surging tobacco use in countries such as China.

Around half of all long-term smokers die from tobacco-related illnesses, and half of those die in middle age, losing 20 to 25 years of productive life, the WHO said.

Government taxes represent a smaller percentage of cigarette prices in developing countries than they do in the richest nations, the report said.

The study rejects suggestions that an increase in tobacco taxes could lead to a major loss of jobs in cigarette production.

"As people don't spend money on cigarettes, they will spend money on other goods. They will buy popcorn, they go to the movies. These generate alternative jobs and also alternative revenues," said Jha.

Dave Betteridge, spokesman for British American Tobacco in London, said increasing taxes would not lead to a reduction in smoking, simply to an increase in smuggling.

"At the end of the day, smoking is a lifestyle choice. It should be for adults only, but provided that you are aware of the health risks — and it is hard to think that there are people who are not aware of these — if you want to smoke then you should be free to smoke," he said.

"The number of people smoking will decline when people decide that, on balance, they don't want to smoke any more."

Betteridge said B.A.T. was not opposed to government regulation, but said the tobacco industry should be consulted. Tobacco companies have consistently complained that they are not being allowed to take part in WHO discussions on tobacco control.

The authors conceded that higher tobacco taxes lead to more

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smuggling, but say governments can use the extra tax revenue to combat contraband goods.

The report said many other measures aimed at controlling tobacco, such as restricting sup-

ply, had been largely ineffective. A total ban on tobacco advertising and promotion had little or no effect on tobacco consumption.

David Greenberg, senior vice

president of Philip Morris International, said tax increases were "a pretty blunt instrument."

"I think it would be foolish to say tax and price play no role in

people's purchasing behavior, but it would be more sensible to sit down and decide how we want to proceed in a comprehensive way," he said.

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Gore, Lieberman launch historic Democratic ticket

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Al Gore showed off his new running mate on Tuesday and declared that their Democratic ticket will "tear down a mighty wall of division" by making Sen. Joseph Lieberman the first Jewish vice president of the United States.

Lieberman said Gore showed courage, character and fairness in choosing him, breaking "this barrier in American history."

Vice President Gore compared their quest to the election of John F. Kennedy as the first Roman Catholic president in 1960. He said the Democrats made history then, and with Lieberman's nomination, will do it again, 40 years later.

The shirtsleeved running mates hugged and shared a high-five hand slap as they began their campaign together at a sunny, midday rally.

In good news for the new team, the United Auto Workers endorsed Gore on Tuesday after months of criticism and even suggestions that the big union might look elsewhere.

Union president Stephen P. Yokich said in a statement, "It's no secret that we disagree — and disagree sharply. ... Yet even on trade where we don't see eye to eye, Al Gore is better, much better, than George W. Bush."

The UAW endorsement is in line with a long tradition of endorsing Democratic candidates. The UAW has 1.3 million members, many in Midwestern battleground states.

Their wives spoke first. Hadassah Lieberman talking of her parents' survival of Nazi concentration camps during World War II.

Then Gore presented his vice presidential choice to the crowd,

many waving newly printed Gore-Lieberman campaign placards.

Each man in turn talked of the issues they shared in the Senate and since.

Lieberman borrowed a line from the 1988 campaign of George Bush, father of the Republican presidential nominee, converting it to a call to stick with the Democrats this time.

"If you have to change horses in midstream, doesn't it make sense to get the one that's going in the right direction?" he said. "I love that line," Lieberman said, grinning as he turned to Gore to slap hands.

The senator began with a personal invocation, "Dear Lord, maker of all miracles, I thank you for bringing me to this extraordinary moment in my life."

Then the first Jew chosen for a major party ticket thanked Gore "for making this miracle possible for me and breaking this barrier for the rest of America forever."

"You know, there are some people who might actually call Al Gore's selection of me an act of chutzpah," said Lieberman, using the Yiddish word for audacity.

Then he showed some of his own in scoffing at the GOP attempt to liken his positions to those of George W. Bush on some campaign issues.

"With all due respect, I think that's like saying the veterinarian and the taxidermist are in the same business because either way you get your dog back," Lieberman said.

Early polling after the Lieberman selection had to encourage the Democrats. A CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll taken Monday night



Tipper Gore, left, wife of Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore, are joined on the stage by Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., and his wife Hadassah, right, in downtown Nashville, Tenn., Tuesday, for a rally announcing Lieberman as Gore's running mate.

showed the race statistically even, 45 percent for Bush and 43 percent for Gore, after numerous post-GOP convention polls had shown a double-digit lead for Bush.

CNN pollster Keating Holland cautioned about reading too much into the one-night poll of 667 registered voters. The survey had a 4-point error margin.

Lieberman promised on Tuesday to work with Gore "to renew the moral center of this nation." That message of morality has been Lieberman's trademark; he was one of the first Democratic senators to publicly rebuke President

Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky affair.

Lieberman called Gore "a man of family and a man of faith."

"He has never wavered in his responsibilities as a father, as a husband and, yes, as a servant of God Almighty," Lieberman said.

Though differences have been noted in their stances on some issues, Gore said the real gap is between them and the Republicans.

"It comes down to this — Joe and I are fighting to see to it that our prosperity benefits working families and not just the few," Gore said.

He noted that the last time Democrats held a convention in Los Angeles, they nominated Kennedy and shattered a religious barrier.

"That year we voted with our hearts to tear down a mighty wall of division," said Gore. "We made history. And when we nominate Joe Lieberman for vice president, we will do it again."

One benefit the Democrats see in choosing Lieberman is in his reputation for moral stances, including his criticism of Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky affair.

Republicans quickly sought to find differences they can exploit between Gore and Lieberman, differences on issues like Social Security and school vouchers.

Lieberman found more similarities than differences.

"Al Gore and I have pretty much walked the same path and when we've had disagreements they've been good-faith disagreements, never disagreements that touch our values," said Lieberman.

With his selection, Gore picked a moderate Democrat from a reli-

ably Democratic state. Most polls have shown Bush building a lead in the wake of the Republican National Convention, and Gore is hoping to seize attention and galvanize support heading into next week's Democratic convention.

Republicans have also sought to tie Gore to Clinton, particularly Clinton's relationship with a White House intern. Lieberman was one of the earliest and sharpest Democratic critics of Clinton's behavior.

He's also been a sharp critic of Clinton-Gore fund-raising tactics and has teamed up with conservative Republicans to criticize sex and violence in the entertainment industry.

Analysts were split on whether Gore's tactic would work, as Gore walks a tightrope facing every vice president running on his own — breaking with the boss.

If Clinton was unhappy with the choice, there was no public evidence.

"I think it's wonderful," said Clinton. "He's been a wonderful friend to me."

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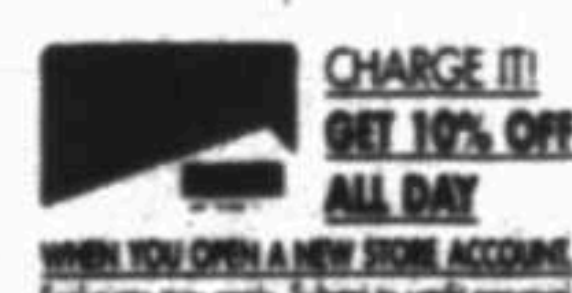
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Lieberman pick raised interest for Gore camp

Vice President Al Gore's choice of Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman of Connecticut as his running mate gave the Democratic ticket a needed burst of credibility.

In fact, many observers were noting that the choice of Lieberman, who has been a vigorous advocate of campaign finance reform and legislation to ban unregulated donations to political parties, gives the Gore ticket a "standard of seriousness" intended to move Gore away from the scandals that rocked the Clinton presidency.

Lieberman, an Orthodox Jew and the first Jew nominated for president or vice president by a major party, was the first Democratic senator to denounce as "disgraceful" and "immoral" the conduct of Bill Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky scandal. He also chastised Clinton for his failure to speak truthfully to the American people about his scandalous behavior.

So, the choice of Lieberman was a direct attempt by Gore to say that he does not want to run on the soiled coattails of Clinton. Gore deserves credit for making such a commendable choice.

Like the selection of former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney by GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush, the Lieberman decision told Americans that Gore is ready to tackle tough issues like defense and free trade; that he wanted experienced people in his administration.

Lieberman was one of 10 Democratic senators who supported President George Bush in the Gulf War. He also has criticized the television and music industries for their widespread usage of violence and sex. In that regard, he will certainly appeal to more conservative voters.

There is no question that the Lieberman selection has helped tell Americans that Al Gore is ready for a fight to November's General Election. It has put an element of interest in the Gore-Bush contest.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 9, the 222nd day of 2000. There are 144 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:
 On Aug. 9, 1945, three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

On this date:
 In 1790, the Columbia returned to Boston Harbor after a three-year voyage, becoming the first ship to carry the American flag around the world.

In 1842, the United States and Canada resolved a border dispute by signing the Webster-Ashburton Treaty.

In 1848, the Free-Soil Party nominated Martin Van Buren for president at its convention in Buffalo, N.Y.
 In 1854, Henry David Thoreau published "Walden," which described his experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts.

In 1902, Edward VII was crowned king of England following the death of his mother, Queen Victoria.

In 1930, a forerunner of the cartoon character Betty Boop made her debut in Max Fleischer's animated short "Dizzy Dishes."

In 1936, Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay.

In 1965, Singapore proclaimed its independence from the Malaysian Federation.

In 1969, actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found brutally murdered in Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his disciples were later convicted of the crime.

In 1988, President Reagan nominated Lauro Cavazos to be secretary of education; Cavazos became the first Hispanic to serve in the Cabinet.

Ten years ago: A week after Iraq invaded Kuwait, Western European diplomats and Arab witnesses reported that Iraq had virtually sealed its borders, preventing thousands of foreigners from leaving Iraq or Kuwait.

Five years ago: Jerry Garcia, lead singer of the Grateful Dead, died in San Francisco of a heart attack at age 53.

One year ago: Russian President Boris Yeltsin dismissed Prime Minister Sergei Stepashin and the entire Cabinet, marking the fourth time in 17 months he had fired the government. Yeltsin named Vladimir Putin, a former KGB agent, the new prime minister.

Thought for Today: "Fear is a disease that eats away at logic and makes man inhuman." —Marian Anderson, American singer (1902-1993).

JACK ANDERSON

Free music and movies under assault

Napster was the first step. Napster, founded in 1999 by then-college freshman Shawn Fanning and his friend Sean Parker, is a file-sharing program that allows its users to connect to an online community and share MP3

music files over the Internet without paying fees. Before the birth of Napster, the only way to get music from the Internet was to download files from Web sites' servers, a long and tedious process. The revolutionary aspect of Napster is that it puts only a directory of song titles on the Web site, and then allows one computer to connect to another computer to download music files.

Gnutella is the next step. Gnutella bypasses the directory altogether, connecting a user to as many other hard drives as the program can detect on the Internet. Once a user has downloaded the program, he or she logs on and types in the Web address of an established user. The program then sends a signal that creates a secure connection with the established user, and through that user the new computer can find others. After that initial connection, the new user's computer will remember all of those connections and continue to make more. Gnutella allows users to exchange not only MP3s, but also text files, movies and photos.

When Gnutella was first introduced, it was post-

ed on the NullSoft Web page, a subsidiary of AOL. Since AOL's corporate partner, Time Warner, was currently engaged in litigation with Napster, the ISP reportedly ordered NullSoft to pull Gnutella off its site because of its similar nature. But AOL was too late. By the time NullSoft reacted, the program had been downloaded by approximately 10,000 people. Sites sprang up offering the program, and by now, the current number of Gnutella users is anyone's guess. Since Gnutella users do not have to log onto a directory, their numbers are impossible to track.

Both Napster and Gnutella are part of a new breed of file-sharing technology designated as peer-to-peer technology. Many analysts suggest that rather than being a threat, peer-to-peer technology can reinvigorate the Internet by redefining ways in which people share information. Rather than waiting for someone to upload files onto a Web site, peer-to-peer programs allow users to download information straight from a hard drive.

Some musicians look favorably on Napster and similar programs, saying that it will expose more people to their music. A recent study found that CD sales have actually increased.

Many analysts say that the entertainment industry simply has to adapt to the Internet, much as online brokers have. Ric Dube with Webnoize, an entertainment industry research group, says that if entertainment companies "can package a better experience, people will pay for it." He suggests people would pay a monthly fee to be able to download music, chat with stars and get concert tickets. There are even Web sites that offer

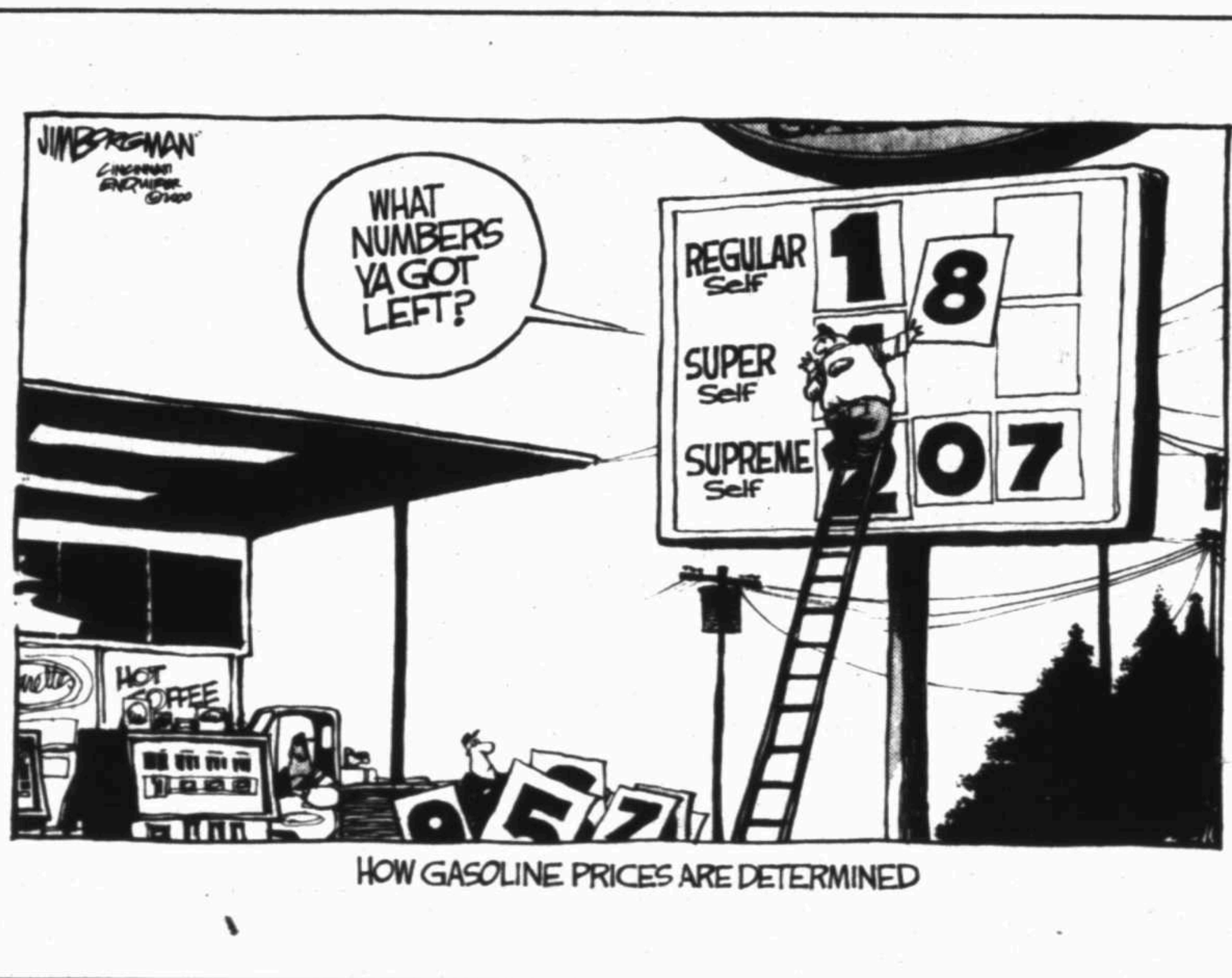
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Other analysts say that fighting this new technology would be akin to trying to stop an atom bomb. They cite similar arguments that were used against the Internet several years ago.

Many, especially those in the music industry, see peer-to-peer technology as a threat. The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) is currently suing Napster for copyright infringement because its program distributes musicians' work without reimbursing them. Even musicians are getting involved. The rapper Dr. Dre has filed suit against Napster. The heavy-metal group Metallica is suing not only Napster, but some of the universities whose students use the program, including Yale and the University of Southern California. The band also collected the handles of 300,000 Napster users who have downloaded its music and demanded that they be thrown off the system.

Napster's defense, however, is that it neither sells nor buys music. The program is simply a go-between. But while the music industry might eventually be able to shut down Napster, Gnutella poses an even greater problem: It is not owned by anyone, and its users do not go through a central server.

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ART BUCHWALD

Kids are reading more mature books these days, to their parents dismay

Linda Peeples was giving the dinner. When dessert was finished, she said, "I have some exciting news for all of you."

"So tell us already," someone said.

"My son George just read his first book."

We all raised our wineglasses to toast the occasion.

"How old is George?" Reilly asked.

"He'll be 18 next month," Linda said.

"That's fantastic," Rowan said. "My son is 21, and he hasn't read a book yet."

"George has always been a bright student," Linda bragged.

"What book did he read?" Frannie Huff wanted to know.

"J.D. Salinger's 'Catcher in the Rye.'"

There was an embarrassed silence at the table.

"What's wrong?" Linda wanted to know.

"'Catcher in the Rye' is a dirty book," I said.

"Where did he get his hands on such filthy literature?"

"He found it in the school library," Linda said.

Exstrom was outraged. "You ought to report the librarian to the school board. They probably don't even know it's there."

"But George seemed to enjoy it," Linda said defensively.

"Sure, he enjoyed it," Reilly said. "It's full of sex and bad words. But it doesn't belong in a high school library. The next thing you know, George will be reading 'Huckleberry Finn' and Kurt Vonnegut's 'Slaughterhouse Five.'"

"Or Studs Terkel's 'Working,'" I said.

"Not to mention Somerset Maugham's 'Of Human Bondage,'" Frannie Huff said.



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DAVE MCNEELY

Clinton takes one for the Gore team

Some Republicans seemed surprised when Bill Clinton poked fun at the Bush dynasty during the Republican National Convention last week. Some thought the outgoing Democratic President had screwed up, shot off his mouth, walked on Al Gore's effort to step out from Clinton's large shadow.

But Clinton actually may be the appropriate kamikaze pilot for the Democratic counterattack against Bush-Cheney's needling. He gets under the Republicans' skin like no one else, and people inclined to hate Clinton already do, so it probably can't get much worse for him.

Just before the convention, Clinton lambasted Bush at a fund-raiser as no better than a rich frat boy, riding on Daddy's name and golden Rolodex.

"The message of the Bush campaign is just that," Clinton said. "How bad could I be?"

I've been governor of Texas. My daddy was president. I own a baseball team. They like me down there... Everything is rocking along hunky-dory. Their fraternity had it for eight years; give it ours for eight years."

So Bush's dad, the former president whom Clinton beat, asked about it on NBC's "Today" show, says "I'm tempted to get off the reservation. But I'll tell you what I'm going to do. I'm going to wait a month. Now, you give me a call, I'll give you the home number... and if he continues that, I'm going to tell the nation what I think of him as a human being and a person."

George W. Bush later said he told the old man thanks for the love and support, but stay cool. "(T)he truth of the matter is, if President Clinton wants to continue doing that, that's fine by me." Bush said he told his dad. It's good because Clinton "lives by polls and focus groups, and he's reacting to what he sees."

But what if the last part of Bush's statement — that Clinton is hard-wired to pollsters — is correct? What if Clinton's slap was a carefully calculated move to draw out the elder Bush — to underscore to voters that George W. is a child of privilege who pulled himself up by his wealthy father's bootstraps? What if it's part of a plan by Gore-Clinton to remind voters of the huge deficits and gargantuan national debt rung up during the Bush-Reagan years — that Daddy's Oldsmobile had a flat?

Could it be a planned strategy to re-heat the charge Clinton-Gore made in 1996 — that the Republican ticket, now of the former president's son and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, is "a bridge to the past," while Democrats represent "a bridge to the 21st Century?"

So the President uses his constant podium to not only step on the kick-off of the Bush feel-good convention (New York Daily News headline: "Poppy to Bubba: Lay off my boy") — but successfully draws out the man Gore-Clinton hope to portray as the revenge-driven puppeteer and ventriloquist.

The Gore-Clinton camp certainly recalls that Poppy's comment in New Hampshire last February, lauding "this boy of mine," probably contributed to Bush's loss in the primary there to John McCain.

Indeed, Gore spokesman Chris Lehane tipped the campaign's hand. "It tells you something about George Jr.," Lehane said. "He has to send his father out to defend him."

While still en route to the convention, the younger Bush had said, "It's amazing to me that the president of the United States would spend time trying to be a political pundit."

Amazing? Perhaps. Stupid? Maybe.

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Submarine raised from watery grave

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — The Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley was lifted from the Atlantic Ocean on Tuesday, more than 135 years after it became the first sub to sink an enemy warship and then sank.

The submarine went down with nine crew members in 1864 after ramming a spar with a charge of black powder into the hull of the Union blockade vessel Housatonic.

To raise the vessel, sitting in 30 feet of water about four miles off Sullivan's Island, divers attached slings around it from a steel superstructure that was placed above the sub earlier.

The superstructure and submarine were then lifted from the bottom together shortly before 9 a.m. and placed on a barge. About two hours later, the barge started its voyage to Charleston Harbor.

Among those on hand for the event were author Clive Cussler, whose expedition discovered the wreck in 1995, Gov. Jim Hodges and state Sen. Glenn McConnell, chairman of the state Hunley Commission.

"It's just a sight to behold," McConnell said. "It's an incredible sight. The sub — it looks as sleek and everything as we thought."

Cussler was at a loss for words. "I'm numb," he said. "It's a great feeling."

Dozens of sailboats, kayaks and other pleasure craft hovered around the crane to watch as workers secured the Hunley on the barge for the trip back to a conservation facility at the old Charleston Navy Base.

The minute the superstructure broke the surface, Confederate reenactors fired a canon volley from Sullivan's Island at Breach Inlet where the Hunley left on its ill fated voyage on Feb. 17, 1864.

Sea cadets waving a blue-lensed lantern were to lead the Hunley back to shore. The lantern is similar to one the Hunley crew used to signal it had sunk the Housatonic. But the signal was the last Confederate sentries saw of



AP Photo
The Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley is raised from a barge by crane Tuesday, at the former Charleston Naval Base in North Charleston, S.C. The Hunley, which sank with its crew of nine on Feb. 17, 1864 after blowing up the Union blockade ship Housatonic with a charge of black powder, was lifted from its watery grave about four miles off nearby Sullivan's Island, secured on a barge and transported to a conservation lab at the old base.

the Hunley, said Gary Dow, who helped organize the welcome home for the vessel.

Researchers hope to learn why the hand-cranked vessel, made from locomotive boilers, never returned from its mission.

At the conservation lab, a bugler was to play taps and ministers were to bless the sub with the remains of its crew, the third crew to die aboard the submarine.

The first crew drowned in the fall of 1863 when water from the wake of a passing ship flooded the sub near its mooring on nearby James Island. A few weeks later, nine members of a second crew, including H.L. Hunley, one of the sub's principal designers, died during a testing accident.

A dive team funded by Cussler found the Hunley intact save for some minor damage.

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Teen births drop to lowest rate in 60 years; many taking credit

By Erin McClam
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Teen-agers are having babies at the lowest rate in at least 60 years, and everyone is taking credit — from religious groups that push abstinence to advocates for contraceptives and sex education in schools.

Analysts from several viewpoints agreed Tuesday on this much: Teens are more terrified than ever of sexually transmitted diseases, and they are putting off starting families to take jobs in the booming economy.

For every 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19, there were 49.6 births last year — the lowest level since the statistic was first recorded six decades ago, the National Center for Health Statistics said.

The rate dropped consistently throughout the 1990s, falling 20 percent for the decade.

"Teen-agers frankly are more conservative sexually," said Bill Albert, spokesman for the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. "They realize that the risks in the 1990s were quite a bit different than the risks their parents took in the '60s and '70s."

The drop was particularly sharp among girls ages 15 to 17, whose rate fell 6 percent from its level in 1998 to 28.7 births per 1,000.

Births fell 2 percent among 18-to-19-year olds and 4 percent among girls ages 10 to 14, said the statistics center, a division of the federal government's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

vention.

The teen birth rate fell across racial lines, most dramatically among black teens, whose rate dropped 38 percent from 1991 to 1999.

Analysts said HIV/AIDS became mainstream enough in the 1990s to scare teen-agers, while awareness of other STDs was at an all-time high.

They said ad campaigns, community awareness groups and even seeing friends have children encouraged teens to be more careful — or stop having sex altogether.

"In the past, abstinence was a joke," said Bronwyn Mayden, executive director of Campaign for Our Children, which promotes abstinence. "It's not a joke — it's OK. Kids are really concerned about catching STDs."

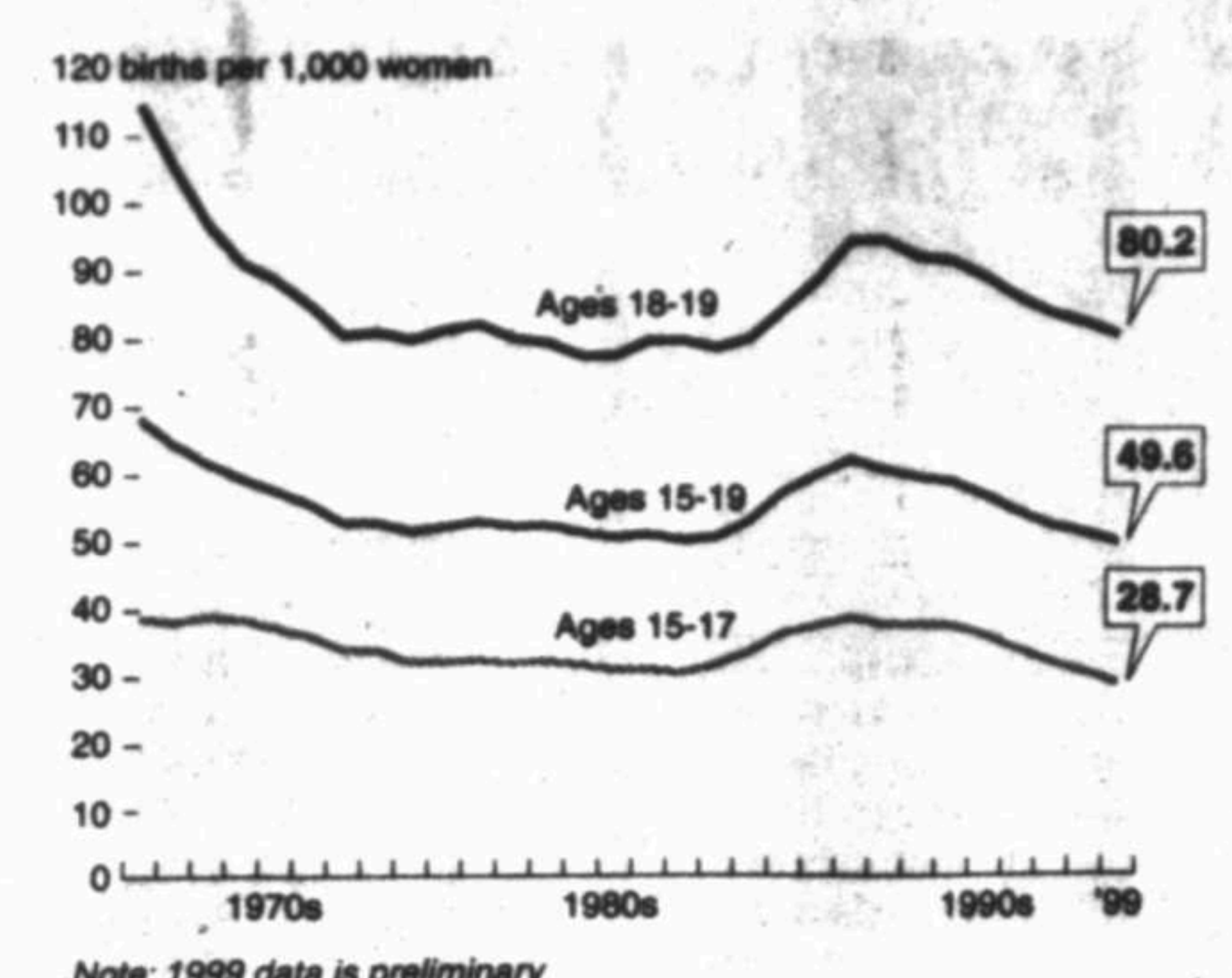
Government demographers credited pro-abstinence organizations along with a swath of other groups — including churches, parents and school sex-education programs.

"Young people more and more are telling us they want to hear from adults about sex," said Tamara Kreinin, president of the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States, which promotes sexuality as a natural part of living. "They want to hear about values, about relationships, about love. It's very important for young people to have sexuality education."

Peter Brandt, an issue response director for the Focus on the Family ministry, said more abstinence is the obvious

Fewer babies born to teen mothers

The number of teen-agers giving birth in the United States has fallen to its lowest recorded rate.



reason why the birth rate has fallen. He said the notion that contraceptives should get credit comes from people who "play little tricks with the data."

Even the country's record-breaking economy may have something to do with the falling

teen birth rate. As more jobs with good pay became available, some teens put off plans to have families.

The nation's highest teen birth rate was in 1957, roughly 96 births per 1,000. Analysts pointed out that in the 1940s and

1950s, when the statistics were first kept, people married younger.

The statistics center also reported a drop Tuesday in births to unmarried teens, a record number of women receiving prenatal care and a rise in births by Caesarean section.

Last month, the CDC reported that the teen-age pregnancy rate fell 8 percent from 1995 to 1997 and has declined every year since 1991.

Even as they differed over why the teen birth rate has

slowed, analysts said they hope teens would not tune out messages of responsibility. If the numbers continue to fall, they said, there could be fewer children living in impoverished homes with unprepared parents.

"Whenever we see good news on these social-issue fronts, people have the tendency to say, 'We've solved this whole teen-birth problem. Time to move on to bicycle helmets,'" Albert said. "There's too many kids turning 13 next year for us to get complacent."

On the Net:

NCHS teen birth report: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>

National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy: <http://www.teenpregnancy.org>

Planned Parenthood Federation of America: <http://www.plannedparenthood.org>

Focus on the Family: <http://www.focusonthefamily.org>

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City, county mull options for new expo hall

By Brian Rogers
Staff Writer

Midland city officials are looking at partnering with Midland County to build a new exhibit/expo hall along Interstate 20, west of Loop 250, which will help to frame a gateway to the city.

At Tuesday's City Council briefing, County Judge Bill Morrow said, "The county would like to partner with the city, either for a short time or the long term in order to bring this project to light."

Morrow went on to say that the county needs land the city owns and, presumably, water and sewage lines on site.

The city acquired the site for \$100,000 in 1997, in anticipation of a proposed expo hall.

In an interview, Mayor Bobby Burns said, "We bought the land hoping for a proposal like this, so I think we should definitely take a good look at this partnering."

The yet-to-be-proposed expo center would be approximately 100 feet by 200 feet and is intended to bring in livestock shows including roping and cutting-horse competitions.

Bill Fields, of the County Agricultural Extension Office said, "There is a present need for a larger facility. We have outgrown the County Exhibit Building."

At present, large livestock events, like the Midland Ranch Rodeo, have to rent large tents to help house the event at a cost of approximately \$3,000 a year. Fields also said that although the rodeo is held at the current location, the exhibits are held across town at a local hotel.

Deputy City Manager Glen Hackler said the estimated cost of water and sewage for the site would be \$288,000.

According to Morrow, if a new expo hall is built, the current County Exhibit Hall would go up for sale, or possibly become a county records retention center.

Other items on the Council's agenda included:

- Acceptance of two airport grants for capital improvements. The first, for \$675,000, and the second for \$2.3 million, will be used to fix runways and taxiways.

- Acceptance of financial services from the Texas Department of Health in order to provide health services. The city will receive \$102,040 in 2000-2001 for an immunization program and public health education issues.

- Support for a grant to install water lines in a moderately populated area

Please see COUNCIL/2B

Midlanders can start fishing in city parks

By Brian Rogers
Staff Writer

If Midlanders choose to relax by casting a lure with the hope of reeling in dinner, local city parks may be their next vacation destination. At Tuesday's meeting, Midland City Council members approved fishing in C.J. Kelly Park and Beal Park, which is under construction.

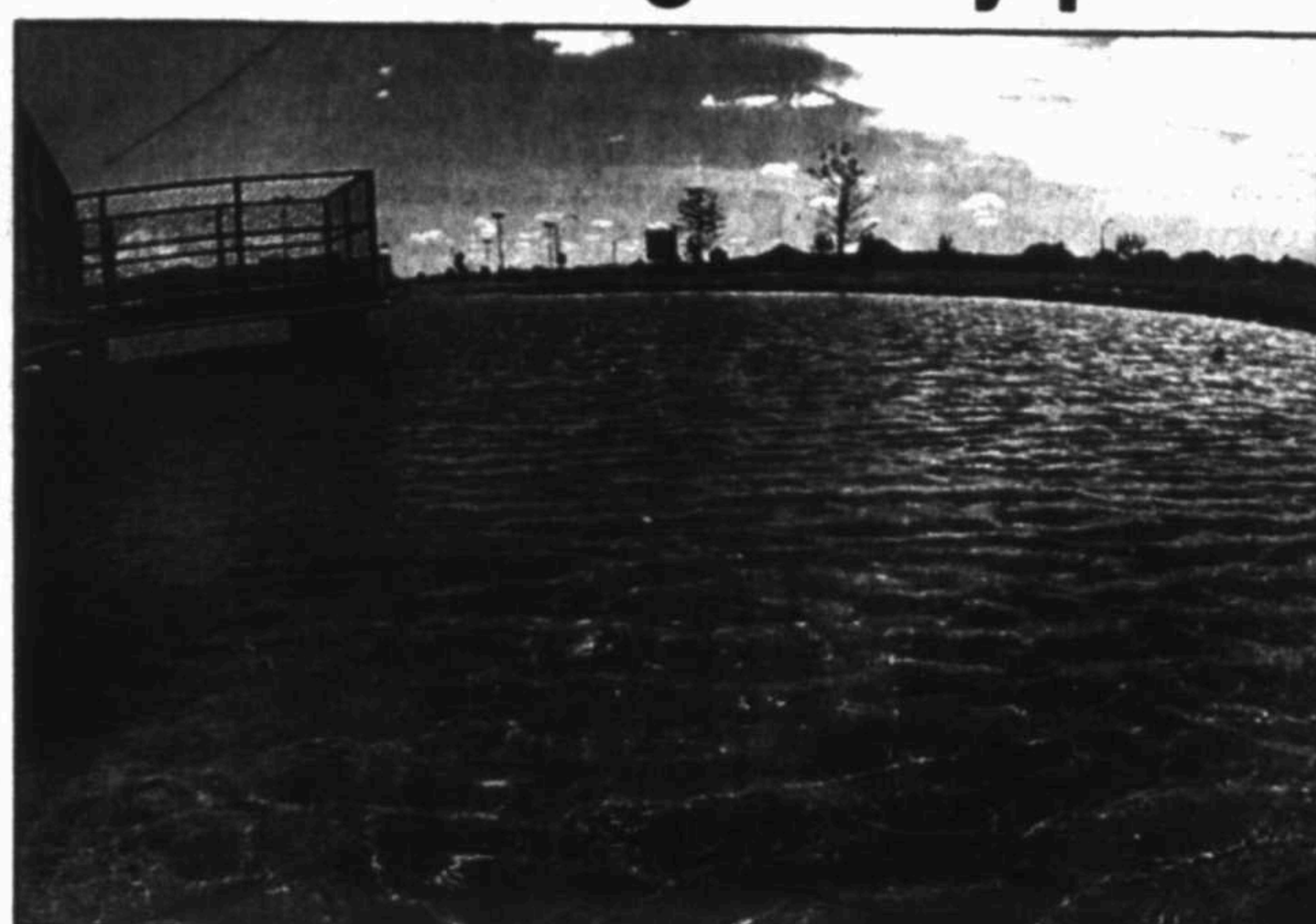
The "lakes" at the parks will be stocked with species of bass, sunfish, catfish and possibly trout.

The City Council discussed and were assured that the fish would be edible.

Mayor Bobby Burns said of Midland's new recreation, "I think it's a great idea. Fishing is a nice way for the residents of Midland to spend time."

Burns also encouraged Midlanders to take their families fishing.

Other members of city government were also pleased with the new facilities. Council member at large, Bill Dingus said, "This is the sort of creative



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
A pier leads out to the deeper waters at C.J. Kelly Park in Midland. City Council members on Tuesday voted to allow fishing in the lake.

thinking in the parks department that we fishing in the parks, Dingus said. "If I like to see." do, I'll be sure to have a suitable license."

When asked if he would be going

CAMPUS POUND UP

Director named for LCU program at Midland College

By Kristine Aleman
MRT Correspondent

The new Organizational Management Program that Lubbock Christian University (LCU) will offer at Midland College beginning Sept. 7 now has its new director, Scott Rhodes, a Midland resident for 25 years.

"I am thrilled with our choice of Midland director. LCU is very fortunate to have Scott Rhodes leading LCU's effort in Midland," said David Anderson, chairman of LCU's Department of Organizational Management, in a written statement. "Scott will bring an incredible business background to our Midland program as well as to the classroom."

Rhodes attended college at the University of Southern Mississippi where he earned a bachelor of science degree in economics and a master of business administration degree in management. He has been president of

Stratos Exploration, Inc. since 1982. "Last spring semester I taught business principles at Midland College and enjoyed that quite a bit," Rhodes said. "I heard about this program offered through Lubbock Christian University, contacted the university and we started talking. They offered the job last week and I accepted it."

As general director, Rhodes will be recruiting students from throughout the Permian Basin to participate in the program and seek adjunct faculty to teach the courses, which are scheduled for Thursday evenings. Rhodes will also continue teaching and become an assistant professor for the program.

"The Organizational Management Program is designed to assist students in obtaining a four-year degree while continuing in his or her present job," he said. "Hopefully, what I will bring to the program is my extensive work history and deep interest in the academic side of business."

Organizational Management is for working adults over 25 years of age who want to complete their bachelor's degree.

Please see RHODES/2B



Rhodes



U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram
General Robotics representative Leo Valdez, standing, helps an unidentified teacher program the RB5X Educational Assistant Tuesday at UTPB. The robot can help kids improve various skills, including math, language and pattern recognition. The seminar was part of the Texas Region 18 "Cluster 2000" inservice workshop.

Area teachers learn latest at day-long workshop at UTPB

By Kristine Aleman
MRT Correspondent

Approximately 1,000 teachers and administrators from Texas Region 18 attended "Cluster 2000," a day-long workshop Tuesday at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB) to learn the best teaching methods. The event was sponsored by Region 18 Education Service Center, serving a total of 33 school districts.

"All but three are little tiny schools. Midland, Odessa and Big Spring have money to put on a great inservice for their teachers," said Carolyn North, instructional consultant at Region 18. "The other schools put their money together and gave it to Region 18 and we put on the inservice."

The region was divided into areas, or clusters, that sent teachers to attend the inservice. Region 18 will also host an inservice at Fort Stockton and Greenwood this week.

"Several instructors are from the service center, some are hired throughout the state and through the Texas Education Company," Ms. North said. "Some have come as far as Washington State and Pennsylvania."

Please see WORKSHOP/2B

UTPB first in state to offer leadership degree

By Kristine Aleman
MRT Correspondent

Leadership is required in any organization, business or project, and now students at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin have the opportunity to earn certification in courses specifically about that subject.

UTPB is the first university in the state to offer a bachelor of arts degree in leadership, announcing that its "Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Multidisciplinary Studies with Leadership Studies Concentration" had been approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Please see DEGREE/2B

TEEN BEAT

Hardest part of moving off to college: cleaning your room at home

By Matt Josefy

Senior summer is coming to a close. The great privilege of moving off is certainly much anticipated, but I'll admit that I've been dreading the HUGE responsibility that it brings.

Yes, of course, you've got to remember your manners when you go off to school, and you have to make school, city and mama proud by keeping your morals. You have to learn to live with other people besides your family. You have to deal with a budget beyond just knowing when your allowance is all gone.

But that's not what I'm referring to. I've been trying to shirk the responsibility of finally cleaning my room.

For the past seven and a half years, stuff has accumulated on the walls, on the floor, in the closet, under the bed, and on the bookshelf. Countless odds and ends, from useless birthday presents that are considered taboo to throw away to movie ticket stubs that bear some sentimental meaning if you pause long enough to remember what it was, find

their way into every little cubbyhole and then some more.

And now, because I dare to leave home, the arduous task of cleaning up after myself is looking me straight in the eye.

Now is not a good time. I have plans to make, appointments to keep, materials to purchase, and "last suppers" to attend. I need to plan ahead, worry about the unforeseeables, and get psyched for college life. There are places to go, things to do, and people to see. Whoever said anything about rooms to clean?

About three weeks ago, I got in "the mood." I was ready to tackle this elephant one bite at a time. So I went out to the garage and got a box. A good box, I decided after studying its credentials and history, as indicated by various labels on the outside. Then, I went into the closet and decided to start at the top. So I pulled out old magazines and started to thumb through them, recalling some of the articles that had intrigued me as a kid. After about half an hour of reading, I convinced my brother that he would want to keep them, temporarily delaying the inevitability of trashing childhood memories.

After that, I pulled down various booklets and pamphlets of vacations, camps and retreats, which of course let other hibernating creatures return to the forefront of my memory. How could I ever for-

get the time that Soandso dared Jimbob to do suchandsuch with Whatshereface?

And remember Thatgirl I met when we were visiting Thatplace, when we were stopping the elevator at every floor in the hotel? Or when Sumbudy embarrassed us all by ...

One by one I threw the books into the boxes, wondering why I had lost touch with various people through the years.

I'm supposed to be leaping forward to the future, that's the only thing that could possibly induce me to declare war on the polluted bunkers of my habitation, but here I am falling deep into memories of the past. Fortunately, I found that I have few regrets. While I do wish I had more time to do it all over again, I doubt that I would change much of anything.

Needless to say, by the time I had revisited the past 17 years, the night was not quite as young as when I had first set out to purify my closet of the layers of dirt, dust, and grime. In fact, it was my bedtime.

Oh, well, I said and quit the clean-up job for the time being. The next day and the next day I was too busy. The week after that I wasn't in "the mood." Thus, the box made itself at home on the hidden floor somewhere beneath the clutter. There it rested for several weeks.

Finally, my merciful mother took pity on it and moved the half-full cube of cardboard that housed my past to another room in the house.

I wasn't born in a barn my any means, but it sure would be easier if I had a Templeton to stow away my unnecessarys for me. Because as much as I need to, I find it difficult to part with the items that have befriended me through better and worse for all of my life.

Cleaning up and packing away involves more than pulling out a dust rag and wiping away the bad memories. It requires the filing away of childish things in preparation for an uncertain adulthood. It's more than just boxing up broken picture frames; it's stowing away "what would have" and "what could have been." It's more than the material possessions; it's the people that you can, and never would want to, forget.

Sometimes we have to let the old go, in order to allow the new to come. With time running short, I may have to ground myself to get my room clean, but that hint of hope will propel me onward. Besides, every time I clean a bookshelf, I find a quarter that I didn't know I had.

Matt Josefy is about to begin his freshman year at Texas A&M.



Josefy

Area briefs

COPS training

The Midland Police Department will be conducting a new Citizens On Patrol training class on Tuesday, Aug. 22 and Thursday, Aug. 24, from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m., at the Midland Police Department, 601 N. Loraine, in the basement.

The COPS program allows citizens to patrol neighborhoods as extra eyes and ears for the police department. The volunteers of this program assist as a deterrent to crime and help catch criminals.

Upon completion of the classroom training, the candidates must ride for eight hours with a patrol officer. There is no cost, but participants must complete and submit an application for the program to

attend. Applications are available from the front desk of the Police Department or the Community Relations Unit. For more information call: 685-7582.

Uptown BPW

The Uptown Midland Business Professional Women's Organization is hosting a luncheon today, Aug. 9 at noon at the Petroleum Club, at the corner of Marienfeld and Wall.

A seminar to be given by Less Smith from Dale Carnegie on Keys to Success and Self Confidence through Communication.

This luncheon is open to the public. The cost is \$12. For more information, call Barbara Elliott at 686-9307.

Today's Agenda

Permian Basin Small Business Association, 7 a.m., 405 N. Marienfeld, third floor conference room.
Arco Articulators, 11:30 a.m., ARCO Building, 688-5760.

Uptown Chapter of Business and Professional Women, luncheon program, Petroleum Club, Lynne Clark, 682-0291.

Al-Anon, Wednesday night Step Study, 8 p.m., 2103 W. Louisiana.

Tall City Toastmasters Club, 11:30 a.m., Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-3193 (Bob Clohessey).

Company D, 403rd MP BN, Company D, Texas State Guard, 7:30 p.m., Texas National Guard Armory.

Helping Hands, board meeting, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at 1301 Brinson (former Eagles Building, behind Rogers Ford). Anyone interested in volunteering as a caseworker or to work in the thrift store, is invited to attend. Call 520-8900 for more information.

Midland Apartment Association, board of directors, noon, Clusters Club room.

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G St., 694-4166; 580-

7545; 684-8726; or 699-5563.

Seniors Over 50 Dance, 7:30 p.m. American Legion, 501 Air Park Road, 682-5511.

Midland Health and Welfare Association, noon, Westwood Medical Center.

Downtown Lions Club, noon, club activity building, 200 Plaza St.

Midland Country Club Women's Golf Association, 9 a.m.

Eagles Permian Aerie No. 2982, 8 p.m., Brinson Lane.

Midland Genealogical Society Volunteers, available 1-4 p.m., Midland County Library.

Daybreak Rotary Club, 7 a.m., Hilton Midland and Towers. For more information, call Bob Rice at 563-1000.

Sex Addicts Anonymous-Reflections, 550-1173. The meetings are closed.

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 682-4461.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary, 8 p.m., 1406 E. Taylor St.

Crane man pleads guilty in teen-age girlfriend's murder

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

A Crane man pleaded guilty to one count of murder Tuesday in connection with a teen-age girl's fatal beating.

Shawn Alan MacDougal, 21, offered his plea after a jury was selected for his trial in the 161st District Court in Ector County. MacDougal opted to have the jury render his punishment, so the trial continued after he made his announcement to the court, said District Attorney John Smith.

Smith alleges that on Dec. 18, MacDougal beat and stomped on 18-year-old Melanie Cadena at her residence — the Sunchase Apartments at 2210 Rocky Road Lane in Odessa. Autopsy reports said the young woman died of blunt force trauma.

"It was a very brutal death," Smith said. The couple's child, who is now 20 months old, was at the apartment at the time of the attack but not injured, Smith said.

Smith said Ms. Cadena's family was concerned about her safety after hearing from friends

who saw MacDougal in Crane with her car and their child. The family contacted Ms. Cadena's apartment manager, who with a security guard checked the residence and found her beaten body.

Hours later, Ector County authorities arrested MacDougal in Crane, where they took a voluntary statement from him, Smith said.

Ms. Cadena worked at Parks Methodist Retirement Village in Odessa. Her friends and family have told authorities and reporters that she moved to Crane to avoid MacDougal because he was possessive and abusive.

MacDougal's attorney, Leonard Bruce, could not be reached for comment.

Smith said MacDougal has remained in the Ector County Detention Center since his arrest. His trial will resume at 9 a.m. today with Judge Tryon D. Lewis presiding.

MacDougal faces up to life in prison. Smith said he plans on asking the jury to sentence the defendant to "a substantial number of years."

Testimony finished in second phase of Padre Island lawsuit

BROWNSVILLE — A New York lawyer who swindled a Mexican-American family out of decades' worth of Padre Island oil profits is worth at least \$68.3 million.

The financial records of Gilbert Kerlin, 90, were displayed for an all-Hispanic jury Tuesday as the historical battle over Padre Island moved to the next phase.

The jury last week agreed that Kerlin has been cheating the heirs to Padre Island ever since he bought their title in 1938. Kerlin agreed to share any oil profits with the Ballis — but he never paid.

The jury will now decide how much money Kerlin should give the family to make up for decades of fraud and conspiracy. The 300 heirs have asked for about

\$11 million.

"The one thing that matters to (Kerlin) is money," Balli lawyer Britton D. Monts told the jury. "We all know about pride and where it can get you."

Kerlin studied in Cambridge and Paris before earning a law degree from Harvard. Monts told the jury. The Ballis, meanwhile, were struggling to learn English and pull themselves out of poverty.

"When I look back at the history, it hurts," said Jose Luis Balli, a Balli heir who spent his childhood migrating from one farm job to the next. "My grandmother had to choose between buying food and buying medications. She endured death, sickness the loss of family members."

COUNCIL: Speed limit on Whitmire amended (From 1B)

immediately south of the city limits and extending west from Rankin Highway to Loop 250. The residents there depend on individual wells and small water district wells for their water supply. The residents there will be charged one and half times the usual rate because of their loca-

tion. ■ The establishment of a 25 mph speed limit for both directions on Whitmire Boulevard from Garfield Street to the Loop 250 service road. The speed limit was amended from 20 mph to 25 mph.

■ Presentation of the proclamation of ArtWalk Midland Day of Aug. 17.

OBITUARIES



Lula Mae Ray

Lula Mae (Niblett) Ray was born on September 5, 1921 in Calvert, Texas. Her parents were the late Cora Pearl and Marshall Niblett Sr.

Lula Mae moved to Midland in October 1941 and united with the Macedonia Baptist Church. She was married to Clayton Ray on August 28, 1943.

Mrs. Ray passed away on Friday, August 4, 2000, at her home.

To cherish her memories, she

leaves her loving and devoted husband, Clayton Ray of 56 years; two daughters, Bertha Ann Woodall of Wichita, Kansas and Brenda Joyce Smith of Webster, Texas; two sons, Clement Ray of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Albert Lewis Ray of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one brother, Alfred Niblett of Midland; sixteen grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and numerous nephews, nieces, relatives, and friends. She was preceded in death by three sons, Clayton Ray Jr., Curtis Lloyd Ray, and Melvin Ray; and one brother, Marshall Niblett Jr.

Funeral services for Lula Mae Ray will be Thursday, August 10, 2000, at 11:00 a.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church with Rev. O.J. Archie officiating. Interment will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

Raymond Jordan

Raymond L. "Pinto" Jordan was born November 11, 1911 in Wellington, Texas to Drue Hendrix Jordan and Melinda Tilden (Byrd) Jordan. He retired from Cities Services as Plant Supervi-

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sor in 1976 after 43 years of service. On February 14, 1940, he married Tommie Jo Tibbets in Lefors, Texas. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Seagraves, Texas, and a lifetime member of Gaines County Golf Course.

Mr. Jordan died at a local hospital on Monday, August 7, 2000.

He is survived by his wife, Tommie Jordan, of Midland, Texas; a daughter, Nancy Gilmore and her husband, Robert, of College Station, Texas; a son, Joe Jordan and his wife, Lana, of Midland, Texas; four grandchil-

dren, Kevin Gilmore of Dallas, Texas, Shelley Gilmore of Austin, Texas, Tia Jordan of Midland, Texas, and Michael Jordan of Midland, Texas. He was preceded in death by three brothers, two sisters, and a grandson.

Funeral services have been scheduled for Wednesday, August 9, 2000, at 4:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Jack Abendschan officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Bob Dillard Jr.

ANDREWS—Robert Samuel Dillard Jr., 79, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, at his residence.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11, at the Andrews Church of Christ with Dyrel Collins and John Snider officiating. Burial will be at the Andrews Old Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 13, 1920 in Coryell County.

He moved to Andrews in 1946. He worked for Stanolind Oil and Gas, Signal Oil and Gas, retired from Phillips Oil Company in 1985,

and was a contract pumper. He was a member of the Andrews Volunteer Fire Department for 30 years, State of Texas Foster Parent Association, American Legion of Odessa Post 430, Andrews County Historical Committee, Andrews County Child Welfare Board, and was awarded the Children's Home of Lubbock Friends of the Child Award in 1986. He was a member of the Andrews Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by a son, Robert Butch Dillard in 1966.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Ruth Harris Dillard; a son, Sam Dillard; a daugh-

ter, Lee Ann Partain; and two brothers, Joe and James Dillard, all of Andrews; 10 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Children's Home of Lubbock, 4404 Idalou Road, Lubbock, TX 79403.

Barney Merritt

ODESSA—Barney G. Merritt, 84, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, at a local hospital.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel of Midland.

DEGREE: Students will take variety of courses

(From 1B)

"About five years ago, the Legislature funded the John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Institute to promote leadership about the state. It would hold 30 to 40 forums a year at high schools," said Bill Fannin, vice president of academic affairs. "Many students asked for an academic program that would allow them to pursue it further. It's a statewide need and demand."

That the Shepperd institute is local made it easier for UTPB to carry out the project, Fannin said. "As we went out into the community and talked about our leadership program, many parents and children asked where they could go to study more. There

was not a single program in Texas we could send them to," said Warren Gardner, associate professor of history. "We had funding for this so it came naturally for us to develop this program."

UTPB has offered a minor in leadership since 1997, Fannin said. Students can earn certification in a 15-hour program or a bachelor of arts degree with 30 hours of interdisciplinary leadership content.

"Students will have a strong general education core and a strong liberal arts program," Fannin said. "They will look at the historical perspective, the philosophical and ethical perspectives, and the administrative perspective of what leaders do."

Leadership students will take a variety of courses including history, English, political science, psychology, non-profit accounting and courses in business management. Most courses already exist, but combined make a strong academic program, Gardner said.

The degree in leadership will require an internship and will provide students with a variety of experience. Administrators are looking mainly at non-profit service organizations and public service agencies, including local and state government.

"These organizations are always looking for managers and leaders. They are a big segment of our economy," Gardner said. "We won't ever run out of

places in Midland and Odessa. It is a joint effort and will be carefully overseen as any academic work would be."

Students earning a degree in leadership will enter the workforce knowing what skills and characteristics leaders provide, as well as their role in society by having a strong background in social sciences. Professors say it is likely the demand will continue to grow.

"This will provide a strong background for providing leadership," Fannin said. "Students will have a very solid liberal arts degree and, in this case, a commitment to public service."

RHODES: Classes are limited to 18 students

(From 1B)

elor's degree with at least 60 transferable hours. Classes are limited to 18 students and are held once a week. The program allows students to finish a 48-hour major in an 18-month period while working.

"At the heart of the program is the Action Research Project. A student, for example, may discuss with his or her employer a problem to be solved or project to be undertaken by the student within the workplace," Rhodes said.

As part of the program, a college facilitator monitors the progress of the independent study making sure that the student devotes

a significant amount of time to the project. "It is what I like to call 'applied academics.' A student learns a business concept or theory one evening in class and is able to apply it at work the next day," Rhodes said. "That is good, not only for the student, but for the employer, as well. Both benefit."

The number of universities forming relationships with community colleges by offering baccalaureate degree programs continues to increase across the country.

"There are a number of examples where this has occurred. Texas A&M has a permanent building at Corsicana," said Midland College president David Daniel. "We have the physician's assistant program and soon

we'll have a permanent building to house that program."

The physician assistant program is offered through Texas Tech, the first affiliation course offered at MC. The Organizational Management Program from LCU is the second.

"These programs tend to provide opportunities for further education for many of our students who receive their associate degree and won't have to travel to other places to complete their degree (plan)," Daniel said. "It is a service to our students. I would not be surprised to see other alliances form over time."

WORKSHOP: Seminars include family relations, conflict management

(From 1B)

This year marks the fourth teacher inservice by Region 18. The staff and UTPB have worked together to provide a location each year for the workshop.

Sessions included Dr. Eric Cupp, adjunct professor for Amber University in Garland, as keynote speaker who teaches seminars on family relations, conflict management and works

with students on alternative campuses.

Teachers attended workshops on basic subjects, such as math and science, as well as discipline, both academic and athletic UIL, music, stress management and technology. There were a total of 77 sessions throughout the day.

"(The inservice) helps with collaborative learning," said Patricia Matthews, who teaches in Pecos. "They show us in work-

shops how to put new information into affect. We have to be aggressive with new technology and strategies to help the children learn better."

Instructors stressed updating and clarification of rules and technology that have recently changed, said members of Region 18.

"This gives teachers all the tools they need to assist them in instructing," said Jill Lankford,

Field Service Agent for Region 18. "It gives them the opportunity to share ideas."

Teachers also received tips on classroom organization, violence prevention, valuing differences and creating unity.

"It is a once a year opportunity to get with teachers who teach the same things you do," Ms. North said. "It motivates teachers to start a new school year."

Texas House Speaker Laney to skip national convention

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas' highest-ranking elected Democrat will be notably absent from the party's national convention. House Speaker Pete Laney will stay home as 250 Lone Star delegates and alternates head to Los Angeles next week.

Laney has refused to publicly endorse Vice President Al Gore, but the speaker's spokesman said Tuesday the fact that Texas Gov. George W. Bush will be on the presidential ballot has nothing to do with Laney's decision to skip the event.

"This is nothing out of the ordinary. He's never gotten involved in any presidential campaign," said John Bender, Laney's communications director. Laney has not attended any recent national convention, Bender said.

Speaker of the Texas House since 1993, Laney has worked closely with Bush since he was

elected governor in 1994. The pair also share a close personal relationship.

Bender shrugged off any suggestion that Laney's neutrality was a silent endorsement for Bush, who has earned some bipartisan support, including an endorsement from Jan Bullock, the widow of former Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who had supported Bush's re-election for governor in 1998.

Mrs. Bullock spoke in Bush's favor last week at the Republican

National Convention in Philadelphia.

Laney, who said he will focus on state business and legislative races next week, has been consistent and persistent in remaining mum about which presidential candidate he supports.

At a March state party event, Laney danced around the issue as reporters asked the question several different ways.

In June, at the state Democratic convention in Fort Worth, Laney

literally fled from the press rather than discuss the presidential contest.

TODAY'S FUNERALS

L.H. "BUD" HANSON

2 p.m. - Ellis Chapel

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4 p.m. - Ellis Chapel

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STATE IN BRIEF

Green party on Texas ballot

AUSTIN — The Green Party has been certified for the Texas election ballot for the first time, party officials announced Tuesday.

The secretary of state's office verified more than 51,000 signatures collected by hundreds of volunteers to get the Green Party on the ballot. The total was well above the 37,380 signatures required from voters who had not participated in another party's primary on March 14.

"It bodes well for our chances in November," said Green Party presidential candidate and consumer advocate Ralph Nader. Along with Nader, the Green Party is running Gary Dugger and Charlie Mauch for Texas Railroad Commission; Doug Sandage for U.S. Senate; and Ben Levy, a candidate for the state Supreme Court.

In the Railroad Commission and Supreme Court races, the Democratic Party failed to field any candidates.

Boy pleads guilty

GEORGE TOWN, Cayman Islands — A 17-year-old from Texas has pleaded guilty to negligence in allowing a 14-year-old girl to operate a personal watercraft that crashed and killed a friend in a dingy.

Magistrate Nova Hall on Monday ordered Brett Holze to pay court costs. The 14-year-old girl, whose name was not released, was not convicted of any charge.

Attorney General David Ballantyne said the victim's family did not want the judge to impose any sentence on the teenager.

Prosecutors said that Holze had been driving the watercraft on July 26 with the girl as a passenger but later let her take the controls even though the minimum age to operate one in the British Caribbean territory is 15. The watercraft crashed into a dingy, killing a 39-year-old man whose name was not released in court.

The victim and three other people in the dingy were friends of the teen-agers and were among a group of Americans vacationing in the islands, prosecutors said.

Prosecutors did not identify Holze's hometown in Texas.

AG says request improper

PLANO — The Attorney General's office has filed a lawsuit against the Plano Police Department, ordering the release of arrest records to a citizen who was improperly denied access.

Attorney General John Cornyn said police officials erred in not seeking a ruling from his office before refusing the unnamed citizen's request.

"Citizens and governmental entities may disagree about whether or not a particular piece of information is considered an open record," Cornyn said in a written statement. "In these instances, the law provides that it is the Attorney General's responsibility to resolve the dispute — not the governmental body."

Cornyn said that last spring, a citizen asked for a copy of all records, including video and audio tapes, relating to an arrest. The department unilaterally rejected the request, citing a law enforcement exception to disclosure.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Inmate smashes diesel truck through fence to escape

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — An inmate driving an 18-wheel tractor trailer cab avoided gunshots from prison guards and smashed through a prison fence Tuesday morning, then left the truck on an airport runway before fleeing in another vehicle believed driven by his wife.

State troopers, Texas Rangers and sheriff's deputies, along with corrections officers on horseback and using tracking dogs, were hunting for Terry Rhodes, 31, who escaped about 9 a.m. from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wynne Unit at the northern edge of Huntsville near the Huntsville airport.

Rhodes had been locked up since April 1997, serving 45 years for an aggravated sexual assault in Hardin County in East Texas. He also had been convicted of burglary and had an escape attempt last September from the Smith County Jail while he was there on a bench warrant.

Officials said the search was being concentrated south of Madisonville, about 25 miles north of Huntsville.

The tractor, heavily damaged after running through the fence,



AP Photo

The tractor-trailer cab used by Texas prison inmate Terry Rhodes to break out of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wynne Unit in Huntsville sits in a field with razor wire around the windshield near an airport runway. Rhodes, 31, left the scene in another vehicle believed driven by his wife. Rhodes had been locked up since April 1997, serving 45 years for an aggravated sexual assault in Hardin County in East Texas.

was left on the small airfield's runway.

Officers and other inmates saw the truck smash through the prison fence and then through a Huntsville city-owned fence that borders the airport, prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said. Corrections officers fired at

least nine shots at the truck as it went through the fence.

"He abandoned the truck in the middle of the airport, shed the shirt he was wearing, took off and ran and crossed a barbed-wire fence," he said.

That put Rhodes on the property of a truck stop adjacent to

Interstate 45.

"One of our off-duty wardens who just happened to be passing by saw the guy running across the field and got within about 30 yards of him," Fitzgerald said.

"He yelled at him to stop and the inmate yelled something back at him, ran to a black pickup truck, picked up a tire iron and made a threatening gesture toward the warden, who was unarmed."

Rhodes then jumped into the pickup and sped away going north on freeway. Fitzgerald said authorities determined the truck, a 1993 Ford pickup, was purchased Monday by Rhodes' wife, Pamela Jean Rhodes, of Kountz.

The warden gave chase in his personal vehicle but lost sight of the pickup a few miles away.

Sheriff's deputies were alerted but never saw the pickup pass Madisonville on either the freeway or Texas Highway 75, the main routes between Madisonville and Huntsville.

Rhodes had been a diesel mechanic before his prison term and was doing the same work in the prison system.

Plaque without home piques curiosity

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A plaque honoring a Central Texas man who lost his life in a traffic wreck has become a problem for state highway engineers.

The memorial for Homer M. Bradford of New Braunfels has adorned a pillar on the Interstate 35 bridge over the Guadalupe River. But it was removed when the structure was scheduled for demolition as part of a highway widening project.

The plaque has been leaning against a file cabinet at a Texas Department of Transportation office since April.

"We are looking for family members of Mr. Bradford," Michelle Kopp, TxDOT assistant area engineer, told the San Antonio Express-News in Tuesday's editions. "It was put up by the Chamber of Commerce, so we contacted them, and they have been looking for a family member of Mr. Bradford for months with no luck."

She said that the plaque will likely be returned to the chamber if no family contacts are found. Michael Meek, New Braunfels

Chamber of Commerce president, said he doesn't know what the chamber would do with the plaque.

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Man accused of holding archbishop hostage indicted

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A man who held Texas' top-ranking Catholic clergyman and his secretary hostage with a fake grenade over a month ago was indicted Tuesday on aggravated kidnapping charges and for a 1987 slaying.

Nelson Antonio Escolero, 40, faces two charges of aggravated kidnapping for holding Archbishop Patrick Flores, 70, and his secretary Myrtle Sanchez, 73, hostage at the San Antonio chancery for nine hours on May 28.

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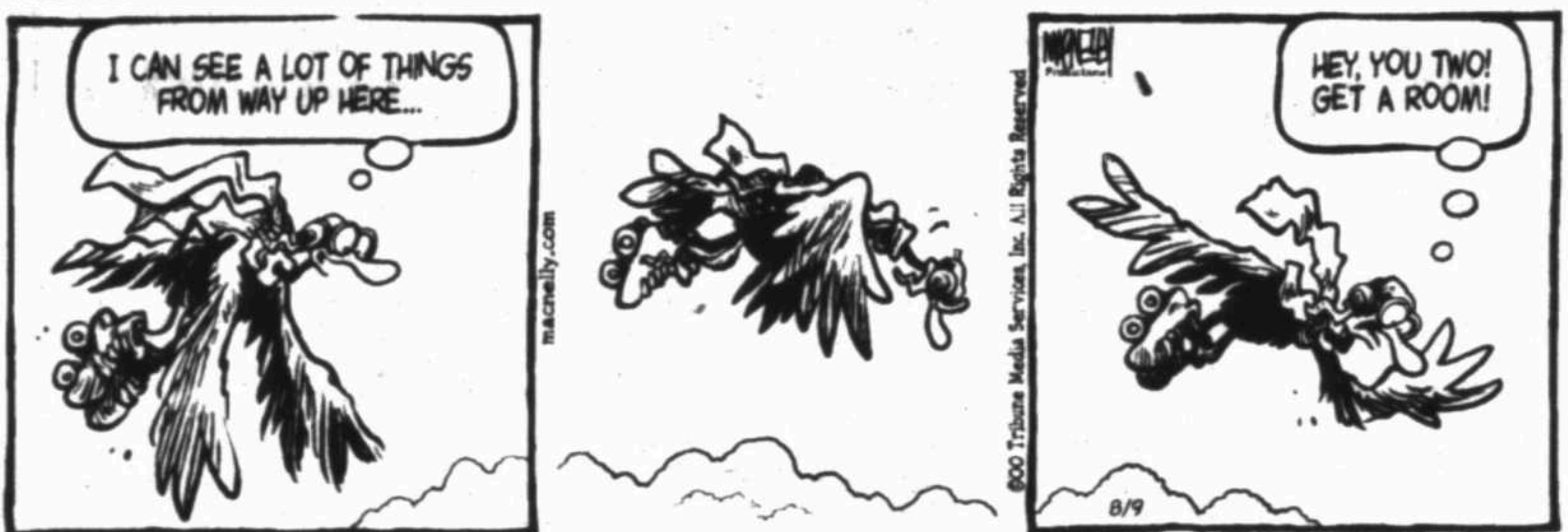
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2000: You might often be accused of being vague or confusing, or of distorting reality. Be direct and clear. Your imagination knows no limits. Broaden your circle of friends. Aim for what you want, and expect to get just that. If you are single, you will want a more significant relationship, and you are willing to work toward it. In the next year, many of you will be considering major commitments. If you are attached, the two of you bond because you willingly work together for the same goal or purpose. Plan on a special celebration. **SAGITTARIUS** makes you laugh.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★ ★★ Beat the bandwagon and encourage others to take risks in new areas. You inspire others and yourself. The planets move into a position to lighten your load financially. Finally! Don't allow the unexpected to throw you into a tizzy. Instead, use it to make your life more exciting. Tonight: Relax with a movie.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★ ★★ A partner offers an idea that needs analysis and study. You might find a money commitment overwhelming. Presently, financial investments take longer to come to fruition than you had anticipated. You will be seeing more and more of this pattern over the next few months. Tonight: Talk turkey with a trusted associate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ ★★ Planetary changes focus on you. You might feel overwhelmed and exhausted more frequently during the next few months. Many opportunities appear. Choose those that serve you better and take you in the direction you want to go. News from a distance perks you up. Tonight: Accept an offer.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★ ★★ Though work might not be the most exciting thought, you find ways of jazzing it up. Review what you want from an associate, and see what kind of financial ties feel appropriate. Discussions enlighten you, especially as to another's expectations. Tonight: Do your style of exercising.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★ ★★ Your determination starts to pay off. You will get what you want, mainly because you won't give up. Organize your energy and plug in creativity. Another might question your decisions. Remember where this person is coming from. Tonight: Where the fun is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ ★★ What looked like an open field professionally suddenly becomes a minefield. What happened? The planets encourage you to slow down. New techniques might be wonderful, but they could ultimately pose more problems. Be realistic about your limits. Tonight: Head on home and put your feet up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★ ★★ What seemed like an exciting opportunity is a double-edged sword. Think twice about a commitment during the next few months. You might not like what has occurred. Understand that another means well, even if his actions unnervingly you. Tonight: Visit with a pal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★ ★★ Understand more about a money offer. Do not accept another's offer without checking it out. Your vision of what is appropriate might be considerably different.

Take a more serious attitude about business and financial agreements. A family member surprises you. Tonight: Balance your budget.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ ★★ Put your best foot forward. Your sense of humor helps a difficult partner loosen up. Answers come in surprising ways. You don't know what to do next or which path to follow. Be spontaneous, and you'll get excellent results. Confusion surrounds news. Tonight: Say yes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★ ★★ You prevent a money problem because you check out questions carefully. Stop pushing quite so hard, and relax. What another thinks is too much might be OK for you. Eliminate excess red tape in the next few months. Increase efficiency in any way possible. Tonight: Do for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★ ★★ Join friends, even though you might need to verify plans. What others think is clear appears to you to be gibberish. Think through decisions carefully, as you might not have all the facts. Your intuition leads you in the right direction. Go for what you want. Tonight: Focus on what you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★ ★★ You might not always say what is on your mind. Another might challenge your thinking. Honestly, are you anchored and making logical decisions? Think twice before taking action. A family member might be touchy or difficult. Help out as much as you can. Tonight: Work late.

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♥	A 3		
♦	8 5 2		
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♥	Q 10 9 7		
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♣	J 10 6 5		
SOUTH			
♠	A J 10 8 7 3		
♥	J 5		
♦	A 10 9		
♣	A Q		

The bidding: SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass
4♠ Pass Pass

Opening lead: Four of ♥

You could argue that there is no such thing as too strong a hand. However, we would wager that, were you to exchange the queen of clubs for a low card in the suit, more declarers would make the contract than with the above layout.

After North's simple raise, there is really no perfect way to explore the possibilities of the combined holding. South's blast into game has our endorsement.

West led a low heart. Since there was no point in ducking, declarer rose with the ace, drew trumps in three rounds, ending in dummy, and took the club finesse, which lost. In the fullness of time declarer lost two

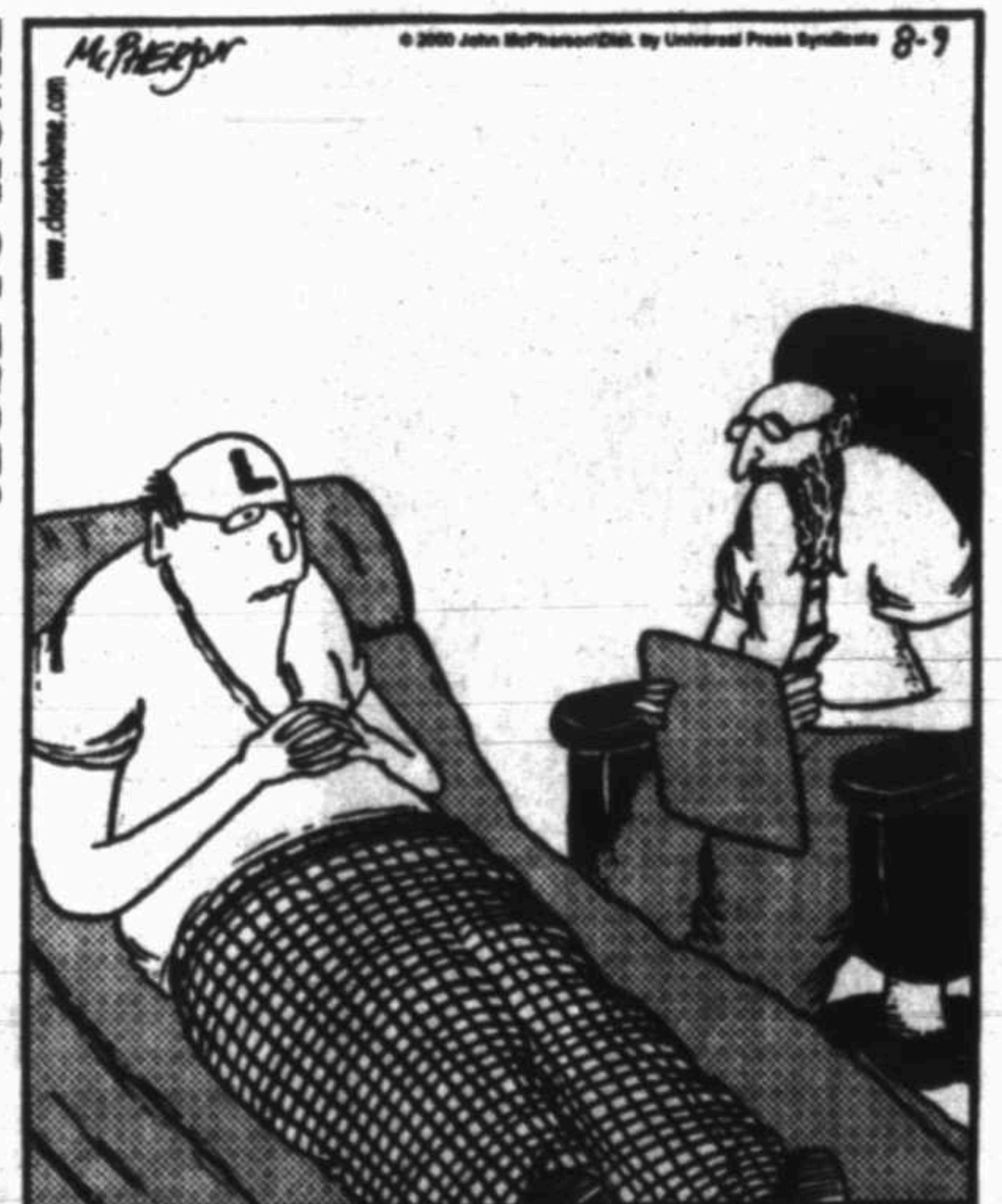
diamond tricks and a heart for down one.

The high trumps on the table suggest an alternative line that depends only on trumps breaking no worse than 3-1 and clubs 4-2 — a far better chance than relying on the club finesse alone. After winning the ace of hearts, declarer should immediately lead a club to the ace and continue with the queen of clubs. The best defense can do is cash a heart and then shift

to a diamond.

Declarer wins with the ace, crosses to dummy with a trump to the nine and ruffs a club. A trump to the queen provides the entry for another club ruff, setting up the suit. A spade to the king draws the last enemy fang while providing the entry for declarer to cash the long club for a diamond discard. In all, South scores six spade tricks, three side-suit aces and the long club.

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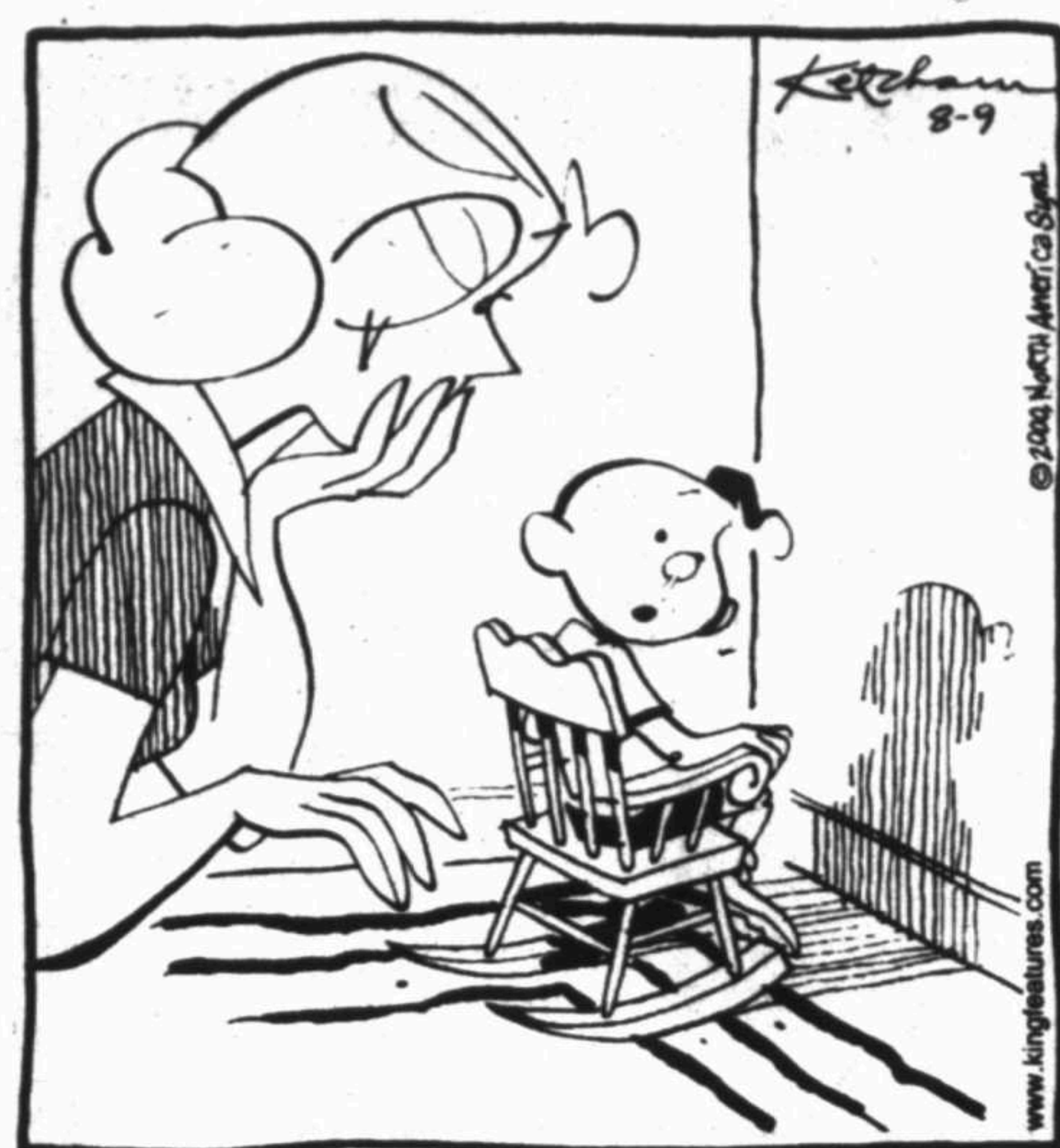
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PEOPLE TODAY

Aniston sues magazine over topless photos

LOS ANGELES — "Friends" actress Jennifer Aniston is no friend of Celebrity Skin magazine.

Aniston sued the magazine's publishers Monday for printing photographs of her sunbathing topless in her back yard. The lawsuit claims the magazine violated Aniston's right to privacy.

Aniston, 31, and "Friends" co-stars Courtney Cox and Lisa Kudrow were featured on the magazine cover. The headline read "First Time Photos — Friends Stars X-Posed."

The lawsuit against Man's World Publications and Crescent Publishing Group claims that a "stalkerazzi" snapped the photos of her after climbing a neighbor's fence.

Aniston, who married actor Brad Pitt on July 29, seeks unspecified damages and wants a judge to order the publisher to stop distributing the pictures.

NEW YORK — Tobey Maguire is now a man in tights. The droopy-eyed star of "The Cider House Rules," "The Ice Storm" and "Pleasantville" has been picked to play Spiderman in the upcoming movie.

Maguire, 25, apparently made a better web crawler than Freddie Prinze Jr. or Wes Bentley, both reportedly also in the running to play the comic book hero on the big screen.

Transforming Maguire into Spiderman hasn't been easy, though.

"They put some kinda grease on my body and then layer after layer of this ... stuff. When it hardens, they take it off, and it's a bit painful 'cause I have hair on my body," the actor said in Time magazine's Aug. 14 issue.

LOS ANGELES — Rodney Dangerfield is back and he's feeling funny.

The comic who became a household name with his "I get no respect" standup banter and on-screen buffoonery has recovered from heart bypass surgery and is about to release a film called "My 5 Wives."

"I was inspired to write the story because my wife is a Mormon and I became fascinated with the whole polygamy thing. I thought, what a great idea for a film," he said Monday. "Polygamy's still practiced in over 50 countries."

Set in the fictional town of Redwood Falls, Utah, "My 5 Wives" is not about the Mormon religion but instead a lighthearted look at polygamy. It will be released nationwide Sept. 8.

"One of the advantages of having five wives is they can't all have a headache at the same time," Dangerfield said.

The 78-year-old comic's other movie credits include "Caddyshack," "Easy Money" and "Back to School."

In March, Dangerfield underwent double bypass surgery in Los Angeles.

"I shook it off," Dangerfield said when asked about his health.

EUREKA, Ill. — A new route commemorating

Study contends Texas power plants are toxic threat

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas power plants trail only the chemical industry in accounting for the second greatest amount of toxins released into the state's air, water and soil, a study released Tuesday by environmental groups contended.

The organizations, including US PIRG, Public Citizen, the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club and the Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition, said the study titled

"Toxic Power" was the first to analyze information released by power plants documenting their emissions.

However, Pat Crimmins, a spokesman for the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, said the state agency had no idea if the study was accurate.

According to the study, Texas' electric utilities released more than 33 million pounds of toxic chemicals in 1998, the first year they were required by the Envi-

ronmental Protection Agency to make public the amount of toxins released.

"The EPA data confirms what we've suspected for years — that these coal-burning power plants are a major source of toxic pollution," said Peter Altman, director of the Austin-based Sustainable Energy and Economic Development Coalition.

Neil Carman, clear air director for the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club, said the toxins could

cause acute respiratory illness, neurological damage and cancer. But claims of health dangers from the emissions may not be accurate, Crimmins said.

"If you are up on top of the smokestack breathing the stuff it is different from if you are 40 to 50 miles away," he said. "The information is so general it is hard to even answer."

The study indicates power plants are the largest industrial source of acid gases, with a sin-

gle power plant sometimes producing millions of pounds of hydrochloric, sulfuric and hydrofluoric acid each year.

Although the gases are emitted in low concentrations, they contribute to the formation of fine particle soot which can cause illness, the study said.

The plants also emit toxic metals, including nickel and chromium, which can be carcinogens, the study states.

Altman said government regu-

lations have been effective in reducing toxic pollution from power plants and other industries. He said federal legislation or state rules by the Public Utility Commission governing power plant emissions could lower pollution levels.

The Public Utility Commission will decide Aug. 24 whether to regulate older power plants and require them to be retrofitted to reduce pollution or replaced with modern plants, Altman said.

Trooper shot during traffic stop dies; charges upgraded

AUSTIN (AP) — A 72-year-old rancher with a history of conflict with authorities was charged with capital murder Tuesday in the shooting death of a state trooper.

Hays County District Attorney Michael



Wenk

Wenk said he will consider seeking the death penalty. Department of Public Safety Trooper Randall Vetter, 28, died late Monday after clinging to life for five days with a gunshot wound to the head. Suspect Melvin Edison Hale, who was already being held on attempted capital murder charges, was charged with capital murder Tuesday morning. Justice of the Peace Macell Sullivan ordered Hale held without bond.

"I am prepared to seek the death penalty in this case if it's appropriate," Hays County District Attorney Michael Wenk said. "Justice will only be served

in this case if the defendant is held fully responsible and accountable for the crime he has committed. Trooper Vetter earned the right to see that justice is served."

Hale, a Kyle resident, did not have an attorney as of Tuesday afternoon.

Vetter, a six-year Department of Public Safety veteran, is the 75th DPS officer to die in the line of duty and the first since Trooper Terry Miller, 37, was ambushed by a gunman in October 1999. Atascosa County deputies Mark Stephenson, 32, and Thomas Monse, 31, also died in that attack.

"I am deeply saddened by this terrible tragedy," said Gov. George W. Bush. "Ran jail. Another state trooper said Hale once threatened him with a rifle."

Hale also had a history of threatening the county's tax assessor-collector office over a protracted dispute that resulted in a \$20,000 lawsuit for delinquent taxes.

A DPS memo dated Feb. 10 warned all Hays County law officers that Hale, who was single and routinely drove to a nursing home to visit his 94-year-old mother, should be "considered

armed and dangerous to officers due to his anti-government opinions."

Vetter is survived by his wife, Cynthia; 8-month-old son Robert; and his father, Kermit Vetter. Funeral services are pending.

"We have lost a dedicated trooper, a devoted husband and father and a dear friend," said

DPS spokesman Tom Vinger. "Randy Vetter will be deeply missed but will never be forgotten."

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Heat takes toll on nurseries

DALLAS (AP) — When it's so hot that just walking outdoors seems brutal, imagine the toll on vegetation as the sun wilts once green leaves into a brown, shriveled mess.

For at least another month — when temperatures typically start cooling — sweltering, 100-degree days will continue to take a toll on tender Texas vegetation.

So far this year, the North Texas area has seen 18 triple-digit days. And forecasters with the National Weather Service expect the mercury to reach the century mark at least through the rest of this week. Austin has seen 19 triple-digit days and the San Antonio area has seen 10 of the 100-degree days. A heat advisory also is expected for the rest of the week for North Texas, said Mark Fox, a National Weather Service meteorologist.

That translates into intensive care for nurseries staffs and gardeners.

"It is a constant maintenance," said Sally Moore, store manager of Blooming Colors in Coppell. "We're doing OK but should spend a lot more time and labor trying to keep them from wilting. Sometimes you cannot keep (plants) from looking bad, but we do the best we can."

Although nursery staff are constantly watering their trees and plants to keep them hydrated, it doesn't always help.

"Some of the things are going to show heat stress," said Mike Glaspie, co-owner of M&R Nurseries in San Angelo. "Some of the plants are going to get leaf scorch. Sometimes it's not a question of how much water or how wet we are keeping them. It's that the plants cannot move the water up their root systems to the leaves fast enough."

Not only is it tough to maintain sufficient watering, but nursery sales are down as well.

People just aren't buying trees and flowers for fear they'll die in the heat, one nursery owner lamented.

"Over the last couple of months, since after June when it quit raining, nursery sales are about nonexistent," said Bill Roy, operations manager for Dallas-based Hawkins Nursery and Landscape Co. "So far it's been almost half of a normal year."

Moore said sales in her store slope off tremendously as temperatures heat up, but in-store traffic holds steady.

"We get a lot of tire-kickers this time of year — people who are looking forward to the fall landscape design, looking to decide pricing and asking. They're asking a lot of questions and getting ready for the fall. People are looking forward."

Blooming Colors, as many nurseries do, offers a one-year guarantee on trees they plant.

"As summer comes on, trees that are not established are going through heat stress," Moore said. "Customers can bring in a sample for us to diagnose before the tree is dead. Ninety percent are under- or over-watered and we can tell them what to do before it's too late."

Many customers over compen-

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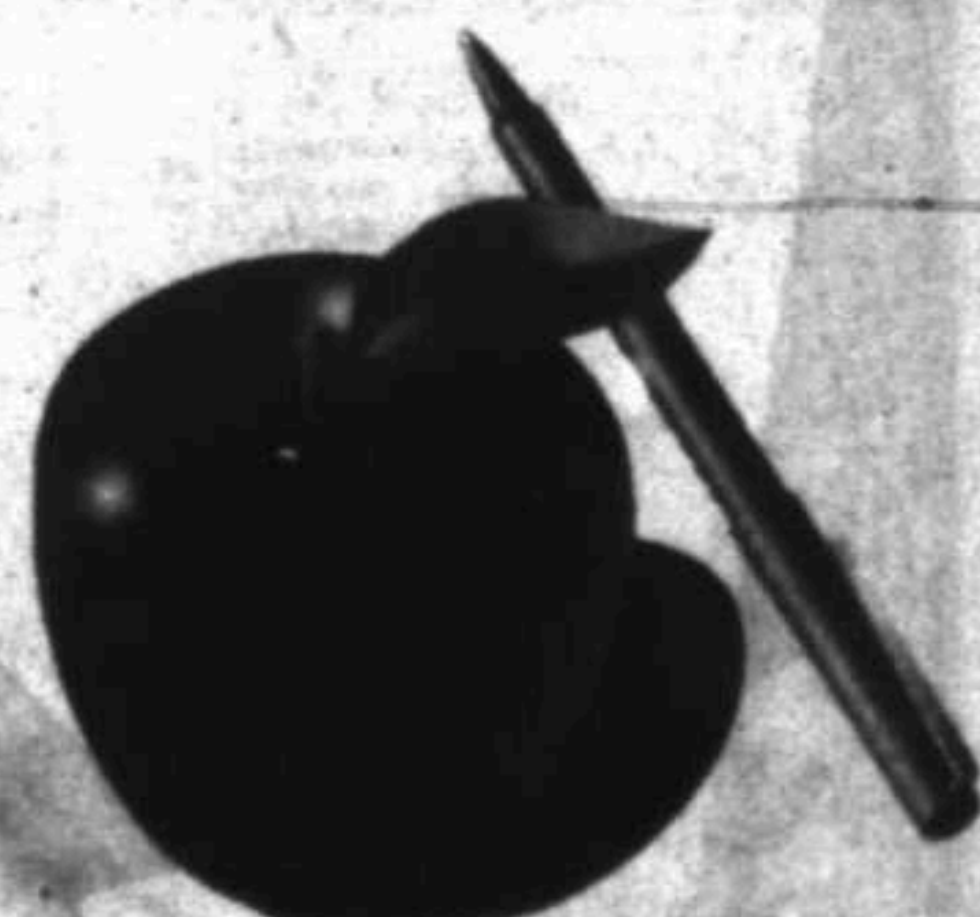
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Evacuees pray for relief from unrelenting blazes

By David Foster
Associated Press

DARBY, Mont. — Judy Greene drove out of the fire zone and past pine trees burning like torches, past blackened sticks of trees, past the rubble of neighbors' burned houses. The Goldstein house, gone. The Davis house, gone. The Zikan house, gone.

Greene's husband and son remained at their southwestern Montana house, in harm's way. Authorities have said many people have defied evacuation orders to try to save their property.

"This thing is so powerful you just feel helpless," Greene, 67, said Tuesday as she sat in the Montana Cafe picking at her breakfast.

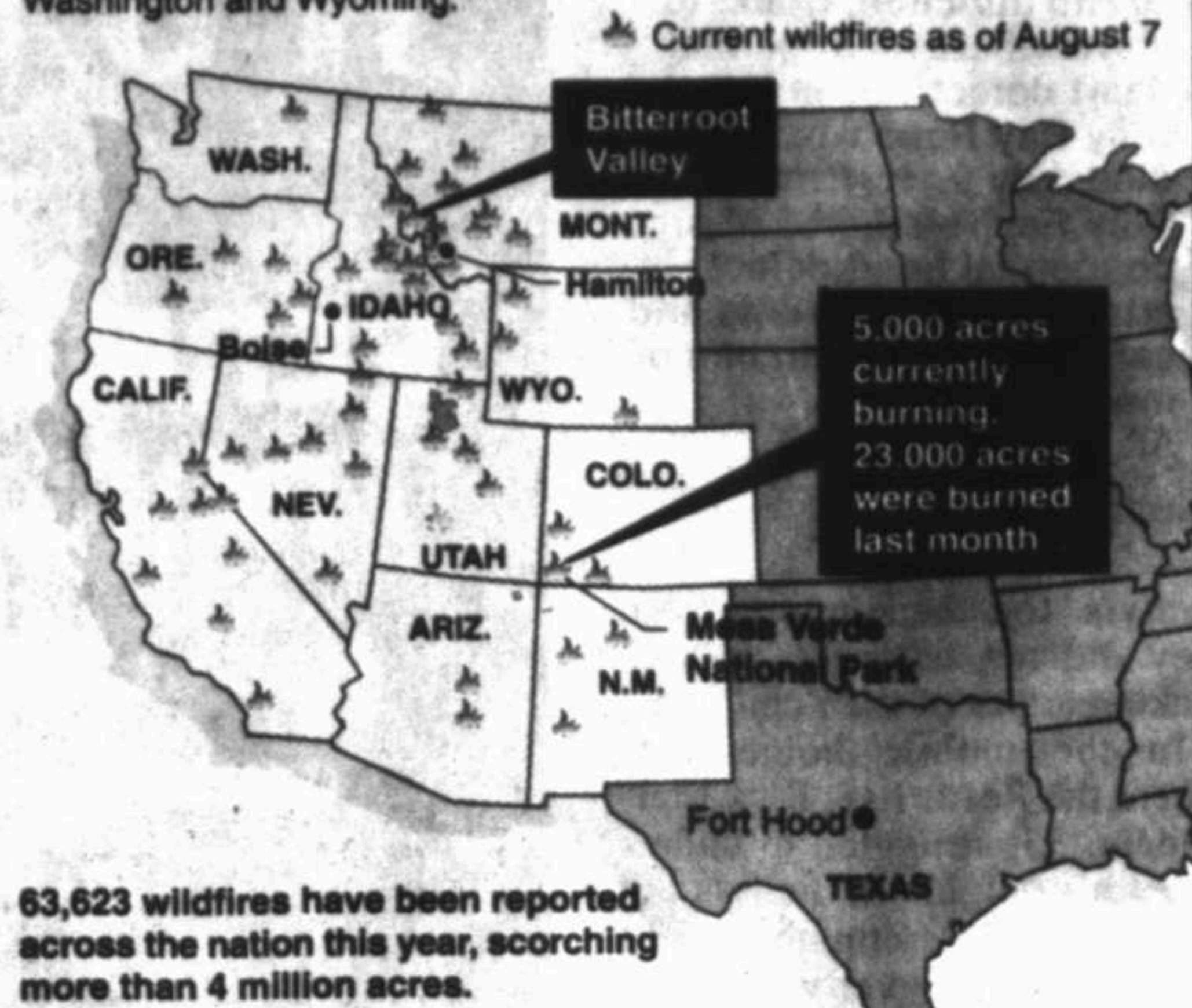
Her home remained in peril as the scenic Bitterroot Valley blazed with wildfires, the three largest scorching 124,500 acres on Tuesday and defying all efforts to subdue them. Ravalli County Sheriff Perry Johnson estimated 500 to 800 homes have been evacuated.

Greene said she knew there weren't enough firefighters to protect her family's property.

"I'm sure they're doing the best they can, but their resources are stretched to the limit. You can't expect them to do the

Homes destroyed as fires rage on

There are currently 65 wildfires burning in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.



Source: National Fire Information Center

Carl Fox/AP

impossible," Greene said.

Across the West, the story was the same; overworked and overwhelmed fire crews battling blazes that were igniting just as older fires were brought under control. More than 20,000 civilian and military firefighters had managed to contain 60 fires in the past week.

Sixty-six major fires were

active Tuesday and had blackened 866,000 acres in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, according to the National Interagency Fire Center.

Altogether, more than 4 million acres of forest, brush and grass has burned this year, far

more than by this same date in 1988, when large parts of Yellowstone National Park went up in smoke.

Higher humidity was forecast Tuesday in southwestern Colorado, where a 5,000-acre wildfire has closed Mesa Verde National Park for the second time this summer. Fire commander Mike Lohrey said he expected it to be 40 to 50 percent contained later in the day. Rain on Monday also helped.

The blaze had moved past cliff dwellings Monday and headed toward a research center housing thousands of priceless Indian artifacts.

In the Bitterroot Valley, which stretches about 80 miles from Missoula south to the Idaho state line, fires had destroyed at least 73 buildings, including 51 homes and cabins.

Miles away, south of Montana's capital city of Helena, authorities Tuesday evacuated Jefferson City and nearby areas as the 5,000-acre High Ore Road fire moved closer. Jefferson City, some 16 miles south of Helena, has about 180 homes.

The Bitterroot Valley has seen a population explosion over the past decade as urban expatriates have swarmed in, eager for log homes nestled in forests with snowcapped mountains on the horizon.

Jack Broadley of Hamilton was able to check his residence Monday. He found it unscathed, but his neighbor's home was gone.

"All you can do is tell them the bad news," he said.

Greene drove to the cafe in a station wagon packed with four dogs and an odd assortment of personal items: two saddles, file

folders with paid bills, sleeping bags and several cases of soda.

This is the second fire Greene has experienced. In 1970, a wildfire destroyed her home in the Chatsworth section of Los Angeles.

"We lost everything but the clothes on our backs," she said.

On the Net:
National Interagency Fire Center: <http://www.nifc.gov>
Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/links2.shtml>

Ford expected to be released from hospital today

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Former President Gerald Ford was scheduled to be released from the hospital today, a week after suffering a mild stroke.

Ford, 87, planned to head to his home in California after leaving Hahnemann University Hospital, said Penny Circle, his chief of staff. Ford entered the hospital Aug. 2 after attending the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia.

"He's doing just terrific. We couldn't ask for anything better," Circle said Tuesday.

Doctors said Ford was in good condition and they were still monitoring his progress on coumadin, a blood-thinning medication.

Ford also was still being treated with two antibiotics — clindamycin and levofloxacin — for an abscess that was removed from his tongue Saturday.

Doctors said Ford was eating and walking normally and was in excellent spirits. His wife, Betty, and his daughter, Susan, have been at the hospital with him for several days.

Sunday's Oil Report has the news which you've waited for all week.
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Infant's death in Colorado brings faith healing issue back to forefront of religious freedom

By Catherine Teal
Associated Press

CLIFTON, Colo. — The last breath of infant Billy Ray Reed came much the same as the first — in his parents' trailer with church members surrounding him.

Without ever seeing a doctor, the 2-day-old boy died July 9 of complications from a hole in his heart.

According to the coroner's report, Billy Ray's parents noticed that he was having trouble breathing and that he was turning blue. But they considered him fussy and thought he was getting better after they prayed for him, the coroner said.

The coroner said Billy Reed, 31, and his wife, Barbara, 23, denied their son medical treatment that could have saved his life. A doctor, the coroner said, would have easily recognized the baby's heart defect.

Now District Attorney Frank Daniels is struggling with whether to prosecute the Reeds for choosing prayer over doctors to heal their child — a legal dilemma that has also confounded authorities in other states.

For Daniels, this could become his second case in the last year against members of the Reeds' church, the General Assembly and Church of the First Born.

"The question is, was this child unreasonably placed in this position?" Daniels said. "The statute is very gray, very unclear. It makes my decision very difficult."

The Reeds have repeatedly declined to comment or to name their attorney. "We believe in the King James version of the Bible," Barbara Reed said before the coroner's report was released.

"Either the Lord or the law will handle them," said neighbor Cassandra Price, 25.

At least seven children of Colorado members of the Church of the First Born have died since 1982, authorities say. In at least two cases, the parents were convicted.

Most recently, Josh and Mindy Glory were given 16 years of probation in February after pleading guilty to not seeking medical help for their 18-day-old son. He had contracted pneumonia and bacterial meningitis, both of which could have been treated with

antibiotics, the coroner ruled.

Nationwide, similar cases have involved Christian Scientists and the followers of Christ Church and other denominations.

In Pennsylvania, Dennis and Lorie Nixon of the Faith Tabernacle Congregation in Altoona are appealing their involuntary-manslaughter convictions in the death of their 16-year-old daughter, who had diabetes. Doctors said she would have lived with insulin; her family prayed over her bed, read from the Bible and coated her body with oil.

Every Wednesday and Sunday, First Born members in Mesa County, 250 miles west of Denver, roll past a peach orchard into the gravel lot outside their simple, white church with a jungle gym outside.

About 50 worshippers of all ages languidly push out harmonized hymns a cappella. There is no program, no minister, no stained glass, no altar, no listed telephone number for the church.

Members trace the church's roots to at least 1702, although J. Gordon Melton, director of the Institute for the Study of American Religion in Santa Barbara, Calif., says the larger Church of the First Born probably began in the late 19th century.

Member Leland Bruner, 71, says medical mishaps and deaths in hospitals happen just as often as they do in his congregation, if not more often. He and his wife have raised seven children who have never taken as much as aspirin.

"People like to go the best physician they can afford," he said. "We have access to the best physician here. He raised people from the dead, caused the blind to see, healed the lepers."

Rita Swan of Sioux City, Iowa, was a lifelong Christian Scientist until the death of her 16-month-old son, Matthew. After that, she said, she and her husband "dedicated our lives to turning the situation around to the benefit of children."

The group she later formed, Children's Healthcare is a Legal Duty, is working to repeal a federal act that allows for religious defenses in child health cases. A



Mesa County Coroner Dr. Rob Kurtzman uses a chart of the heart Aug. 2, in Grand Junction, Colo., to show where a congenital heart defect was in infant Billy Ray Reed when he died July 9. Kurtzman said Billy Ray Reed died of a congenital heart defect after the boy's parents and caregivers deprived him of medical care.
AP Photo

ban on such defenses was signed into law in Oregon last year.

Daniels, the Mesa County district attorney, unsuccessfully lobbied last year for a repeal of the Colorado law that allows for faith-healing defenses.

"When I first heard about the Glory case, my first instinct was to step back," he said. We all learn early in elementary school about freedom of religion. No one wants to get involved with someone's religion."

"There's the protection of children, freedom of the religion, and then there's the law. Where those fit together is unclear," he said.

In 1944, the Supreme Court ruled that parents could become

martyrs for their religion but they did not have the right to make martyrs of their children.

In the mobile home park where the Reeds live, Rick Martindale, 33, struggled to understand his neighbors' beliefs but said he was sympathetic: "I know I would never want to be prosecuted for trusting God that much."

On the Net:

Church of Christ, Scientist
<http://www.fcscs.com>
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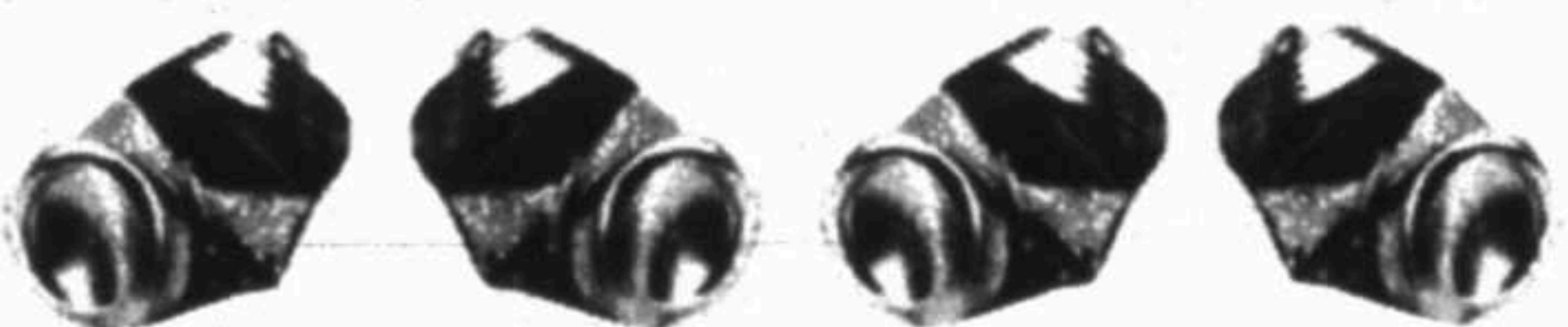
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Thompson wants individual gold

By Beth Harris
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Jenny Thompson already owns five Olympic gold medals. Just not any she won on her own.

Thompson was always joined on the medal stand by her relay teammates. Her only medal in an individual event was a silver in the 100-meter freestyle in 1992.

That was supposed to change in 1996. It didn't after Thompson shockingly failed to qualify in any of her four individual events.

Four years later, she's back in the same pool to try to avenge her biggest disappointment in swimming.

Once again, she's a heavy favorite at the U.S. Olympic trials, a meet with enough pressure to rival the Sydney

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Games themselves. Only the top two finishers qualify for individual events.

"It's unique because it covers this one moment in time where you prove your-

U.S. Swimming Trials

self. It's such a do-or-die situation," she said. "First and second are equal in my mind, but if you're third it's just as good as last."

At 27, Thompson has spent virtually half her life on the U.S. national team. Her 14 years are the most by any swimmer.

"It's pretty unique that I haven't experienced the kind of burnout a lot of people feel," she said. "I've been fortunate I haven't had a lot of external pressure that caused me to burn out, like parents or coaches. I always have been encouraged and inspired by my surroundings."

Thompson came closest to retiring after the debacle of '96.

"All that changed when I felt I had. Please see SWIMMING/2C



AP Photo
American Jenny Thompson owns five Olympic gold medals from relay events, but she wants to add an individual gold medal to her collection.

BACK TO PRACTICE

Cowboys need work

'Boys hope to reduce flags, turnovers

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

WICHITA FALLS — Two games and too many penalties and turnovers into training camp, the Dallas Cowboys returned to the practice field Tuesday with their rest-of-summer priorities coming into focus.

"We're going to get after them this week and get some things cleaned up," coach Dave Campo said. "It's still a period for individuals to be getting better from now until next week, then we'll start getting into the chemistry of units and things like that."

In losing both preseason games, the Cowboys have committed 12 penalties and given the ball away 10 times. Both are exasperating numbers for a coaching staff that has been working to correct the problems all offseason.

"We've got to eliminate turnovers," Campo said. "That's an area we've got to improve in. We've had too many in two weeks, you can make excuses, but there are no excuses."

Generally, though, camp has been pretty smooth. The worst injury has been to a backup tight end and the biggest controversy — Erik Williams' absence — doesn't seem to bother anyone.

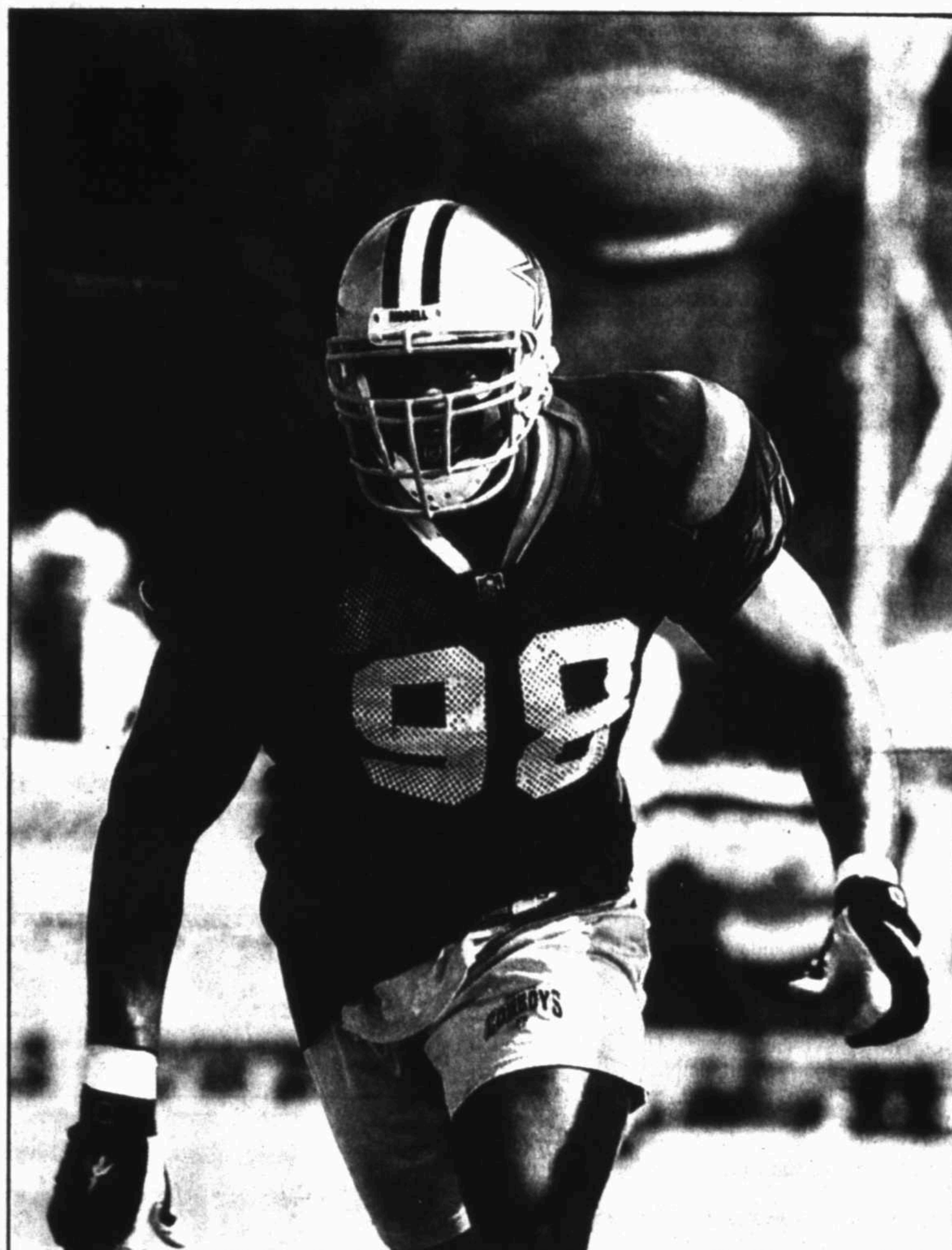
Still, there are plenty of hot topics and nagging issues, such as:

— Finding a second blocking tight end. Mike Lucky's season-ending knee injury hurts because he lined up opposite David LaFleur in the two-tight end scheme that accounts for about 20 percent of the offense.

Newcomer Jackie Harris isn't an option because he's better suited as a receiver. Brian Roche also catches better than he hits, which is why he was released Tuesday and replaced by Rickey Brady, a former Oklahoma Sooners who has been in training camp with Dallas before.

Brady comes on the high recommendation of

Please see DALLAS/2C



AP Photo
Dallas defensive end Greg Ellis participated in full-pad drills for the first time Tuesday at the Cowboys' training camp in Wichita Falls. Ellis suffered a broken leg last season.

It's too early for Dallas coaches to panic

By Randy Galloway
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

WICHITA FALLS — When it's the Cowboys involved, it's never too early for fan panic or media panic. And based on what new defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer says he's been reading and hearing, that time has arrived, even with the NFL regular-season opener still a sweaty month away.

"Apparently, a lot of people think we're in bad shape on defense," Zimmer said yesterday as the Cowboys shook off Japan jet lag and got down to what coach Dave Campo promised would be "one tough week of practice."

But as far as any defensive Armageddons, particularly involving those under-the-microscope rookie cornerbacks, Zimmer smiled and replied in typical candid fashion:

"My advice to everyone is don't panic until you see me panic, and believe me, if that becomes necessary, I will be the first."

But after two weeks of practice-field work in Wichita Falls, one wast-

ed week in Japan and two exhibition games, both losses, the general sampling of street-talk opinion seems to center on two areas:

The Cowboys have great potential to once again become a mighty offensive force.

But with this defense, they'll have to score 40 points a game and then hope to win it in overtime.

What we are obviously dealing with here is an overreaction in both areas, which is logical for the Cowboys, and also when opinions are being formed in early August. The offense isn't "back." Not yet. And the defense isn't in trouble. Not yet. But for those on the outside looking in — fans and media — those rookie cornerbacks make everybody nervous. Campo said yesterday he certainly had "concerns" in that area. Zimmer agreed.

"But overall, sit here today, basically in a positive mood about where we are and what we've done thus far," said Zimmer, the secondary coach for five seasons at Valley Ranch until Campo promoted him to take his place as defensive coordinator.

"It's obvious that the major emphasis for us is what's going on at cor-

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Commentary

Local teams find mixed initial results

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

It was a day of decidedly mixed results for local teams Tuesday as pool play began at the Girls 14 and Under B West Fast Pitch National Softball Tournament at the MUGS Complex.

14-under National Softball Tournament

The five teams from Midland and Andrews among the 49 teams who played on the tournament's first day combined for a 2-3 record. The ways those teams won or lost their games ran the gamut.

One of the most exciting games of the first day came in the afternoon, as Midland's West Texas Heat defeated the Lompoc (Calif.) Explosion 6-5 in a game decided by the international tiebreaker. That was one of two games in the first round which needed to go extra innings for a win.

The other win by a local team came later in the evening, as the Midland Shockers defeated the Omaha (Neb.) Lightning 5-3.

"It's important to set the tone in the first game," said Shockers' coach Kevin Morris, whose team will complete round robin pool play today at 1 p.m. against a team from Los Alamitos, Calif. "We've been having a little trouble finishing games lately. We've been playing 3-4 strong innings then sitting back on our heels."

Not being able to finish hurt the remainder of the local teams on the first day. Midland's Lone Star Express fell to Pender, Neb. 5-2, while Midland's XLR8 couldn't even get started, losing to the Kansas Batcats 10-0 in a run-rule game.

The Andrews team, the Borderline Brats, made

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Miller gets close to deal with Pacers

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — No one has played more games for the Indiana Pacers than Reggie Miller. And no one has scored more points for them than the spindly guard.

Now, as he approaches his 14th season in the NBA, Miller is near a deal that would keep him with the Pacers for the rest of his career.

"It won't happen today but I think we're close," Pacers president Donnie Walsh said Tuesday. "We're just not finished yet."

ESPN and The Indianapolis Star said Miller had agreed to a three-year, \$36 million deal with Indiana. Walsh would not confirm the terms in an interview with The Associated Press.

A message left for Miller's agent, Arn Tellem, at his California office was not immediately returned. Walsh said the negotiations with Tellem have been by telephone and that he has not talked with Miller.

"My understanding is he was out of town and has come back to town or is on his way back," Walsh said.

Miller, a 6-foot-7 guard and one of the NBA's

Please see MILLER/2C

Grieving Green returns to 'Skins

By Joseph White
AP Sports Writer

ASHBURN, Va. — Eleven days after the death of his father, Darrell Green returned to the Washington Redskins. He didn't want to come back.

"I pray you haven't been through this," Green said Tuesday. "When you're with your family and you're grieving, you're in a hole. There's nothing outside of that hole. My pastor called and said 'You've got to come home.' You have no energy. You don't care."

Green's voice remained steady and soft as he spoke following morning practice. A seven-time Pro Bowl player, the 40-year-old Green has always been God first, family second and football third. Don't look for Green to dedicate a game or the season or anything like that to his late father.

"To play the game, that doesn't mean a lot to me," Green said. "My dad is my dad, and this is just a job."

Leonard Green Sr., 66, died in his sleep of natural causes at his home in Texas on July 28. Green left the team immediately, missing a scrimmage and an exhibition game and more than a week of training camp.

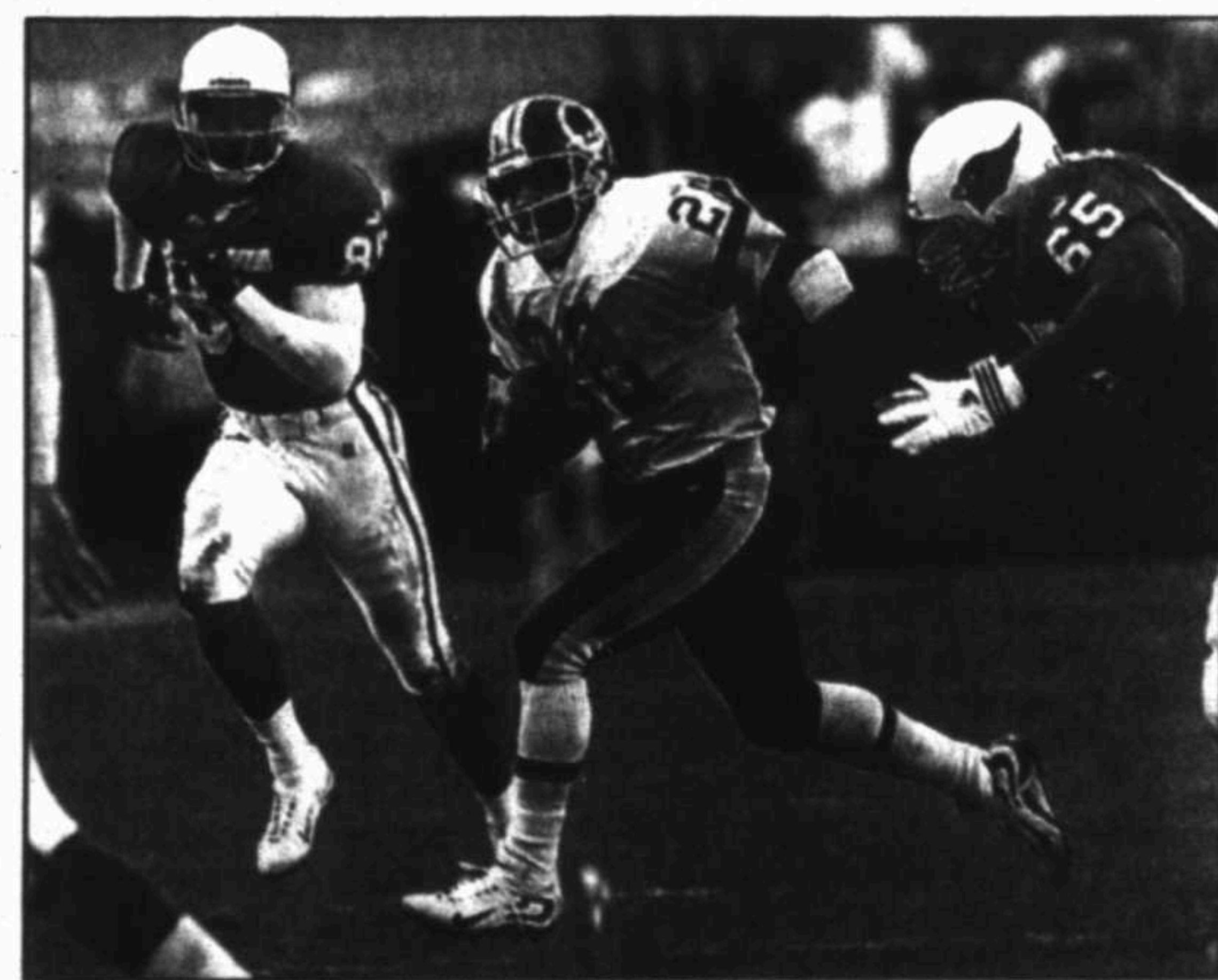
Green could take his time to deal with his grief because he's an 18-year veteran who knows his game inside out. He has three weeks to get back in shape for the regular season, and his load is reduced anyway this year because his starting job has been taken by Deion Sanders.

It's another example of how the rigidity of an NFL team's schedule doesn't always conform to life's realities. Coach Norv Turner, for instance, expressed some disappointment earlier this year when LaVar Arrington missed a week of spring minicamp for the birth of his son, and Bruce Smith missed two weeks of the same minicamp after his father died.

And though he heard from Turner and teammates and friends as last week wore on, Green didn't get motivated to put the uniform back on until he got the call from Rev. Brett Fuller, the pastor of Green's local church in Northern Virginia.

"I didn't want to come back, to be honest. ... When I landed here, I felt like I could try to at least get started," Green said. "When I came here, it was very emotional. Talking to guys, I just couldn't talk about it much. But when I got out here (on the field), I said I'm so glad I came back."

Please see GREEN/2C



AP Photo
Washington defensive back Darrell Green, shown returning an interception last year against Arizona, has returned to practice after missing some time because of the death of his father.

Porcher gets new contract

Associated Press

The Detroit Lions re-signed All-Pro defensive end Robert Porcher on Tuesday to a four-year, \$25 million contract with a \$10 million signing bonus.

Porcher worked out with the team in full pads at training camp and emphasized that his financial situation is behind him.

"(The contract) is a dead issue. That's behind me now," he said. "I wouldn't be here if I wasn't happy. Now it's time to focus on helping this team, and that's all I'm concentrating on right now."

Porcher was excused from Monday's morning practice to mull over the offer, then the 6-foot-3, 270-pounder was absent for the afternoon session against the Lions wishes. Porcher signed Tuesday morning, and then praised Lions coach Bobby Ross for his compassion and understanding with the situation.

"There are no wounds to heal," Porcher said. "Coach Ross has been very, very supportive and understanding throughout this whole process. I told him that yesterday when I came in how I really appreciate how he's been, especially in the last few weeks."

Porcher — the team's designated franchise player — signed a one-year tender offer last Wednesday for \$4.253 million. Porcher, who held out for six months, had to accept the tender for the upcoming season before negotiations could begin on a long-term deal.

Falcons
Jamal Anderson will return to his familiar spot in Atlanta's backfield Friday night against the Cincinnati Bengals, after nearly 11 months of watching from the sideline.

Anderson, who has practiced every day during training camp but did not play in the Falcons' preseason victory over Indianapolis and Dallas, will play Friday, coach Dan Reeves said after Tuesday's practice.

"Jamal will start, he's ready to go," Reeves said. "We'll give him his first



Detroit defensive end Robert Porcher takes a break Tuesday during practice in University Center, Mich. The Lions re-signed the All-Pro to a four-year, \$25 million contract.

action and see how far we can go." Anderson, who tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in the second game of the 1999 season and had surgery last October, said he is more than ready.

"I'm tired of watching, tired of being a bystander," the seventh-year veteran said. "I can't wait to get knocked down, to go through some real contact situations."

Bengals
Cornerback Mark Roman became the NFL's final second-round pick to sign when he agreed to a four-year contract.

Roman, who the Bengals had hoped could compete for a starting job, was the only second-round choice unsigned.

The agreement was reached late Monday night with Joel Segal, the agent representing the cornerback from LSU.

Browns
Wide receiver Kevin Johnson may miss Saturday's game against the Chicago Bears after reinjuring his right hamstring.

Johnson sat out two days of practice last week due to pain in his hamstring and was sidelined again Monday after the discomfort returned. He now is listed day-to-day.

Coach Chris Palmer said the team's medical staff didn't classify the injury as serious.

Linebacker Jamir Miller is scheduled to have wisdom teeth removed Wednesday. He will miss practice the rest of the week and Saturday's game.

Broncos
Trevor Pryce could face fines totaling \$554,000 for missing part of training camp if the Broncos decide to go after a portion of his \$1.1 million signing bonus.

Pryce, an All-Pro defensive tackle, had stayed home over a contract dispute and was fined \$5,000 for each day he missed practice. The Broncos could fine him \$484,000 more if they choose to recoup part of the signing bonus Pryce received in 1997 as a

first-round draft choice. Pryce, scheduled to make \$762,000 this season, is in the fourth year of a five-year, \$4.9 million contract. He reported to training camp last Friday after rejecting a seven-year, \$31.5 million offer.

Broncos coach Mike Shanahan had said he would not negotiate unless Pryce showed for practice.

Pryce said he was unaware the Broncos had that option.

"I hadn't seen that happen to any other player who held out. Apparently, it's in every NFL contract," Pryce said. "They said they're not going to do that. But they pointed it out to me." Shanahan declined comment.

Redskins
Eleven days after the death of his father, Darrell Green returned to the Washington Redskins. He didn't want to come back.

"I pray you haven't been through this," Green said Tuesday. "When you're with your family and you're grieving, you're in a hole. There's nothing outside of that hole. My pastor called and said 'You've got to come home.' You have no energy. You don't care."

A seven-time Pro Bowl selection, the 40-year-old Green has always been God first, family second and football third.

"To play the game, that doesn't mean a lot to me," Green said. "My dad is my dad, and this is just a job."

Giants
Pete Mitchell had surgery on his left knee Tuesday and there is a chance the starting tight end might be ready to play by the second week of the season.

Mitchell did not tear any ligaments in the knee but did stretch one. Dr. Russell Warren told coach Jim Fassel after the surgery at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City.

"He did have a bone bruise but a safe target is four weeks," Fassel said. "He'll be out the first game and maybe we'll have him after that. The news was about as good as we could have."

MILLER: Team, player get close

(From 1C)

best shooters, was eligible to receive up to \$14 million next season. But he reportedly settled for the lesser amount — \$12 million for each of the next three years — for a contract that would extend through his 37th birthday. He earned more than \$9 million last year.

Led by Miller, the Pacers advanced to the Eastern Conference finals five of the last seven years. This year they won their first conference title and reached the NBA Finals for the first time, losing in six games to the Los Angeles Lakers.

"I thought his playoff performance was as good as he's had, and that showed me that he's still at a very, very competitive level," Walsh said. "So if there was any thought that he's an older player, he certainly didn't show it in the playoffs."

On draft day 13 years ago, Miller and Walsh were booed by Indiana fans who wanted the Pacers to select native son Steve Alford. Alford played four unblemished years in the NBA and is now the coach at Iowa, while Miller became the biggest star and most popular player in Pacers history.

A five-time All-Star, he needs a little more than 200 points to reach 20,000. He already holds NBA career records for most 3-point attempts and field goals.

Last season, Miller averaged 18.1 points a game, his lowest since 1988-89. In 13 years, he has played in 1,023 games and scored 19,792 points, with NBA 3-point records of 1,867 baskets and 4,629 attempts.

Miller would become the fourth of the Pacers'

six free agents to re-sign since last week. Only guard Mark Jackson, who is expected to re-sign, and center Rik Smits, who is considering retirement, have not signed.

Jackson also is represented by Tellem. "I'm also talking to Arn about that, and that's still got a ways to go," Walsh said.

Jalen Rose, who edged Miller as the team's scoring leader last season and was honored as the NBA's most improved player, signed a seven-year deal worth \$93 million. Rose, who became a starter at small forward, averaged 18.2 points in the regular season and 20.8 in the playoffs. He had a career-high 40 points against Philadelphia.

The Pacers also re-signed reserve forward Austin Croshere to a seven-year deal worth more than \$51 million and backup center Sam Perkins to a one-year contract for \$2.5 million.

Walsh said he was pleased with the team's efforts so far to re-sign its own free agents.

"It took a lot of work in the month of July, and you'd like to see it culminate with signing the players you want to come back," he said. "So far, we've been able to do that. We still have a way to go, so it's not finished is the way I look at it."

Smits has been slowed by sore feet and is undecided about his NBA future. He plans to start workouts soon and will make a decision after he sees how his body responds.

"Last year at this point, I was ready to retire," he said. "Then when September rolled around, I couldn't wait to get going again."

DALLAS: Cowboys need third QB

(From 1C)

his NFL Europe coach, who is close friends with Campo.

"He's been with the league a number of years, but on practice squads and training camps. He hasn't quite been able to stick. In our situation, I think he's worth a real good look," Campo said.

Campo also is considering using a backup offensive lineman, such as guard Michael Lies, a rookie free agent from Kansas, or Ben Fricke, a center who saw limited action last season.

Enduring the "growing pains" of young cornerbacks. To help replace Deion Sanders, the Cowboys drafted three cornerbacks: Dwayne Goodrich, Kareem Larrimore and Mario Edwards. All have made their share of rookie mistakes, some more than others.

Goodrich has looked the worst of the bunch, and now is out up to two weeks with a hamstring injury. Edwards has committed several penalties and was beaten for a touchdown against Atlanta. Larrimore has been the most impressive, especially the second game with a broken hand suffered in the first.

"I just think it's a rookie thing," Campo said. "This is the NFL, not college football. They've got to learn how to do

things and continue to progress."

Campo was Dallas' secondary coach when Larry Brown and Kevin Smith were rookie starters on Super Bowl teams. They were helped by a strong defensive line that didn't give quarterbacks much time to throw. The same could happen this season.

"I really feel like the improvement of our front four is going to allow us to get enough pressure to where our secondary is going to be able to perform well," Campo said.

Duane Hawthorne, coming off a co-defensive MVP performance in NFL Europe, is day-to-day with a shoulder injury. Dallas has added Hurley Tarver, who played opposite Hawthorne in NFL Europe.

Setting the receiver rotation. James McKnight was penciled in at No. 3, but has been held to one practice per day while continuing his recovery from knee surgery. Jason Tucker's bad feet and Jason Ogden's bad luck with various ailments have prevented them from challenging for the job.

That should've been a golden opportunity for Wane McGarity and Chris Brazzell, but neither has capitalized. Both dropped passes and failed to prevent interceptions on balls thrown to them in the opener. Each improved in the second game, but not enough to guar-

antee themselves a job.

"At this point right now, I don't think the third guy has emerged," Campo said. "I'm hoping Tucker gets back as soon as possible, and Ogden, and really make it a race for the end of camp. I think it'll help us."

Choosing a third quarter-

back. Paul Justin came to Dallas to be No. 2, then Randall Cunningham was signed. Justin has performed so badly in two preseason games that undrafted rookie Clint Stoerner may bump him for the No. 3 spot.

In eight series, Justin has thrown four interceptions, fumbled twice and had two drives end in punts. Stoerner's best attribute is being more than \$300,000 cheaper than Justin.

"If he was pressing before, he's got to press again," Campo said of Justin. "He's got to make some plays."

Notes: DE Greg Ellis (broken leg) and OL Larry Allen (broken hand) will be worked into drills this week, as will TE David LaFleur (strained groins) and S. Izell Reese (calf). RB Emmitt Smith (bruised toe) has not played in either preseason game, but Campo said: "It's not a concern. He'll be fine." Dallas released Robe, LB Bernard Rusk and RB Chrys Chukwuma.

PANIC: Team should improve

(From 1C)

nerback," Zimmer added. "People keep saying the rookies are doing poorly, that they are constantly getting beat, and all that. I see the game, I see the films, I see that Atlanta had only 187 yards passing, and I don't see anybody getting killed back there. Plays are being missed. Guys will get beat, yes. But they are rookies. Give these people some time."

Despite those burn marks on Mario Edwards, the sixth-round pick out of Florida State, Zimmer still rates him as a player-to-be in the NFL. "Mario's got spunk and he's got fight," he said.

It is definite one of the three rookie corners will have to make a major contribution this season, and maybe start. Right now, that's Kareem Larrimore, the fourth-round out of West Texas A&M. "But a week ago, I'd have told you it was Edwards," Zimmer said.

Second-rounder Dwayne Goodrich, however, seems to have lost contact with the pack. To some, the Tennessee product is mentally sagging at the

moment, while also suffering a minor injury in Japan that may keep him off the practice field this week. "Of the three rookies, Goodrich is the one who reacts the most like a rookie," Zimmer said. No one, of course, is admitting Goodrich is a mistake. Again, it's way too early for that. "There have been a couple of situations," Campo said, "where he could have shown improvement and didn't. That's a disappointment."

That's also the head coach being diplomatic, but, hey, it is early August.

Zimmer, for his part, spends a lot of time these days answering questions about his rookie corners. But once the conversation moves elsewhere on defense, he's got more news of a positive nature to report.

"At linebacker, I feel better about things than I thought I would at this point," he said. "For one, Dat Nguyen is a player in the middle. He has already gone beyond what we had anticipated. We were hoping to see this or that, but, man, Dat looks good in all areas."

That, of course, sounds like an

old R.C. Slocum echo, who always said of Nguyen, "You don't realize how good he is until the ball is snapped."

There has also been another training-camp surprise for Zimmer. Taking a chance with a once-troubled Dimitrius Underwood is paying off. At first, it was a question of his even making the team. But at the moment, Underwood is a part of the four-man rotation at defensive end with Ebenezer Ekuban, Peppi Zellner and a rapidly healing Greg Ellis, who despite the wicked broken leg last season appears ready to open the season.

"Dimitrius has been a bonus for us — a big bonus," Zimmer said.

Nothing, of course, would help the cornerback situation, particularly the rookies, more than the young foursome at end becoming a pass-rushing force.

"That would make us all feel better, particularly me" Zimmer said, laughing.

Panic? What panic? Not yet, anyway.

GREEN: Cornerback back in camp

(From 1C)

Green related several memories about his father, who never owned a new car until Green bought him one a couple of

years ago. It was also Green's father who didn't question his 5-foot-8 son's football dreams.

"My dad was the only adult that I respected — including uncles and friends — that never told I

was too little to play football," Green said. "I think if he had told me that, it would have crushed me. He said, 'Man, you can play.' What he did not say meant more than what he did say."

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WNBA Standings

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x-New York	20	11	.645	
y-Cleveland	17	14	.548	
y-Orlando	16	15	.516	
Washington	13	18	.419	
Detroit	13	18	.419	
Minnesota	12	19	.385	
Charlotte	8	23	.258	
Indiana	8	23	.258	

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Los Angeles	28	3	.903	
y-Houston	26	5	.839	
y-Sacramento	20	11	.645	
y-Phoenix	19	12	.612	
Utah	17	14	.548	
y-Minnesota	15	16	.484	
Portland	10	21	.323	
Seattle	6	24	.200	

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Alfonso 2b 5-3	3	1	0	0
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Holmes 4f 5-0	2	2	0	0
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Clayton 5f 5-0	2	2	0	0
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MLS Standings

EASTERN DIVISION				
W	L	T	Pts	GB
NY-NJ	9	10	6	33
New England	9	10	6	33
Miami	8	11	5	29
D.C.	6	14	6	24

WESTERN DIVISION				
W	L	T	Pts	GB
Kansas City	13	6	5	44
Los Angeles	11	7	4	39
Colorado	11	8	3	36
San Jose	5	12	3	28

Tennis Results

Masters Series-Cincinnati				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Andre Agassi	1	0	1.000	
Yevgeny Kafelnikov	0	1	.000	
Thomas Enqvist	0	1	.000	
Marcelo Rios	0	1	.000	
Tim Lister-Jones	0	1	.000	

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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	12	7	.630	
Chicago	11	8	.577	
Minnesota	10	9	.524	
San Diego	9	10	.476	

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Vintura 3b 5-0	3	1	0	0
Mfnc 3b 5-0	3	1	0	0
Zele 1b 5-0	3	1	0	0
Payton 4f 5-0	3	1	0	0
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Pratt 4f 5-0	3	1	0	0
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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	12	7	.630	
Chicago	11	8	.577	
Minnesota	10	9	.524	
San Diego	9	10	.476	

Major League Baseball Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	12	7	.630	
Chicago	11	8	.577	
Minnesota	10	9	.524	
San Diego	9	10	.476	

National League

EAST DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	6	4	.600	
New York	6	4	.600	
Florida	5	5	.500	
Montreal	4	6	.400	

National League

WEST DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
St. Louis	6	4	.600	
Cincinnati	5	5	.500	
San Francisco	4	6	.400	
Pittsburgh	4	6	.400	

National League

EAST DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	6	4	.600	
New York	6	4	.600	
Florida	5	5	.500	
Montreal	4	6	.400	

National League

WEST DIVISION				
W	L	Pct	GB	
St. Louis	6	4	.600	
Cincinnati	5	5	.500	
San Francisco	4	6	.400	
Pittsburgh	4	6	.400	

National League

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W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	6	4	.600	
New York	6	4	.600	
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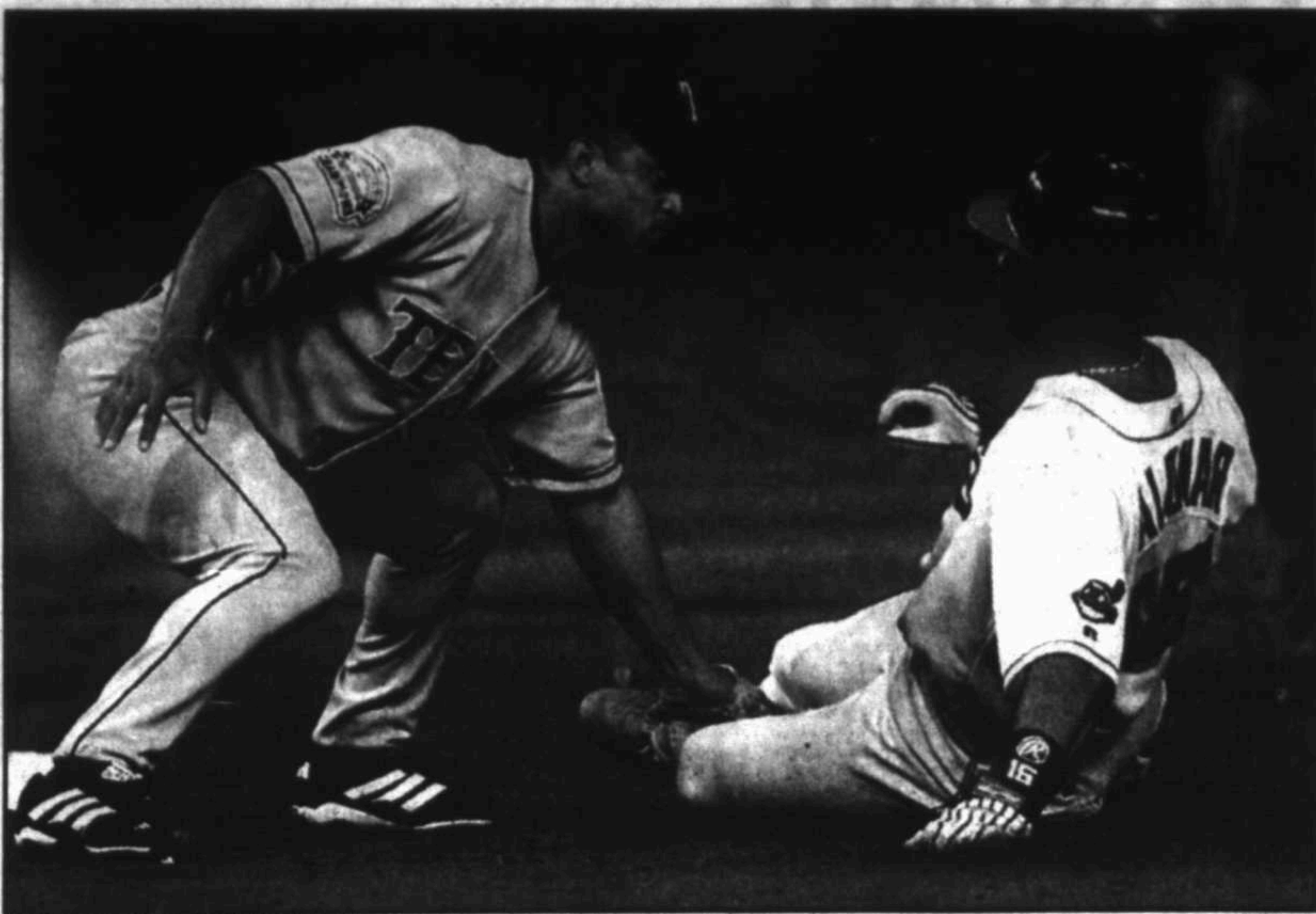
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Texas second baseman Luis Alica, left, tags out Cleveland's Sandy Alomar during the Rangers' 11-2 win Tuesday in Cleveland.

Rangers blow out Tribe

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Kenny Rogers walked to the mound in the bottom of the first inning, gazed at the giant scoreboard in left field and liked what he saw: Texas 3, Cleveland 0.

"I'll take that any time," Rogers said. Rogers cooled down Cleveland by pitching eight strong innings Tuesday night and Gabe Kapler extended his hitting streak to 22 games as the Rangers snapped the Indians' six-game winning streak with an 11-2 victory.

Rogers (11-9), dropping breaking balls on the corners at will, limited the Indians to two runs and eight hits. He walked four and struck out three in winning for the first time in four starts.

After being shut out Monday night, the Rangers came out swinging and gave Rogers more support than he's been used to. Texas had scored just 15 runs in Rogers' last six starts.

"I can be a better pitcher when we score runs like that," joked Rogers, who made his 400th career appearance for the Rangers. "I was fortunate tonight. I got the double play early and I minimized my mistakes."

Rogers hasn't gotten much help Texas' bullpen this season, either. Relievers have blown saves in three straight no-decisions for him.

"He's been great," said Rangers manager John Oates. "He could have easily had three or four more wins this season."

Kapler's two-run double in the first tied him with Toronto's Carlos Delgado for the longest hitting streak in the AL this season. Frank Catalanotto went 4-for-4 with a sacrifice fly and scored four times for Texas.

"I can't remember the last time he got a cheap hit," Oates said of Kapler, two games shy of tying

Mickey Rivers' club record. "Everything he hits, he hits hard."

Ricky Ledee, traded from Cleveland to Texas last month, added two RBIs.

Before the game, the Indians learned that Manny Ramirez re-injured his left hamstring and could be headed back to the disabled list and right-hander Jaret Wright is facing season-ending shoulder surgery.

"As good as we've been playing, things went that bad tonight," Indians manager Charlie Manuel said. "It was an ugly game for us."

Jason Bere (2-1) had been impressive in winning his first two starts since being acquired by the Indians in a July 28 trade with Milwaukee, but the Rangers never let the right-hander get comfortable.

The first three Rangers to face Bere all singled and scored in the first to give Texas a 3-0 lead. Rusty Greer's infield single off Bere's glove loaded the bases with none out, and after Rafael Palmeiro popped up, Kapler doubled.

"I feel a responsibility hitting behind Raffy," said Kapler, who was recently moved into the No. 5 spot in the batting order.

Oates felt Kapler's double was the biggest play of the game.

"If he didn't come through there, then there is no telling where the game goes," Oates said. "That's a big at-bat right there."

The Indians blew a chance to get back in it in the fourth when they put runners at second and third with none out. But Jim Thome got doubled off second on Wil Cordero's lineout and Sandy Alomar popped to third.

Greer hit a two-run homer, his fifth, in the seventh to make it 9-1.

Notes: Bere is 0-4 with a 15.05 ERA in six career starts at Jacobs Field.

'Hounds outlast Missions

Staff Report

SAN ANTONIO — The Midland RockHounds again collected a road win, defeating the San Antonio Missions 7-5 in 11 innings Tuesday at Nelson Wolff Stadium.

The RockHounds (22-24) will play the third game of this six-game series with the reeling Missions at 7:05 p.m. today. San Antonio goes into the game with a 15-31 record.

The RockHounds not only won, but did so despite leaving 15 runners on base. In the 11th, though, it was not what the 'Hounds did, but what the Missions didn't do, and that is make the play.

The 'Hounds scored two runs on one hit (a single to lead off the inning). San Antonio contributed one costly error and a wild pitch.

The RockHounds did get execution early on as Jason Hart drove a two-run homer off former Midland Angel Geoff Edsell to make the score 2-0. It was Hart's 26th homer and his 108th and

109th RBIs. Hart is fifth on Midland's all-time single-season RBI list.

The RockHounds' led 5-2 going into the bottom of the ninth when an error helped the Missions tie the game. San Antonio got the first two runners on base (one coming on an error by Oscar Salazar).

Following two strikeouts, Chin-Feng Chen collected an RBI single. Then, Geronimo Gil was walked and Mike Berry fisted a two-run double off Tyler Yates into right field to tie the game at 5-5.

However in the top of the 11th, the mistakes were made by San Antonio and the RockHounds took advantage. Salazar singled, Justin Bowles walked, and Todd Mensik put a sacrifice down to move the runners. Mensik, though, was safe on a bad throw.

Pecci broke the tie with a fielder's choice which scored Salazar, and Bowles scored on a wild pitch.

Midland slugged 12 hits, while

San Antonio had 13.

NOTES: Bowles went 2-for-4 to extend his hitting streak to 16, a team-high for the 'Hounds this season... Hart trails T.R. Marcinczyk by two RBIs for fourth place on Midland's single-season RBI list. Hart has also hit in 12 straight games... Yates moved to 1-0 this season...

Midland RockHounds 7, San Antonio Missions 5									
Midland	ab	r	h	b	San Antonio	ab	r	h	b
Cesar cf	6	1	2	1	Theodorou rf	5	0	0	0
Lockwood lf	4	1	1	0	Salta 2b	6	0	0	0
Hart 1b	5	1	3	2	Chen if	5	1	2	1
McKay c	6	0	1	1	Gil c	4	1	3	0
Salazar ss	5	2	2	0	Berry 3b	5	0	2	3
Bowles rf	4	1	2	0	Piggs dh	5	1	1	0
Mensik dh	4	0	0	0	Davis 1b	5	0	0	0
Landry 3b	5	0	0	1	Riggs ss	5	1	2	0
Pecci 2b	5	1	1	1	Moreta cf	5	1	3	1
Totals	44	7	12	6	Totals	45	5	13	5
Errors	0				Errors	2			
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E. Salazar, Rigg, Nunez, LOB-Midland 15, San Antonio 9; 2B-Cesar, Hart, Pecci, Berry 2; Moreta HR-Hart (26); SH-Mensik; SF-Landry, CS-Landry.									
IP	H	R	E	BB	SO				
Midland									
Gregg	6.0	7	2	2	0	1			
Baez	2.0	3	0	0	1	0			
Vasquez	0.2	2	3	0	1	2			
Yates W, 1-0	2.1	1	0	0	0	1			
San Antonio									
Edsell	6.0	7	5	5	3	3			
Garrett	3.0	4	0	0	3	3			
Regalado	1.0	0	0	2	1	1			
Nunez L, 2-4	1.0	1	2	0	1	2			
WP-Vasquez; Nunez, T-347; Att: 2,887.									

SOFTBALL: Tourney gets underway

(From 1C)

things interesting, but fell to the Tucson Scramblers 7-6.

The Shockers never trailed, scoring three runs in the top of the first to set the tone. Molly Schroder drove in a run with a single to right, then two unearned runs scored on an error and a wild pitch for a 3-0 lead.

Making the difference in the game for the Shockers were run scoring singles by Nicole Bill and Casie Jones in the third and fourth innings respectively. Shockers' righthander Rebecca Ward made those runs hold up, going all six innings for the win and retiring the potential tying run on a groundout to end the game.

"We've been having to use more than one pitcher to get us through the game usually," said Morris. "Very seldom do we have somebody go the whole game so this was nice."

The Shockers and Los Alamitos have a common opponent, since both defeated the Lightning in Pool L on the first day. Earlier in the day, Los Alamitos defeated the Omaha team 5-1.

It could come down to the Shockers taking advantage of

their opportunities today. They could have broken the game open against the Lightning, but they left the game open in the top of the fifth without scoring.

"We've been playing pretty solid defense and we've got to keep that going, but what's most important is that we get that timely hit," said Morris.

Pool play concludes today, with the top two teams determined in the winners' bracket. The only other winners' bracket game today involving a local team will be at 3 p.m., when the West Texas Stars face the Newt F game.

Pool play results from Day 1 of the ASA 14-Under 8 West National Tournament at the MUGS Complex.

Pool A: L.C. Fire (Toledo, Wash.) 12, K.C. Rage (Kansas City) 6; Texas City Stealers 4, Fresno (Calif.) 1; Pool B: Atascadero (Calif.) 10, All-Stars 7; West Des Moines (Iowa) 10, Wildcats 2; Vista (Calif.) 10, Girls Softball 7; Chaos (Wichita Falls) 6; Pool C: Pleasanton (Calif.) 10, Phantom 1; Cascade Wildcats (Turner, Ore.) 0; Pender, Neb. 5; Lone Star Express (Midland) 2; Pool D: Rocky Mountain Thunder (Aurora, Colo.) 7, Pride of Morgan Hill (Calif.) 0; Tucson (Ariz.) Scramblers 7, Borderline Brats (Androm.) 6; Pool E: Goleta (Calif.) 10, All-Stars 5; Farmington (Minn.) 3; South Des Moines (Iowa) 7, The Heat (Lindale) 0; Pool F: West Texas All-Stars 6, Lompoc (Calif.) 10; Explosion 5, Newton (Kan.) 10; Explosion 5, Minnesota Eastview Lightning 3; Pool G: High Voltage Impact (Crowley) 4, Milwaukee (Ore.) 3; Ultimate (Olathe, Kan.) vs. Quicksilver (San Jose, Calif.), late; Pool H: Roseville, Minn. 8, Icebreakers (Eagle River, Ark.) 2; San Carlos (Calif.) 10, Force 9; Cable One Kirkville (Mo.) 1; Pool I: Cypress (Calif.) 10, Girls Softball 13; Klamath Falls (Ore.) 10; Kansas Bats 10, XLRg (Midland) 0; Pool J: Stormers

(Danville, Calif.) 5, Central Oregon Challengers 3; New Ulm (Minn.) 10, Legion Kelly Green 7; Victoria Stars 0 (forfeit); Pool K: Fear (Carlsbad, N.M.) 2; Blaine, Minn. 0; Mission Hills Girls Softball vs. Sherwood (Ore.) 1; Surge, late; Pool L: Los Alamitos, Calif. 5, Omaha (Neb.) 1; Lightning 1; Midland Shockers 5, Lightning 3; Pool M: West Valley Slammers (San Jose, Calif.) 8, Nitros (Fort Worth) 0; Nitros vs. Chino Hills, Calif., late.

Astros win easily as Powell shows up New York's Leiter

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The pitching matchup didn't look to be in the Houston Astros' favor. Brian Powell changed that quickly.

Powell won for the first time in nearly two years and Richard Hidalgo had a pair of RBI doubles off All-Star Al Leiter, leading the Astros to a 9-3 win over the New York Mets on Tuesday night.

"Brian did a great job but I didn't feel that great about the matchup going in but that just shows you how things look in the beginning isn't always how the end up," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "You don't have to have a 95 mph fastball to be effective."

Powell (1-0) allowed one run and five hits in seven innings to win for the first time since Aug. 25, 1998, with Detroit against Texas.

Powell spent last season with Houston's Triple-A New Orleans affiliate and was called up Aug. 1 to replace injured starter Shane Reynolds. He got a no-decision in his NL debut last week against Florida.

"All you can do is the best that you can do and then they (management) make all the decisions," Powell said. "I had to mix

in all my pitches. I don't have the fastball yet that I can blow by people. I'm just trying to get back to that point."

Powell is still rounding back into shape from arthroscopic shoulder surgery in June 1999.

"After the surgery it was like starting all over again," Powell said. "I just wanted to come back and have a strong outing against a quality team and show that I can get people out."

The Astros scored three runs in the first inning off Leiter (12-5) to give Powell the early lead. Leiter allowed six hits and three earned runs over five innings.

"It's upsetting," Leiter said. "Obviously I didn't do my job and give us an opportunity to win the game, but I'm not going to dwell on it and think I stink as a pitcher. I'll just learn from my mistakes."

Julio Lugo reached on shortstop Mike Bordick's throwing error, leading off the inning, moved to second on Lance Berkman's walk and scored on Jeff Bagwell's single. Hidalgo added an RBI double and scored on Chris Truby's groundout.

Powell doubled and scored on Berkman's triple in the second inning to give Houston a 4-0 lead. Benny Agbayani drove in three

runs for the Mets with a solo homer in the sixth and a two-run single in the ninth. Bordick went 3-for-3 with two doubles for New York.

Hidalgo added an RBI double in the fifth. Leiter allowed five runs — three earned — and six hits in five innings, his shortest outing of the season.

"I felt great warming up, that's how I felt warming up against St. Louis when I had my best stuff for the year," Leiter said. "You're anticipating something great and then you're down 3-0 in the first inning."

"Then you try to be perfect and nibble and when you do that it gets tough."

Houston got three more runs in the sixth with help from a bases-loaded walk and run-scoring wild pitch by Pat Mahomes.

"We showed a little spark at the end but that's too little, too late," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said.

Jay Powell, out since June 18 with a strained right shoulder, allowed Agbayani's hit in the ninth. Reliever Rick White, who singled in the inning, made the second out when Berkman threw him out from left field going from first to third.

Prep star becomes free agent

Associated Press

Landon Powell, a top high school baseball prospect, took advantage of a little-known draft rule to become a free agent.

Powell, a power-hitting catcher who led Apex (N.C.) High School to the state 4-A title in June as a junior, had his general equivalency diploma validated by major league baseball and can sign with any team, Baseball America magazine reported

Tuesday.

Powell, 18, would have been a top prospect in the 2001 draft, but he took advantage of a rule that allows players to declare themselves eligible for the draft if they have received their GED.

When Powell passed his GED test, he wrote to commissioner Bud Selig declaring himself eligible for the 2000 draft. Because few knew he was available, none of the 30 major league teams chose him during the June 5-6 draft.

LOCAL SPORTS

Shearod inks with Neosho

Midland Lee's Samuel Shearod has signed a letter of intent to run track for coach Mike Cunningham at Neosho Community College in Chanute, Kan., this fall.

Shearod, a 2000 graduate of Lee, was regional qualifier in both the 400 meters and triple jump, placing second in both events in the District 4-5A meet.

Shearod came about the scholarship in an unusual way.

"I've been trying to find a place to run in college," Shearod said. "I was thinking about McMurry (College in Abilene), but I got on my computer and Coach Cunningham informed me that he was interested."

"I took a little trip to Kansas this summer and it all happened."

Hockey center breaks ground

A floor building ceremony for the new Power Play Roller Hockey and Skate Center will be conducted Saturday at 225 Corporate Drive (the east end of former Midlander/Results Fitness Building).

Mayor Bobby Burns will be laying the first piece of flooring at the state-of-the-art facility designed specifically for roller hockey and related activities. The grand opening is slated for Sept. 1.

Power play will offer skating sessions, roller hockey leagues, skating clinics and a variety of party packages.

"This facility is going to be one of the best in the state," said Shura Lindgren, Director of Convention and Visitor Development. "The nearest comparable venue is located in Denver. With a facility of this magnitude, we

can expect an increase in hockey and skating events to the area, including the TAAF Games of Texas that we will be hosting in 2001."

3 qualify for Super Champs

ABILENE — Three Midlanders have moved into the Super Championship division after the Major Zone Tennis Tournament here over the weekend at the Rose Park Tennis Center.

Kyle Cziz won the boys 14 singles title to qualify for the Super Champs while Laura Innerarity won the girls 14 singles to also qualify. Jonathan Webb reached the finals of the boys 16 singles to qualify.

To earn Super Championship entry, one must score enough points over a tournament season to advance to the upper level of play. All three played in the Championship Division this season. From now on they may play in the Super Championship Division.

Note for MFHS football players

Midland Freshman High School football players will need to get their locker and equipment assignments at MFHS Aug. 9-11 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the fieldhouse (located on the northeast corner of the building).

Players will be expected to turn in their physicals and all paper work when locker and equipment assignments are made. The first

workout is at 4 p.m. Aug. 14.

Sanchez takes 7th, Braun 13th

WYLIE — Midland's Omar Sanchez claimed seventh in the boys 16-18 division at the Northern Texas PGA Junior Golf Foundation Westcott Tournament of Champions which was played Monday and Tuesday at the Woodbridge Golf Club.

Sanchez, the leader after the first round, carded an 83 Tuesday for a two-day total of 155. Ryan Posey of Dallas won the tournament with a total of 148.

Braun remained in 13th after finishing with a total of 166.

Sanchez, who will be a senior at Lee this school year, won the District 4-5A Championship this past season. Braun is a golfer at Midland High.

In other divisions, three Midlanders finished in the top 16 in the Boys 12-13 division. Sterling Mitchell and Brent Bennett posted eighth and ninth place finishes respectively. Mitchell shot a 159 over two days while Bennett totaled 161. K.T. Livingston finished in 16th. Livingston carded a 172 over the two rounds. Placing third in the division was Mark Jones of Odessa.

In the boys 10-11 division, Brian R. Scherer ended his two days in eighth place. Scherer tied for the second best nine-hole round of the day (38) and finished with an 84.

The six Midlanders were among the top golfers from North Texas, who qualified for the invitation-only event.

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Tickets...

MHS season tickets go on sale to the general public on Aug. 14 through Aug. 25. Lee season tickets go on sale to qualified parents from Aug. 18 to Aug. 22 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Any remaining Lee tickets will be sold Aug. 24-25 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

Reserved seats for Greenwood football games can be renewed for the 2000-01 season through Aug. 11. Contact Donna Smith at the Administration Office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Reserved seats will be open to the public starting Aug. 14. If you have any questions call 683-6461.

Football...

Registration for YMCA Youth Flag Football is underway. League is for boys and girls in grades K-6. Season begins Oct. 7. Registration deadline is Sept. 17. Program fee is \$25 for YMCA members and \$38 for non-members. Call 682-2551 for more information.

Golf...

Entry deadline for the 2000 Buy.Com Permian Basin Open qualifying is Aug. 16 at 5 p.m. All entries must be received by the Northern Texas PGA via mail, facsimile, overnight carrier or in person. The qualifying is for the Permian Basin Open on Aug. 24-27 at The Club at Mission Dorado in Odessa and 14 spots are open. This is for pros and amateurs who have a USGA handicap index of 2.4 or lower. Entry fee is \$225. Call 1-972-429-1111 for more information.

Martin Country Club in Stanton is hosting the following tournaments: Aug. 19-20, 4-person scramble, \$260 per team; Sept. 16-17, Couples Scramble, \$130 per team. Meal and mulligans are included with entry fees in each tournament. All tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. (Cart rentals are limited so please call early). (915) 756-2556 or (915) 756-2424 after 5 p.m.

Gaines County Golf Club is hosting the following tournaments: Aug. 19-20, 2 Jacks/2 Jills; Sept. 9-10, 3-man scramble; Oct. 21-22, Over 80. For more information call (915) 758-3808.

The Crane Country Club is hosting the Angie Workman Memorial 4-person scramble, \$300 per team; Aug. 18, the Crane team discussion and meal shootout, \$20 per person. For more information call 558-2651.

The Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce will host a golf tournament Aug. 25 at Hogan Park. The entry fee of \$75 for the four-man scramble includes green fee, cart, beverages and dinner. For more information, call the MHCC office at 570-9824, or call Al Escamilla at 699-2417 or Rick Menchaca at 685-7200.

The 25th Annual Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts Pro-Am Tournament is set for Aug. 14 at Hogan Park. The entry fees of \$75 for professionals and \$50 for amateurs includes cart, green fees and a barbecue dinner. For more information, call 685-7360.

The Guys and Gals Couples Tournament is Aug. 12-13 at Big Spring Country Club. The 2-person scramble is \$130 plus cart fee. Call the pro shop at 1-915-267-5354 to enter.

The Gaines County Golf Club will host the 2 Jacks, 2 Jills, 2 Couple Scramble, Aug. 19-20, at \$326 per team, which includes cart. (Note: Weekday green fees before 11 a.m. is \$15).

The W.F. "Nick" Nobles Fourth Annual Invitational four-man golf tournament will be held Sept. 9-10 at McCamey Country Club. For more information, call McCamey Country Club at 915-652-8904.

Baseball...

The Amateur Athletics Union (AAU) will conduct baseball and softball evaluation camps which are designed to educate players and their parents on how to better their chances of playing at the professional or collegiate levels. The camps will be held in the following cities: Lafayette, La., Aug. 12-13; Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 19-20; Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 26-27. For more information, call Frank Dornier at (281) 469-6721.

USSSA is hosting a baseball

More Sports/8C

tournament in Hobbs, N.M., Aug. 12-13. Age divisions offered are 8-under (machine-pitch) and 10-under; additionally, a 12-under division is offered at Hobbs. For more information, call Rodney Lathram at (505) 392-3644.

The Midland Junior Baseball Association is forming fall baseball leagues for September. There will be leagues for ages 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. The season runs Sept. 5-Oct. 14. If interested, fill out application at Stadium Sports. Registration deadline is Aug. 26. Call Robert Thomas at 688-3422.

Lone Star Baseball will conduct the following tournaments in Brenham this fall: Labor Day Classic, Sept. 3-4, high school teams; USSSA State Qualifier, Sept. 16-17, 13-U and 14-U; Columbus Day Classic, Oct. 7-8, High School teams; USSSA State Qualifier, Oct. 21-22, 9-U, 11-U and 13-U; AAU Showcase Tournament, Oct. 28-29, High School teams; Winter Classic, Nov. 4-5, High School teams; Lone Star Youth Classic, Nov. 18-19. For more information, call Frank Dornier at 281-469-6721.

Tennis...

Summer tennis clinics for tournament trainers/Topgun and Elite players will be held Aug. 9. You may also pay the per day fee if you only wish to do certain days. It is requested one week notice for one day sign-ups. For more information please call Kimber-Lea at 689-2237 or 580-8929.

USA 1-2-3 beginning tennis summer clinics for youth and adults are through Aug. 10. Sessions are Mondays through Thursdays: K-2nd and adults is from 9-10 a.m.; 3rd-5th and 6th-9th is from 9-10:30 a.m. You can do the whole week or sign up one day at a time. Deadline is one week before the you want to attend (late fees will be charged for late registration). For information please call Luis Valdez or Shane Williford at 689-2237 or 580-8929 with Kimber Lea Swim and Tennis Club.

Tournaments offered by the Midland Tennis Club are Aug. 12-13; Men's Doubles/Women's Doubles, Aug. 19-20; Mixed Doubles, Sept. 9-10; Men's Singles/Women's Singles, Sept. 30-Oct. 1; Special Event, Oct. 14-15; Club Championship Singles, Oct. 28-29; Club Championship Doubles, Nov. 4-5; Club Championship Mixed Doubles, Nov. 11-12.

The Midland Women's Tennis Association will begin its fall tennis league on Sept. 12 and will run for 10 weeks with play on Tuesday and Thursday at 9:15 a.m. at Midland College. The night league will be Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Green Tree Country Club. Send dues of \$30 for the year or \$15 for the fall only to Jennifer Wilson, 3609 Springmont Drive, 79707. A welcome back tournament will be held on Sept. 5 from 9 a.m. to noon at Midland College. No sign-up is required and all ladies are cordially invited.

A Welcome Back Tennis Tournament sponsored by Midland's Women's Tennis Association will be held Sept. 5 from 9 a.m. to noon at Midland College. No sign-up is required and all ladies are cordially invited.

The Midland Softball Association is accepting registration for the fall season for adult slow pitch leagues. Games begin Sept. 11. Entry fee is \$250 per team plus a \$10 player fee. Deadline is Aug. 3. For more information, call 683-8741.

The Eastern Little League Softball Benefit is Aug. 11-13 at Washington and Hidalgo Parks. It is a USSSA men's and women's slow pitch tournament and cost to enter is \$115. For more information call Tnk at 570-4507 or page Raul at 567-9373.

A men's open slow pitch softball tournament will be held Aug. 12 in San Angelo. The entry fee is \$90 and the entry fee is Aug. 9. There will also be a homerun derby, which is \$5 per person. Call 915-223-1309 for more details.

Andrews Coed Softball Tournament is Aug. 11-12.

Entry fee is \$125. For more information, call Rufus at 524-9819.

The Bombers Classic, a Class D, 3 home run limit tournament, will be Aug. 11-13 in Stanton. Entry fee is \$110. Call Luis Navarette at 580-5810, Zeke Dutchover at 520-6939 or Anthony Vasquez at 699-5451 for more information.

Volleyball...

The YMCA Adult Co-ed League will begin play Aug. 22, and the registration deadline is Aug. 15. The entry fee is \$125 per team. For more information, call the Central YMCA at 682-2551.

Running...

The Permian Basin Road Runners Club is a non-profit organization for runners living in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. The club, which promotes distance running as a helpful exercise and a competitive sport, is a member of the Road Runners Club of America and the Athletics Congress. Membership is open to all runners regardless of experience. For information, call Greg Hubbard at 520-0953 or Penny Wasem at 697-6391. Web site is www.pbrrc.com.

Miscellaneous...

The Midland branch of the American Escrima Wing Tsun Organization is holding adult self defense combat classes in association with the Midland Wrestling Club. Classes will be held three times a week. For more information, call David Lesser at 687-6973 or 685-0531.

We're also expecting to win 12 gold medals," a smiling Vilorio said Tuesday at a team workout at the New York Athletic Club.

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabec Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is \$40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755.

COM Aquatics is holding water aerobics classes Monday through Saturday at Mabec Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Cost is \$45 per month, \$65 for a couple. For information, call Rita Simmons at 684-7755.

COM Aquatics - Learn to Swim year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details.

The COM Masters Swim Team is open to anyone 20 and over. There are two Masters swim team workouts. You can choose from Monday-Wednesday-Friday or Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday at 6-7 a.m. at the COM pool. Call 684-7755 for more information.

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Lessons are offered at various times. For information, call 684-7755.

The Midland YMCA offers year-round 30-minute swim lessons for parents and children and 45-minute lessons for youth. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551.

Midland YMCA is offering water aerobics classes, including Hydro-fit and Deep Water aerobics. Classes are available both morning and evening. Call Leaf Faller or Deborah Posson at 682-2551 for more information.

Bowling...

The Non-smokers bowling league will take place at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at Midland Park Lanes. There will be a meeting Aug. 29 and the first bowling date is Sept. 5. Call Terry at 563-7915 for more information.



Middleweight Jeff Lacy of the United States Olympic boxing team works out Tuesday at the New York Athletic Club.

American boxers prepare for confident Cubans in Sydney

Associated Press

NEW YORK — U.S. Olympic boxing coach Tom Mustin isn't paying much attention to the talk coming out of Cuba.

"Oh, yeah, I read that propaganda," Mustin said about the statement made in Havana last week by Cuban coach Alcides Sagarra that his team would win 12 gold medals in Sydney.

Another who had heard about the Cuban coach's boast was Brian Vilorio, the 19-year-old, 106-pound world champion from Waipahu, Hawaii.

"We're also expecting to win 12 gold medals," a smiling Vilorio said Tuesday at a team workout at the New York Athletic Club.

Mustin said he wasn't making any predictions, but "We're going

to get our share of medals. I think this is one of the better teams we've put together. We've had a great training camp."

The 12 U.S. boxers will appear on various television shows Wednesday morning before attending a news conference at City Hall.

Four U.S. Olympians will then participate in an 11-bout dual meet against Puerto Rico on Friday at Foxwoods Casino in Mashantucket, Conn. Six Olympians will participate in 13 bouts against Puerto Rico next Tuesday in Tacoma, Wash.

Not competing in either dual meet will be David Jackson, the 132-pounder from Seattle who is recovering from right hand surgery, and Michael Bennett, 201 pounds from Chicago, who is recovering from a twisted right

ankle. Both boxers accompanied the team here and will resume sparring soon.

The U.S. team will be trying to win more than one gold medal for the first time since they won three in 1988 at Seoul. They also earned three silvers and a bronze at those games.

In 1992 at Barcelona, U.S. boxers won one gold (Oscar De La Hoya at 125), one silver and a bronze. In 1996 at Atlanta, U.S. boxers got one gold (David Reid at 156) and five bronze medals.

The most gold medals Cuba has ever won was seven in 1992. They also collected six in 1980 at the Moscow Olympics, which were boycotted by the United States and many other Western countries. Cuba got four golds and two silvers in Atlanta.

More officials may be linked to Salt Lake City bribery scandal

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A lawyer for one of two men indicted in the Salt Lake Olympic bribery case said there is evidence more International Olympic Committee members may be linked to the scandal.

"There were many IOC members who received gifts in addition to those identified in the indictment," Max Wheeler, a lawyer for Dave Johnson, said Tuesday. "There will be other evidence offered that has yet to be publicized."

Wheeler wouldn't identify the IOC members or the kind of unreported gifts they received. Part of his reluctance may be the result of criticism from prosecutors Monday for speaking out about the case.

Wheeler may be bluffing, and the everybody-did-it defense won't sway a jury, IOC vice president Dick Pound, who led his organization's investigation into the Salt Lake scandal, said Tuesday.

Pound worked off documents provided by the Salt Lake Organizing Committee and used by its ethics panel to implicate 24 IOC members, one-fifth of the organization. Wheeler said he has information incriminating even more members.

But Pound said he narrowed the 24 implicated by Salt Lake's ethics panel to 14 members worthy of punishment ranging from expulsion to reprimand. It's known that Johnson keeps his own set of

Olympic documents going back a dozen years, and former bid boss Tom Welch may have more records. Pound conceded he may not have seen all relevant evidence but said there was nothing new in the 35-page indictment against Johnson and Welch.

Welch and Johnson pleaded innocent Monday to a felony indictment charging they dispensed \$1 million in cash, scholarships and gifts to 15 IOC members.

Of the 15, five were expelled from the IOC, four quit, four received warnings and two died before action could be taken against them. Banished IOC delegate Jean Claude Ganga of the Republic of Congo had his hand deepest in the till, taking \$320,000 in cash and first-class travel, according to the indictment.

Now, Wheeler says he can offer dirt on other IOC members, but he refuses to show his hand.

"It was common practice for IOC members to receive gifts," he said.

His sometimes bombastic claims have irked Justice Department prosecutors Richard Wiedis and John Scott, who have consistently refused to publicly comment.

Wiedis refused to comment Tuesday but was amused by the defense plan to unmask still more IOC members — hardly a threat to the prosecution's case.

Pound summed up all the finger-pointing as the "your-mother-wears-Army-boots defense."

Settlement will preserve U.S. softball roster

Associated Press

Three players left off the U.S. Olympic softball team have agreed to settle their appeals, allowing the team to go to Sydney with its original roster.

The roster had already been selected and wiped out twice because of appeals. A third round of arbitration threatened to cast the team into turmoil with just weeks remaining before it was to

leave for Australia.

Instead, the players agreed to drop their appeals, and the team will consist of the players that were originally chosen after the September trials, the Amateur Softball Association said in a statement.

"I think the players have been waiting for there to be closure so that they could concentrate just on softball," ASA spokesman Brian McCall said. "Once everything is resolved, their only focus is

going to be winning the gold medal, so that's going to be a relief for them."

McCall said the ASA received permission from the U.S. Olympic Committee to add a sixth alternate, allowing the team to keep both Amanda Scott and Kelly Kretschmann as reserves. Scott will not travel to Sydney, and Kretschmann will not play, unless there's an injury before the tournament begins Sept. 17.

SWIMMING: Thompson wants gold

(From 1C)

"Four years ago is the past," she said. "It's not really an issue now."

Thompson's recent results back her up and prove she's still a dominant sprinter.

Last year, Thompson broke Mary T. Meagher's 18-year-old world record in the 100 fly — the oldest mark on the books.

She broke world records in the 50 and 100 flies earlier this year, and last month, she lowered her own 8-year-old American record in the 100 free at a meet in Los Angeles.

"To swim really well and get best times in eight years was really encouraging," she said. "I feel like that's something to build on. I'm going to go pretty fast here."

Thompson plans to swim the same events she did at the '96 trials — the 100 fly, 100 free, 50 free and possibly the 200 free.

She'll be cheered on by her parents, who divorced when she was a toddler. Thompson's mother,

Margrid, raised three boys and Jenny on her own in Dover, N.H.

"I got inner strength and knowing I can do something on my own," she said of her mother's influence. "I know I can get help from other people, but also know inside I have the ability to do it myself."

Whether or not Thompson makes it to Sydney and succeeds at her winning an individual gold medal, she'll move on with her life. She plans to attend Columbia University Medical School in 2001 and buy a house in her hometown in order to be near her mother again.

But first she's got to get through the next eight days. This time, Thompson may do it with a smile on her face.

"It's about a personal pursuit to see how far I can go with my goals," she said. "I'm focused and I have a mission, but also it's fun for me."

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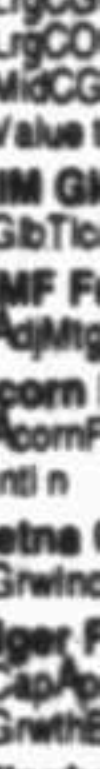
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Previous	\$26.00

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Tuesday	\$4.409
Previous	\$4.348

Crude rises

NEW YORK (AP) — Crude oil futures rose on Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange after declining roughly 4 percent on Monday, as traders awaited stockpile data from a weekly industry report.

September crude rose 21 cents to \$29.12 per barrel, and could likely surge higher on Wednesday as data from the American Petroleum Institute released after regular trading showed inventory draws for crude oil, gasoline and distillate stocks.

Last week, the API reported that U.S. crude oil supplies plummeted by nine million barrels, to 284 million barrels from 293 million the previous week — a sign that output increases from Saudi Arabia and other OPEC nations were not having the intended effect.

September heating oil rose 1.62 cent to 79.83 cents per gallon and September gasoline rose 1.48 cent to 86.28 cents per gallon.

Tuesday's API data indicated a draw of 1.179 million barrels of distillate fuels, which include heating oil, and a moderate draw of 1.670 million barrels of gasoline.

Among other energy products, September natural gas rose 6.1 cents to \$4.409 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Dollar up

NEW YORK (AP) — The dollar rose against the euro Tuesday after the release of a stronger-than-expected U.S. productivity report, while the yen recovered slightly against the dollar on expectations the Bank of Japan will put an end to its near zero rate policy this Friday.

Second quarter U.S. productivity — a key barometer for living standards — jumped 5.3 percent, pushing unit labor costs down by 0.1 percent, the Labor Department announced Tuesday.

The U.S. productivity report, combined with disappointing unemployment data from Germany caused the euro's sharp slump against the dollar, amid concerns the European currency might hit its lowest levels in coming weeks.

The euro broke below the key technical level of 90 cents Tuesday, before recovering slightly in late New York trading, quoted at 90.20 cents, down from 90.84 cents late Monday.

Currency traders are now looking ahead to the Friday release of the Producer Price Index and retail sales for July.

The yen rose slightly against the dollar after Bank of Japan Gov. Masaru Hayami said Tuesday that a weaker yen was not necessary, suggesting the BoJ might engineer an interest rate increase at its Aug. 11 meeting.

In other trading, the dollar also was quoted at 1.7112 Swiss francs, up from 1.7031, and 1.4877 Canadian dollars, up from 1.4869. The British pound fell to \$1.5044 from \$1.5099.

Based on Tuesday's euro rate, the dollar was worth 2.1681 German marks, up from 2.1530; 7.2714 French francs, up from 7.2210; and 2,146.40 Italian lire, up from 2,131.52.

Gold mixed

LONDON (AP) — Gold closed at \$273.40 bid per troy ounce, down from \$273.70 late Monday. In Zurich the bid price was \$273.15, down from \$273.25. Gold rose \$1.10 to \$274.45 in Hong Kong.

Productivity surges to 17-year high

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Americans' productivity surged ahead over the past 12 months at the fastest pace in 17 years while labor costs declined, the first time they have dropped since 1984, the Labor Department reported Tuesday.

Both numbers were much better than expected, and the Clinton administration responded by hailing the remarkable combination of positive forces exhibited by a "new economy" bolstered by strong business investment in computers and other productivity-enhancing equipment.

"We are enjoying a splendid combination of strong productivity growth, low unemployment and modest inflation," said Labor Secretary Alexis Herman. "Productivity growth is the key to our economic prosperity."

Private economists said the good productivity figures made it highly unlikely that the Federal Reserve will boost interest rates for a seventh time when the cen-

tral bank meets again Aug. 22.

Productivity, the amount of output per hour of work, increased at an annual rate of 5.3 percent in the April-June quarter, more than double the first quarter's 1.9 percent gain.

Unit labor costs, the salary paid per amount of work, dipped by 0.1 percent at an annual rate in the second quarter after rising by 1.9 percent in the first quarter.

Even more significantly, the changes in both productivity and unit labor costs over the past 12 months, which smoothes out the quarterly fluctuations, were at the best levels in nearly a generation.

Over the year ending in June, productivity for nonfarm businesses rose by 5.1 percent, the best 12-month showing since a 5.3 percent rise in the 12 months ending in the third quarter of 1983.

Meanwhile, unit labor costs over the past year fell by 0.4 percent, the first annual drop in this key measurement of wage pressures since 1984.

The productivity improvement was led by a surge in manufacturing productiv-

ity, which climbed at an annual rate of 5.1 percent in the second quarter after even bigger gains of 7.9 percent in the first quarter and 10.2 percent in the fourth quarter of last year.

Stan Shipley, a Merrill Lynch economist, called this performance "awesome" and said it showed that despite the lowest unemployment rates in three decades, wage pressures are being well contained by advances in productivity.

"You just don't get inflation out of that mix," he said.

Rising productivity is considered the crucial element to boosting living standards because it lets employers pay workers higher salaries, financed by the increased output. Without productivity gains, employers must cover higher wage costs by raising product prices, which boosts inflation.

After more than two decades of lackluster gains in productivity from 1973 to 1995 averaging 1.4 percent per year, the increases since 1996 have averaged almost double that.

These gains in productivity allowed the Federal Reserve to watch as the unemployment rate fell to levels not seen in three decades without becoming overly concerned about inflation.

Still, there is a debate among economists about how much of the recent productivity gains are permanent and how much have been influenced by temporary factors.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress in July that question will be decided by what happens in coming months.

Mark Vitner, an economist at First Union in Charlotte, N.C., said much of the second quarter's productivity gain was probably temporary as output soared faster than businesses could find new workers in the tight labor markets.

He predicted productivity gains would slacken off in the second half of this year, causing unit labor costs to rise. Those developments, he said, would force the Fed to resume raising interest rates in early 2001.

Who Wants to Be a Mill-yen-aire?



Host Monta Mino, right, leads a contestant in Fuji TV's "Quiz \$ Millionaire," the Japanese version of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" at a Tokyo studio on June 19. The Japanese version has turned out to be a ratings bust, providing a case study in how Japanese tastes — some might even say morals — differ from those across the Pacific.

Quiz show import faces tough audiences in Japan

By Gary Schaefer
Associated Press

TOKYO — Japanese TV producers have long had a simple rule of thumb regarding programming: If something's big in the United States, it will probably work here as well. And this show seemed like a sure thing.

"Quiz \$ Millionaire" is modeled after America's most-watched game show right down to the drum rolls, offering contestants more cash than anything else on the air.

But the Japanese version of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" has turned out to be a ratings bust, providing a study in how Japanese tastes — some might even say morals — differ from those across the Pacific.

So why hasn't the show been able to attract an audience, despite a 10 million yen jackpot — about \$108,000 — billed as the biggest in the history of Japanese TV?

It seems that watching ordinary people winning money isn't very enticing in Japan, a culture that has traditionally discouraged individuals from flaunt-

ing their wealth or achievements, says one media observer.

"Japan is like one big village," said Mamoru Sakamoto, editor of the TV monthly Galac. "Americans may really identify with somebody winning big bucks on TV, but Japanese are more apt to think, 'What did he do to deserve that?'"

Instead, the formula in Japan has been short on cash and heavy on laughs. And instead of average people, the contestants in Japanese game shows tend to be TV celebrities who don't need prizes and who know how to yuck it up on camera.

"Re-creating the same level of excitement with much less money at stake is difficult," said Fuji TV executive Matsunori Takahashi.

Japan's hottest game show is "Tokyo Friend Park II," which features a pair of celebrities competing in a series of odd-ball events — like flinging themselves against a wall-sized Velcro target to see who sticks ("Wall Crash") or trying not to drop precariously balanced boxes of take-out food while riding a motorbike simulator ("Delivery Deluxe").

And for those game shows that do feature average people as contestants, it is more often comic relief than gratuitous wealth on offer.

One, called "Happy Family Plan," gives fathers a chance to win a showcase of prizes worth 3 million yen for the whole family by mastering an improbable mental or physical feat in a week's time.

Many don't win, but the fun comes from watching home video footage of overworked Japanese company men trying to memorize the flags of all 185 countries of the world, or figuring out how to scoop up a school of goldfish with a tissue-paper net.

Fuji TV, which bought the rights to "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" from Celador Productions, hasn't given up on "Quiz \$ Millionaire." But getting contestants to go all the way hasn't been easy.

"Japanese people tend to be conservative when it comes to money," said producer Toshiko Matsuo. "If they win 3 million yen on the show, they probably figure, 'I might as well quit while I'm ahead and work for the rest.'"

Feds conduct smart card satellite sting

WASHINGTON (AP) — Psst. Want to buy a computer smart card that will allow you to get all the television channels you could want from your satellite dish for free?

That was the offer the U.S. Customs Service made over a 22-month period in a nationwide undercover sting operation. And their website, "Operation Smart-card.net" did a land office business, authorities said, selling more than 3,000 illegal cards to dealers.

The website, which has since been shut down, targeted individuals who wanted to purchase cards to steal programs from DirecTV, one of two major satellite television distribution systems in the country.

The investigation, still under way, has resulted in charges against seven individuals, officials at the Justice Department and U.S. Customs Service said Tuesday. They said another four have pleaded guilty to charges of violating laws protecting satellite television transmissions.

In a separate investigation, the FBI announced in Los Angeles on Tuesday that it had brought charges against 15 people for dealing in the illegal cards.

Officials said the Customs investigation began in Blaine, Wash., in September 1998 after Customs officials noted a dramatic increase in seizures of pirated or counterfeit satellite access cards being smuggled into the United States from Canada.

The smart cards are used by satellite services such as DirecTV to select the television channels that can be received by an individual satellite dish at a customer's home.

However, authorities said there is a large underground market for counterfeit cards, at a black-market price of \$325 to \$425.

By the time the Customs Service terminated the undercover portion of the operation in June 1999, agents had sold 3,195 illegal cards to dealers and 382 cards to individuals, generating more than \$516,000, which was turned over to the U.S. Treasury, officials said.

In July 1999, DirecTV used electronic countermeasures to shut down all of the pirated cards sold through the government's Web site.

Officials estimate that use of the illegal cards in the Customs sting operation cost the satellite TV industry \$6.2 million in lost revenue.

Bob Marsocci, a spokesman for DirecTV, said the Los Angeles-based satellite company hoped that publicity from the arrests would discourage use of the illegal cards.

In all of the cases, those charged allegedly purchased and resold pirated or counterfeit access cards. Justice officials said it is a felony to distribute such electronic cards with the knowledge that the cards can be used without authorization to decode scrambled satellite television signals.

BUSINESS SCENE

Smoothie King mixes up Midland location starting in September

By Mella McEwen

Coming to Oak Ridge Square, 2200 W. Wadley, in mid-September will be the West Texas franchise of SMOOTHIE KING.

Owned by Terri Hardy and Debra Royall, Smoothie King offers drinks blended with real fruits and juices and made to order with vitamins and minerals for those on weight loss programs, serious bodybuilders, the "Immune Builder" for those feeling a little rundown and everyone in between.

Hardy is owner of Midland Karate & Fitness in Plaza Oaks Shopping Center and Royall, one of her students, will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of Smoothie King.



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In addition to the fruit drinks, the stores also carry a small line of pure vitamins, low fat healthy snacks, sports nutrition protein bars and other health-related products.

Martha Lawlor Dunham has relocated her CPA practice to larger quarters at 2111 W. Texas.

Ms. Dunham, who has been in public accounting 18 years and a Certified Public Accountant 12 years, said she hopes the larger location will allow her to expand into new area like electronic tax filing. She currently offers refund anticipation loans along with bookkeeping, tax preparation and other services.

She employs a part-time bookkeeper and clerical assistant, Ginger O'Connor. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday but after-hour and weekend appointments are available.

Open in a new location and under new

ownership is A BETTER LETTER, which has moved to 242 Spring Park Drive, Suite E.

A Better Letter carries custom monogramming and has over 5,000 designs in stock. The inventory also includes gift items from baby items to travel bags.

A grand reopening celebration will be held Thursday during store hours, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with refreshments and grab bags for youngsters. A drawing for prizes will be held at 4:30 p.m.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Shari Hamilton, broker/owner of Dynamic Real Estate Professionals, 3404 W. Illinois, has opened the DYNAMIC REAL ESTATE BOOKSTORE in her offices.

Ms. Hamilton said the bookstore will specialize in real estate titles, mostly professional development titles — "How to sell better, how to use the Internet better."

She has sent out a list of titles local agents might be interested in and will offer a discount to local Realtors.

"Right now, we're a mail order service," she said, explaining that she will order any titles an agent desires. "Later we hope to progress to having some titles in inventory."

The bookstore will be available during office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

MIDLAND PARK MALL will host the LARRY BROWN ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES show throughout the mall Thursday through Sunday.

The mall is also two months away from welcoming its newest retailer, ROSS' DRESS FOR LESS, which will open October 7 and hold a grand opening celebration October 14.

Mella McEwen is a business writer for the Reporter-Telegram. She can be reached by e-mail at casell@mrt.com.

AROUND TOWN

The University of Texas at the Permian Basin will host a half-day College Board workshop 8:30 a.m.-noon Sept. 13 in the Devonian Room at UTPB (ground floor of the Mesa Building). The workshop will highlight changes in the SAT test and College Board services. To attend, RSVP at (512) 891-8400.

UTPB's fall registration is scheduled for 3-7 p.m. Aug. 21, and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-7 p.m. Aug. 22 in the gymnasium. Freshmen who have already been admitted to the university (who missed previous orientations) may attend the second session of orientations, scheduled for Aug. 16 and 17 in the Student Lounge. Freshmen may register for fall classes, at this time.

Students may register for classes scheduled in the morning, afternoon, evening, on interactive television, or on-line. Students will receive permits to register in the mail, then register at the time and date indicated on their permits.

Late registration will be 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Aug. 24, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 25, and 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Aug. 28-30. Late registration fee of \$15 will be charged.

Classes will begin Aug. 24. UTPB will be closed Sept. 4 for the Labor Day holiday. For registration information call 552-2635.

PERMIAN BASIN Users Group will meet 7 p.m. Aug. 22 at New Horizons Training Center, behind Westlake Hardware on Andrews Highway. Program will be a question and answer session. All people interested in computers are invited to attend.

BACK PORCH Swing's free 2000 summer concert series is presented at 8-10 p.m. each Friday at the Presidential Museum in Odessa. Two Muses, acoustic folk entertainers, will perform Aug. 11.

BRAZOSWOOD High School's Class of 1985 will have its 15-year reunion Oct. 14. Alumni are asked to contact bwood85reunion@hotmail.com or call (979) 233-5544, (979) 265-8335 or (979) 297-0809 or check out the website at www.angelfire.com/80s/bwo85reunion.

MIDLAND COUNTY Historical Society and Historical Commission will sponsor the annual Ice Cream Crank-Off 5-8 p.m. Aug. 13 at the Brown-Dorsey Medalion Home, 213 N. Weatherford. Donation of \$2 per person will be accepted at the gate. For information call 682-2931.

WEST TEXAS Jazz Society will host a fundraising Jazz Party 7:30 p.m. Aug. 25 at the Odessa Radisson. The John Pizzarelli Trio will be featured performers, with a special introductory performance by Rob Hunt on piano, Mark Lowe on bass, Neil Goates on drums and Robert Lacroix on guitar.

Reserved eight-seat sponsor tables are \$350; single admission is \$35. All proceeds will benefit Collaboration 2001. Send checks to West Texas Jazz Party, 6417 Desoto, Odessa, Texas 79762. For more information call (915) 337-7685, 682-4124 or 563-1701.

AARP NATIONAL members are invited to attend the Midland Rockhound game at 6 p.m. Aug. 20 at Rockhound Stadium in Midland. National membership card and \$5 will be the price of admission for these members; free hot dog, bag of chips and small soft drink included in admission price. Call 687-2588.

MIDLAND HABITAT for Humanity is accepting applications for its low-income housing purchase program. Deadline for applications is Aug. 15. Applications may be picked up at 201 W. Wall, Suite 202.

To qualifications, a participant must be a resident of Midland County for at least one year; live in substandard housing; meet low-income guidelines; and be willing to partner and work sweat equity hours. Call 686-8877.

Newest summer cookbooks have flavor all their own

By Joan Brunskill

NEW YORK (AP) — Perhaps it's not the season to dream about cozying up to the stove. Still, high summer's special flavors, ripening produce and aromatic herbs keep taste buds active through these lazy days.

Cookbook writers are not short of ideas appetizing enough to grab the attention of vacation-minded cooks. They may persuade you that sometimes a finished dish is well worth a stint in the kitchen; they may remind you that a great meal can be created as part of a backyard cookout or grill session.

A sampling of recent, reasonably priced publications suggests varied ways of savoring summer food:

■ "The Taste of Summer: Inspired Recipes for Casual Entertaining" by Diane Rossen Worthington is clearly the work of someone who relishes the season. "Summer is a time for going out of doors, and entertaining informally, when you can really enjoy your family and friends in nonstressful fashion," she says.

The point of the book, she says, is "to celebrate what summer has to offer at its best. I think that if you get the best quality ingredients you can, the intense flavor they have when they are really fresh means that you don't have to do a lot of cooking."

Worthington is Cordon-Bleu trained, has written several food books, and won a James Beard Award for broadcasting. Her new book is an updated revision of an out-of-print 1988 original. It has suggestions for dishes and menus for cookouts, buffets and picnics, and many recipes are shown in glossy new color photographs by Maurra McEvoy.

■ "Cool Kitchen" by Lauren Chapman promises "125 delicious, no-work recipes for summertime or anytime — no oven! No stove! No sweat!" Chapman, a food writer based in Sag Harbor, N.Y., says she writes for "times when you just don't feel like digging into (or slaving over) a steaming pot of boeuf bourguignon."

She says her initial impulse, to produce "a cookbook of food that's not cooked," turned into a new way of thinking about what and how to cook for dinner. "Now I see that making delicious, interesting, healthy meals doesn't have to involve a lot of cooking."

■ "Gelato! Italian Ice Creams, Sorbetti and Granita" by Pamela Sheldon Johns guides the reader into its subject with a light touch, and plenty of color photos.

Johns is a food historian and writer who lives in Santa Barbara, Calif. She specializes in Italian artisanal foodstuffs and runs wine and food workshops in Italy. Previous single-subject books she's written have dealt with balsamic vinegar, Parmesan cheese and Neapolitan pizza.

"Eating gelato, like drinking espresso, is a favorite Italian pastime," she says. "It is an opportunity to linger for conversation and people watching, and a way to cool down from summer's unrelenting heat." She explains that the term gelato is often used in Italy for any frozen dessert, whether milk- or water-based.

She summarizes the history of gelato and its regional variations, and gives recipes that range from Chocolate-Hazelnut Gelato to Rose Petal Sorbetto, and Coffee Granita.

■ "Gelato, Sorbet and Ice Cream" by Elsa Petersen-Schepelern explores similar frozen desserts, over a wider geographical area. She offers a world tour of tastes: In addition to traditional Italian, her recipes include African, Australian and Caribbean specialties, a Blackberry and Raspberry Sorbet from Scandinavia, an English Apple Brandy Sorbet and a Thai Coconut and Mango Ice Cream (recipe follows).

Gelato, sorbets and ice cream can be easily made at home, she says, thanks to the wide range of ice-cream making machines available. "But, even without a machine, you can still make these delicious recipes. Just pour the mixture into flat freezer trays, allow it to part-freeze, then beat to break up the ice crystals, and return to the freezer. Repeat several times — the more often you do it, the smoother the end result."

■ A companion book by the same writer, Elsa Petersen-Schepelern, "Juices and Tonics," suggests ways of using the season's fruits and vegetables in refreshing drinks. Many are far from your usual OJ. Petersen-Schepelern's selections include Gingered Pear Juice, Mexican Golden Salsa Crush, Papaya and Banana Smoothie, and Lavender Tea.

Petersen-Schepelern is a Danish-Australian food and wine writer based in London. The books' design is summery-light, with fine color photos on every page.

■ "Super Smoothies: 50 Recipes for Health and Energy" by Mary Corpening Barber and Sara Corpening Whiteford stresses the nutritional benefits from liquid concoctions.

Some are fruity refreshers, dubbed "energy elixirs." Others pack more weighty ingredients: "The Incredible Hulk," for example, uses tofu, milk, peanut butter, bananas and honey.

The writers, who run a catering business in San Francisco, have published three previous books, "Smoothies," "Wraps" and "Cocktail Food."

Experts' advice: Drink lots of water

NEW YORK (AP) — The Nutrition Information Center at the Rockefeller University offers these tips for making sure you drink enough water this summer:

■ Drink at least eight 8-ounce servings of water each day. More active people will need more.

■ Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink water. By the time you feel thirsty, you have probably lost some of your basic body water composition.

■ Don't substitute drinks with alcohol or caffeine for the water you should drink. Alcohol and

caffeine can make you lose water through increased urination.

■ Don't underestimate the amount of fluids lost from perspiration. After a workout, you need to drink two cups of water for each pound lost in weight.

■ Cool water, not carbonated drinks or sports drinks, is the best fluid for keeping hydrated in warm temperatures. Cool water is absorbed more quickly than warm fluids.

■ Make sure children drink enough water to balance their intake of other drinks.

DEAR ABBY

Heating daughter's pool is raising dad's temperature

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My daughter and son-in-law earn twice as much as my wife and I do. They insist that we visit them each year in California.

My wife and I both have arthritis and I have a heated pool therapeutic. They have a swimming pool, but they expect us to pay to heat it when we visit. This is embarrassing because my three stepdaughters never expect us to pay for anything when we visit them, and we never ask our children to pay for anything when they visit in our home. Last year, my son who lives in Ohio paid to have his sister's pool heated while we were visiting in California.

Should we refuse to pay to heat my daughter's pool or keep our mouths shut and ante up? — "HEATED" DAD IN MICHIGAN

DEAR "HEATED" DAD: It costs more to live in some areas of the country than others. Although your daughter and her husband earn twice as much as you do, their living expenses may be greater than yours, and it's possible their budget won't stretch to include heating the swimming pool.

If you haven't done so already, discuss this problem calmly with your daughter to determine if there is a reason for their request. Should you find their budget cannot accommodate heating the pool for you, ante up without complaining. If it causes you financial hardship, shorten your visits.

A word of caution: It never works in anyone's favor to compare one child with another, since their financial realities could be entirely different — and comparisons could create hurt feelings.

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In spite of waning summer days, there's still time to enjoy the great taste of seedless grapes — both red and green



Staff Reports

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GRILLED GRAPES

6 medium bunches seedless grapes
Extra-virgin olive oil
6 branches fresh rosemary
6 branches fresh thyme

Wash and thoroughly drain grapes. Place on towel or several layers of paper towels to remove as much moisture as possible. Gently brush bunches with olive oil. Wind rosemary and thyme branches among clusters of grapes. Grill over medium-hot coals, turning frequently, 15 to 20 minutes or until grapes have grill marks on the outside and a few start to split. Makes six servings.

Serving suggestion: Serve with grilled fish, poultry or pork.

Nutrition per serving: 97 calories, 0.9 g protein, 1.7 g fat, 14 percent calories from fat, 22.1 g carbohydrate, 0 cholesterol, 1.2 g fiber, 3 mg sodium.

GRAPE AND SCALLOP SKEWERS

1/4 cup dry white wine
2 tablespoons each lemon juice and olive oil
2 tablespoons chopped basil
1 teaspoon fresh thyme leaves
1 teaspoon each salt and grated lemon

peel

1/4 teaspoon ground pepper
Dash cayenne pepper
1 cup each large red and green seedless grapes

1 cup red onion, cut in 1-in squares
1 cut sweet red peppers, cut in 1-inch squares

1 pound medium scallops (or substitute halibut steaks cut into 1-inch cubes)

Mix wine, lemon juice, oil and seasonings; marinate grapes, onion and peppers in mixture 1 hour at room temperature. Skewer red grape, onion, scallop, red pepper, green grape and scallop on bamboo or metal skewer; repeat and top with red grape. Repeat for next five skewers. Brush scallops generously with marinade. Place skewers on greased grill. Barbecue 5 to 8 minutes or until scallops look opaque and moist on the inside, brushing generously with marinade and turning to brown on all sides. Makes six servings.

Note: If using bamboo skewers, soak in water at least 30 minutes before using to prevent burning.

Nutrition per serving: 173 calories, 13.7 g protein, 5.7 g fat, 29 percent calories from fat, 16 g carbohydrate, 25 mg cholesterol, 1.7 g fiber, 513 mg sodium.

SPICED GRAPES

1/2 cup each white wine vinegar and rum (or use 1/2 cup water and 1-1/2 to 2 teaspoons rum extract instead of rum)
2 tablespoons lime juice
1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons julienne ginger root

1 teaspoon grated lime peel

1 cinnamon stick (about 3 inches)

3 whole cloves

1/4 teaspoon salt

2 cups seedless grapes

1 mango, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes

1 papaya, peeled and seeded and cut into 1-inch cubes

1 cup fresh or canned pineapple chunks

Combine vinegar, rum, lime juice, sugar, ginger, lime peel, cinnamon, cloves and salt in small saucepan; mix well.

Bring mixture to boil; pour boiling mixture over grapes in medium bowl.

Let mixture cool to room temperature. Add remaining fruit and refrigerate at least 1 hour or until thoroughly chilled. Remove cinnamon stick and cloves; spoon into individual glass bowls. Makes six servings.

Serving suggestions: Serve over flan or baked custard, as a topping for ice cream or with almond or vanilla cookies. Chill thoroughly and carry to a picnic in an ice chest.

Nutrition per serving: 270 calories, 1.1 g protein, 0.6 g fat, 2 percent calories from fat, 58.3 g carbohydrate, 0 cholesterol, 2.7 g fiber, 104-mg sodium.

Top photo: Rosemary and thyme add flavor to Grilled Grapes, an elegant and unusual addition to summer meals. Right photo: Sweet grapes, red onions and red peppers are skewered with scallops for a crowd-pleasing entree that looks difficult to prepare but isn't. Far right photo: Top off summer meals with Spiced Grapes, a melange of red and green grapes and other fruits that can be used to top many different kinds of sweet summer favorites.



Photos courtesy California Table Grape Commission

CONSUMING INTERESTS

How 'healthy' are fruit-flavored snacks? For that matter, how tasty?

By Linda Anderson

A friend and former co-worker came by the office the other day with a box of Betty Crocker's Scooby-Doo! Fruit Snacks, and said her daughter just loved the snacks and wanted me and the eager eaters here at the office to do a taste-test on them.

Sounded good to me! And my co-workers agreed.

So here we go:

Scooby-Doo! Fruit Snacks — which come in 9-ounce boxes containing 10 single-serving packs — are part of that late-20th century food phenomenon, processed fruit-flavored snacks that are touted for

their fruit-like nutrition. (I've never understood, if you wanted a fruit-flavored snack — especially for the nutrition — why not just eat fruit?)

Label advertising says the snacks are "Made with Real Fruit" and contain "100 percent (DV) Vitamin C," which I guess means 100 percent of the vitamin C recommended as part of a healthy daily diet.

A look at the ingredients label shows that, sure enough, the first ingredient listed is pear juice from concentrate, so that "real fruit juice" claim is accurate. It also shows that the next two ingredients are some form of sugar — corn syrup and sugar.

The nutrition label shows a one-serving pack of the fruit snacks contains 80 calories with none of them from fat. Sure got some sugar though!

The snacks, along with other fruit-based snack foods, are marketed on the cereal aisle of the super-

market. For the amount of sugar they contain, they probably could just as accurately be placed on the candy aisle. Jelly beans don't have any fat either, you know.

One 10-pack box of Scooby-Doo! Fruit Snacks costs \$2.99, or about 30 cents a serving, which is cheaper than a candy bar, but still...

I've never been a fan of Scooby-Doo, the Hanna-Barbera cartoon dog, and all his cartoon human friends who, for the last few decades, keep getting into all kinds of adventures from Saturday morning cartoons to the Cartoon Network. But a lot of my co-workers — especially the younger ones — are fans and were ready to taste the snacks.

Some were disappointed — one said they were "too soft," and that he preferred fruit snacks to be more "gummy-esque" — and some said the snacks were OK. Most agreed that the snacks didn't taste

much different from any other kind of fruit-flavored snack that is available near the breakfast foods.

The one burning question, though, that none of us have been able to answer is: If the Scooby-Doo! Fruit Snacks come in four flavors — strawberry, grape, orange and cherry are listed on the box — how come they also come in six colors? Logic says that red is cherry, purple is grape and orange is orange, but what are blue, green and yellow? And where does strawberry come in? Maybe Betty Crocker can answer this question. We'd really like to know. It's hard to tell from the taste.

Price listed is from a local supermarket. Prices at other locations may vary.

Linda Anderson is Lifestyle editor for the Reporter-Telegram.



Anderson

Woods, Webb make Grand Slams in golf seem feasible

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — If not for two swings by Tiger Woods, and two holes by Karrie Webb, both could easily be on the verge of something grand.

Winning the Grand Slam is thought to be next to impossible, perhaps because no one ever has won all four professional majors in one season. No one will this year, either.

The best Webb and Woods can hope for is to win three, which is hardly cause to hang their heads. Only four other players — Babe Didrickson Zaharias, Ben Hogan, Mickey Wright and Pat Bradley — have won three majors in one year.

Should Webb and Woods join them, they will have managed to make the Grand Slam at least look feasible.

Consider how close they came. Woods dropped five shots in a span of three holes in the first round of the Masters — a 7-iron that caught a plugged lie in the bunker on No. 10 and led to a double bogey, and an 8-iron that bounced off the bank and into Rae's Creek for a triple bogey on No. 12.

He wound up six strokes behind Vijay Singh. Minus those two swings, he would have started the final round just one stroke out of the lead.

Webb kept Grand Slam hopes alive by winning the Nabisco Championship by a record 10 strokes (sound familiar?). In the second major, the LPGA Championship, she was at 4 under through eight holes in the final round when she took bogey on the par-5 ninth, and made a double-bogey on the par-5 16th.

Pars on those holes would have put her in the playoff, won

by Juli Inkster.

Webb went on to win the U.S. Women's Open by four strokes, giving her two majors by a combined 14 strokes. Woods won the next two majors by a combined 23 strokes — the U.S. Open by 15 strokes and the British Open by eight.

On Thursday, Webb will try to become the first woman since Bradley in 1986 to win three majors when she defends her title in the du Maurier Classic. A week later, Woods will try to become the first man since Hogan in 1953 to win three majors when he defends his title in the PGA Championship.

Should they win, both might look back at what might have been. The rest of us can look forward to what might be.

Is the Grand Slam really possible?

"I never say never to anything, but I think it is a long stretch of the imagination," Webb said. "It's high odds that one player is going to like all four courses in one year, and then peak at the right time. But it's always a possibility."

Woods was first asked about the Grand Slam after winning the '97 Masters. His 12-stroke victory must have made him wonder about the possibility when he said, "I think it can be done. If you win the right tournaments four times, then you have the slam."

But after he tied for 19th in the U.S. Open, and tied for 24th in the British Open, Woods was singing a different tune when he arrived at Winged Foot for the PGA.

"Realistically," he said at the time, "it's almost next to impossible to win all four."

Is it?

Two swings. Two holes.

And Woods has contended in nine of the last 11 majors.

The closest anyone came to a Grand Slam was Hogan in '53, a performance every bit as dominant as what Woods has done this year. Hogan won the Masters by four strokes, the U.S. Open by six and his only British Open by five.

Hogan never had a chance to go for the fourth leg because the PGA ended the day before the British Open began. The Babe couldn't go for the Slam because there wasn't one — the LPGA only had three majors in 1950.

In fact, the Grand Slam wasn't on anyone's checklist until Palmer first raised the notion in 1960 after winning the Masters and U.S. Open. In his first British Open, he finished second at St. Andrews by one stroke.

Jack Nicklaus in 1972 was the last man to win the Masters and the U.S. Open in the same year. Just like Palmer, he finished second in the British Open by one stroke, and the dream was gone. Nicklaus' best year in the majors was 1975. He won the Masters and PGA, and lost the U.S. Open and British Open by a combined three strokes.

Bradley was even better in 1986. She won the Dinah Shore, LPGA Championship and du Maurier, but missed the U.S. Women's Open playoff by a mere three strokes.

Perhaps the closest of any was Greg Norman that same year. He led every major championship after 54 holes, but won only the British Open.

Is the Grand Slam impossible? That would suggest Webb and Woods are simply having one of those seasons that don't come along very often.

Instead, we might be looking at two players who don't come along very often. And they still at least 15 years ahead of them.

O'Meara, Cook survive playoff for Fred Meyer Challenge title

Associated Press

ALOHA, Ore. — John Cook made a 6-foot birdie putt on the first playoff hole Tuesday to win the Fred Meyer Challenge with Mark O'Meara for the second time.

The Cook-O'Meara

team shot an 11-under-par 61 Tuesday and finished 36 holes at The Reserve Vineyards & Golf Club tied at 19-under 125 with Jim Furyk and John Frost in the best-ball event.

O'Meara, Furyk and Frost all made pars on the par-5, 578-yard 18th — with O'Meara's and Furyk's birdie putts rolling just wide of the cup — but Cook made his to win the 15th annual charity tournament.

O'Meara and Cook will split \$180,000 in prize money. They played in the Challenge five times together and last won the event in 1994.

Furyk and Frost had started the day in second place after shooting a 63 Monday. They shot a 62 Tuesday to force the playoff.

Jack Nicklaus and his son Gary, playing in the Challenge for the fourth time together, matched O'Meara-Cook for Tuesday's best score. Team Nicklaus had 11 birdies, including the final four holes. The last of those was a short chip-in by Jack Nicklaus from the edge of the 18th green that left them one stroke out of the playoff.

Fuzzy Zoeller and Jay Haas led the field after Monday's first round with a 62, but only made five birdies Tuesday and finished fifth.

Furyk and Frost made a birdie on No. 10th to take the lead and maintained a one-stroke advantage over Cook-O'Meara through the 16th.

The last of three straight birdies by Cook came at No. 17 and brought them into a tie for the lead at 18 under. Both teams birdied 18 to force the playoff.

Instead of the legendary green jackets of The Masters, the winners were awarded the tournament's traditional "jean jackets" — showing the casual, playful nature of the event.

Much of the crowd followed the group consisting of the teams of Arnold Palmer and Peter Jacob-

sen and the Nicklauses.

On the 18th hole, Palmer and Nicklaus walked alone together on to the green as the fans in the bleachers gave them a standing ovation. Jacobsen then threw his arm around Gary Nicklaus and walked dramatically onto the green — to cheers and laughs from the crowd.

Couples wins Canadian Skins Game again
VERNON, British Columbia — Fred Couples won the Export A Skins Game on Tuesday with a total of \$135,000, the fifth time in the last eight years he has won the Canadian event.

Couples could have won even more money, but he lost a four-hole playoff with defending champion Mike Weir for the final carryover of \$75,000. Sergio Garcia earned \$100,000 with six skins in the two-day, 18-hole event, while Phil Mickelson, third on the PGA Tour money list, took home \$50,000, all on Tuesday at the Predator Ridge Golf Resort course.

On Monday, Couples won \$75,000 on the final hole, giving him a total of \$90,000 for the day. He won \$20,000 Tuesday with a birdie on No. 12 and \$25,000 with an eagle on the par-5 14th.

On the first extra hole, Couples and Weir both birdied No. 18, knocking out Garcia and Mickelson. They both parred the next hole, then both birdied the next. Weir finally won the carryover with a 13-foot birdie putt on the 22nd hole.

The players decided to have a little fun on the 13th hole, a 166-yard par-3 worth \$25,000, by hitting the opposite way.

Couples and Garcia, natural right-handers, both hit lefty, while Mickelson and Weir, natural left-handers, hit righty. All four landed their balls on the green, then putted from the their opposite side.

Under the skins format, the low score on each hole wins the assigned prize money. In the case of low-score tie, the money carried over until there is a single winner.

The first three holes Tuesday were worth \$20,000 each. The final six holes were \$25,000 each.

Top seed Agassi, No. 2 Sampras advance in Masters Series event

MASON, Ohio (AP) — In nine matches, Wayne Ferreira has never beaten Andre Agassi.

All the South African could do was express his frustration after Agassi beat him again Tuesday night, 7-5 (4), 6-1, in the first round at Tennis Masters Series-Cincinnati.

"It's kind of a laughable situation," Ferreira said. "I seem to do the same thing every time I play him, no matter how hard I try to make it different. It always ends up being the same, so all I can do is keep laughing."

After pressing the top-seeded Agassi to a tiebreaker, Ferreira missed a shot into an open court in the first game of the second set and never recovered.

"I think after I won the tiebreaker, maybe he just had a little bit of a letdown and I took advantage of it," Agassi said. "Sometimes it doesn't take much."

Second-seeded Pete Sampras won the only first-round match he's had to play here in a decade. When the tournament was called

the ATP Championship, the top eight seeds drew byes. With the new Masters Series format and the draw expanded to 64 players, everybody plays in the first round.

Sampras beat Mariano Zabaleta of Argentina 6-4, 6-2 Tuesday.

"I've never been crazy about a bye because you're playing someone (in the second round) who's used to the court and the balls," Sampras said.

"Your first match out playing someone that's played, I never really liked it. You like it if you win the match. Your body's a little bit fresher."

And Sampras is at the point in his career when he wants to limit his tournaments to stay as fresh as possible.

Sampras won a record 13th Grand Slam at Wimbledon despite tendinitis in his left shin, then withdrew from the Davis Cup. This is his second tournament since then, including a loss in the quarterfinals last week at Toronto.

The tournament lost four more seeds Tuesday — six of 16 in the

first round — including one who withdrew.

Rain delayed the start of the morning matches for two hours, and there was another five-minute rain interruption in the afternoon.

During the first delay and before his match started, 14th-seeded Younes El Aynaoui of Morocco withdrew with inflammation in his left foot. He was replaced by qualifier Andrea Gaudenzi of Italy, who went out and upset Albert Costa of Spain 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

Sixth-seeded Alex Corretja of Spain, who had an 11-match winning streak, was upset by Jonas Bjorkman of Sweden 6-4, 6-4.

Corretja, who is more comfortable on clay courts, found it difficult to adjust to the hard-court surface.

"As a European, I try to play the first tournament that I can on hard court, but I had to stay in Spain and play in the Davis Cup, so I was on clay a little longer," said Corretja, who hadn't played on a hard-court surface since March.

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MERCEDES 1980 450
SEL, looks and runs good,
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OLDSMOBILE 1986 98,
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Car. \$1,000. Call 687-
3567.

CHEVROLET 1992 2500
Silverado, Heavy duty,
4x4 V8- 350, 5.7L red,
extended cab, tow
package, 74K, excellent
condition. \$14,500. 915-
688-5243.

FORD 1985 F250 XLT-
460/ 4 speed, red and
gray, extended cab, long
bed. \$4,200. Call 683-
688-5243.

JEEP 1998 Grand
Cherokee Limited. Fully
loaded, V8, charcoal gray
with leather interior, CD,
sun roof, 60K miles.
\$22,000. 687-6517.

CHEVROLET 1996
Suburban, 4x4, green over
tan exterior/ tan leather,
new tires, rear air
conditioning, 62K
asking \$21,300. 686-1039.

GMC 1990 SIERRA SLX,
4 X 4, Better Hurry! 62K
miles. Loaded. New tires.
Great truck. \$5,500. Call
522-2439.

FORD 1984 Bronco New
engine, new transmission,
Holly carburetor,
Edelbrock high rise,
Headman headers, mags.
\$3,995. 689-2123 after 6
pm.

1981 FREIGHT LINER
Cabeover, 425 HP Cat, 15
speed, \$3,000. 1982
Peterbilt Cabeover, 400 HP,
13 speed, DOT'd, road
ready. \$6,500. 915-683-
6341, 915-570-6285.

1995 CAT D4HXL One
Owner extra clean, 2100
hours, 75% UIC recently
inspected. Cab/ A/C,
Winch, straight blade/ tilt
\$77,500 firm. Contact Don
Montgomery (817)444-
2516 Office, 817-996-2959
Mobile

BUICK 1987 CENTURY
Wagon. 150k, good
condition, needs some
work. \$600. Call 697-2041.

CHEVROLET 1974 Nova-
350 engine, leather seats.
CD player. \$2,500 obo.
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310 General Help Wanted

NEW TODAY
ABC WELL SERVICE now hiring for experienced service technicians and operators. Please call 682-2882 for information.

AMERICA'S #1 Career Opportunity
We need 300 new drivers this month. No experience required. We represent over 40 trucking companies with great pay and benefits. If you want real choices, call today. Tuition assistance available if you need training. CDL Drivers 1-800-994-2886.

APARTMENT MANAGER
needed for the Oasis Apartments. 2700 N. Midland Dr., 694-5950.

BED & Breakfast
Attendant. Free apartment, utilities, salary, bonuses. Hosting, maintenance, marketing. Fax resume to: 570-7250.

BEST TIPS IN TOWN
The Bar, downtown Midland, accepting applications for Waitstaff. Apply in person only, 606 W. Missouri between 8-10 am/2-4pm Monday thru Thursday. No phone calls please.

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 sent 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 attend 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 loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

CASHIER Part Time rotating shifts, nights and weekends. Openings available now. Apply in person, 2500 West Front, Midland.

CHILD CARE needs a full time cook. Must have high school diploma. Please call 520-8888 or apply at 1007 Austin.

CLASS A CDL Driver
5 states Assist in loading and unloading, able to lift 35 pounds. Clean driving record, insurance, 401K, paid vacation. Apply in person at West Texas Dr. Company, 11107 County Road 127 West of 1788 between 1-20 and business 20.

NEW TODAY
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPS, COOKS, DRIVERS
Papa John's Pizza is now hiring for all positions full and part time. Earn \$8-\$12/hour, great benefits, mileage and tips, as a driver. Our employees enjoy flexible schedules, weekly paychecks, a fun environment, potential advancement, pizza discounts, training, 401(k) plan and awards for safe driving. You must be at least 18 and have a reliable car with valid insurance. A good driving record and a positive attitude.

Apply in person at either locations: 4408 W. Loop 250 N. Midland, TX 79709 or 3303 W. Illinois, Midland, TX 79703.

DENNY'S is seeking experienced Cooks and servers. All shifts. Apply within 3701 West Wall.

DISHWASHER Full time or part time. Drug screen required. Call Erika at The Racquet Club, 683-5596.

Domino's Pizza is looking for delivery specialists!!
If you are interested in earning \$8 to \$12 an hour with a very flexible schedule then come and join the #1 pizza delivery company. Domino's Pizza is proud to offer a great employment opportunity. Experienced drivers are a plus and if qualified you can earn extra financial rewards.

This is a great position for retired, semi-retired and homemakers who would like to earn extra money. Please apply at the following locations:

712 W. Scharbauer at A Street 685-3030
3302 W. Illinois at Midland 689-3030
2215 N. Midland Dr. at

Neely 689-3030
EOE Proud to be locally owned and operated!

DRIVER NEEDED CDL required, flatbed, local & statewide delivery. Offsite experience helpful. Reply by Fax: (915) 684-3902.

EARN UNLIMITED
Amount of money just by donating plasma. Call or come by Sera-Tec Plasma Center, 7123 West Scharbauer, Midland, Texas 915-570-6093.

EXPERIENCED COOKS
and waitstaff. Apply in person at 3211 W. Wadley, #24, Murry's Delicatessen.

FOOD SERVER position available. Starting pay \$8 hourly. Apply at the food court at the Midland International Airport between 2 and 4 pm.

310 General Help Wanted

NEW TODAY
CAREER RETAILERS!
Do you enjoy making people happy? Are you enthusiastic, flexible, creative, professional? If you're at home in a retail environment, and you're ready to become a long-term, important part of a respected, quality focused team...

We've got the PERFECT situation for you!
Fax your resume to (915)684-4402
Then call Mike or Cathy at (915)684-0510
- or apply in person at
Occasions Fine Jewelry & Gifts
4610 N. Garfield
Midland, TX 79705
You'll be glad you did!

CLASSIFIED FAX #1
682-6999
Please include the following information:
★ Full name and address
★ Billing phone number
★ Phone number of person placing ad
★ Start date ★ Classification

Faxed ads are subject to normal deadlines. We reserve the right to edit, properly classify or decline any ad.

Pam, Jennifer, Nancy, Emily & Tammy are available to help you with all of your advertising needs.

DRIVERS NEEDED
Sign on bonus for drivers currently in the sand or cement delivery field. Must be at least 21 years old, good driving record, dependable. Excellent pay, employee and family medical insurance.
Silverline Transportation
3938 SCR 1290
(Coors Rd)
915-563-1535

Temporary Full Time Days for Special Sports Ticket Promotion
(Approximately 3 months work.)
Now Paying \$7 to \$9 per hour!
Apply in person only to:
10601 W. County Rd 127
(off 1788)

Career Opportunities for Goal Oriented Achievers to train in Business Development as Customer Sales Professionals. High School Diplomas. No experience. Good writing, speaking, listening skills.
Now Paying \$7 to \$9 per hour!
Apply to:
Outsource Resources
10601 W. County Road 127W
(off 1788)

FULL and PART TIME hair stylist positions are available at Amber-The Salon and Day Spa. Experience preferred and insurance is preferred. Please call Amber at 682-2299.

GYMNASIUMS AND/OR Dance instructor. Experience preferred, not required. Enjoy working with children. Call 697-5918.

MECHANIC Position open at Dotson Nissan Inc. Experience required and must have own tools. Apply in person 3917 W. Wall. Ask for Tony.

MIDLAND COLLEGE Truck Driving Academy is seeking full or part time instructors. Must be able to work a flexible schedule. Please call for appointment. 689-4900, 800-490-4567.

NEW TODAY
MIDLAND CHILD
Care Center now accepting applications for Teachers. Apply at 3701 Andrews Hwy.

NEW IN TOWN? For your FREE "New Resident" Welcome Packet Call Newcomers Unlimited. 570-8045.

HOST/Waitstaff lunches only. Apply at Reuben's Restaurant, 3205 W. Cuthbert.

HOUSEKEEPER Duties include child care (school age), light cooking and cleaning. Send resume with references to 500 N. Big Spring, Midland, TX.

INDUSTRIAL WORKERS needed for various positions, long and short term assignments daily. Must have reliable transportation, home phone and safety equipment. Apply in VIF Employment, 4305 North Garfield, Suite 202A, Monday-Friday 9-4.

NEW TODAY
INSPECTOR/ASSEMBLER
Full time position with a company near Big Spring. No experience required. Training provided. Pay \$6.50-\$8.50 + benefits and advancement opportunity. Must be able to pass a pre-employment drug screen. To apply, come by Manpower at 4000 N. Big Spring, Ste #113.

NEW TODAY
La Bodega Restaurant is taking applications for part time waitstaff positions. Apply in person 2700 North Big Spring.

LADIES CONSIGNMENT Store seeking help! Computer helpful. 12:00pm-6:00pm weekdays and 5:00pm-9:00pm every other Saturday. Nonsmoking environment. 694-8973.

LANDSCAPE/SPRINKLER Installers needed. Full time, must have good driving record. Call 682-1993.

LET'S TALK AVON
part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

LOCAL Radio Station has immediate opening for a part time Board Operator. Please contact Tim Davis (915)570-6670.

NEW TODAY
LOOKING for caring adults to share their hearts, hands and talents with children and teens. Part time, afternoon positions available. Mondays-Fridays, Camp Fire Boys & Girls, 2300 Butternut Lane, EOE.

SALES PEOPLE
Needed: Unlimited earning potential, you can earn \$1,000.00's of dollars in your spare time recruiting plasma donors. You set your own hours. Motivated self starters needed. Experience necessary. Call or come by Sera-Tec Plasma Center, 7123 West Scharbauer, Midland, Texas 915-570-6093. Ask for the manager.

ROUTE DRIVER Needed. Requirements: Clean driving record, highway driving ability, able to do heavy lifting, customer oriented, math aptitude helpful. This is an unlimited income opportunity. Experience preferred but will train the right individual. Apply in person Snowwhite Laundry 303 South Terrell. Or fax resume to 915-682-8032. No phone call please.

VILLAGE EXPRESS Lube is now accepting applications for Lube Technicians. Apply in person at 604 Andrews Hwy. Call 682-4750.

311 Medical Help Wanted
Quality Healthcare begins at Hendrick....
Hendrick is an integral part of the Abilene community, a 525-bed state-of-the-art healthcare complex with up-to-the-minute medical and technological advances. Recent additions include the Vera West Women's Center, specializing in women's health, and the Hendrick Cancer Center, a joint project with MD Anderson that will allow local patients access to excellent oncology care! If you possess the qualifications and skills we are looking for, we would like to make you a part of the Hendrick family!

We are currently looking for the following positions:
Medical Technologist/Medical Laboratory Technicians
Must be able to perform routine and complex laboratory analyses and assumes responsibility for problem solving, systems control, teaching and supervision. Candidates must be MT/MLT (ASCP), and 1-2 years of previous experience is preferred.
RADIOLOGY- \$4,000 sign on bonus
Diagnostic Tech / E-ray Tech
Graduate of an accredited radiography program, currently registered or registry eligible. Two years previous experience in a hospital setting is preferred. Must be able to produce quality radiographs in a timely fashion.
Nuclear Medicine Tech
Graduate of an accredited radiography program, currently registered or registry eligible. Two years previous experience in a hospital setting preferred. Must be NBCTC registered. Must be able to produce quality radiographs in a timely fashion.
Surgery Tech
Must be a graduate of an accredited radiography program, registered or registry eligible. Two years previous hospital experience is preferred.

We offer a salary commensurate with your experience. An excellent benefit package is also available, including a 403(b)-annuity plan with opportunity for employer matching. If you are interested in joining the Hendrick Health System team of professionals, please fax mail or e-mail
Hendrick HEALTH SYSTEM
resumes to:
Hendrick Health System
Attn: Suzi Ohlhuus Human Resources
1242 N. 19th Street
Abilene, TX 79601
Phone: (915) 670-2290
Fax: (915) 670-4417
Sohlhuus@hendrickhealth.org
EOE
Smoke Free/Drug Free Work Environment

Allison Cancer Center of Midland
310 North "N", Midland, TX 79701
& West Texas Center of Odessa
600 North Grant, Odessa, TX 79761
Seeks the following:
♦ Registered Pharmacist - Part Time
♦ Pharmacy Tech - On-Call
♦ Cancer Registrar ART/CTCR Preferred
Interested candidates should submit cover letter and resume with references and note the position you are applying for on the outside of the envelope. Affiliates of Texas Oncology, P.A. are equal opportunity employers.

311 Medical Help Wanted

NEW TODAY
PURCHASING MANAGER
Manufacturer seeks computer proficient individual for degree position. APICS certification is a plus. Manager will negotiate with vendors for best possible prices, troubleshoot problems with vendors, appraise management of purchasing opportunities. Warehouse operations include: inventory control, organization and management, financial management, shrinkage control, F/A, material procurement, shipping/receiving and safety. Must have BA/BS in Business Administration and 3 years experience. Reply in confidence to:
Hiring Manager
Teraco, Inc.
2080 Commerce Drive
Midland, Texas 79703
No telephone calls will be accepted.

NEW TODAY
UTPB
Full or Part Time Lecturer
To teach courses in Photography, Graphic Design and Digital Multimedia beginning August 24, 2000. MFA or M with 18 hours in Art or Mass Communications required. Send letter of application and resume by August 15 to: Dr. Shawn Watson, Department of Humanities and Fine Arts, UT-Permian Basin, 4901 East University Avenue, Odessa, Texas. 79762 or e-mail to watson_s@utpb.edu. UTPB is an AA/EEO Employer.

NEW TODAY
GRAPHIC ARTIST
We are currently seeking a full time graphic artist to join our graphic arts team. The ideal candidate will possess experience in the following programs: QuarkExpress 3.32+, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Freehand.
We are a fast paced advertising department with excellent benefits.
Please send resume to:
Graphic Artist
Box B-1000
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79701

NEW TODAY
CASE MANAGER
Responsible for day-to-day operations of Stay-in-School program at school site, Midland. Bachelor's degree preferable: Minimum Associate degree in social work, psychology, sociology, education or related field.
\$18,000 - \$22,000 + benefits, 10.5 months.
Submit letter of application and resume to:
Communities in School/Permian Basin, Inc.
P.O. Box 60594, Midland, TX 79711

311 Medical Help Wanted
TRINITY HAVEN HEALTHCARE
3203 Sage St.
Is Now hiring
CNA's & LVN's
We are Midland's only family owned and operated Nursing facility
We Offer
♦ Friendly, clean environment
♦ Good starting pay
♦ Benefits
Apply in person or call 683-5403.

NEW TODAY
LABOR READY
Dependable Temporary Labor
NOW HIRING!!
CLASS A CDL DRIVER
(with or without endorsements)
Full and part time
Positions:
Skilled Workers
Mechanics
Electrician Helpers
Construction Workers
EOE No Fees
Apply today!
4200 W. Illinois #240
Midland

NEW TODAY
PORTER Needed. Must be 21 years old and have a good driving record. Apply in person at Dotson Nissan, 3917 W. Wall.

NEW TODAY
PRINT SHOP Delivery and bindery help needed. Experience preferred but will train the right person. Apply in person at xxxxxxx.

PRO SNIPS has immediate openings for hair stylists in Midland. Great pay. Apply in person at 1000 N. Midland 520-9555 or 550-4696 ask for Betty.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour Drive-Through
520-4053 ext. 371

LOCAL MOVING
Company needs experienced furniture movers. (915)553-1464.

REPO PERSON Needed. Must be 21 or older, responsible and self motivated with clean driving record. Apply in person at 3815 South County Road 1285, Odessa, Texas between 8 am and 9 am Monday through Friday, August 7th through 11th only 915-692-8685.

NEW TODAY
RETAIL SALES
is currently looking for a motivated individual to fill a Part Time Inside Sales position. Excellent growth potential for the right person. Must be customer service oriented, like working with people and having good communication skills. Prior retail experience helpful, but not required. We will train qualified candidates. Competitive starting salary, complete benefit package. 401(k) Retirement Plan, paid vacation and sales bonus. Great opportunity for individual looking to start a career with well established, growth oriented Company.
Apply in person.
Contact Kevin Carlile
205 N. Midland
Midland, TX

NEW TODAY
NOW HIRING Waitstaff. The Garlic Press, Oakridge Square-Wadley & Garfield or call 553-9779.

PART TIME Person to work approximately four mornings each week on a route delivering and stocking supermarket shelves. Midland and Odessa. Must have own truck or delivery van and be able to lift 50 pound boxes. Ideal independent contractor who has another grocery store or retiree who wants to stay young. Mail name, telephone and qualifications to Box T1030, Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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312 Professional Help Wanted
CONTRACT ANALYST/LEGAL ASSISTANT
Diversified energy and real estate company has immediate need for individual with solid contract administration experience and familiarity with a variety of legal matters. Corporate legal department or law firm experience required. Please send resume and salary requirements to:
Legal Department,
P.O. Box 1952
Midland, TX 79702

NEW TODAY
ENGINEERING OPERATIONS Manager. Agave Energy Co. is seeking a Wyoming Engineering Operations Manager. To be based in Artesia, NM or Gillette WY. Engineering Degree and a minimum of 10 years experience in oil & gas industry. Knowledge of all aspects of gas gathering. Proficient in MS Word & Excel and excellent written & oral skills. Please send resume to Agave Energy Co., c/o Connie Esquivel, H.R. Manager, P.O. Box 97, Artesia, NM 88211-0097.

NEW TODAY
LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER
We have a current opening for a Licensed Social Worker. Duties include counseling, case management, completing social history, maintaining of social work progress notes, and assisting with discharge planning. Apply in person at Terrace West Nursing Center, 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

MIDLAND ACADEMY Charter School. Has openings for Business Manager, Degree required and a Special Ed Teacher or Instructional Assistant for Special Ed. Send resumes to Midland Academy Charter School, 1900 N. Big Spring Street, Midland, Texas 79705 or call 686-0003.

NEW TODAY
Accounting Manager
needed for independent oil and gas operator. Requirements include full charge bookkeeping, JIB experience, reconciliations and the ability to meet deadlines on a timely basis. Questa software experience a plus. Fax resumes to 686-9449 or mail to P.O. Box 1830, Midland, TX 79702.

CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT
Needed for a new apartment complex under construction in Odessa TX. Must be able to read blue prints & have working knowledge of construction from start-up to punch-list completion. Salary DOE. Send resume with reference to P.O. Box 7043, Waco TX 76714-7043.

PROGRESSIVE COMPANY seeking an experienced property manager for the Midland area. Must be dedicated, professional, able to hire, train and lead staff. Excellent company environment, continuing education opportunities. Above average salary with profit sharing potential. Fax resume to (806)798-0880. All applications strictly confidential.

NEW TODAY
NETWORK SPECIALIST
Full time, permanent position with CPA Firm. Novell knowledge a must. Degree preferred. Salary DOE. To apply, come by Manpower, 4000 N. Big Spring Street, Suite 113 in the EOG Resources or fax resume with cover letter (915)682-3041.

NEW TODAY
AP CLERK
Full-time, permanent position. Must have at least one year recent experience. Excel knowledge a must. Pay \$8/hour. To apply, come by Manpower, 4000 N. Big Spring Street, Suite 113.

NEW TODAY
CLERK- PART TIME
Computer skills a must, bilingual preferred. Apply at Salvation Army, 3500 Park, 697-7264.

Global Personnel Network
Positions Local & Worldwide 686-8360

312 Professional Help Wanted

NEW TODAY
POSITION VACANCY
Region 18 Education Service Center
P.O. Box 60580
Midland, TX 79711-0580
"Equal Opportunity Employer"
Director of Special Populations

♦ Texas Teachers Certificate
♦ Mid-Management Certification
♦ Master's Degree
♦ Minimum of 10 years' experience in public education
♦ Supervisory experience required
♦ Extensive knowledge of Special Populations programs in Texas, including special education, migrant, early childhood, and bilingual/ESL
♦ Responsibilities include providing leadership and supervision to consultants and support staff of the Special Populations component. Additionally, the position requires collaborative planning and implementation of programs and services designed to improve student performance of Special Populations.
♦ 12 month position
♦ Salary based upon education and experience
♦ Travel required

Send resume to Gerold Ritchie, Deputy Executive Director, by August 28, 2000.

314 Clerical Help Wanted
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312 Professional Help Wanted

NEW TODAY
WESTERN NATIONAL BANK
Continues to grow and additional staff is needed in the Credit Department. Must have filing and computer skills and be detail oriented. Previous banking experience preferred. Applications/resumes accepted at:
2700 W. County Road
or fax to: 915-334-5525
EOE, AA.

TERRACE WEST Nursing Center, has current openings for GVN & LVN, RN on Night shift. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

TERRACE WEST Nursing Center, has current openings for CNA's on all shifts. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

312 Professional Help Wanted
WANTED CERTIFIED POLICE OFFICER
For the City of Snyder
MUST HAVE BASIC CERTIFICATION.
Contact local TWC office for an application. Please complete application in full (a resume may be attached, but does not replace application). Beginning salary is \$2,123 and after one year is \$2,253. Good benefits. Closing date for taking applications is 8-21-00.

NEW TODAY
PHLEBOTOMIST Needed. Bilingual preferred. Apply in person at 3107 North Big Spring, Midland.

NEW TODAY
PHYSICIAN OFFICE has opening for full time receptionist. Apply at 3400 Andrews Highway, Midland, (697-0291) or fax resume to Erika at 697-7236.

NEW TODAY
RECEPTIONIST Needed. Must have experience in typing and computer for busy doctor's office. Send resume to 1816 North Midland Drive, Midland, TX 79707.

RN's \$25-\$45 LVN's \$18 to \$36 Medical/Dental/Life/NURSE FINDERS. 550-9399

SADDLERIDGE LODGE Assisted Living, a gracious retirement residence for active seniors in Midland, is seeking LVN's, Certified Medication Aides and CNA's for full and part time positions. If you are courteous, attentive and enjoy being part of a team, please stop by to fill out an employment application, or mail, or fax your resume to: JENNY BEENE, Saddle Ridge Lodge Assisted Living Community, 1808 West Loop 250 North, Midland, Texas 79705. FAX: (915)687-0355, EOE. Assisted Living License #323.

DESSERT WEST Manor "Caring Beyond All Expectations." Come join our team. We feel each staff member is important and needed. New Management. New Wages. Accepting applications for an experienced Cath Lab Tech. RT/RCVT preferred. We are looking for a motivated professional to join our Cath Lab. Excellent salary and benefits. Fax resume Attn: Kathy 580-8363.

THE FUTURE Loretta's Answering Service. Service Windows 95. Telephone secretaries needed. Typing required minimum of 35 words per minute. Must apply in person at 1300 South Midland Dr. Monday through Thursday 10:00-2:00. Friday 10:00-11:30.

THE HOLIDAY INN in Midland is accepting applications experienced Line Cook. Apply at 4300 W. Hwy. 80, Midland.

TIRE INSTALLER Must have high school diploma and good driving record. Excellent benefits including paid vacation, retirement, health insurance and opportunity for advancement. Apply in person. Credit World, 2305 N. Big Spring.

TRANSPORT DRIVERS Needed. Must have CDL license, experience, DOT physical, must pass drug test. Apply in person 1612 East County Rd 115, call 570-7355.

V.I.P. Employment Services 686-9722. Industrial Workers needed. Long short term assignments.

VICTORIAN INN & SUITES
Desk Clerk position available. Experience preferred, but will train right person. Apply in person:
4714 W. Hwy 80

VILLAGE EXPRESS Lube is now accepting applications for Lube Technicians. Apply in person at 604 Andrews Hwy. Call 682-4750.

312 Professional Help Wanted
SAFE PLACE has a Part Time opening for a Children's Activities Facilitator. Must have a High School Diploma or equivalent and experience working with children. Minorities encouraged to apply. Fax resume to: (915)570-5315 or send to: 10315 Andrews Hwy., Suite 310, Midland, Texas 79701. Attention "Avis".

SALAD PREP Cook, full time or part time. Benefits include health, dental, life, 401K and sick pay. Drug screen required. Call the Chef at The Racquet Club, 683-5596.

SEEKING Full time Groundskeeper. Apply within 4400 N. Holiday Hill Rd.

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