



NATION

TWA crash

Mourners leave a Columbia, S.C. church following the funeral of Flight 800 victims; divers bring up overhead bin, another engine./7A



SPORTS

PGA champ

Mark Brooks kisses his new PGA Championship trophy as photographers capture the moment in Louisville./1C

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Belfast march

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Thousands of Catholics marched into the city center on Sunday, meeting no resistance from Protestants to bring a surprisingly orderly weekend to a close in tense Northern Ireland. Story 3A

Gulf War veterans

WASHINGTON — After years of Pentagon denials, a group of veterans of the Persian Gulf War are offering the first compelling evidence that American troops were exposed to Iraqi chemical weapons, and say that nerve gas and other chemical agents have begun to ravage their bodies. And unlike thousands of other Americans who have complained that they suffer from the ailments collectively described as Gulf War syndrome, the men of the 37th can pinpoint the time and place that they believe they were exposed to chemical weapons. Story 7A

Gay court-martial

SAN ANTONIO — After 22 years in the Air Force, Maj. Debra L. Meeks was looking forward to retirement. Her last day was to have been Feb. 28 and she had planned to enroll in cooking school. Her culinary aspirations may have to wait. On Monday, Major Meeks, 41, will face a general court-martial at Lackland Air Force Base here on charges of sodomy and conduct unbecoming an officer. Story 8A

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Utilities blame heat, aging lines for massive outage

Associated Press

Soaring temperatures, sagging power lines and unusually high demand for electricity shared the blame Sunday for an outage that cut power to 4 million customers across the West, one of the most severe in U.S. history.

In all, nine states from Oregon to southern California and as far east as Texas had to deal with outages that began Saturday afternoon, turning traffic lights and movie screens dark, and shutting down amusement park rides.

Even parts of Mexico were affected and the problems weren't resolved until early Sunday.

The second major outage to hit the West in six weeks was a "cascading event," said said Dulcy Mahar of the Bonneville Power Administration in Portland, Ore. "You have a trigger incident and other things happen."

Officials at the Western System Coordinating Council, an industry group of 88 western power companies and marketers, confirmed the outage began in the

Pacific Northwest but said they were still investigating what happened.

Mahar said problems began at 2 p.m., about two hours before widespread outages became evident. Temperatures in the 90s in parts of Oregon and Washington wilted power lines, some of which sagged into trees and shut themselves off. The result was fewer lines carrying an unusually high load of electricity, weakening the Pacific Northwest's power grid.

The weakened grid eventually affect-

ed the four main arteries that send electricity south, shutting down the system near Malin, Ore., near the California border.

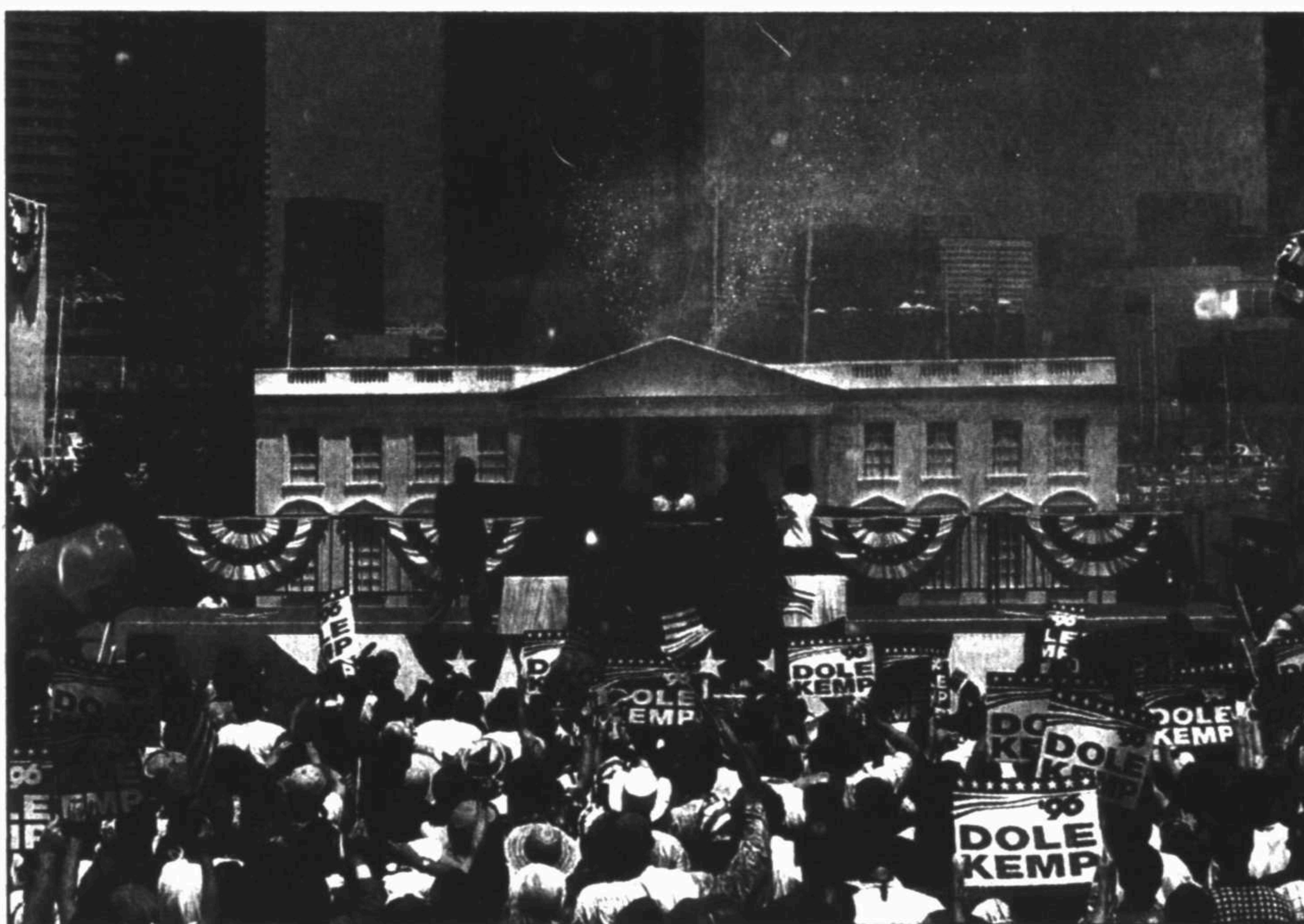
Officials initially blamed the outage on a brush fire that may have burned through power lines near the Oregon-California border, but that was later determined not to be a factor, said Robert Dintelman of the WSCC.

Dintelman also said that Saturday's outage was apparently unrelated to a

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GOP team prepares for kickoff

Dole vows to 'win the Reagan revolution once and for all'



Fireworks explode above a mock White House during a welcoming rally for the presumptive Republican presidential candidate, Bob Dole and running mate Jack Kemp, who arrived in San Diego Sunday for the Republican National Convention.

Presumed presidential candidate calls for party unity on eve of Republican National Convention.

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — After a misty morning visit to his parents' graves, Bob Dole steamed triumphantly into the Republican convention city Sunday to promise a presidency that would cut taxes, balance the budget and "win the Reagan revolution once and for all."

With running mate Jack Kemp in tow, a beaming Dole told a boisterous waterfront welcoming rally the "era of Bill Clinton is about over." Calling Kemp to his side, Dole declared: "My friends, this is your Republican ticket.... Here in San Diego, the real race begins."

Kemp was returning to the city where he played professional football three decades ago, settling into a new role as a backup. He put aside years of rivalry and skepticism and said of Dole: "America needs his leadership to take us in a new direction for the new millennium."

The made-for-TV arrival — complete with a ferry ride across San Diego Bay and a mock White House — was a curtain-raiser for the meticulously scripted week ahead, as Republicans stage a convention critical to their chances of reclaiming the presidency they lost in 1992 and defending the congressional majorities they captured in 1994.

Party unity is the goal of every political convention, and Dole got good news on that front. "It is time for a party truce in the name of Republican victory," Dole

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Lamm, Perot blast GOP, Dems at 1st session of Reform Party convention

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Battling down to the smallest details, Ross Perot and long-shot challenger Richard Lamm vied for convention support Sunday from a Reform Party eager to crack the Republican and Democratic hold on the White House.

"I understand that if we fail to solve our problems, millions of people in our country will be devastated," Perot said in a speech cheered repeatedly by delegates in the party he founded.

In a blast at both major parties, he said the public must "demand an end to negative politics, mean-spirited name calling, and demand that the candidates deal with the issues."

Lamm, who preceded Perot at the podium, agreed with his rival on one fundamental point.

The two major parties are "not part of the solution, they've become a very large part of the prob-

lem," said the former Democratic governor of Colorado, who sharply criticized President Clinton and GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole by turn.

If elected, Lamm said, he would pursue a program of campaign and government reform, immigration reform and "fiscal sanity," including a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution and reform of automatic spending programs like Medicare and Medicaid.

The Perot-Lamm duel, billed as an "electronic convention," was part one of a two-act play hastily set up by Reform Party officials in July.

The Long Beach setting, picked to capitalize on the attention focused on this week's Republican National Convention 90 miles to the south in San Diego, kicks off a call-in primary vote over the next week.

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Richard Lamm, center, listens to producers explain the evening's events for the Reform Party Convention on the stage of the Terrace Theater in Long Beach, Calif., Sunday.

Longtime Midland banker announces his retirement

From Staff Reports

Longtime Midland banker William P. Franklin has announced his retirement as chairman of Norwest Bank Texas-Midland.

"It's time for Kaye and me to begin a new and exciting phase of our lives," Franklin said.

Franklin began his 38-year career with Midland National Bank in 1958 as an assistant trust officer to help in the formation of the bank's Trust Department. He served as the department's manager for nine years before moving to the Commercial Lending Division in 1969. He was subsequently promoted to executive vice president.

He was elected to the bank's board of directors in 1972 and in 1982 he was

named president of the bank. Two years later he became chairman and CEO.

In addition to his banking career, Franklin has been involved in many community and civic organizations. He served as president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the United Way of Midland and the Midland YMCA.

As an active member of the Jaycees early in his career, Franklin was named Outstanding Young Man in 1964 and was recognized as Boss of the Year in 1976.

He currently serves on the boards of



Franklin

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New school ends 160-mile bus commute for Terlingua children

EL PASO (AP) — Claudia Garcia can finally say goodbye to the marathon school trek that devoured her days these past two years.

The inauguration Monday of the first high school in the remote town of Terlingua will allow her to escape the nation's longest school bus ride, a 160-mile round trip through the Big Bend region's desolate deserts.

Now she can look forward to a five-minute commute, a school day that ends well before dusk and, certainly, more rest.

"All the traveling wore us out, getting up and having to spend so much time on the bus, then getting home late," said Claudia, 16, who will be an 11th-grader this year. "Then some of us have jobs or we have chores. It was kind of hard to

manage all of that in one day. Time would go fast."

The trip began as early as 5:30 a.m. for students in Terlingua, 300 miles southeast of El Paso, and other nearby communities, and stretched school days into 12-hour ordeals.

But since the 1960s it had been a necessary evil for those who wanted a diploma. Existing area schools only go up to the eighth grade and the nearest high school is in Alpine, 80 miles north.

A determined community changed all that.

Volunteers from around the area came together last year to seek funding for the sorely needed high school.

The Big Bend Education Corp.'s

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WEATHER WATCH

Forecast calls for mostly sunny

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high between 90 and 95 and northeast winds at 5 to 15, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight will be fair with a low between 65 and 70.

Tuesday is expected to be mostly sunny with a high near 95.

After an overnight low of 67, Sunday's high was 92 compared with the record high for that date of 106 in 1964. The record low for today's date was 60 set in 1931.

STATE

North Texans enjoyed warm weather and clear skies Sunday afternoon, but forecasts call for scattered storms across the state Monday. Temperatures ranged from the middle to upper 70s in the cloudy eastern half of North Texas and stayed in the 80s in southern North Texas Sunday.

Elsewhere across the state, there were showers from south of San Angelo to College Station. At 4 p.m., statewide temperature extremes were 76 degrees in Austin and College Station to 100 degrees in Cotulla.

North Texans can expect thunderstorms Monday and temperatures will dip down into the 60s. High temperatures will range from 88 to 94 degrees.

In South Texas on Sunday, cloudy skies and scattered thunderstorms were noted in portions of the Hill Country. Partly cloudy skies prevailed across the remainder. Rain brought some relief from the steamy Texas afternoon, cooling temperatures to the upper 80s.

Monday's South Texas forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies and a chance of rain. Highs will be in the mid- to upper 90s inland and 90 at the beaches.

West Texas was sunny on Sunday with isolated showers developing through parts of the region. Temperatures ranged from 82 at Guadalupe Pass to 93 at Childress. Wind across the area was measured at 5 to 15 mph.

West Texans can expect showers and thunderstorms Monday night and cloudy skies through Tuesday. Highs for Monday will be in the 80s and 90s.

NATION

The western reaches of North Carolina got soaked with 6 inches of rain Sunday, and rain fell over much of the Plains with heavier showers in southern Louisiana and along the eastern border of Arkansas.

It was dry and calm over the Northeast and much of the West. The rains swamped much of Texas overnight, dumping 2.88 inches in Houston before ending in the morning.

Showers across the central Plains began drifting east later in the day, soaking parts of Texas, Arkansas and Missouri. Flooding was possible as heavy showers blanketed Louisiana.

Scattered afternoon thunderstorms were developing across Kentucky and Tennessee, some threatening to become severe.

Several camp sites were evacuated after flooding in western North Carolina. More showers and thunderstorms could move into northern Georgia and the Carolinas, where up to 2 inches of rain was forecast.

A stationary front over the Southeast could produce scattered showers and thunderstorms.

Except for a few showers and thunderstorms across the Sierra and southern regions of Arizona, the West was calm with near-record temperatures.

The midafternoon high temperature was 104 degrees in Needles, Calif.; the low was 33 in Gunnison, Colo.

OUTAGE: Heat, aging infrastructure blamed for massive power failure

(From 1A)

July 2 outage that also affected much of the West. He said, however, that similarities between the events would be investigated.

Meanwhile, although power was restored to most if not all customers by early Sunday, there were lingering problems.

Los Angeles County senior life-guard Chuck Moore said a 10-mile stretch of beach was closed because of a 6 million-gallon sewage release from the nearby Hyperion Treatment Plant caused by the power failure.

County health officials were testing the water and were to report their results Monday, Moore said. Until the water is deemed safe, posted signs will warn beachgoers to stay out of the water.

San Diego Gas & Electric Co. lost power to nearly half its 1.2 million customers in an area that stretches from southern Orange County to the Mexican border and from the coast to the Arizona state line.

The lights blinked but stayed on at the harborside meeting hall where reporters were gearing up for this week's Republican National Convention. But the outage knocked out traffic lights, snarling traffic as arriving delegates made their way to hotels. All those affected in San Diego had power back by midnight.

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In Irvine, hundreds of disgruntled moviegoers streamed out of a darkened 21-screen Edwards cinema complex, demanding refunds or rain checks.

And at Disneyland, some visitors were evacuated from the park's roller coaster rides, such as Space Mountain, Big Thunder Mountain and the Matterhorn.

"We had regular power resume almost instantaneously," park spokesman Joe Aguirre said. "But it caused certain attractions that use computers and such to shut down."

In Phoenix, the Maricopa Medical Center was regrouping after being forced to route patients to other hospitals after its emergency room lost about 25 percent of its power. At Good Samaritan Medical Center, a major computer system crashed. "Everything's a mess," said one emergency room worker.

But the outage was a boon for some, especially electric generator rental companies, tow-truck operators and ice producers.

"I handled maybe 300 calls in two hours," said Ken Ackerman, owner of ABC Ice House in Laguna Niguel. "People were crazy. I'm exhausted."

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Gov. Bush takes on high profile at convention

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The day began with religious broadcaster Pat Robertson singing the praises of Texas Gov. George W. Bush as a future presidential contender.

"He would make a super president, he really would. We'd just be thrilled to see somebody like that hit the ticket one of these days," Robertson said.

Bush, who said he's happy with his current job, has nevertheless plunged into a whirl of activity that's raising his national profile as the Republican National Convention begins this week.

The in-demand governor chatted with Robertson before each appeared Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Bush followed the broadcast with a practice run of his speech for Monday's opening of the convention, where he is temporary co-chairman; sandwiched in a C-SPAN interview and sessions with

reporters trailing him; then headed out to speak to other states' delegations and attend a fund-raiser.

And, as if he needed more exercise, he made time for a midday run. "I want to run every day and get my conditioning in so I keep a positive outlook on life," he said.

But one thing he's not running for, he said, is a national office. At least not yet.

"I certainly will never rule anything out. But on the other hand, I didn't seek the governorship of Texas to be in a position to seek something else," he said in an interview.

Robertson isn't the only one to suggest Bush is destined for higher office. Texas Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, a Democrat with whom Bush has worked well, also has predicted he'll follow his father to the White house.

The elder Bush, interviewed with his namesake on a taped segment that aired on CBS' "Sunday Morning," said it would be great if one of his sons became president.

"But I'm not like Joe Kennedy sitting there. It's not a dynasty. It's not a legacy," he said.

As for Gov. Bush, he said he's satisfied seeing progress toward his goals for Texas. Last year, the Legislature passed bills giving more control to local schools, overhauling welfare, toughening juvenile justice laws and setting limits on lawsuits.

Although he hadn't held elected office before winning the 1994 election for governor, the national political scene isn't new to Bush.

"When your name is George Bush, and your dad was president, and you're from Texas, you inherit a national profile to begin with," he said.

Still, his profile is rising. His convention speech is his first to a national audience; he's appearing

before the convention each night, and there are the interviews with national reporters.

"I've consciously avoided the national limelight because I want to stay focused on my job as the governor of Texas. I will temporarily abandon that strategy and talk to some of the national big shots — and then retreat quickly thereafter back to Texas after the convention's over," Bush said.

The step into the limelight, he said, is meant to help unify Republicans and help Bob Dole become president.

As for his own political future, Bush said the notion of running for president was "thought-provoking."

"I'm not saying I am. I'm not saying I'm not. But I don't have 'the game plan.' That's not the way I think," he said.

Viewing voters will learn a lot about Dole. The candidate himself reflected Sunday on the long path from Russell, Kan., to the GOP nomination. Before leaving Russell, Dole gave Kemp a tour of the cramped basement where his family lived during the Depression, renting out the upstairs to help make ends meet.

"I wanted him to know it's a long way from here to San Diego," Dole said.

Touring the convention floor, House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas noted he was attending his first national convention so, "you'll excuse me when I'm gawking." Getting inside was no easy task; security was tightened in advance of Dole's arrival.

The official business begins Monday, when delegates will approve a staunchly conservative platform written last week after skirmishes over abortion. In the end, the document maintained the party's support for a constitutional amendment banning abortion. Supporters of abortion rights were allowed to register dissenting views in an appendix, and were already talking about challenging the anti-abortion plank at the next GOP convention.

Other opening-day highlights: a video tribute to former President Reagan, and a speech by retired Gen. Colin Powell.

Kemp and Dole will close the show Thursday night, which also features a seven-minute video focusing on Dole's heartland upbringing, part of his campaign's effort to redefine a man known to most voters for his 35 years in Congress.

For Kemp, the step off the Dole campaign plane was a step back onto center stage in national politics, after several self-described "wilderness years." At the rally, he joked that his driver had asked him, "Didn't you used to be Jack Kemp?"

The 61-year-old former New York congressman and housing secretary was in a role Dole played two decades ago, when he was Gerald Ford's vice presidential partner. "It really feels great to win a silver medal in presidential politics, 1996," Kemp said. Football metaphors were in abundance, and Kemp used one to make clear he was ready to be a loyal Dole deputy.

"Bob, you are the quarterback and I am your blocker and we're going all the way," he said.

Setting the tone for the GOP gathering, Kemp promised he and Dole would wage a positive, energetic "campaign to help give America a new birth of freedom."

"The nation will see over the next four or five or six days

and Lamm, whose candidacy was once welcomed by Perot. But the founder and benefactor of the Reform Party announced his own candidacy just 24 hours after Lamm got into the race on July 9.

Since that time, Lamm, his supporters and other party members have become increasingly critical of Perot's hold on the party, including his control over party membership lists and balloting.

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Thousands of Catholics march peacefully in Belfast

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Thousands of Catholics marched into the city center on Sunday, meeting no resistance from Protestants to bring a surprisingly orderly weekend to a close in tense Northern Ireland.

On Saturday, a potentially explosive march by the Apprentice Boys in Londonderry took place without serious clashes when the Protestant fraternal order chose not to defy police barricades keeping them away from a Catholic neighborhood.

Police fired plastic bullets to disperse young Catholics throwing gasoline bombs in Londonderry on Saturday night. In Dunloy, a Catholic village 35 miles east of Londonderry, police broke up a standoff Saturday night between residents and returning busloads of Apprentice Boys.

On Sunday, a standoff between Protestant marchers and Catholic protesters clogged Bellaghy, a village in the center of the British-ruled province.

But after the week of widespread violence last month that was provoked by a contested

march, the few incidents this weekend were a big relief.

Sectarian tensions exploded across the province in July when police first barred, then allowed, members of another Protestant fraternal group, the Orange Order, to march through a Catholic neighborhood of Portadown.

Referring to the compromise in Londonderry, Sinn Fein president Gerry Adams told Catholic marchers outside Belfast's city hall:

"We have managed to avert what could have been a huge crisis... but we have to look behind this and get the peace process back on the road."

All-party peace talks which began in June have been adjourned until next month. Sinn Fein has been excluded from the negotiations because its allies in the Irish Republican Army ended their cease-fire in February.

The IRA has since detonated bombs in London and Manchester, killing two people, injuring hundreds and causing hundreds of millions of dollars in damage.

Sunday's march, organized by Sinn Fein,

marked the 25th anniversary of one of the most emotive episodes in Northern Ireland's history — the internment without trial of hundreds of Catholics suspected of terrorist activities.

The policy, initiated in 1971 by the Protestant-dominated provincial government that was abolished the next year, was intended to suppress the IRA. The British government ended the policy in 1975.

Sunday's march began in Belfast's Andersonstown area of west Belfast where 1,000 people set out shortly after noon. More joined on the way to the rally, where police estimated more than 3,000 people gathered under sunny skies.

The police reported some minor incidents. In one area of north Belfast, Protestants expecting the Catholics to march through their area set up barricades. Police sealed off roads leading into the area.

There was a heavy police presence and helicopters flew overhead. Royal Ulster Constabulary jeeps followed the main march into the city center.

Wealth doesn't rate highest when women seek men, study finds

TORONTO (AP) — In findings that should cheer up men who aren't rich and anybody who loves a sappy romance story, it turns out the Beatles were right: Guys, money can't buy you love.

When college women chose among hypothetical men to date or marry, the attractiveness of big bucks ranked behind things like honesty, good looks and having time for family life.

That emphasizes how misleading a popular misconception is of a longstanding evolutionary theory about what attracts men and women to each other, said researcher Michael Cunningham of the University of Louisville in Kentucky.

The theory says men look for physical attractiveness more than women do, while women seek financial resources in a mate. In the popular mind, Cunningham said, that's been boiled down to, "Men check out

women for their figure, and women check out men for their wallet."

The new finding emphasizes that while women may find financial resources more important than men do, that's not the top draw, Cunningham said. He spoke Sunday at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association during a symposium on what attracts women to men.

Cunningham presented results from three experiments done with college women and men.

In one, 118 women chose between hypothetical men to date or marry. The men were assigned various combinations of three traits: he would either get \$20,000 a year from a job or \$200,000 a year from his parents' winnings in a sweepstakes, he was honest or not, and he was low, medium or high on dominance and competitiveness in tennis.

The top choice was the guy with

more money, honesty and medium dominance. But money didn't do any good by itself. It only helped if the guy was honest too.

In the second study, with 52 men and 54 women, participants chose between three possible people for dates or mates. Photographs showed that the person was either physically attractive or not, and biographies showed the person was either a millionaire or "barely scraping by," and had either a good personality or a bad one.

"It's basically nice guy versus jerk," Cunningham said.

When women were asked to choose a mate with one good trait and two bad ones, half picked the guy with the good personality but low financial status and low physical attractiveness. Twenty-nine percent chose physical attractiveness as the sole selling point, and only 21 percent took wealth.

The third study had 103 women. They were asked to choose among four guys: a handsome rogue who cheated on his partners; an average-looking guy who was loyal, helpful and eager to please; a rich surgeon with little time for his wife or kids, and a \$20,000-a-year high-school teacher who loved kids and had lots of time for family life.

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By Hrvolje Hranje
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NGORONGORO
A late starter in Africa's race to attract tourists, the park is now a hot spot for wildlife and tourists. But taking a cue from neighboring Kenya, the park is going after the market for "environmental" tourists. Earning hard currency comes first, says Mkipa. So the park is calling for "environmental" tourists.

The Aga Khan, one of Africa's richest men, has opened hotels under a \$32.5 million contract.

One of his resorts is the Ngorongoro.

Within the steep extinct volcano, tourists browse on acacia trees, flamingos turn heads of Cape buffalo for pictures.

The government way.

"We will not let money obscure our commitment to conservation," Mkipa said when inaugurated three years ago.

Russian control

MOSCOW (NYT) — The most violent days of war in the secessionist Chechnya, Russia, are over, but it is not clear when the Russian government will regain control of the region.

Television showed flames on Sunday as bodies of dozens of soldiers lay where muddy streets were once a refuge for many refugees in the city.

President Boris Yeltsin called a meeting of his top advisers in the Kremlin and then security adviser, to the region for a meeting.

"Radical measures taken to settle the conflict," Prime Minister Yel'tsin said after the president ordered the military to find the cause of the "successful" rebellion, which began last Tuesday.

"We will proceed with emergency in Chechnya," what we need, Yel'tsin said, although it was not clear how it could affect the conflict.

The war on Sunday reached an appalling level in Moscow, Russia, long known for its long history of military prowess. At least 200 soldiers were killed, more than 800 wounded, since the offensive began last week, began after the first eight days of war, Russian leaders lost no more than 100 soldiers. Nobody knows the exact number of Russian soldiers fighting this past week, but estimates, at least, are mainly civilians, the war began.

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Tanzania ready for big money tourism, but says ecology comes first

By Hrvoje Hranjski
Associated Press

NGORONGORO CRATER, Tanzania — A late starter in Africa's highly competitive race to attract tourists, Tanzania has plenty of wildlife and unspoiled nature to offer. But taking a cue from the mistakes of neighboring Kenya, the East African nation is going after the market in a different way. Earning hard currency is important, but nature comes first, President Benjamin Mkapa says. So Tanzania enacted rules calling for "environmentally friendly" resorts.

The Aga Khan, a major investor in East Africa's tourism industry and one of the world's richest men, became the first to open hotels under the rules with an investment of \$32.5 million in three resorts.

One of his resorts is perched on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater.

Within the steep walls of the crater of the extinct volcano, lions roam, giraffes browse on acacia trees, thousands of flamingos turn Lake Magadi pink and herds of Cape buffalo stand as though posing for pictures.

The government wants it to stay that way.

"We will not let our short-term needs for money obscure our long-term commitment to conservation and preservation," Mkapa said when he and the Aga Khan inaugurated three hotels in June.

The World Bank, Commonwealth Development Corp. and Tanzania's National Provident Fund also invested in the resorts.

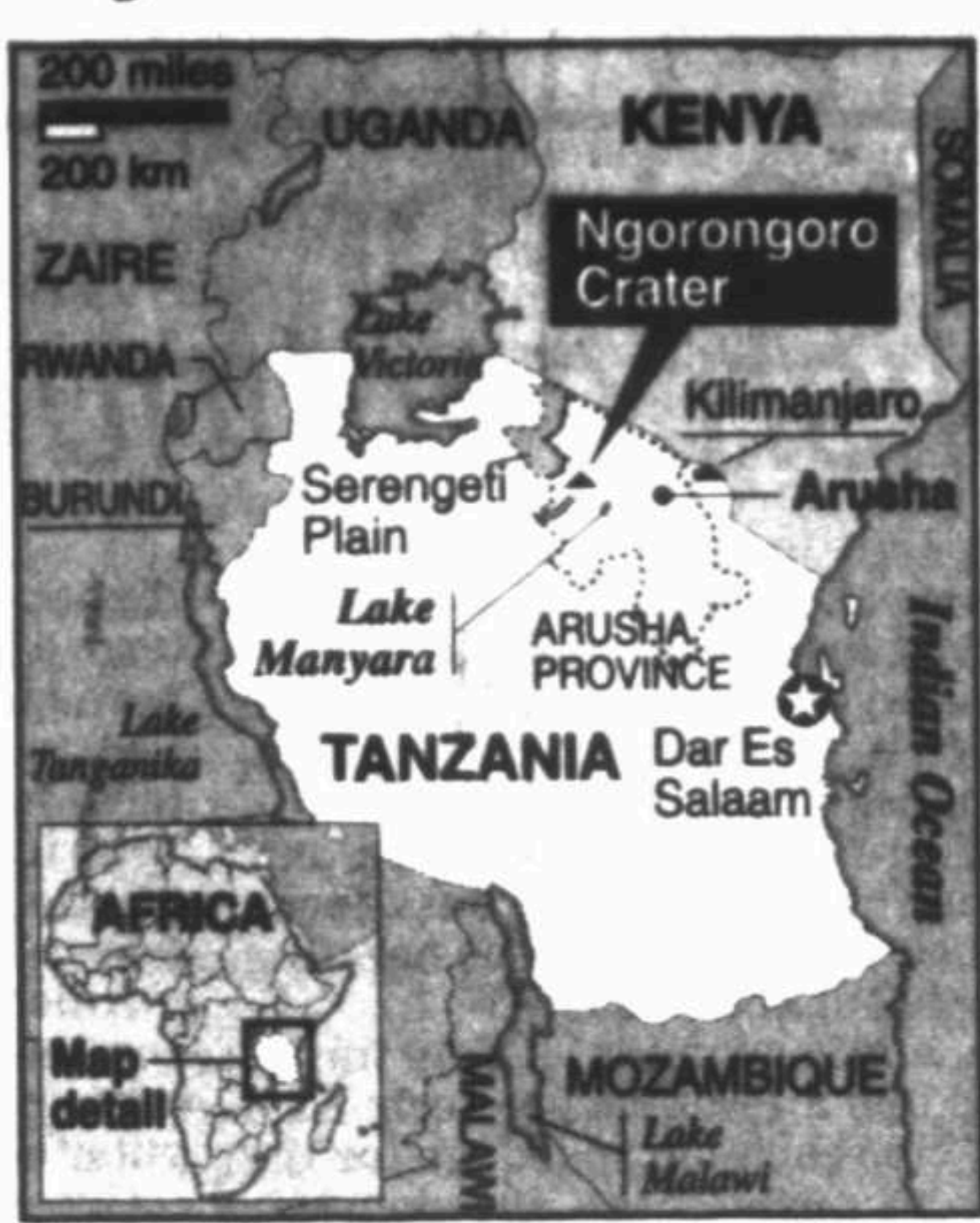
Mkapa acknowledged Tanzania was late in exploiting its tourism potential. But he said the country had managed to preserve its national heritage, "while others have overexploited and... overcommercialized their natural resources with negative environmental impact."

The reference was obviously to Kenya. Long the leader in sun and safari tourism in Africa, Kenya's dilapidated infrastructure and tourist hordes — dozens of minivans circling a lonely lion — have resulted in a decline of up to 30 percent in the number of visitors over the past several years.

"I am informed that consumers are now searching for new and unspoiled destinations," Mkapa said, "and we have the advantage of being able to learn from the experience of others and, therefore, avoid costly mistakes."

He said Tanzania wants no more than 500,000 visitors a year. He said the recent rise in tourism of 15 percent to 20 percent a year — the country's fastest growing economic sector — can be maintained or even increased with cooperation from tour operators and hotels.

The Tanzania Tourist Board says a record 293,834 foreigners visited the country in 1995 and spent \$258 million. The board is expecting about 326,000 tourists this year, accounting for \$372 million in revenue.



Each of the three resorts built by the Aga Khan's Serena Group — on the Ngorongoro Crater, in the middle of the Serengeti Plains and at Lake Manyara — went through four environmental impact assessments before the government gave the green light, said Ahyd Karmali, an independent environmental expert familiar with the project.

"There are few places where impacts on

environment and local culture have been minimized like here," he said.

The initial site for the Ngorongoro lodge, a stone construction covered with vines, was moved 6 feet to accommodate a fig tree.

Plans to install bathtubs, a swimming pool and water slide were dropped after the area's Maasai people objected to the hotel pumping water from a nearby spring. Guests will get by with showers fed by a rooftop rainwater collection system.

A diesel generator, necessary to produce electricity in the remote site, is housed in a double-skinned shed to reduce noise and fumes. Solar panels produce hot water.

The second lodge is in the middle of the Serengeti, an area crisscrossed by wildebeest, Thompson's gazelles, zebra and antelope gathering for the annual migration.

The hotel is a cluster of huts arranged like a Maasai village — with five-star luxury inside. And there is no fence to keep animals away.

"You just stay indoors if you hear lions drinking water at our pool outside," said the manager, Mugo Maringa.

After winning independence from Britain in 1961, Tanzania struggled through decades of experiments in radical socialism that brought it to the brink of economic collapse.

Mkapa's pragmatic government

emerged from the country's first multi-party elections last October, with international financial institutions demanding economic reforms.

Poor in natural resources, Tanzania is banking on its natural beauty and beasts to bring income.

Annual revenue from the three hotels is projected at \$23.3 million by 1999. But it will take more than the three lodges to convince the discerning that Tanzania should be their next destination.

Battered roads, outdated infrastructure, bureaucratic delays at the airports and poor promotion abroad will all have to change if the government's expectations are to come true.

In the spring, Air France dealt a blow to tour operators by unexpectedly canceling its twice-weekly flights from Paris to Kilimanjaro airport in Arusha, the jumping-off point in northern Tanzania for trips to the Serengeti. The airline had been flying in about 300 visitors a week.

Tour companies say the entry of the private French carrier, Corsair, which opened once-a-week flights on the same route July 4, could fill the gap.

"Tanzania must be competitive in terms of product and service, as a matter of life and death," Mkapa said. "Because we have already identified tourism as the No. 1 foreign exchange earner by the year 2000."

Russian troops unable to regain control of Grozny from rebels

MOSCOW (NYT) — On one of the most violent days of the 20-month war in the secessionist republic of Chechnya, Russian troops fought desperately but in vain on Sunday to regain control of the regional capital, Grozny.

Television showed a city in flames on Sunday evening as the bodies of dozens of young Russian soldiers lay where they fell in the muddy streets. Thousands of refugees — many dragging their possessions in the sweltering heat — fled the city on foot.

President Boris Yeltsin convened a meeting of his top advisers in the Kremlin and then sent his national security adviser, Alexander Lebed, to the region for consultations.

"Radical measures must now be taken to settle this problem," said Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin after the meeting. The president ordered Chernomyrdin to find the cause of the "gross miscalculations" that led to the successful rebel offensive, which began last Tuesday.

"We will proclaim a state of emergency in Chechnya if that is what we need to do," Chernomyrdin said after the meeting, although it was unclear how that could affect the fighting there.

The war on Sunday appeared to reach an appalling new low for Moscow. Russian military officials, long known for presenting low estimates of their losses, said that at least 200 soldiers had died and more than 800 had been wounded since the offensive, timed to coincide with Yeltsin's inauguration last week, began. By comparison, after the first eight months of the war, Russian leaders said they had lost no more than 1,000 servicemen. Nobody knows how many separatists and civilians have died in the fighting this past week. By most estimates, at least 30,000 people, mainly civilians, have died since the war began.

The pace and character of the conflict — after months of quasi-

peace followed by fierce Russian bombing raids and rebel counterattacks — has again attained the sustained viciousness with which it began.

After dozens of truces and many attempts at peace including a pledge by Yeltsin to end the fighting, the war still remains visibly impossible to resolve: the rebels are fighting for the independence of Chechnya, one of the many republics of the Russian federation. Russian leaders say that Chechnya can never be anything but a part of Russia. It is a battle that has been waged with different levels of intensity for more than 300 years, when Russia first rolled across the Caucasus and colonized the region.

"We have to finally determine who we are dealing with on the other side and what they want," said Emil Pain, Yeltsin's adviser for ethnic affairs. "I am not talking about mercenaries. The majority of those who are fighting are fighting for Chechnya and if we don't find out why they are willing to side with the militants we will never be able to solve this problem."

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Caution needed at school's start

Believe it or not thousands of Midland youths head back to the classrooms today and Greenwood students begin classes Tuesday, ready or not.

That fall ritual, in the memory of many who attended school in decades past, is starting well before summer has ended, but nonetheless once school has begun, the crisp days of fall cannot be far off.

With that in mind, it's particularly important for motorists in Midland and Greenwood this week to be aware of the fact that youngsters will be back on the streets either walking or riding bicycles to school. The streets will be crowded and in the rush to get to school or work, accidents are likely to occur.

The possibility of accidents can be significant-

ly reduced if Midlanders — including youngsters — will be cautious in driving or traveling to school. Additionally, youngsters should be extra cautious when crossing streets or maneuvering around schools.

Some changes have been made to various school zones and crosswalks and motorists should be particularly mindful of both the posted speed limits and the location of crosswalks.

Accidents can be avoided, in most instances, if Midlanders will only take a little extra care in traveling to school or work during the first days of this school year, a particularly risky time for accidents to occur.

Let's make it a safe start to this school year!

ANOTHER VIEW

FEC lawsuit, warning on election law needed

The Federal Election Commission's lawsuit against the Christian Coalition is a welcome enforcement of the federal election law requiring reporting of political expenditures. At the same time, a warning by the Internal Revenue Service that charities are prohibited from participating in partisan politics is another welcome step.

The FEC's civil suit charged that the Christian Coalition had spent thousands of dollars promoting the candidacies of figures such as former President George Bush, Sen. Jesse Helms, Senate candidate Oliver North and House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Election law requires that contributions to and expenditures on behalf of candidates be reported. The Christian Coalition asserted it was exempt from reporting where its money comes from or where it goes because of all its activity is educational and non-partisan. The truth of that assertion will be a central issue in the

FEC suit.

The IRS, meanwhile, warned groups exempt from taxes under section 501(c)(3) that they are barred from participating or intervening — directly or indirectly — in political campaigns.

Tax-exempt groups — that would include business organizations and environmental advocacy organizations, as well as the more garden-variety human service charities — are prohibited from mixing political activity with immunity from federal income tax.

These prohibitions aren't to prevent citizens from organizing to participate in the political process. It's just that they can't do it tax-free and without following the reporting requirements set in law.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, August 12, the 225th day of 1996. There are 141 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On August 12, 1851, Isaac Singer was granted a patent on his sewing machine.

On this date: In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton.

In 1898, the peace protocol ending the Spanish-American War was signed.

In 1898, Hawaii was formally annexed to the United States.

In 1915, the novel "Of Human Bondage," by William Somerset Maugham, was first published.

In 1944, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, was killed with his co-pilot when their explosives-laden Navy plane blew up over England.

In 1953, the Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

In 1960, the first balloon satellite — the Echo 1 — was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral.

In 1962, one day after launching Andrian Nikolayev into orbit, the Soviet Union also sent up cosmonaut Pavel Popovich; both men

landed safely August 15.

In 1972, the last American combat ground troops left Vietnam.

In 1977, the space shuttle Enterprise passed its first solo flight test by taking off atop a Boeing 747, separating, and then touching down in California's Mojave Desert.

In 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people.

In 1994, Woodstock '94 opened in Saugerties, N.Y.

Ten years ago: NASA announced it had selected a new rocket design for the space shuttle aimed at correcting the flaws believed responsible for the Challenger disaster.

Five years ago: A letter from Lebanese kidnappers was made public; it offered to trade the release of Western hostages for the freedom of "all detainees" worldwide. The National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., began hosting a two-day reunion of former Negro League players.

One year ago: In a methodical, daylong procession, Republican presidential candidates courted Ross Perot's followers at a United We Stand America conference in Dallas.

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English continues to paint word pictures

Colors speak all languages," wrote the essayist Joseph Addison in 1712. Given today's explosion of colorful coinages, Addison might well have added, "especially English."

From purple prose to brown-bagging, our language has long been color-conscious. Nowadays, though, neologisms seem to be creating a much more vibrant vocabulary.

Take redline, a 1952 noun for "safety limit" that has shifted into a 1990s racing verb. As a verb, it means "to reach top speed, go for the maximum," from pushing the speedometer needle up to its red line. (Like many color terms, redline has more than one meaning, including a 1960s sense of "to discriminate, mark off-limits.")

Equally colorful is yellow zone, the area of questionable behavior that may lead to charges of sexual harassment. In a 1993 New York Times article, Maureen Dowd explained the Navy's traffic-light analogy for harassment cases: "The yellow zone (slow down to stop) includes 'whistling,' 'unwanted poems,' 'violating 'personal' space,' and 'questions about personal life.'"

Professor Robert L. Chapman, the slanguist who recently revised Roget's Thesaurus, points to the widespread use of color in sports terms, from red zone (football's danger zone near the goal line) to blue-collar ballet (a slang synonym for professional wrestling).

Making a colorful comeback is blue sky. This century-old modifier, often hyphenated, appears in Richard Weiner's newly revised Webster's New World Dictionary of Media and Communications, where it's defined as "describing worthless, extreme, far-out thinking." (Weiner points out that red zone is also an area of flashing red lights outside a studio while filming is in progress.)

Black and white terms have also been proliferating. Anne H. Soukhanov, the author of "Word Watch," offers black mayonnaise, a 1970s term from fishers and oceanographers for "toxic sludge found on the bottoms of harbors, bays, oceans, and seas, formed of undecayed sediment, sewerage, and petrochemical waste, often extending for miles."

She is also tracking white knuckler, from the anxiety associated with commuter airline

flights, and white coat hypertension, a 1980s term for temporary elevation of blood pressure perhaps caused by fear of seeing the doctor. Constant whitewater, she points out, is a 1992 term for "the unremitting turmoil that characterizes today's corporate life" and has no relation to any financial dealings by the Clintons.

Among color compounds, the most frequent combining form is green, representing environmental awareness. A green P.C. is a computer designed to save energy.

Greenlock, based on the 1980 gridlock, first served as a term for crowded golf courses, then was extended in the '90s to the traffic jams caused by tourists in national parks and forests.

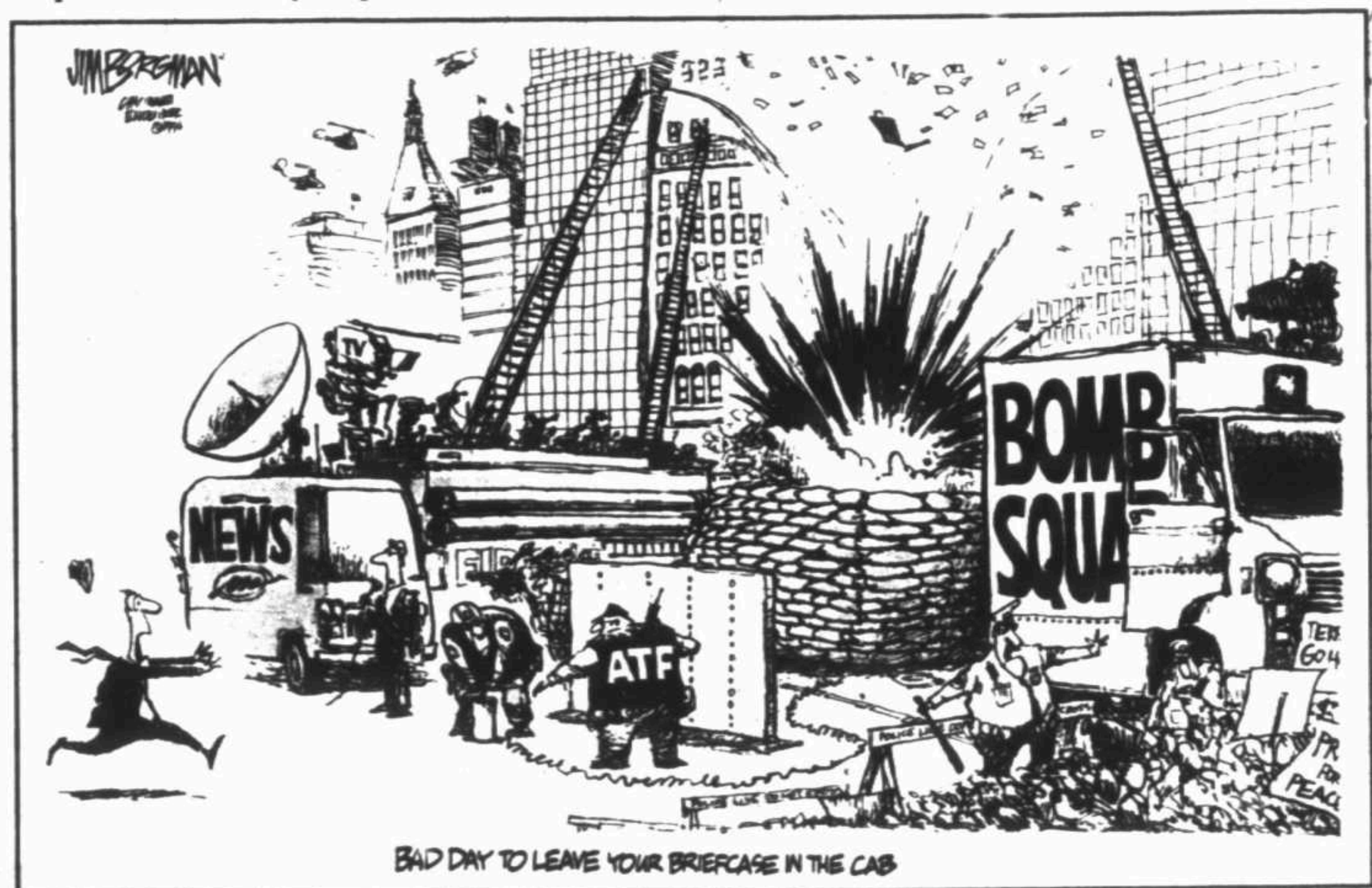
Green, however, takes a different shade of meaning in green alert. That phrase, popular among roller coaster operators, is slang for identifying any riders who appear to have looped one too many loops.

Why has rainbow rhetoric become so popular? Professor Chapman offers this color commentary: "Color terms abound and are increasing in number. We have them because color is one of our primary symbolic elements, almost as deep in language as the parts of speech."

"Shirley You Remember Me" was the headline on a recent Washington Post feature, playing on the name Shirley and the similar-sounding adverb surely.

Other substitutions of homophones, though, are less sound, and mondegreens — misheard words — often result. These errors have long plagued song lyrics, from the mistaken weather report in Handel's "He shall rain forever and ever" (the word is "reign") to the Beatles' hit "Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds," sometimes rendered "Lucy in Disguise With Diamonds."

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MIKE ROYKO

Time will tell if welfare reform numbers add up

Try to imagine the nightmarish sight of more than 1 million sad-eyed children — hungry, cold, sick, lonely — all sobbing at the same time.



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It is not a pretty image. But it is one that this country is going to have to face as a result of President Clinton's promise to sign a bill that will change "welfare as we know it."

At least that is what opponents of the welfare changes insist will happen.

These alleged experts say that as a result of the new, tougher welfare law, 1.2 million American children will be flung into poverty.

That's a huge number of children. It is more than the population of all but a few major American cities.

This figure — 1.2 million children heading toward a life of misery — has become accepted wisdom in the welfare debate.

I've already seen it cited in dozens of stories and commentaries.

If a computer search of the nation's media were done, it would probably turn up hundreds or thousands of times.

And if true, it is a heartless thing for Congress and President Clinton to do to 1.2 million defenseless kids.

But what I don't understand is how anyone can be certain about something like that.

How can these experts be sure it is true? How do they know it won't be 1.4 million. Or 900,000.

Or 2,365. Or 317.

Not that I doubt the findings, since the figure came out of some kind of think tank, where bright people ponder stacks of stats, charts and other data, then make significant pronouncements.

But there are all kinds of think tanks — liberal, conservative and in-between.

And depending on their political agenda, some peer at the sky and see dark clouds while others see sunshine.

For example, these 1.2 million children who are headed for poverty.

Are they now living comfortable, well-fed lives, with dotting family members? Or are they already teetering on the brink of poverty, needing only Clinton's signature on the welfare bill to push them into the bottomless pit of misery?

If so, it is hard to believe that a liberal Democratic president would, with one swipe of his pen, cause so much instant grief.

Or are they children who have not yet been born?

If so, how can anyone, even experts, know that they will be born? Have they gone around and asked 1.2 million women: "Ma'am, are you planning on soon having a child that you can't support?"

Well, if they have asked this question and 1.2 million women responded: "Yes, by all means, I am determined to bring a child into a life of poverty," then they should do these women a favor and tell them that it isn't a good idea.

They could also tell it to the young men involved in the process, but experience shows that once they have satisfied their lust, young men just don't give a hoot.

Since I'm not an expert and statistics give me a migraine, my guess is that nobody knows what the effect of the new welfare law will be.

The biggest of all welfare problems is

unmarried, uneducated, unemployable young women having illegitimate kids. This leads to generational welfare and more illiterate and crime-prone young people having kids of their own.

So maybe the prospect of a time limit on welfare payments will discourage some of them from having kids and the illegitimate birth rate will decline, which would be wonderful.

If that happens, many liberals will grind their teeth and be upset because it will prove some of their social theories wrong.

On the other hand, maybe tougher welfare limits won't have any effect on the illegitimate birth rate.

In which case, it will prove that the conservatives were wrong in their social theories. Not that they'll care.

Maybe some of the women who now prefer welfare to low-paying jobs will take jobs serving up hamburgers and fries and find themselves filled with pride and an eagerness to learn how to write the next generation of computer software.

Then conservatives can say: "See, I told you so."

Or maybe these women will say: "I got three kids, and one on the way, so who's going to watch them while I'm serving up hamburgers and fries?"

Which is a good question, and one that Newt and Bill haven't answered.

So my final guess on the changes in welfare is that one of three things is sure to happen:

1. Things will get better.
2. Things will get worse.
3. Things won't change much.

And you can count on it.

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CHARLEY REESE

Federal courts rule on much more than Constitution

The bigwigs at the American Bar Association think that we common folk in American just don't understand the Constitution, which is why we are critical of federal judges.

I say it is the federal judges, or most of them, who don't understand the Constitution and their duty to interpret it as it was written.

Take, for example, the 1962 Supreme Court decision that said that state-sponsored nondenominational prayer in public schools was a violation of the First Amendment.

Now, the First Amendment was ratified and went into effect in 1791 and remains unchanged by amendment. Isn't it strange then that all the Supreme Court justices for 171 years who read that amendment never saw anything in it that prohibited prayer in a public school? Or that prohibited a school system from mandating public prayer?

During that 171 years, we had some pretty smart guys on the Supreme Court (sorry, feminists, there were no women appointed until that president you hated, Ronald Reagan, named Sandra Day O'Connor). Yet, smart as they were, they thought school prayer was constitutional.

So what happened in 1962? Well, the plain answer is that the Supreme Court made a political, not a constitutional, decision and banned state-sponsored prayer. Federal judges, including Supreme Court judges, are political patronage appointments. They are not Gods.

Whether they apply the Constitution as it was written or merely use it as an excuse to legislate their own personal political agendas is a roll of the dice. Several have remained on the bench well into their senility. Many are nothing more than political hacks.

I do agree, however, that many Americans do not understand the Constitution, thanks in part to the American Bar Association and its members. Americans have been sold this phony baloney that the Constitution is some sort of mystical, ever-changing document that only the priesthood of the bar can understand.

Heck, it's nothing more than a contract.

It is a contract between sovereign states and a confederated government. Most of it is devoted to saying which governments do what. It was never intended to be an all-purpose piece of legislation that would decide if cities could prohibit bums from sleeping in public parks, if schools could require students to wear decent clothing or any of the other minor questions of life that are routinely decreed by the federal judiciary in the name of the Constitution.

The American people are victims of a sly counterrevolution by which the power to govern themselves has been shifted to the federal judiciary that has usurped its power. Thomas Jefferson warned that this would happen, and

he was dead right.

Three members of the school board in Cleveland recently wrote a letter, which I understand the Cleveland paper declined to print, in which they publicly apologized to the taxpayers. The gist of their letter was that while they were elected to administer the school district, they have no power to make any decisions. Between federal court orders, federal mandates and state mandates, there is nothing left for them to do except be figureheads.

This is a serious problem, folks. You do not live in a free society if the decisions of your elected officials are subject to veto by political patronage characters appointed for life and answerable to no one.

Furthermore, there is a solution to this problem. The Constitution does not say that the Supreme Court may be the final arbiter as to what is constitutional or not. Chief Justice John Marshall simply assumed that power.

But the Constitution does say this about the Supreme Court's appellate jurisdiction: "... the Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction, both as to law and fact, with such exceptions and under such regulations as the Congress shall make."

It's time to curb the jurisdiction of the federal courts.

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Gulf War veterans link medical problems to Iraqi bunker

WASHINGTON (NYT) — After years of Pentagon denials, a group of veterans of the Persian Gulf War are offering the first compelling evidence that American troops were exposed to Iraqi chemical weapons, and say that nerve gas and other chemical agents have begun to ravage their bodies.

The soldiers and former soldiers were members of the 37th Engineer Battalion of the U.S. Army. And unlike thousands of other Americans who have complained that they suffer from the ailments collectively described as gulf war syndrome, the men of the 37th can pinpoint the time and place that they believe they were exposed to chemical weapons: 2:05 p.m. on March 4, 1991, when the battalion blew up 33 Iraqi bunkers in the southern Iraqi desert.

The Pentagon acknowledged this summer — more than five years after the end of the war, more than four years after the United Nations made the first evidence public — that one of the concrete bunkers probably contained shells containing sarin, a deadly nerve agent, and mustard gas, a blister agent that can burn flesh. The bunkers were destroyed to keep the Iraqis from re-arming immediately after the war.

Defense Department officials say their initial review of the medical records of the battalion offers no evidence of an unusual pattern of health problems among these soldiers. While it concedes that chemical weapons were probably at the arsenal, the Pentagon has said that it still has no clinical evi-

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dence that the soldiers were exposed.

But the veterans of the 37th tell a different story. Many say they are sick. In interviews with 37 of the nearly 150 battalion members who were reported in the vicinity of the arsenal at the time of the explosion, 27 said they had suffered serious health problems since the war.

Their ailments, they said, include mysterious infections and rashes, serious gastrointestinal problems, fierce headaches and constant fatigue. Many have been hospitalized for unexplained ailments; some have had surgery.

"We just want to know what's wrong with us," said Christian Tullius, a veteran of the 37th from Copperas Cove, Texas, who left the Army only last month.

"We were paratroopers — elite troops, in great shape — and now we're all sick as dogs," said Tullius, 28, who has been operated on nine times for intestinal ailments since the war and had much of the muscle wall around his stomach removed.

So far, medical experts have not been able to determine a cause for the reports of illness, and have disagreed over whether the syndrome in fact has a medical basis. More than 60,000 gulf war veterans

have asked for special government health screenings to determine if they suffer from ailments related to the war.

The accounts given by members of the 37th, however, have raised concerns about the credibility of the Defense Department, which until recently insisted it had no evidence that Americans might have been exposed to Iraqi chemical or biological weapons. There is the possibility that tens of thousands of other soldiers downwind from the explosion were exposed as well.

An investigation of the incident at the Kamisiyah arsenal, including interviews with officials at the Pentagon and a review of classified Army reports on the explosion, has shown several things:

■ The Pentagon paid little, if any, attention to early reports that chemical agents might have been released at Kamisiyah, even though the U.N. investigators made the information public in at least three reports to the Security Council in 1992. The United Nations said that copies of the report were also provided immediately to the U.S. government, including several federal libraries.

■ Some veterans of the 37th Battalion dispute crucial elements of

the Pentagon's initial account of what happened at Kamisiyah. The Pentagon has said that according to battlefield reports, soldiers conducted an extensive inspection of the site for chemical weapons before the blast, and that detectors found no chemical agents after the explosion. Some veterans said that both assertions were incorrect. They said chemical-weapon alarms went off shortly after the blast, leading many soldiers to don rubberized chemical-warfare suits immediately.

■ The battalion ran short of the chemical suits, and troops were encouraged not to unwrap new suits even when chemical-gas alarms went off. The alarms went off frequently during the war — several times a week, with most dismissed as false alarms by commanders. Several soldiers said they often wore only gas masks when the alarms went off, leaving their skin exposed.

"We were just told to put our masks on and get inside the tent," said Dale Cook, a 28-year-old veteran from Fremont, Mich., who said he was suffering from kidney stones, a mysterious fungus that is causing his fingernails to drop off, rashes across much of the rest of his body and chronic fatigue — at causes him to nod off at work.

Even as the Defense Department has suggested that exposure to low levels of chemical weapons does not carry long-term health risks, Pentagon officials acknowledge that in fact little is known about the long-term effects.

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5,000 soldiers to bolster U.S. power in Mideast

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite two terrorist bombings aimed at forcing American troops from the Persian Gulf, the U.S. military is intensifying its power in the region, not depleting it.

About 5,000 soldiers, airmen and other military specialists are heading to the area on temporary duty to participate in land, sea and air exercises throughout the strategic area. Some will be bolstering defenses for air crews living in the region.

They will be joining the 21,000 troops already there. Of that number, about 15,000 are afloat on 20 warships in the Persian Gulf and nearby waters.

Iran contends such activities amount to "provocative acts," and claimed last week that U.S. warplanes violated its air space twice during the ongoing exercises. Washington denied it.

But Pentagon officials say the latest round of military maneuvers, some of which will last into December, are evidence of U.S. resolve to maintain peace and stability in the area.

"We will not be driven out," Defense Secretary William Perry vowed in the wake of the June 25 truck bombing that claimed 19 servicemen's lives in Dhahran. In November, a bomb attack in the Saudi capital of Riyadh killed five Americans and two Indians.

The exercises include: ■ "Intrinsic Action 96-3," in which 1,200 Army soldiers from Fort McPherson, Ga., and Fort Hood rush to the former battlefields of Kuwait to show how quickly they can deploy the armored tanks and weaponry

stored there.

The exercise, which began over the weekend and will last through December, is one of a series conducted by U.S. troops since Saddam Hussein's forces were driven from the emirate during the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

■ "Rugged Nautilus," primarily a naval exercise that involves about 2,000 servicemen and women. It began in July and will last through August to test their ability to rapidly organize U.S. military forces in the area.

Planes, ships and troops on the ground will be part of the exercise, which will also test "electronic warfare capabilities," said Navy Lt. Cmdr. Scott Campbell, a Pentagon spokesman. Electronic warfare involves the ability to disrupt a foe's radar or electronic communications capabilities.

Intelligence and communications specialists from Fort Gordon, Ga., and Davis Monthan Air Force Base in Arizona will participate, Campbell said.

■ "Airpower Expeditionary Force Qatar," in which 1,000 Air Force men and women have deployed to the strategic sheikdom in the middle of the Persian Gulf, along with 34 fighter and support aircraft.

The exercise, which began in June and will end later this month, includes F-15 fighters from Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in North Carolina and Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.; F-16 fighters from Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina; and KC-135 tankers from Grand Forks, N.D.

This is the third such air exercise over the past year.

Bin's condition raises doubts about bomb on Flight 800

EAST MORICHES, N.Y. (AP) — A missing cargo bin from TWA Flight 800 was hauled ashore Sunday and its relatively good condition raised doubts about a primary theory in the crash — that a bomb was placed in the front hold.

"Nothing surprises me anymore," said J. nes Kallstrom, the FBI agent in charge of the investigation.

For several weeks, key investigators have speculated off the record that a bomb placed in or around the forward cargo hold ripped the jumbo jet apart shortly after takeoff July 17, killing all 230 people on board.

But both publicly and privately, they had stressed that other scenarios — such as a missile or massive mechanical failure — had not been ruled out.

"We have these three theories and they're all on the board. Until we know exactly what happened and which theory proves to be the case, they'll remain there," Kallstrom said.

There were four aluminum cargo bins in the forward hold of the plane where investigators theorize a bomb could have been placed. Three were recovered over the last two weeks and they have yielded no signs of a nearby explosion.

The cargo bin brought ashore early Sunday was approximately 8 feet long and 6 feet high and appeared battered but not burned or blasted.

Kallstrom acknowledged all the front cargo bins were "basically unremarkable, although the testing has not been completed. So that tells you what it tells you."

"I mean, we're not going to comment on what that adds or subtracts with any particular theory," Kallstrom said.

In addition to suggesting that a bomb could have been placed in the plane's cargo hold, investigators have speculated that an explosive device could have been hidden in a food cart or the nose wheel, also both in the front of the plane.

Navy crews also brought ashore another of the plane's four engines Sunday. The engine — which weighs 4 tons when intact — was the third in two days to be brought up from the ocean floor.

National Transportation Safety Board Vice Chairman Robert Francis said divers still are trying to recover the fourth engine, which is believed to be buried under wreckage in the area dubbed Field 3, which is closest to Kennedy Airport.

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Atheist movement struggles on year after founder disappeared

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The atheist organization built by Madalyn Murray O'Hair is still trying to regroup nearly a year after the disappearance of its leader.

Ms. O'Hair left her Austin home with son, Jon, and daughter, Robin, last year. They reportedly were spotted a year ago Sunday in Virginia but have not been seen since.

Shortly after they vanished, a puzzling note was left on the door of the American Atheists Center, which the O'Hairs founded and operated in Austin for two decades.

"It basically said they would be gone for about two weeks, and we the employees were sort of laid off," center director Orin "Spike" Tyson told the San Antonio Express-News in Sunday editions.

At the time, the O'Hairs were a tightly knit team that ran the center. Officially retired, Ms. O'Hair acted as senior adviser to Jon, the group president, while Robin edited publications.

The abrupt disappearance last year was disastrous to the group. Now, after a year of scrambling, the atheist center is beginning to function again.

Last month, the August 1995 edition of the monthly American Atheist magazine finally came out. All but six pages of the magazine were printed when the O'Hairs disappeared, but it took

nearly a year to finish.

"It's been truly a nightmare. Oh, my word, where is everything? Where do they keep this? We can't even access information in the computers," said Ellen Johnson, who replaced Jon Murray as president.

Meanwhile, the mystery surrounding Ms. O'Hair's fate continues and deepens.

The atheist's lawsuit led to a 1993 Supreme Court ruling that ended prayer in public schools and made her, in her own words, "the most hated woman in America."

She aggressively fought all forms of organized religion from her Austin center.

"I love a good fight. And I guess fighting God and God's spokesmen is the ultimate," she once told an interviewer.

But she also had fought heart disease, diabetes and dizziness.

For several weeks after she vanished, board members kept in touch with the O'Hairs via a cellular phone.

"Madalyn said they were fine, they were on some extraordinarily important business that they would explain when they came back," said Frank Zindler, a former board member from Columbus, Ohio.

"I think it went on for about three weeks of daily conversations. Then the cellular phone was turned off, and no one has heard from them since."

Court martial to focus on 'don't ask, don't tell' policy

SAN ANTONIO (NYT) — After 22 years in the Air Force, Maj. Debra L. Meeks was looking forward to retirement. Her last day was to have been Feb. 28 and she had planned to enroll in cooking school.

Her culinary aspirations may have to wait. On Monday, Major Meeks, 41, will face a general court-martial at Lackland Air Force Base here on charges of sodomy and conduct unbecoming an officer.

Major Meeks's case may rekindle the debate over the Pentagon's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on homosexuality, which has been in place since 1994.

The charges against Major Meeks, filed on Feb. 8, allege that she committed sodomy over a two-year period with Pamela J. Dillard, a civilian who says that she was Major Meeks's lover. Ms. Dillard also says Major Meeks threatened her with a gun in September 1994; that led to the charge of conduct unbecoming an officer.

Major Meeks is being represented by Michael Tigar, a professor at the University of Texas Law School and one of the defense lawyers in the Oklahoma City

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bombing case, and Peter Held, a San Antonio lawyer who spent 18 years in the Air Force as a judge advocate.

The two lawyers said the original investigation into Ms. Dillard's charge that Major Meeks had threatened her was dropped because the Air Force said it was inconclusive. In April 1995, Major Meeks was told by her commanding officer that no action would be taken against her, and her retirement plans were approved.

But unknown to Major Meeks, the Air Force had revived its investigation of her two months earlier. And in November her retirement was canceled and the Air Force asked her to plead guilty to conduct unbecoming an officer over the accusation that she had threatened Ms. Dillard.

If she had agreed, Major Meeks would have been discharged and would have lost her military pension and benefits. She refused and asked for a military jury trial. The Air Force then added the sodomy charge.

Irene Witt, a spokeswoman for

Lackland Air Force Base, would not confirm the lawyers' version of the investigation. "Those are administrative matters and I can't comment on those things," she said. Ms. Witt said Major Meeks was the only person Lackland had prosecuted for homosexual conduct over the past three years.

Under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, homosexuals are allowed to serve in the military but must keep their homosexuality private. Commanders are prohibited from initiating investigations of homosexual activity unless they first receive evidence that such activity has occurred.

Lawrence Korb, who was assistant secretary of defense under President Ronald Reagan and is now a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, said of the Air Force's actions in the case, "It seems they don't like gays in their midst and they will do anything to get them out of their way."

Major Meeks, who is from Phenix City, Ala., enlisted in the Air Force in 1974. She spent two years as an airman and later joined the Reserve Officer Train-

ing Corps to pursue a college degree. After graduating from Troy State University in Alabama, she was promoted up the ranks.

Major Meeks, who has worked in personnel for most of her career, has never had any disciplinary citations.

During an interview at Held's office, the soft-spoken officer refused to say whether she is gay and asserted that the charges against her were false. But she did express disappointment with her fellow officers for pursuing the investigation.

"I feel sorry for a couple of folks who felt it necessary to be this type of vindictive," she said. "But you can't get angry about things you can't change. I have no control over other people's attitudes and prejudices."

If convicted of both charges, Major Meeks could be dismissed from the Air Force and sentenced to a maximum of eight years in military prison. She could also be forced to forfeit her pension, which was to have been \$1,800 a month, and all military benefits.

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 8. "El Programa Del Psycho."
 7. "America's Funniest Head Butts."
 6. "Lois & Clark & Dennis & Madonna."
 5. "Mad About Tattoos."
 4. "Pierce This!"
 3. "Dr. Rodman, Medicine Women."
 2. "Beavis and Green-Head."
 1. "This Old Hair."

Late Night Lines

"It just seems to me, it's one thing after another. Bob Dole keeps screwing up. And it came to me like a shock this morning as I got out of bed — well, that's it! That's Dole's strategy — he keeps screwing up day after day. He's acting presidential."

"Hillary Clinton, the First Lady, returned earlier today to Washington, D.C. She had been traveling around Europe on an 11-day goodwill tour...She had been gone for so long that when she got back to the White House, President Clinton actually did not recognize her. So, he started hitting on her."

"Earlier today down there in Washington, D.C., new Israeli Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu met for the first time with President Clinton. So it's a rather historical meeting, Bibi Netanyahu and President Clinton: Bibi, Bubba...Bubba, Bibi...Bibi, Bubba..."

"Yesterday, the new premier of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu, addressed the joint session of Congress down there in Washington. And he said hello to Al Gore. He addressed him by saying, 'Hello, Mr. Vice President,' and then he said hello to Newt Gingrich by saying, 'Hey, putz!'"

"Then, Prime Minister Netanyahu arrived here in New York City earlier today. And to demonstrate his willingness to meet Arabs, he took three cab rides."

"Ladies and gentlemen, O.J. Simpson — 49 years young today! Tough guy to shop for. What do you get for the man who's gotten away with everything?"

"Daryl Strawberry's a Yankee again. Did you know that? Daryl Strawberry will be paid \$500,000 for the rest of this season, plus he gets to keep whatever he finds in Steve Howe's locker."

"How many of you were watching the men's finals of the Wimbledon tournament over there in London on Sunday? Apparently, in the middle of the men's finals, a woman ran across center court naked. And I'm sitting there at the house thinking, hasn't Princess Diana been enough of an embarrassment to the Royal Family?"

— Letterman

Head Busters

- Actual headlines from actual newspapers:
- Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should Be Belted
 - Drunk Gets Nine Months in Violin Case
 - Survivor of Siamese Twins Joins Parents
 - Farmer Bill Dies in House
 - Iraqi Head Seeks Arm
 - Reagan Wins on Budget, But More Lies Ahead
 - Shot Off Woman's Leg Helps Nicklaus to 66
 - Enraged Cow Injures Farmer with Ax
 - Miners Refuse to Work After Death
 - Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant
 - Two Soviet Ships Collide, One Dies
 - Two Sisters Reunited after 18 Years in Checkout Counter
 - If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last a While
 - Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures
 - Man Struck by Lightning Faces Battery Charges
 - Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft
 - Kids Make Nutritious Snacks
 - Arson Suspect is Held in Massachusetts Fire
- (From Reporter-Telegram wire services)

MONDAY MORNING EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

Unwanted skunk visits turn Sweetwater into sour town

Associated Press

SWEETWATER — Pepe LePew would love this place.

The amorous cartoon skunk that always seemed attracted to unfortunate female alley cats could find plenty of belles from his own species in this West Texas city.

The nocturnal animals with the fetid defense mechanism are causing some sour air in Sweetwater.

"I don't get out at night anymore," said Emma Acuna, who shares her street with many of the bushy-tailed varmints. "They really scare me."

The city's animal control officer blames the problem on new home construction near a creek that has disturbed the animals' natural dens.

"So they are out looking for a new den, and scavenging for food," Tommy Wood said.

Wood warns residents not to excite the creatures, which causes them to let go with their signature scent, sometimes so strong it soaks into clothing. Like any wild animal, skunks also can carry rabies.

Jo Ann Henson said her husband, Bill, had a close call with a skunk that appears to have grown accustomed to its new, more urban surroundings.

"Bill said it walked right under his truck, and acted as though (people) were not there," she said. "It showed no fear."

Wood's solution is a plastic trap with a door in one end that he places near houses that are doubling as skunk dens.

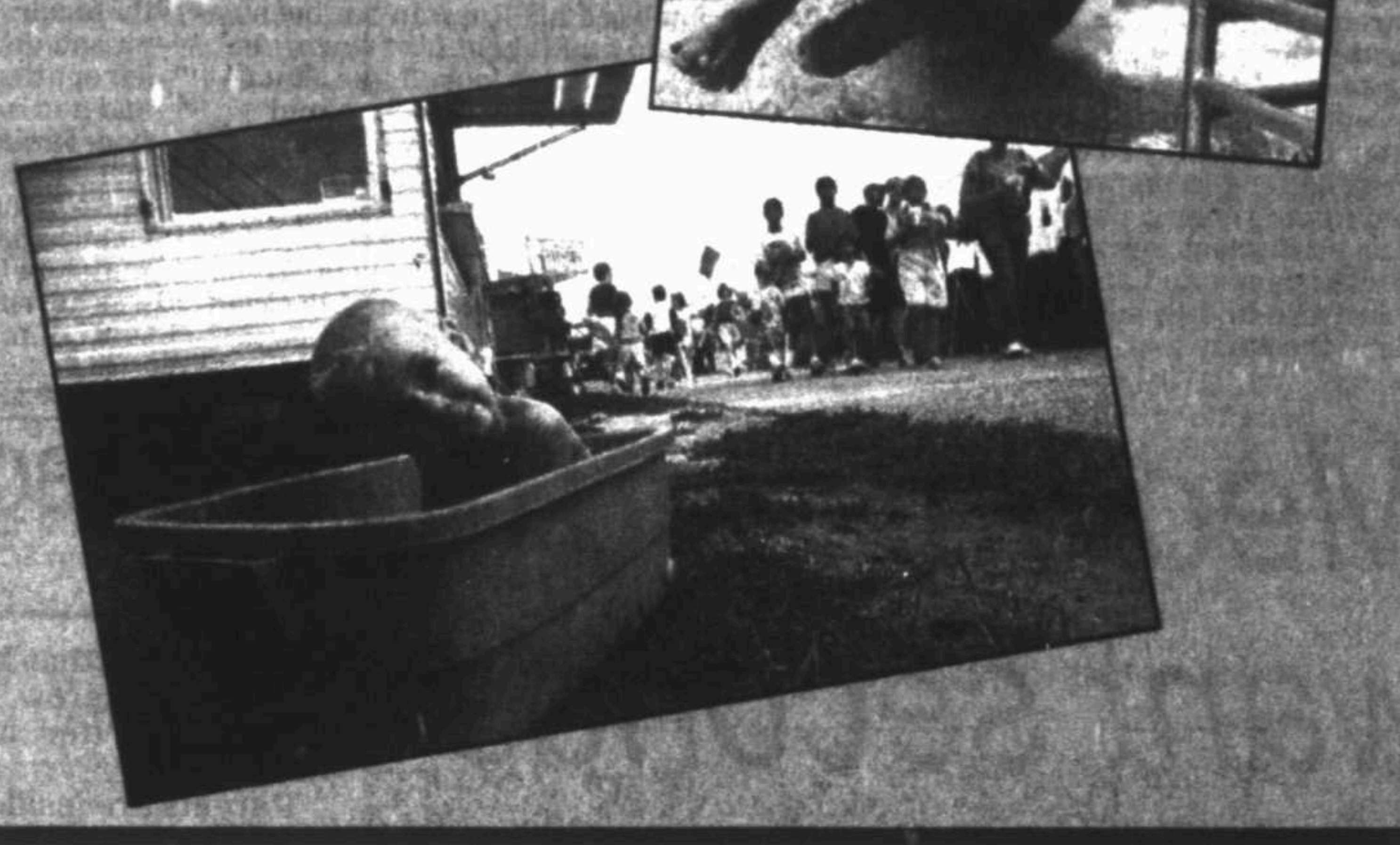
"I set it at the entry under the house and build a little fence around the trap so that the skunk has to go inside it," he said.

Unfortunately for residents like Ms. Acuna, the untrapped skunks seem to be adapting to suburban life — and multiplying.

"If you go out around 10 p.m., you can usually see them, sometimes three or four in a group," she said. "Sometimes we see little ones."

Fair Scenes

1-year-old Dustin Hagy, bottom, takes a dip to beat the heat, while a racing pig from Swift Swine Productions blazes toward the finish line at the Boone County Fair this week in Belvidere, Ill.



Manuel Carrasco, 10, swings and misses during a baseball game at a recent block party on Parker Street.

Score one for the good guys

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

To keep them out of trouble and out of gangs, one neighborhood is telling its children to run home — as in home plate.

Baseball, not baseball bats, is what parents and children in the Parker and Loraine neighborhood are using to fight the influence of gangs.

Last year, Felicitia Baesa wanted to organize activities for neighborhood children who were "just roaming the streets," but those plans fell through by the time school started.

During last school year, she saw a gang of teen-agers hanging around the neighborhood and was afraid of the negative influence they might have on the younger children. Along with reports of vandalism and graffiti, Ms. Baesa decided she had enough.

With summer and renewed vigor, she organized parents and took on the gang. She told three members of the group that they could do whatever they wanted in their own neighborhood, but not in hers.

"Parents got to know who the boys were and wouldn't allow their children to play

with them," she said.

The boys, knowing parents were on the watch, broke up and no longer roam the neighborhood, she said.

Children received permission from one of the residents to use their vacant lot as a baseball field and parents organized activities for smaller children and with money received from children collecting cans, refreshments are provided.

The party is held once a month in the small, mostly Hispanic neighborhood in central Midland. It's not a big

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JIMMY PATTERSON

No one can pack for a trip like a woman

Lessons learned on summer vacation ...

■ **Packing and loading.** Leave this to the women. Most men will attest to the fact that their wives have such an incredible knack for packing they could probably find a way to actually load the car into the suitcase. Especially if you tell them they can't. So, doing it the other way around is seldom a problem for women. Unfortunately, by the time wives find all the nooks and all the crannies for all the 13 suitcases, 17 toys, 15 games, food for a week, an ice chest, a thermos, and their sacred makeup bag, there's generally no room for the really important stuff like your razor or your toothbrush, or, more importantly, your brand new copy of "Rush Limbaugh is a Big, Fat Idiot."

Some women can pack so well, in fact, they'll swear there's no room for you and the kids and they'll just try to up and leave all of you for a week.

Men, on the other hand, when forced to pack, just



Patterson

throw as much stuff in the car as possible, and shove and cram until it is no longer possible to shove and cram. At that point, a guy will take out the last item he shoved and sit on the trunk until he hears a tiny little click, indicating the trunk latch is most securely fastened.

■ **Unpacking.** Women will claim they're so emotionally drained from their efficient pack job and by all the reading and sewing they've toiled over while you drive and fight to stay awake that they can't possibly unpack all that stuff.

In fact, a recent scientific poll found that the single most popular phrase first uttered when families arrive at their luxurious vacation spots (aka tick-filled lakeside cabins) was "Can you unpack the van, honey, pretty please?" which just edged out "Get outta the way, I get the bathroom first."

■ **And speaking of bathrooms,** it takes a truly gifted traveler to find just the right interstate truckstop bathroom. A clean one is hard to find. There are a few unwritten rules you might want to consider when trying to find a decent roadside restroom:

- ✓ Never use restrooms that are outside the main

building, in a field, made of wood, with a crescent moon carved in the door.

- ✓ Never use restrooms that are "round the corner to yer right, sweetie," according to any woman with a greasy rag hanging out the back pocket of her britches.
- ✓ Steer clear of restrooms where the "fillin' station" attendant gives you a theft-proof key that's connected to a tree branch.
- ✓ Never use the restroom at the gas station on I-20 just outside of Thurber, Texas, located next to the "Last Chance Restaurant." You drive up to this station and on the door it says, "No Purchase, No P." No kiddin'. You actually have to buy something to use their facilities. Strikes me as sort of rude, don't you think? If ya gotta go, ya gotta go, and the last thing on your mind is buying another cup of coffee.

Kids, of course, always have to use the restroom repeatedly when on long trips. They don't really use these restrooms, they just like to go in them and see if they're any different than the 157 other bathrooms

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Singing gives parents the power to embarrass their offspring

Barry

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(David Grimes is a columnist for the *Herald-Tribune* in Sarasota, Fla.)

and quiet then — no gangs," said Ms. Ozuna, in whose front yard the children

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DEATHS

Marvin Armock Sr.

Services for Marvin Armock Sr. are pending in Grand Rapids, Mich. Local arrangements are with Ellis Funeral Home. Armock died Sunday, Aug. 11, at his residence.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department

Sunday

Burglary of a building: A money box with \$50 in cash was taken from 203 S. Mineola St. after a garage door was pried open, reported Bill Perkins at 12:36 a.m.

Vandalism, burglary of vehicle: Six incidents of vandalism or vehicle burglary that occurred at Cactus Moon, 1008 S. Midkiff Road, were reported between 12:47 a.m. and 7:38 a.m. Windows were broken out of some vehicles and two purses were taken from one of those vehicles, the reports stated.

Burglary of a residence: Speakers and an amplifier were taken from a vehicle parked in a garage at 3222 Preston Drive, reported Bonnie Durant at 12:51 a.m.

Burglary of a vehicle: A window was broken out and a tire tool taken from Fairmont Apartments, 4700 Boulder Drive, it was reported at 9:49 a.m.

Vandalism: A residence was vandalized at 409 Cottonwood Ave., reported Alice Graham at 10:31 a.m.

Burglary of a building: An air conditioner and beer were taken from The Cave, 2303 Garden City, reported Martha Mauldon at 12:10 p.m.

Anyone having information concerning these crimes should call the Police Department at 685-7108, the Sheriff's Office at 688-1228 or Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

DEAR ABBY

Mom ignored on Mother's Day is loved throughout rest of year

DEAR ABBY: In reference to the letter from "Ignored Mother," who received no cards, gifts or telephone calls on Mother's Day:



Van Buren

I, too, received no such recognition on Mother's Day. I have two sons and two daughters-in-law between the ages of 35 and 40. One son has not recognized Mother's Day since he was in grade school. The other son and his wife occasionally send a card or telephone me — but not this year. However, it's OK with me.

The older son lives 1,200 miles away, and he has picked up my

deductible on Medicare hospitalization. He and his wife, whom I couldn't love more if she were my own child, phone me every week. They frequently send me little gifts and pay for my costly medication.

The other son lives next door to me. I am unable to drive, so he takes me shopping on the one day he has free from work. He comes running when I need things done that I can't do myself. (He even put a new roof on my house a few years ago.)

Who needs Mother's Day? — MARGARET C. SMITH, NORTH FORT MYERS, FLA.

DEAR MARGARET SMITH: Obviously you don't. However, the royal treatment you receive from your children did not just happen. They learned the joy of giving at their mother's knee.

DEAR ABBY: The way our house and our neighbor's is situated, our bedrooms face each other. Now that the hot weather has arrived and we keep our windows open at night, I can hear them making love. They have sex every night, and sometimes I am awakened at 3 a.m. to the moaning and groaning of their ecstasy.

I am thrilled that they are having such a great sex life — I wish it were me (I am divorced without anyone special in my life) — but I don't want my teen-aged daughters who are in the next bedroom hearing them.

I am puzzled as how to handle this. First, I'd be very uncomfortable bringing this up. Second, I think they have a right to make love as often as they choose and keep their windows open to take in fresh air. So how can I stop the noise with-

out stopping them? — PERPLEXED IN GARLAND, TEXAS

DEAR PERPLEXED: Write a note to the neighbors telling them that you are very happy that they have such a glorious love life, but they should be aware that their most private moments are not as private as they think they are.

DEAR ABBY: Although "Gary" and I have been married almost 55 years, he has never called me by my name. If he is outside, he knocks on the wall, rings the doorbell, or throws something against the house or window. If he's inside, he pounds on something or shouts "Hey!"

He refers to me as "Mom" when he talks to our family about something that concerns me.

My name is not unusual or hard to remember. My friends use it

when they speak to me, but Gary refuses to. I have asked him to give me a pet name, but he isn't interested.

Abby, this is a real problem for me. What should I do? — STEADY READER IN OHIO

DEAR STEADY READER: What did your husband call you 54 years ago? That would have been the time to insist on being called by your name. Tell Gary you will no longer respond to "Hey!" and will ignore him unless he addresses you by name — then see if you can wait him out. But don't hold your breath; a deeply rooted habit more than half a century old won't be easily broken.

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

Residents of Dallas suburbs vote to retain DART

FORT WORTH (AP) — Defeat of Dallas Area Rapid Transit would have been a result of Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones' influence on the election, says one woman who worked to keep the transit agency in Irving.

"It would have shown anyone that all they had to do was spend enough money and they could get anything that they want in that city," said Linda Harper, chairwoman of Irving Says Yes to DART. "There wasn't the issue of what DART really does for the city of Irving. It was all personal agendas."

Residents in Irving, Carrollton, Plano and Rowlett voted Saturday to remain in Dallas Area Rapid Transit by an average margin of 39.9 percent.

In Irving, where the issue was made even more high-profile by Jones' campaign to pull out of DART, some 26.4 percent of the city's 82,086 registered voters cast

ballots on DART.

Not counting federal elections, the voter turnout is the highest since 25,529 voters cast ballots in a 1981 referendum to allow the sale of alcohol in Irving. By comparison, 5,345, or 6.5 percent, of registered voters cast ballots in the May municipal elections.

Meanwhile, DART President Roger Snoble said he was "disappointed in the number of people who seem to think they are not getting value for their money from DART."

Snoble said DART quality will continue to improve, citing the addition of light- and commuter-rail service, high-occupancy-vehicle lanes and smarter bus service.

"I just think that, overall, DART may have gotten off to a shaky start," Snoble said. "It's a teen-ager now. The board of directors and staff are much more focused now and more able to get in and get some things done."

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Colgate-Palmolive warns of counterfeit toothpaste

EL PASO (AP) — Consumers in the El Paso area were warned Sunday against using counterfeit Colgate toothpaste, Colgate-Palmolive Co. said.

Three users of the fake product reported mouth irritation and other discomfort after using the bogus Colgate, a company spokesman said.

The product, labeled "Colgate Dental Cream," is also marked "Made in India," said Robert A. Murray, vice president of corporate communications for the New York company.

Murray said the "dental cream," a term not used on any Colgate toothpaste sold by Colgate Palmolive United States, has been found in small independent stores in the El Paso area.



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TODAY
Mostly sunny and hot
High: 95
Low: 66

TUESDAY
Sunny and continued hot
High: 96
Low: 66

WEDNESDAY
Partly cloudy and continued hot
High: 95
Low: 65

Texas Sunday

City	H / L / Pop
Abilene	94/69/0.02
Amarillo	89/63/0.01
Dallas/Ft. Worth	94/73/0.01
El Paso	95/69/0.00
Lubbock	95/64/0.00
San Angelo	92/68/0.89
San Antonio	99/77/0.00

SUNDAY'S PRECIPITATION

Rainfall Saturday	0.74 in.
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for the month	1.52 in.
Total for the year	4.82 in.
Normal for the month	0.55 in.
Normal for the year	8.21 in.

SUNDAY'S TEMPERATURES

High	92
Low	67
Norm. High	95
Norm. Low	66

AVIATION

VFR are expected all day. Northeast wind at 10 to 20 knots.

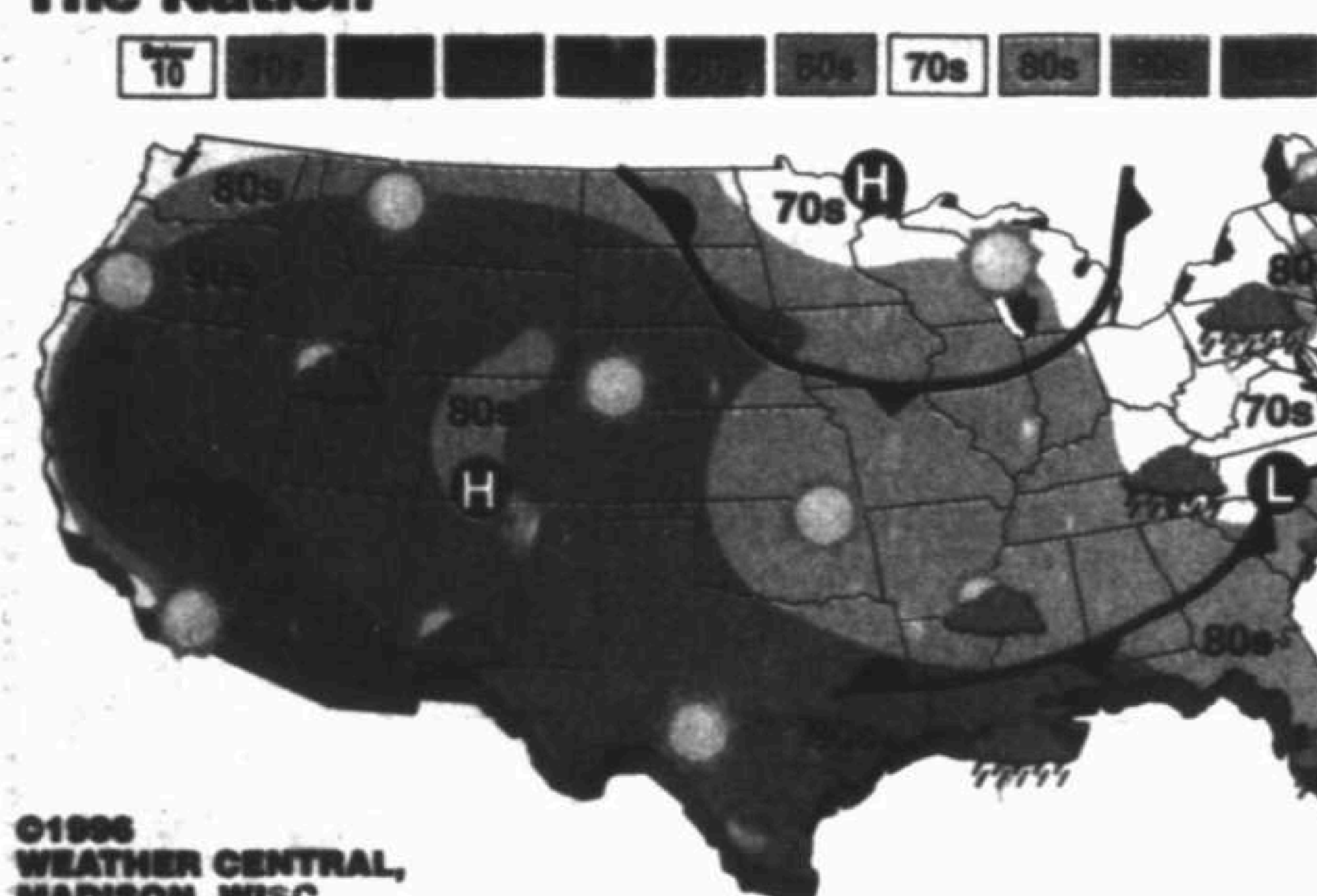
MOON PHASES



SUNRISE & SUNSET

Sunrise today	7:12 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:35 p.m.
Sunrise Tuesday	7:12 a.m.
Sunset Tuesday	8:34 p.m.
Moonrise today	5:48 a.m.
Moonset today	7:28 p.m.

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Austin	96	74	pc
Baltimore	73	63	t
Bismarck	87	67	t
Boise	90	60	s
Bozeman	99	65	pc
Boston	75	64	pc
Buffalo	77	63	t
Charlotte	78	68	t
Cheyenne	88	56	pc
Chicago	85	63	s
Cincinnati	78	62	sh
Cleveland	79	62	pc
Colorado Spgs.	93	59	pc
Columbia, SC	83	73	t
Columbus, OH	76	62	sh
Dayton	78	62	sh
Denver	96	61	pc
Des Moines	85	64	pc
Detroit	78	60	pc
Duluth	78	53	pc
Evansville	85	64	pc
Grand Rapids	81	58	pc
Great Falls	98	55	pc
Helena	92	54	s
Honolulu	89	75	pc
Houston	94	72	t
Indianapolis	82	63	c
Jackson, MS	88	70	t
Jacksonville	87	72	t
Juneau	60	50	r
Kansas City	85	66	t
Las Vegas	107	81	pc
Little Rock	87	68	pc
Los Angeles	88	66	s
Louisville	81	65	c
Memphis	85	69	pc
Miami Beach	92	77	t
Milwaukee	85	63	pc
Minneapolis	85	62	pc
Mobile, AL	90	73	t
Nashville	84	66	pc
New Orleans	90	72	t
New York	80	66	t
New Orleans	88	65	c
Omaha	88	65	t
Orlando	90	73	t
Philadelphia	80	65	t
Phoenix	111	88	pc
Pittsburgh	71	58	t
Portland, OR	89	60	s
Raleigh	82	68	t
Reno	95	60	t
Richmond	76	67	t
St. Louis	85	69	pc
Salt Lake City	99	68	pc
San Diego	77	68	s
San Francisco	71	56	s
Seattle	80	56	s
Sioux Falls	84	63	s
Spokane	91	58	s
Tampa	90	77	pc
Topeka	78	59	c
Washington	73	65	t
Wichita	87	64	pc
Yakima	87	64	pc

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Guadalajara	83	60	t
Havana	90	74	pc
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Mazatlan	90	78	t
Merida	93	72	pc
Mexico City	75	56	pc
Nassau	90	77	pc
San Jose	90	79	t
San Juan, PR	90	78	pc
Torreon	95	72	pc
Trinidad	88	73	t
Vera Cruz	90	74	t

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BASEBALL — Texas Rangers 6, Toronto Blue Jays 0.
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Sports Today

TEXAS LEAGUE — Midland Angels at Wichita Wranglers, 7 p.m., KCRS (550 AM) Radio.
FOOTBALL — First day for pads for Midland Lee, 9 a.m., Lee football practice field.

Poll passes Atlanta

ATLANTA — The park was bombed, the spectators simmered, the vendors overwhelmed, but Atlanta pulled off a smashing Olympic Games, according to a national poll for The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

For all the Olympic city's missteps, 51 percent of Americans gave Atlanta an A for effort as host of the largest Games ever, the poll showed.

The poll questioned 802 U.S. adults. It was conducted Aug. 4-6 by Marketing Research Services Inc. of Cincinnati.

Thirty-four percent gave the city a B, 7 percent a C and less than 2 percent flunked Atlanta with a D or an F.

Most of those polled praised NBC's coverage of the Olympic Games and said the network focused the right amount of attention on U.S. athletes. The network's coverage drew 209 million viewers and reached 91.7 percent of the nation's 88 million households.

The newspaper poll showed that 95 percent of adults said they watched at least some of the Olympics on television.

The July 27 bombing of Centennial Olympic Park also left its mark. Seventy-nine percent of those polled said Atlanta officials did as much as they could to prevent the attack.

Thirty-four percent of those ages 18 to 24 thought the city could have done more, compared with 8 percent of those 55 and older.

"In retrospect, there was no way they could've prevented it," Cher Williams of Willingboro, N.J., said. "The athletes and all the other venues were safe, so security did the best they could have under the circumstances."

Pirates sign No. 1

PITTSBURGH — Kris Benson, college baseball's top pitcher and the No. 1 starter on the U.S. Olympic team, became the highest-paid draft choice in major league history by signing Sunday with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Clemson right-hander needed only two days of face-to-face negotiations involving Pirates managing general partner Kevin McClatchy before agreeing to a signing bonus estimated to be around \$1.8 million.

Benson's deal eclipses the \$1.6 million signing bonus received by last year's No. 1 pick, the Angels' Darin Erstad.

"This is a message to Pirates fans we are serious about building a winner here," McClatchy said. "This is one of my ownership's first steps, and this is what we should be judged on. Kris is a big part of the future of the Pirates."

The negotiations between agent Greg Clifton and the Pirates stalled as Benson concentrated on playing for the bronze medal-winning U.S. Olympic team. But they accelerated rapidly after Benson, of Kennesaw, Ga., arrived Saturday for his initial meeting with McClatchy and general manager Cam Bonifay.

The 21-year-old Benson, who won't pitch again until spring training, was surprised to leave town as a Pirates player — and as a newly minted millionaire.

"I didn't come up here with the intention of signing," said Benson.

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California Stealth wins 14-U national softball crown

■ Stealth wins six games on final day, including two victories over previously unbeaten American Pastime to capture the U-14 Girls Fastpitch national championship.

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

After six long games and 14 hours of softball on Sunday, what the California Stealth needed was a soft bed. What they had to settle for, most willingly, was a national championship.

The Stealth from Woodland Hills, Calif., completed an amazing comeback from a Saturday Winners' Bracket loss at the Amateur Softball Association National 14-Under Championships with a 8-0 win in the "if" game and a first-ever title.

"I'm very tired, but we just wanted to win, and we did," right fielder Nikki Shaw said. "All we knew is we

had to fight our way back and we did."

The Stealth, who finished fourth in last year's 14-Under tournament, got a first ever title for the club and did it in the most dramatic of style with a string of seven consecutive wins and six-straight on Sunday.

"Five years ago, I could only dream of this and here it is," said Don Harris, coach of the team and founder of the club. "We had 16 kids and everybody did their part," Harris said. "To go through the Losers' Bracket you have to be deep. I am incredibly proud of their effort. I had kids cramping up and some who couldn't walk. They stuck it out."

The Stealth, 10-1 for the tournament, got to the championship doubleheader thanks to consecutive wins Sunday over the Lil' Saints, the Dynasty, Southern California Crunch and Orange County Athletics.

The OC A's defeated the Stealth Saturday to knock them into the Losers' Bracket and the Dynasty was thought to be the team to beat. The wins were quality and gave the team confidence as the hot Midland day

drained them of some energy.

"Once we got here, we figured second was good enough, but once we beat the Dynasty, we wanted to go all the way," Stealth shortstop Jessica Van der Linden said. "We had beaten Dynasty and Orange County Athletics before, we just wanted it more."

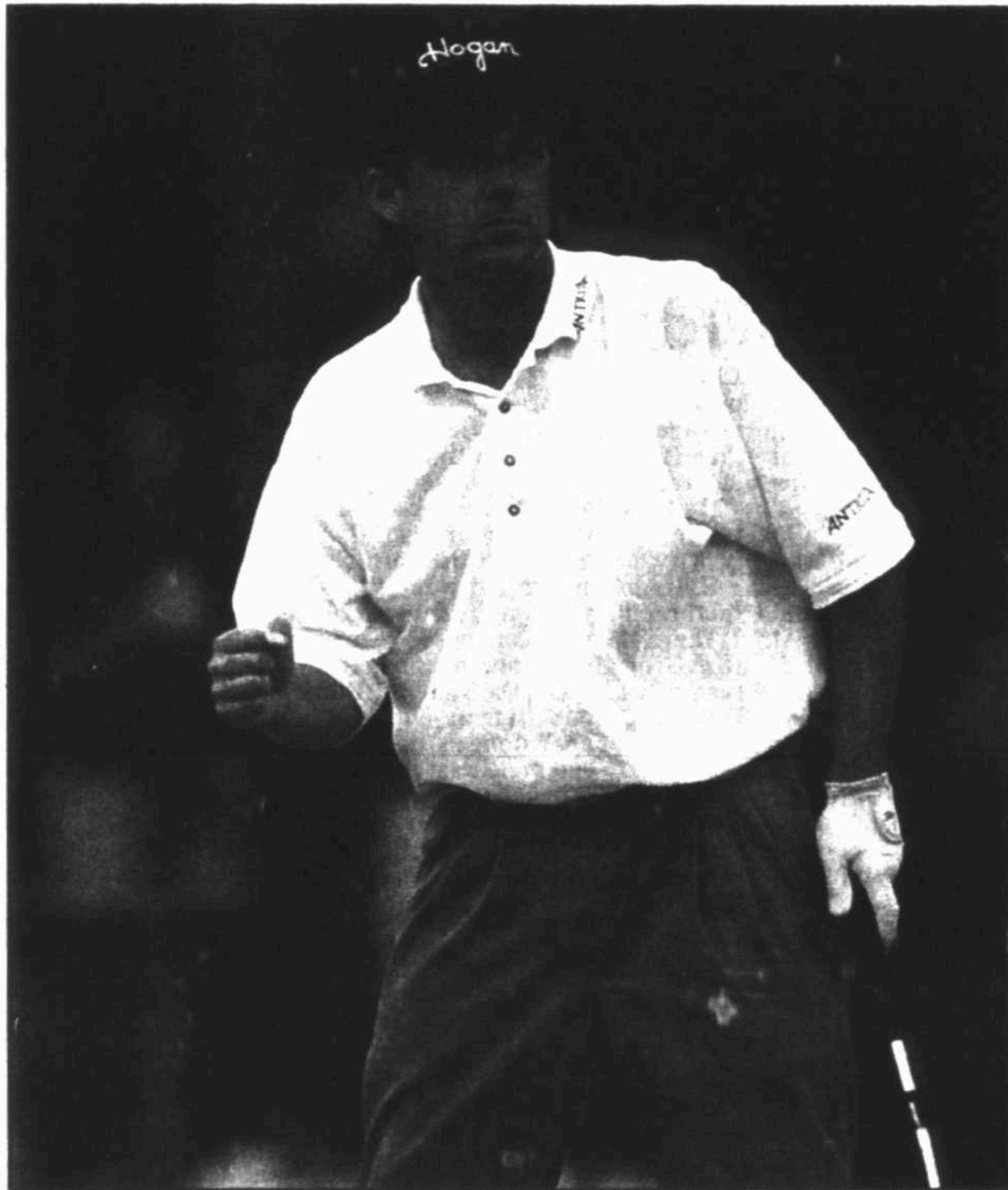
The long line of wins, and winning six on the last day, made everything just a little more sweet.

"We beat the top ranked teams to get here," said Harris, who started the club five years ago.

The "if" game showed everything that many teams expected out of the Stealth, who were ranked second by Travel Ball Magazine. They exploded off two Pastime pitchers. Nikki Shaw delivered the first run with a single that drove in Jamie Sturdivant in the first inning. But the second is where things truly got out of hand.

Stealth had six hits, including an RBI double from Van der Linden, and RBI singles from Tracy Hall and Shaw. Add another RBI by Van der Linden and a two RBI dou-

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Mark Brooks reacts to this birdie putt on his way to beating Kenny Perry in sudden death Sunday to claim the PGA Championship.

No. 18 perfect!

Brooks wins playoff for PGA title

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The talk all week was about the great finishing hole at Valhalla Golf Club. No. 18 was absolutely perfect for Mark Brooks, who birdied it twice in 20 minutes to win the PGA Championship in a sudden-death playoff with Kenny Perry.

And the dangerous par-5 was absolute misery for Perry, the Kentucky native who stumbled through the thick bluegrass rough twice Sunday for bogeys to give away a tournament he seemed to have wrapped up.

"It was just a week of comebacks," Brooks said after he rolled in a 5-foot birdie putt to claim his first major championship and third victory of the year. "I was over par every day and came back. The end was just kind of a fairytale."

As his final putt fell Brooks thrust his hand in the air, accepted congratulations from Perry and hugged his wife and children. Then he accepted the champion's trophy, stared at it admiringly as he held it over his head and then brought it down for a gentle kiss.

"It was kind of a week of streaks for me," said Brooks, who made six birdies in a row Thursday, four in a row Friday and three in a row Sunday.

"I felt really lucky to stand on the 17th tee and know I still had an opportunity. My caddy informed me that 11-under was then leading and I guess it gave me a little bit of life. I hit my two best dri-

ves of the week in regulation and in the playoff" on No. 18.

Brooks shot a solid 70 in the final round to finish at 11-under-par 277 while Perry leaped past such big names as Greg Norman, Steve Elkington, Nick Price and Phil Mickelson with a 68 to get to 277.

It was the second consecutive year the PGA was decided in a playoff. Last year Steve Elkington defeated Colin Montgomerie, also with a birdie on the first playoff hole.

Brooks joins golf legends Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson as Fort Worth, Texas, golfers who have won the PGA. And his victory meant that the last 16 major championships have been won by 15 different people.

All week, players said No. 18 was a great hole offering the opportunity for eagle or bogey, a hole where there could be a big swing.

The 540-yard hole that winds around a lake to a horseshoe-shaped green guarded by a massive bunker in front and deadly rough behind betrayed Elkington and Vijay Singh as well as Perry.

They both came to the last hole needing a birdie to make the playoff. But Singh bogeyed to finish at 279 along with Justin Leonard and Jesper Parnevik.

And Elkington failed to make a 15-foot birdie putt and missed the playoff by one stroke at 278, along with Tommy Tolles, who finished more than an hour before Brooks with a 67.

Perry, who is from Franklin, Ky.,

Please see PGA/3C

Jones making money, 'Boys sweat

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Super Bowl success is turning into big pre-season dollars for the Dallas Cowboys and, more precisely, for owner Jerry Jones.

The Cowboys, who have had the busiest exhibition schedule in the NFL, play again Monday night at Texas Stadium against the New England Patriots.

After that, Jones has scheduled yet another game for Saturday night in Texas Stadium against the Denver Broncos.

Just over the past week, the Cowboys lost 32-6 to Kansas City last Monday in Monterrey, Mexico, and scrimmaged the Houston Oilers three nights later before 51,000 fans in El Paso. The team also squeezed in Austin workouts between those appearances.

Some players have been openly griping about the rigorous summer camp schedule.

Dallas opened the exhibition season way back on July 24 by beating the Oakland Raiders 35-34 at Texas Stadium. The Cowboys scrimmaged the Raiders for three consecutive days after that.

"It has been a tough, hard training camp," said defensive coordinator Dave Campo. "But that's how you find out who your players are."

The Cowboys have certainly been testing their younger players. Ten starters from last year's Super

Bowl team haven't played in a game yet, and won't appear against the Patriots.

One is running back Emmitt Smith, who sprained a knee in a blocking drill last week. Smith will be fine, but the Cowboys are taking no chances.

Quarterback Troy Aikman was expected to play the first quarter, as he has done in all previous exhibition games and scrimmages.

The Cowboys, who won't have Michael Irvin for the first five games of the regular season because of his drug case, are trying to get Aikman in sync with the other receivers.

Deion Sanders and Aikman are trying to get their timing down, and the Cowboys hope such young receivers as rookie Stepfret Williams can make an impression.

The Cowboys are hurting at tight end, where they lost Kendall Watkins with a season-ending knee injury during the El Paso scrimmage with the Houston Oilers. Jay Novacek is nursing a bad back and second-year tight end Eric Bjornson has hamstring problems.

Dallas has been experimenting with fullbacks Daryl Johnston and Herschel Walker at tight end. "We have to look at some different combinations at tight end and see what kind of production we can get," said head coach Barry Switzer.

The last time the Cowboys and Patriots met in the preseason was in 1982, when the Cowboys prevailed 36-21. ESPN will televise Monday's 7 p.m. game.

Bodine wins with strategy

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — Geoff Bodine and Dale Earnhardt both made choices that worked.

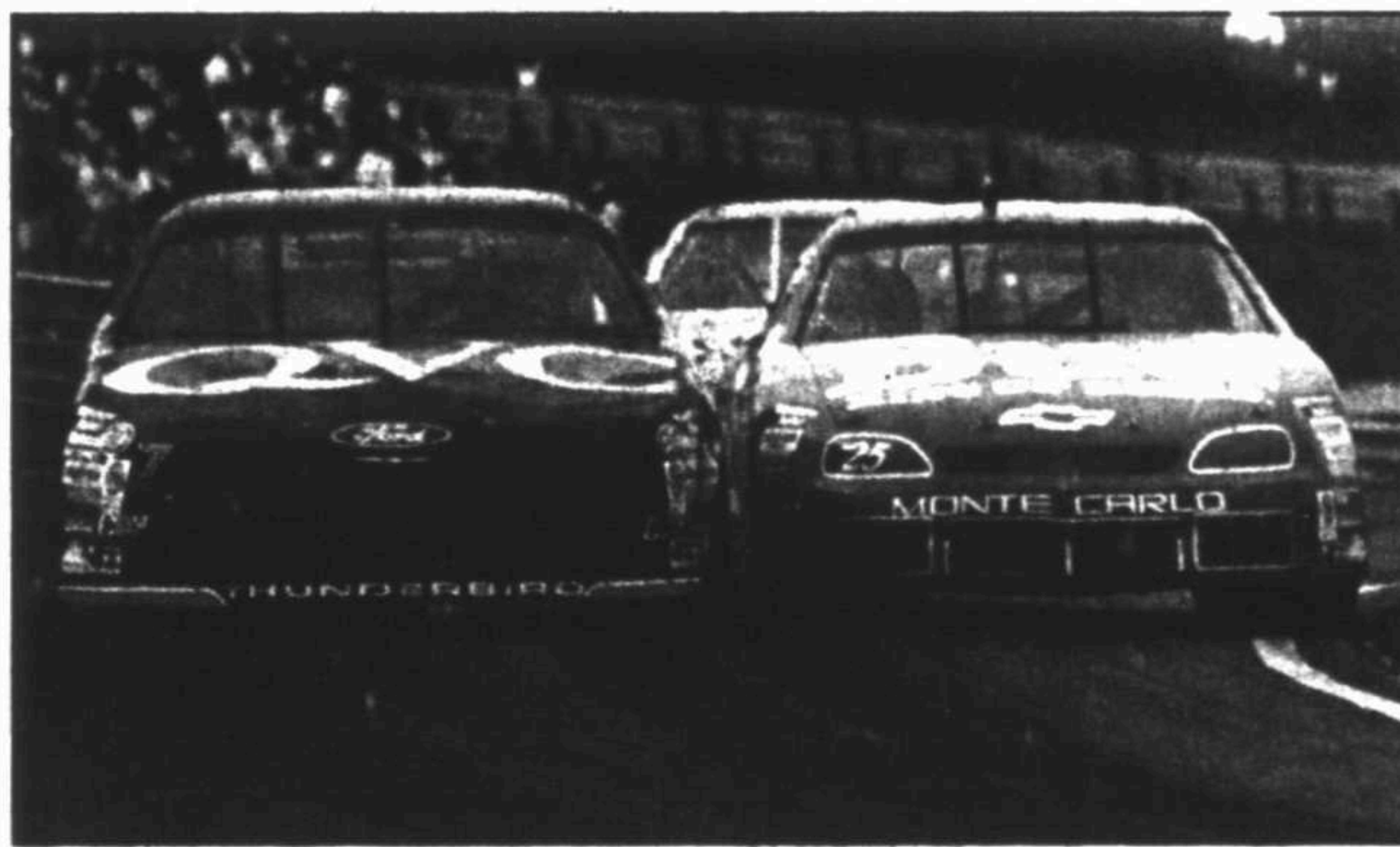
Bodine used a preconceived pit strategy to win for the first time in almost two years. Earnhardt, overcoming the constant pain from a broken collar bone and sternum, stayed in the car all the way and finished sixth Sunday in the Bud at the Glen.

"At Indy, last week, we kicked ourselves in the butt because we made a big mistake up there," Bodine said. "We spent too much time in the pits, got way behind and ruined any chance we had at a good finish or win at Indy."

"But we learned from that. On Monday, I talked to (crew chief) Paul Andrews and some other guys on our team and we decided to make this a two-stop race, no matter what."

The strategy worked to perfection as Bodine won for the first time since Oct. 2, 1994 at North Wilkesboro, N.C. — 54 races. He easily held off a late challenge from series point leader Terry Labonte to win his 18th Winston Cup race and first on the track just down the road from his hometown of Chemung, N.Y.

Earnhardt, 45, aiming for an unprecedented eighth Winston Cup title, drove the



Geoff Bodine, in Ford at left, passes Ken Schrader as he takes the lead for good to win the Bud at the Glen NASCAR title Sunday.

Bud at the Glen

entire 90-lap event despite severe discomfort from the injuries he incurred in a crash July 28 at Talladega, Ala.

After pulling off a shocker by winning the pole on Friday, it was assumed Earnhardt would give up his seat early in the race to relief driver David Green.

But Earnhardt not only stayed in his Chevrolet, he led the first 29 laps on the demanding 2.45-mile, 11-turn Watkins Glen International road course and wound up leading three times for 54 before the late pit strategies ended his

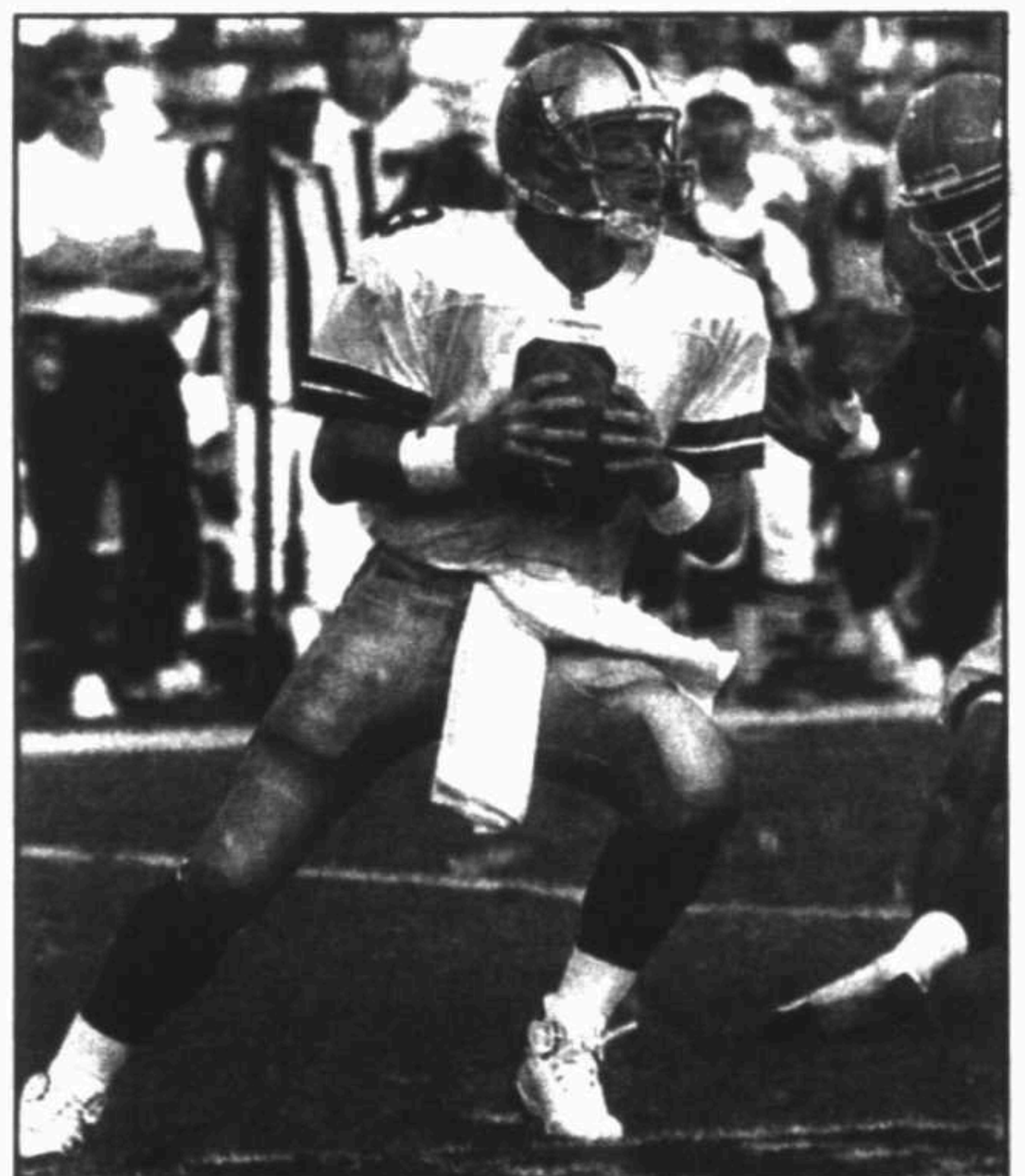
unexpected shot at victory.

"I really felt like staying in the car was the best call I could make," Earnhardt said. "I should have been third or second or right there with Terry. I used the brakes pretty hard all day and maybe I was trying to be too careful. They sort of went away there at the end."

"I don't feel too good right now," Earnhardt added. "I'm ready to go home."

Bodine, who started 13th in the 39-car field, averaged 92.304 mph and won \$88,740.

Midland's Bobby Hillin Jr. finished 29th after starting in 26th position.



Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman ...getting in tune with receivers

Mid-City falls to USA East

Staff Report

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Midland Mid-City, representing USA South, lost another one-run decision here Sunday in the 27th annual Big League World Championship baseball tournament.

Mid-City, a 4-3 loser to USA North (Chicago) on Saturday, fell Sunday 3-2 to USA East (Dover, Del.) to fall from the tournament.

Mid-City had more hits in both games than opponents, having a 7-6 advantage over Dover in hits, but gave up what proved to be the winning run in the fourth inning when Dover scored its third run on a double steal with runners at first and third.

Dover took a 3-0 lead in the game with single runs in the second, third and fourth off of losing pitcher Jason Rogers, who hurled six innings, giving up only six hits and two walks. He struck out nine batters and one of the Dover runs was unearned.

Mid-City scored both of its runs in the fifth inning in a furious comeback attempt. Chad Villarreal singled, and moved to third on a double by Clay Johnston. Both scored on Kory Doan's double, but Doan was left stranded. Mid-City left 10 runners on base for the second game in a row.

Mike Carrasco, Rich Davis, Rogers

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PGA: Perry falls in playoff

(From 1C)

just 120 miles from Valhalla, was carried along all day by a wildly supportive gallery.

When he walked off the 14th green following a 15-foot birdie putt to get to 12-under his name sat alone on top of the leaderboard.

And when he strode up the 18th fairway on his way to a shaky bogey he was carried along by wild, whooping shouts from the home folks, responding with a wave of his hat and a shy, satisfied smile.

When he missed the 12-foot putt that would have given him a more comfortable cushion he waved his hat again and walked an aisle of high-fives from delirious fans as he trudged off to sign his scorecard. But it was way too early to celebrate and Perry knew it.

"It's a tough way to end the day when you've played so well," Perry said. "I had that putt to win. I played it too high. I had a fabulous round for 17 holes."

Perry, however, walked away from his disappointing finish with his head held high.

"This was a great experience for me," he said. "I've never been in this situation before. I hate that I lost it for myself and for the fans of Kentucky who were rooting so hard for me this week. But this is good for my career. It'll help me down the road. I learned a good lesson, but it's a hard one."

Perry played the round of his life — except for No. 18.

In regulation, he hit a wild hook of the tee into the rough, couldn't get back to the fairway with his second shot, missed the green left and bumped the ball to 12, missing

that to make bogey.

"I was so nervous, so pumped up," Perry said. "I just over-swing. I played so well all day."

Brooks dominated No. 18 all week, making four birdies in five tries, including the playoff.

In regulation, he drove to the fairway and hit a 4-wood from 220 yards into the bunker in front of the green, probably the best place to miss the green.

He played a perfect explosion shot to 5 feet and rolled it in to force the playoff.

It capped a up-and-down round for Brooks who made four bogeys — three in a four-hole stretch from No. 11 through No. 14, to fall to 9-under-par, where he started the day, and three strokes back at the time.

But he hung in there and birdied No. 15 and then got the big birdie at 18.

Brooks hit first in the playoff and drove perfectly to the fairway. Perry hooked again — just like the last time he played No. 18 — bounced twice in the fairway and skidded into the rough.

Brooks hit the green with a 4-wood from 18 yards but Perry had a terrible lie in the rough and had no chance to go for the green. The best he could hope for was to advance his ball and try to get back in the fairway.

But he failed even to do that, staying in the rough, and when he missed the green with his next shot all Brooks need to do was make certain he got his ball over the dangerous hump and near the cup.

He did and when he rolled in a 5-footer he was PGA champ, just like Hogan and Nelson.

MID-CITY: Locals fall in national tourney

(From 1C)

and Keith Lant had the other four hits for the Midland team.

Mid-City is the first boys team at any level to reach the national tournament.

The Midland team won the district, section and state tournaments to become the most successful of the youth baseball teams locally.

Then, last week, Mid-City won the South Region Championship, which was played in Homestead, Fla.

So the team has been in Florida for over a week.

Late Sunday, travel arrange-

ments were not complete. It was possible that some of the team would fly into Lubbock where there are still some cars of team members. Some others may fly into Midland.

It is possible that the team will gather at Memorial Stadium sometime today or Tuesday so people can greet them, but those plans were also on hold late Sunday.

Of course, some will always think that these guys lost the last two because they didn't want to miss the first day of school, which is Tuesday. Either way it was quite a run.

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Big 12 could turn into royal battle

By Donnie H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — The Big 12 hasn't played its first game, yet it's already being hailed as the greatest conference in the history of college football.

By combining the Big Eight with the best from the Southwest Conference, the Big 12 could be the big bully this season. The problem is, teams like Nebraska, Colorado, Texas and Texas A&M may end up knocking each other out of the national title picture.

"It'll be interesting to see how the pecking order falls," said A&M coach R.C. Slocum. "Right now, Nebraska is obviously at the top of the heap. Everything else is still on the back burner. Nebraska is the flagship team of this conference."

And the No. 1 team in the AP preseason poll. Last year, seven teams now in the Big 12 were ranked in the Top 25. As the '96 season begins, six teams are in the preseason poll — Nebraska, Colorado at No. 5, Texas at No. 8, Texas A&M at No. 13, Kansas State 21st and Kansas 24th.

The impressive numbers go on. Seven Big 12 teams played in bowls last season. Six won. The 12 teams had a combined 49-10 record against non-conference opponents.

The Big 12 became a reality on Feb. 25, 1994, but its took time to smooth out the details, such as hiring a commissioner, agreeing on admission policies, creating a conference title game on Dec. 7 in St. Louis and deciding to call Dallas the home office.

On July 1, with Steve Hatchell as commissioner, the Big 12 officially opened for business. The league has two divisions. The North consists of Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas State, Kansas, Iowa State and Colorado. The South has Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Baylor, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. Nebraska was picked by Big 12 coaches as the team to beat North, while Texas is the choice in the South.

"Somebody has to head them off sooner or later," Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes said of Nebraska. "Russia fell, but how long did that take?"

The two-time defending national champion Cornhuskers had more off-the-field problems than they did on in last year. The biggest was running back Lawrence Phillips' assault of a former girlfriend that led to a six-game suspension by coach Tom Osborne.

"Last year was not all bad," Osborne said. "I enjoyed the team and the players."

Nebraska should be awesome again up front, with 300-pound offensive linemen and a solid defense. Tommie Frazier is gone and Stanford transfer Scott Frost replaces him at quarterback. Ahman Green, with over 1,000 yards just filling in for Phillips last year, could have a breakout season.

Colorado and Kansas State should provide the biggest obstacles for the Huskers. Nebraska is at Kansas State on Oct. 5, and plays Colorado in Lincoln on Nov. 29.

Koy Detmer should return to quarterback for Buffaloes coach Rick Neuheisel. John Hessler,

who replaced the injured Detmer and led the team to a 10-2-1 record, also returns.

Kansas State and Kansas are capable of producing bowl seasons, while Iowa State once again will showcase All-American Troy Davis, the 2,000-yard rusher whose brother Darren joins the Cyclones this season.

In the South, Texas' fortunes rest on the arm and legs of quarterback James Brown, both of which were hurt last season. With running backs Shon Mitchell and Ricky Williams, tight end Pat Fitzgerald and receiver Mike Adams, Brown says: "We're going to have the best offense in the Big 12."

Adds coach John Mackovic: "The key is keeping James healthy."

Texas A&M will give Texas a run for the division. Brannon Stewart, a transfer from Tennessee, makes his quarterback debut for the Aggies, who also have a trio of talented running backs, and a top receiver in Albert Connell.

The Aggies' defense should excel, led by linebacker Keith Mitchell and end Brandon Mitchell.

Texas Tech could be a factor with quarterback Zebbie Lethridge and 1,000-yard rusher Byron Hunsford.

Oklahoma has a new coach again, this time John Blake, who hired Dick Winder away from Tech as his offensive coordinator. It could be another off-year for the Sooners.

"We've got a way to go and we know that," Blake said.

Baylor and Oklahoma State should not be factors in the Big 12 race.



Texas quarterback James Brown pitches out in a win over Pittsburgh last year. Brown is a key cog if the Longhorns are to be successful this year.

Burkett hurls debut blanks

Associated Press

TORONTO — John Burkett pitched a six-hitter in his American League debut Sunday as the Texas Rangers completed their first road sweep this season with a 6-0 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Burkett (1-0), acquired from the Florida Marlins last Thursday, struck out eight and walked one in his second shutout this season and fourth of his career.

The Rangers have beaten the Blue Jays six straight times and are 8-1 against Toronto this year.

Juan Gonzalez drove in two runs for AL West-leading Texas, which despite the win is still a sub-.500 road team (28-29).

Yankees 12, Tigers 0

NEW YORK — Cecil Fielder homered again off his former team and Kenny Rogers pitched his first shutout of the season as New York beat Detroit, stopping the Tigers' four-game winning streak.

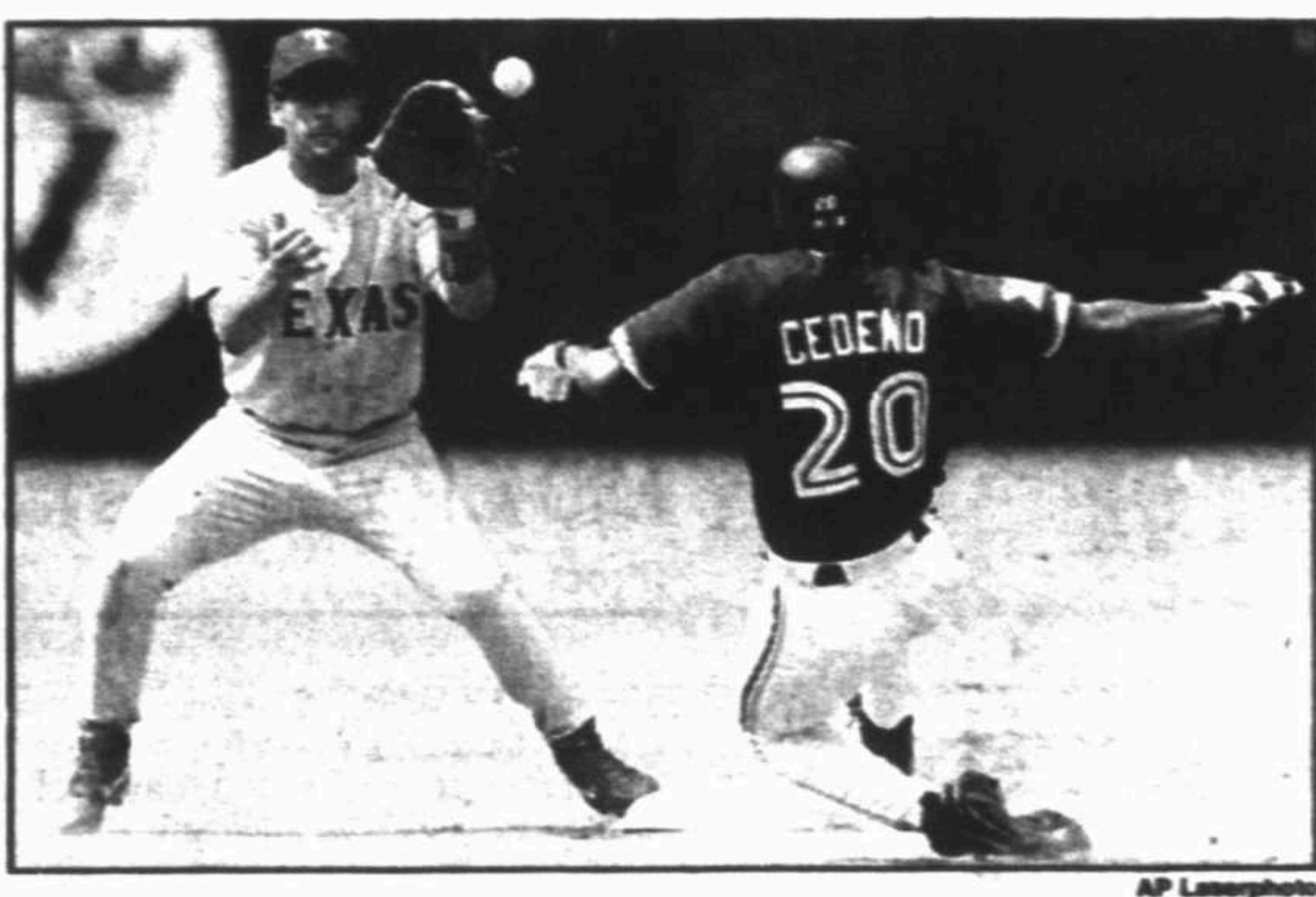
Fielder hit a three-run homer, his 30th of the year, during a five-run third inning. He also hit a bases-loaded drive that right fielder Ruben Sierra — traded for Fielder on July 31 — missed for an error in a five-run seventh.

Rogers (10-5) pitched a six-hitter for his first shutout since leaving Texas in the offseason. He won his fourth straight start, working around four early walks and striking out one.

Red Sox 2, Brewers 0

MILWAUKEE — Roger Clemens got his first win in a month as Boston completed its first four-game sweep in Milwaukee.

Clemens (5-11) allowed six hits over seven innings to pick up his first victory since July 11 and only



Texas shortstop Kevin Elster catches the ball over the sliding Domingo Cedeno of Toronto. Texas beat the Blue Jays 6-0 Sunday.

his second in 14 starts. The right-hander walked one and struck out eight in improving his career mark in Milwaukee to 9-3.

The four-game sweep was Boston's first at County Stadium and the Red Sox' first over the Brewers in a four-game set since 1988.

White Sox 8, Orioles 5

CHICAGO — Harold Baines broke a tie with a two-run single in the seventh inning, leading Chicago over Baltimore.

Dave Martinez completed a 4-for-4 performance with an RBI single in the eighth. Ray Durham and Ron Karkovice also had four hits for the White Sox.

Athletics 9, Indians 3

OAKLAND, Calif. — Scott Brosius hit his 19th homer and had four RBIs and Terry Steinbach had a pair of two-run doubles as Oakland routed Cleveland.

John Wasdin (7-5) broke a six-start winless streak, recovering from a rocky first inning for his first victory since July 5. He allowed five hits and three runs — two earned — in seven innings.

After Cleveland went ahead 2-0 in the first on Kenny Lofton's lead-off home run and Brian Giles'

sacrifice fly, the A's scored seven runs off Albie Lopez (2-4) in four-plus innings.

Angels 6, Royals 5

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Dennis Springer pitched a four-hitter and Chili Davis homered twice as California got its first win since manager Marcel Lachemann's resignation.

Former Midland Angel George Arias' two-run homer, one of three homers by the Angels in the sixth inning, snapped a 1-1 tie and enabled the Angels to halt a six-game losing streak under interim manager John McNamara.

Ironically, McNamara spent the game out of uniform in the clubhouse, nursing a strained right calf while coach Joe Maddon ran the club.

Twins 6, Mariners 3

SEATTLE — Brad Radke overcame consecutive home runs by Ken Griffey Jr. and Jay Buhner to help Minnesota win its sixth straight game.

Radke (8-13) allowed eight hits over eight-plus innings to help the Twins record their first sweep in Seattle since Aug. 15-17, 1983. The right-hander struck out eight and walked one.

Astros put broom to Philadelphia

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Craig Biggio went 4-for-5 and Jeff Bagwell hit a two-run homer Sunday as the Houston Astros completed a three-game sweep of Philadelphia with a 10-5 win over the Phillies.

Biggio scored three runs and drove in two as NL West-leading Houston finished off its first sweep at Veterans Stadium since Aug. 1992 with its fourth straight win.

Darryl Kile (10-6) allowed five runs and eight hits over seven-plus innings for his 50th career victory.

Houston jumped on Phillies' starter Mike Williams (4-10) for three runs in the first.

Brian Hunter led off with his third homer of the season before Biggio singled and Bagwell walked. Both runners moved up on a wild pitch and Derek May hit an RBI groundout. Tony Eusebio's RBI single made it 3-0.

The Astros chased Williams in the second inning. Hunter singled with one out and scored on Biggio's triple. Bagwell hit Williams' next pitch off the facade of the upper deck in left for his 25th homer.

Cardinals 5, Giants 3

ST. LOUIS — Tom Pagnozzi homered twice and Donovan Osborne won for the first time in five starts as St. Louis beat San Francisco to remain one game behind Houston in the NL Central.

Pagnozzi, who also had a two-homer game May 17 at Colorado, homered to left with two outs in the fourth and snapped a 2-2 tie leading off the seventh when he hit a 3-2 pitch from Allen Watson (7-10) to the same area.

Pagnozzi has 10 homers this year, three more than his previous best.

Ray Lankford added a two-run double in the seventh, giving him



Houston's "Killer Bees" ... Biggio and Bagwell strike.

six RBIs in two games. Left fielder Barry Bonds missed a running catch at the warning track and slipped and fell after the ball bounced off the wall.

Osborne (10-8) had trouble only in the sixth when he gave up a two-out, two-run home run to Glennallen Hill. In 7 1-3 innings, Osborne struck out three and walked two, becoming the Cardinals' fourth starter to reach double figures in victories.

Padres 7, Pirates 5

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh second baseman Nelson Lirio's two errors led to five San Diego runs and the Padres finished off their first four-game sweep of the Pirates in club history.

Tony Gwynn had a pair of run-scoring hits as the NL West-leading Padres — the league's best road club at 34-26 — completed their second four-game road sweep this season. They also swept the Giants on June 27-30.

Expos 4, Cubs 3, 10 innings

MONTREAL — Moises Alou singled past second baseman Ryne Sandberg in the 10th inning as Montreal beat Chicago to avoid a

three-game sweep.

Dave Silvestri drew a leadoff walk off Kent Bottenfield (2-2), and Andy Stankiewicz was hit by a pitch. Mark Grudzielanek's sacrifice to advance the runners and Bob Patterson relieved with one out.

After Mike Lansing was walked intentionally, Terry Adams relieved and got pinch-hitter Cliff Floyd to hit into a fielders' choice. Alou hit Adam's next pitch past Sandberg, scoring pinch-runner Tim Spehr.

Dodgers 10, Reds 5

CINCINNATI — Tim Wallach, playing his first game with the Dodgers this season after leaving the team as a free agent following 1995, hit a grand slam in the ninth inning to give Los Angeles a victory over Cincinnati.

Wallach was activated before the game to start at third base when Mike Busch was sent to the minors. Wallach spent three seasons with the Dodgers before the team elected not to re-sign him. He signed a minor-league contract with California in December but was released earlier this season.

Mets 5, Marlins 3

MIAMI — Todd Hundley hit his 36th home run and Carlos Baerga followed with his first National League homer to help New York beat Florida.

Mark Clark (11-9) allowed five hits in 8 1-3 innings. He struck out seven and walked two to win for the first time in his past five starts.

Braves 4, Rockies 1

ATLANTA — John Smoltz won his major league-leading 19th game when Ryan Klesko and Javy Lopez hit two-run singles in the eighth inning to give Atlanta a victory over Colorado.

The Braves avoided a sweep of the three-game series and ended their three-game losing streak. The Rockies had won four in a row and five straight on the road.

Agassi still displays tennis heart, touch in win

MASON, Ohio (AP) — Andre Agassi insists he has not lost his heart for tennis. Nor, judging by Sunday's performance in the ATP Championship, has he lost his touch.

"I have the desire to play the game. I love the game but I'm struggling," Agassi said after beating Michael Chang 7-6 (7-4), 6-4 to win the ATP for the second straight year. "I've been very discouraged with the way I've been playing. I'm not used to it."

Agassi, the Olympic gold medalist, has had a poor year. However, he wonders why anyone questions his talent just because he hasn't won as many tournaments as he did last year when he was No. 1.

"This year's been a struggle — but that's all it's been," he said. "I don't have to prove it for

ATP Championship

myself."

Agassi plans to play in this week's RCA Championships in Indianapolis. He said the victory over Chang is a lift for the U.S. Open, which begins Aug. 26 in New York.

"I go into the Open believing I can win it," he said.

Ranked seventh in the world and seeded sixth at the ATP, Agassi used a strong serve and powerful forehand in beating Chang in the ATP final for the second consecutive year.

Chang, ranked third and seeded third, was appearing in his fourth consecutive ATP final and earned \$169,000.

Agassi, who won \$320,000, becomes the third player to win back-to-back ATP titles. The others are Mats Wilander (1983, 1984) and Chang (1993, 1994).

Agassi displayed the same form he used to defeat second-ranked Thomas Muster in the semifinals Saturday, combining a strong serve and forehand returns to move his opponent side to side. He took a 2-0 lead in the first set before Chang battled back with groundstrokes, only to lose the tiebreaker.

Agassi took leads of 2-0 and 3-1 in the second set, but Chang again rallied, tying it 4-4. Agassi then took control with his serve.

Chang said his loss in the tiebreaker gave Agassi the leverage.

Without dramatics, Seles beats Sanchez Vicario

MONTREAL (AP) — It wasn't as dramatic as last year, yet Monica Seles got satisfaction from winning the \$1.3 million du Maurier Canadian Open women's tournament for the second straight year.

Her 6-1, 7-6 (7-2) victory over Arantxa Sanchez Vicario Sunday justified her co-No. 1 world ranking with Steffi Graf.

Asked to address the 10,391 center-court crowd, Seles hesitated until Sanchez Vicario walked over and gave her a peck on the cheek. Then the words flowed freely.

"I guess it hadn't sunk in that I'd won the tournament," Seles said, after a masterful performance. Seles made a triumphant return to the women's tour last August after a 27-month layoff, the result of being stabbed by a spectator during a match at Hamburg, Germany, on April 30, 1993.

"What happened last year was very special," she said. "That can't be repeated."

"I can't compare that to anything in my life. This year, I guess

du Maurier Tennis

it was more of being back to the routine of the tour."

Seles was the world's dominant player at the time of the stabbing, which was acknowledged with her special ranking when she returned.

It dropped Sanchez Vicario to third place, and there has been a debate ever since on who should be ranked higher.

The players showed there was no animosity between them.

After breezing through the first set, Sanchez Vicario fought back to force a tiebreaker in the second. But then she ran into problems, dropping her racquet after one serve and losing another point.

"I definitely didn't want a third set," Seles said.

It was the first meeting between the two since Seles beat Sanchez Vicario at the 1992 U.S. Open final and avenged her only loss to the Spaniard in the 1992 du Maurier final.

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Seminar

Smith Barney will host a seminar on its new Trak-Nav no-load mutual fund service Tuesday at the Petroleum Club from 7 to 9 p.m. Speakers will be James U. Rogers, first vice president and regional director for consulting services and W. Keith Wood, vice president and financial consultant, retirement planning specialist and portfolio manager. Topics will include Smith Barney's affiliation with the no-loads, services provided and advisory advantages.

There is no charge but reservations are necessary and can be made by calling 685-1234.

Manhole covers

Manhole covers are something we all take for granted, but have you ever considered how tough it must be to lug one of them in and out of place? Smith Fiberglass Products, a Little Rock, Ark., firm, has developed manhole covers made of fiberglass and wood and is marketing them as more worker-friendly — reducing lumber and abdominal stress — than steel and cast iron models. The covers are marketed to gas stations and other businesses that use manholes to gain access to underground storage tanks and similar facilities. Jan Brummett, a marketing services supervisor for Smith, says the covers are not yet being marketed to municipalities.

Saving money

SmartMoney magazine has published a helpful list of ways to save money that it collected from various newsletters aimed for tightwad. A sampling: Cut up old shower curtains into baby bibs. Save the wax paper linings from cereal boxes so you don't have to buy a whole roll of the stuff. Collect the lint from your clothes dryer to make your own stuffed animals. And, when you stay at a hotel, be sure to take home the free shower cap, and use that instead of plastic wrap to cover bowls of leftovers.

Disappearing pensions

Being an outside director of a corporation has long been looked at as a cushy job, with big salaries and perks. But at many companies, one of the benefits is disappearing — retirement plans for these board members. William M. Mercer, a consulting firm, surveyed 224 large companies and found more than a quarter that have sponsored cash-based retirement plans for directors are ending pension coverage. One reason for the change is criticism of the plans by shareholder groups.

Strategizing

The millions of job losses as U.S. companies restructured may have helped the bottom line, but they've left a lot of employees befuddled about their companies' mission, finds Mercer Management Consulting Inc. In a survey of senior executives at 86 big firms, the respondents told Mercer that half their employees can't articulate the corporate strategy. Contributing to the problem, Mercer found, is that top executives in some companies set the strategy themselves instead of bringing lower-level employees into the planning process.

Wedding blues

If you're shelling out big bucks for a wedding, it may come as some consolation that the cost of getting hitched is running behind the cost of living. Most & Chandon, which annually tallies the cost of putting on an upscale wedding in New York, reports prices are up 3.6 percent this year. That compares to an overall inflation rate of 4.1 percent nationwide through April. Most, which makes champagne, says the cost of a bridal gown by Priscilla of Boston is up nearly 13 percent, while 18 karat gold wedding bands cost 11 percent more than they did a year ago. But the cost of a honeymoon package in Hawaii is unchanged, and so is the \$30 license fee. And the cost of printing upmarket invitations is down.

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Home-based business owners may need extra coverage

By Vivian Marino
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — For a growing number of people, commuting to work means a stroll from the breakfast table to a well-equipped desk in another room.

Many home-based operations boast everything from the most fashionable furnishings to the latest in high-tech gadgetry, but a lot of them lack at least one essential feature — adequate insurance protection.

Paul and Sarah Edwards were startled to learn that two-thirds of the home businesses interviewed for their book, "Working From Home," had no business insurance of any kind. "Most ... didn't know they needed it," they

said.

A common misconception among many of the estimated 20 million home workers is that traditional homeowners' or renters' policies cover a home business in case of fire, theft, natural disasters or other calamities. Policy holders often don't discover any gap until their claims are rejected.

"When they (the insurers) do an investigation, that's when things start to get ugly," said Michael Katzman, president of the Independent Business Alliance, a professional organization in New York. "Most homeowner policies will cover incidental business practices ... such as part-time work or income-producing hobbies. But they're not meant to cover you for a full-time income."

Any incidental coverage would be very limited anyway. Business equipment on the premises is covered under standard policies for only up to \$2,500, and equipment away from home is covered up to \$250, according to the Insurance Information Institute. There's usually no liability protection if a worker, client, or even delivery person is injured on your property, it noted.

"If this is your livelihood, you should have the same concerns of any business owner, even if you're working from your kitchen," said Jeanne Salvatore, spokesperson for the New York-based trade group.

Salvatore says some full-time company employees may also want to consider extra coverage if they do most of their work from home.

"A lot of companies are finding it's cheaper to have their employees work at home," she said. "Some will pay for everything and they make sure the employees have whatever insurance is needed; other companies are not doing that."

The working homebody basically has two options: Take out what's known as an endorsement to existing homeowners' or renters' policies, or buy a policy specifically designed for a business.

An endorsement, or rider, extends coverage for business equipment, usually up to \$5,000, and provides liability protection at the same limits as the specific homeowner's policy. The average annual cost on a \$400 homeowners' policy: \$60.

Mixed Blessing: *brings problems along with the promise of wealth* **Gold**

Imagine finding out there is a gold mine on your land. You'd be instantly rich and life would be easier, right?

It's not always so simple for people who live in struggling parts of the world when gold is found near their homes.

There certainly is the promise of wealth: more jobs, more taxes for local governments. If the market conditions are good — and right now they are — gold mining can bring millions, even billions of dollars, to countries that need it.

But in some places, gold can be a mixed blessing. Getting it out of the ground can mean upheaval for local residents and the environment. Along with the money, there is resentment.

AP reporters in Peru and Spain have looked at gold mining projects in their countries, and report that people have widely divergent feelings about having gold on their lands.

By Lynn F. Monahan
Associated Press Writer

CAJAMARCA, Peru — The gold fever that has been a part of Peruvian history since the arrival of the Spanish conquistadors is back with a vengeance in the rugged hills around this colonial city.

Domestic and foreign companies — including U.S. firms like Newmont Mining — are scouring the same hills where ancient Peruvians with stone chisels dug gold nearly 2000 years ago.

It was in the main plaza of Cajamarca that the Spaniards executed Inca ruler Atahualpa after extorting a fortune in gold and silver from him. And only 12 miles north of where the Inca ruler was garroted in 1533, is the Yanacocha gold mine, the most productive mine in Latin America and one of the most profitable in the world.



Yanacocha, operated by Denver-based Newmont, accounted for 18 of the 56.5 metric tons of gold produced by Peru last year. The company expects to mine 22.5 tons this year.

"Next year if we up production again maybe we'll be in the top 10 producers in the world," Thomas Conway,

general manager of Minera Yanacocha, said of the mine.

Gold fever extends to other parts of Peru as well. There are 240 mine exploration projects in the country, roughly half for gold.

Since 1993, when Yanacocha first extracted gold, Peru's gold production has jumped by 84 percent, according to Jaime Uranga of Peru's National Society

of Mining and Petroleum.

"Peru is once again becoming El Dorado," President Alberto Fujimori said recently, referring to the legendary land of fabulous wealth that lured Spanish explorers to South America.

"Peru is living a mining boom."

Gold is Peru's third-largest export, and expected to become No. 2 in a few years.

Located more than 13,000 feet above sea level, Yanacocha was until a few years ago a wind-swept highland where local campesinos eked out a living.

The mine's tremendous success is due largely to its low production cost, turning out gold at \$126 an ounce, compared with the industry standard of around \$250 to \$260 an ounce. Gold sells for about \$385 an ounce.

Peru's mining success comes at an auspicious moment. World gold demand of more than 3,300 metric tons in 1995 exceeded supply by 700 tons, according to The Gold Institute in Washington.

Demand has risen, especially for jewelry. And production has declined in South Africa, the world's largest producer, prompting miners to prospect elsewhere.

"One of the greatest gold rushes in history is under way," said gold analyst Jeffrey M. Christian of the CPM Group of New York.

"Governments are changing their regulatory structure in almost every country in the world in order to attract mining investment."

That is particularly true in Latin America, especially in the Andean nations, and is perhaps nowhere more apparent than in Peru.

remains than the rest of us. She's director of the Andrus Institute at the Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. She also lectures on age-related discrimination issues.

Age discrimination is pervasive, but it's very subtle, Dennis said. It's almost like it's normal to think older folks aren't as capable as younger ones — and that it's OK to say it.

Age discrimination is a low priority in diversity training programs, she said. And older workers aren't strong advocates, like women's groups, African Americans or gays and lesbians.

Part of the problem is that people think of themselves as women, or Hispanics or working mothers first, Dennis said. Age takes a back seat.

But the bias is out there. A recent study by the American Association of

Retired Persons asked big employers to describe 30-year-old and 60-year-old workers, and the results were surprisingly different.

The younger workers were viewed as more productive, capable of working under pressure, flexible, able to learn new skills and decisive. Older workers, on the other hand, were seen as reliable, honest, committed to quality, with good attendance records and good judgment.

Guess which characteristics employers want today? While those older worker traits are all solid, it's flexibility and decisiveness that employers of the 1990s are looking for, Dennis said.

The real question is whether the stereotype of age-related decline has anything to do with reality, Dennis said. Our physical strength may decline with age, but there's not much evidence that our intellect or creativity dips.



Mining for gold has become popular in Latin American countries, particularly Peru, above, and at left.



In Cajamarca, home to 118,000 people, the gold rush is evident in new homes, restaurants, hotels and car dealerships.

Hernan Herrera, city manager, called the mine the detonator for commerce and economic growth. But he and others complain the mine has also brought problems.

They say the mine has not created as many jobs as expected, while crime has increased. "Gold has only brought ambitions," said guide Rosa Diaz Vigo, who shows tourists the room that legend says Atahualpa filled once with gold and twice with silver in a futile bid to ransom his freedom.

"First it was the conquistadors who took the gold to Spain and left nothing here, and now its international companies that do the same thing the Spanish did 500

years ago," Diaz said.

Newmont says most of the 700 employees and as many seasonal workers come from the local area. It says the mine pumped nearly \$20 million into the local economy last year in wages and direct goods and services.

Conway, the general manager, cautions the local problems growing pains.

But local problems are not enough to dissuade this modern-day quest for El Dorado. "Everybody compares to Yanacocha. They want to find another Yanacocha," said Josilu Carbonel, a mining analyst with Santander Investment in Lima.

The youth movement: Bad age or bad attitude?

By L.M. Sixel
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The other day Helen Dennis was in a meeting with a nonprofit association talking about a new membership official the group wanted to hire.

One of the representatives suggested the group needs a "young, really creative and energetic person."

"Young?" Dennis remembers asking incredulously. "Why does the person have to be young?"

They were representatives of a nonprofit — people who should know better that creative and energetic people do not have to be young, Dennis said. The remark just goes to show how embedded the stereotype is.

Dennis is probably more sensitive to age-related

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Collaborative ventures flourish. Others want to join your successful team; let them if they have something to contribute! October brings valuable contacts, lucrative contracts. A personal relationship will take an upward swing early in 1997. Until then, keep a low profile and spend time with good friends. Greater tact and patience will help you avoid confrontations with neighbors or kin. Let go of outdated attitudes. You are more influential than you think!

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: mystery author Mary Roberts Rinehart, tennis star Pete Sampras, director John Derek, auto racer Pamelli Jones.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You are on solid ground at work. Co-workers are more cooperative than in the past. Comparison-shopping will help you save money. Showcase your creative or artistic gifts to attract the attention of influential people.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take things one at a time. Your keen powers of concentration speed progress at work. Someone's suggestions sound good on paper but may prove impractical.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Appearances are deceiving. Do not be taken in by flattery. Work in private when possible; crowds can be distracting. Hiding your feelings for someone will be difficult.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A financial situation demands a more realistic assessment. Working at home involves setting priorities and sticking to them. The object of your affections finds you hard to resist.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Concentration is difficult this morning. Resist the urge to procrastinate. The best way to reduce spending is to stick to a budget. Romance is on a much smoother course now. Your partner is jubilant!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An upbeat mood prevails at home or work. You feel full of vitality. Welcome innovative ideas and helpful suggestions. Others will be convinced by your contagious enthusiasm.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be prepared to revise a presentation after giving careful attention to the latest facts and figures. Co-workers may be indecisive. Handle important details yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An unexpected or offbeat encounter provides some fun in an otherwise

hectic day. Close ties are in the spotlight. Discuss shared responsibilities and goals.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do not insist on always doing things your way. Relaxing the rules could prove advantageous. Financial dealings with family and friends may be more complicated than expected.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your sense of humor makes you mighty popular. Avoid spreading yourself too thin. Too many activities will leave you exhausted! Discretion is the better part of valor.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The office routine offers little in the way of excitement. Career advancement comes through individual effort. Uncooperative associates are irritating. Seek solitude when working on financial figures. Your love life receives a welcome boost.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone may be in a belligerent mood. Be respectful and diplomatic when dealing with an authority figure. Never think that you have lost your touch. You are better than ever! Move forward with confidence.

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ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

AKQJ93 OAK OKQ5 AK108
What is your opening bid?

A - Despite the fact that you have a good five-card suit, only four losers and 21 high-card points, the hand does not measure up to a demand bid. Still, it is too strong for one spade. Our suggestion is to open two no trump. A five-card major does not preclude that action.

Q.2 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

AA5 OKQ72 O6 AAQ10854

The bidding has proceeded:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1 Pass 10 Pass

What do you bid now?

A - You have a very good hand, but your singleton diamond is a little worrisome. Bid one heart. If partner can't bid again, you will have missed nothing. And if partner does act, you can take appropriate action at your next turn by jumping in clubs to show your strength.

Q.3 - Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

AAK OA76542 O94 AAK5

The bidding has proceeded:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
10 Pass 10 Pass

What do you bid now?

A - What an ugly problem! Your hand is far too strong for a simple two hearts, yet your suit is so shoddy you should not even consider a jump rebid of three hearts. And raising partner's suit is out of the question. We suggest a temporizing bid of two clubs. As above, should partner pass it is highly doubtful you have missed a game, although you could be in the wrong partnership.

Q.4 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

AA OAQ83 OK1063 AAK83
Partner opens the bidding with one spade. What do you respond?

A - You have an enormous hand, but it is not suited to a jump shift. If you choose to jump, partner would raise with any three-card holding (indeed, some partners might raise with a doubleton high honor) and there is no way to then get to the right spot. To avoid that embarrassment, be content with two clubs for the moment to see how the auction develops.

Q.5 - As South, vulnerable, you hold:

A105 OA943 O762 A9543

Partner opens the bidding with two no trump. What do you respond?

A - You are going to game, but with your ruffing value in spades there is no harm in checking for a possible 4-4 major fit along the way. Bid three clubs. If partner shows hearts, bid game in the suit; otherwise, sign off in three no trump.

Q.6 - Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

AK10876 OKQ32 OQ6 AQ10

Partner opens the bidding with one no trump. What do you respond?

A - Jump to three spades and you run the risk of landing in a 5-3 fit instead of a superior 4-4 fit should partner hold four hearts. Start off by bidding two clubs. Stayman. If partner denies a major by responding two diamonds, you can then bid three spades. After a major-suit rebid by North, jump to game in that strain.

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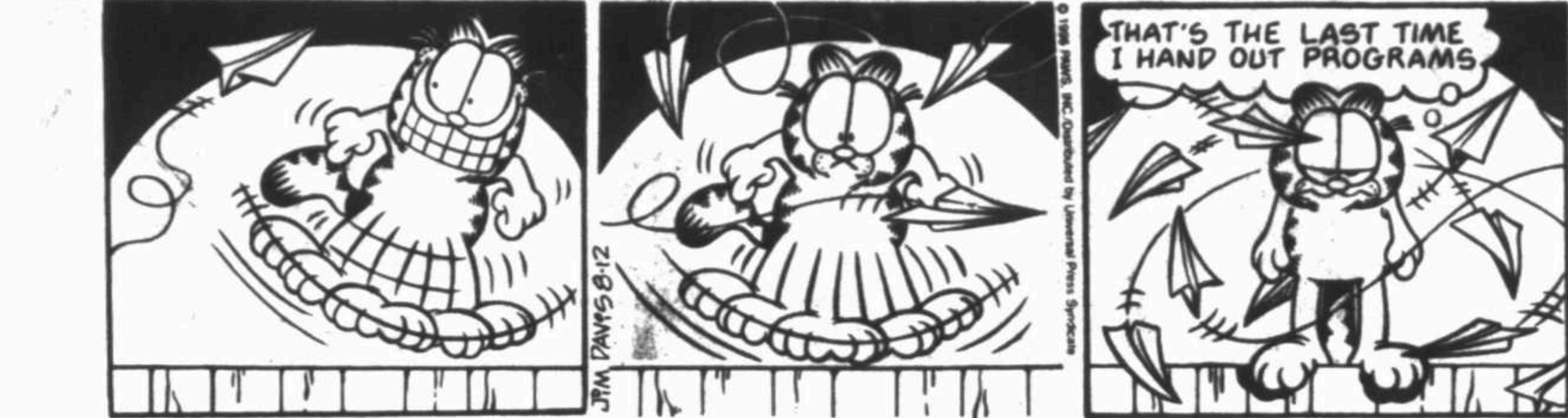
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PEOPLE

Tori Spelling makes it to top of list in TV Guide's worst-hairdo survey

NEW YORK — First **Tori Spelling** makes it onto the worst-dressed list; now she's topping the worst-hairdo-on-TV survey.

A poll published in the latest TV Guide finds that 43.3 percent of readers think the blond "Beverly Hills 90210" actress has worse hair than even cartoon character Marge Simpson's towering blue bouffant.

Poll respondents said the best hair belonged to "Seinfeld" star Julia Louis-Dreyfus.

Readers also voted "ER" star George Clooney and Teri Hatcher the sexiest woman on TV. Hatcher portrays Lois Lane on "Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman."

"Melrose Place" star Heather Locklear came in second and Pamela Lee, the buxom star of "Baywatch" third. Clooney beat out "NYPD Blue" actor Jimmy Smits.

"He's been driving me nuts to sign him up, asking me, 'When the classes are going to start?'" said mom Diane Hickman. "And it's all because of Kerri Strug."

SANTA FE, N.M. — **Sam Donaldson** wants taxpayers to pay to get rid of predators on his sheep ranch.

Despite his multimillion-dollar salary, the ABC News correspondent says he's entitled to the handout from the federal Animal Damage Control office.

One wildlife activist thinks that's wrong. "He's a millionaire, and millionaires shouldn't be getting taxpayer-funded predator control," said Pat Wolff.

Donaldson pays about a dollar an acre to lease 2,360 acres of grazing land from the state for his hundreds of sheep. Last year he lost 80 lambs to predators such as coyotes.

"The government helps ranchers and farmers and businesses of all kinds," Donaldson said Friday. "If it's in existence and I am eligible to use it, I'll use it."

NEW YORK — **Kurt Russell** has meant big box-office for years, so why isn't he usually mentioned in the same breath as Tom Cruise, Tom Hanks and Arnold Schwarzenegger?

"I'm not a magazine cover guy," Russell told Newsday in an interview published Sunday. "My opinions aren't popular and I don't promote myself. My movies, yes, but not me."

Russell's past three films — "Executive Decision," "Stargate" and "Tombs of the Ancients" — have made more than \$200 million in the United States alone.

But the actor, whose latest film is "Escape from L.A.," isn't part of the "in" crowd. He likes bear hunting, libertarian politics and is a booster of the National Rifle Association.

Director **Jonathan Demme**, who directed Russell in "Swing Shift," describes him as an original.

"Who else is out there who can play dramatic leads, romantic leads and action heroes?" he said. "If you think about it, there's no one else like him in movies right now."

Her performance won her many fans, including 10-year-old **Brian Hagan**, who decided to switch from football to gymnastics.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

MONDAY EVENING		August 12, 1996											
Broadcast	Channel	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
3	KMD	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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13	KOC	36	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
14	CHBC	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
15	WGN	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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17	BRV	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
18	BEY	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
19	DISN	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
20	FAM	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
21	CNN	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
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25	A&E	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
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- Shoppers' place
- Wood sorrels
- Munchausen's title
- One of seven
- Viva — orally
- Maine college town
- Test directions
- gross income
- Beats
- Madrid Mrs.
- Sickly
- Bold act
- Maevie Binchy novel
- Singer Sumac
- H.H. Munro
- Testy
- Nothing, in Barcelona
- code
- Recipe direction
- Youskevitch of ballet fame
- 'Neath the decks
- Math course
- Returns to square one
- Allied
- Gumbo
- Hgt.
- Les Etats —
- Street talk
- Prepare for trouble
- Simpson prosecutor
- Radames' beloved
- Inner: Comb. form
- Steno mistakes
- River of NE Scotland
- Elan

DOWN

- Singer Davis
- "A — apple"
- Roma cash
- Pertaining to milk
- Jump across
- Camp bed
- Eight, in Essen
- Wave farewell
- Dwarf tree
- First word of the MGM motto
- Spats
- Lulu
- Mrs. Nick Charles
- Lazes
- Mimic
- Put to work
- Hardy heroine
- Sneerer
- Adult insect
- Polish province
- Last
- Abbr. designating a hot movie?
- Exercise
- Lint-catching material
- Type of code form
- Put in the safe
- Irish lament
- Moves stealthily
- Speeder's fee
- Football name of fame
- Uneven
- Part of CPA
- Pons of song annoyance
- Stratagem
- Send off
- Lady
- Chaplin
- Explosive letters
- Magnon
- Netherlands city
- Sound of surprised

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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- 260 Boats and Motors
- 270 Airplanes
- 280 Auto Services
- 290 Parts/Access.

Employment 300

- 305 Job Services
- 310 General Help
- 311 Medical Help
- 312 Professional Help
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- 316 Sales Help
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- 340 Child Care Prov.
- 340 Child Care Needed
- 341 Child Care Prov.
- 350 Bus. Oppty.

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- 400 Auctions
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- 404 79706 Zip Code
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- 407 79705 Zip Code
- 408 79707 Zip Code
- 409 Area Sales
- 410 Misc. Sales
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- 415 Misc. Wanted
- 420 Things To Eat
- 425 Trade/Swap
- 430 Household Goods

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- 440 Firewood
- 450 Sporting Goods
- 460 Antiques and Art
- 470 Music Instrum.
- 475 Crafts & Supplies
- 480 Camera/Supplies
- 485 Electronics
- 490 Computer/Access.
- 495 FOR FREE
- 500 Pets and Supplies
- 505 Livestock/Poultry
- 510 Office Supplies
- 520 Store/Cafe Equip.
- 525 Bus. Shop Equip.
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- 615 Furn./Unfurn.
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- 625 Unfurnished
- 630 Furn./Unfurn.
- 635 Condo/Townhome furnished
- 640 Unfurnished
- 645 Furn./Unfurn.
- 650 Mobile Homes: Furnished
- 655 Unfurnished
- 660 Mobile Home Lots
- 665 Bus. Prop./Offices
- 667 Comm'l Property
- 670 Warehouse/Store
- 675 Rec./Resort
- 680 Out of Town
- 685 Hunting Leases
- 690 Oil/Gas Leases

Real Estate 700

- 700 Mfr. Homes
- 701 Real Estate
- 710 Open Houses
- 720 Homes For Sale
- 725 Condo/Townhome
- 730 Suburban Prop.
- 735 R.E. Wanted
- 740 Out of Area Prop.
- 750 Lots and Acreage
- 760 Farms/Ranches
- 770 Resort Property
- 780 Business Property
- 785 Warehouse/Store
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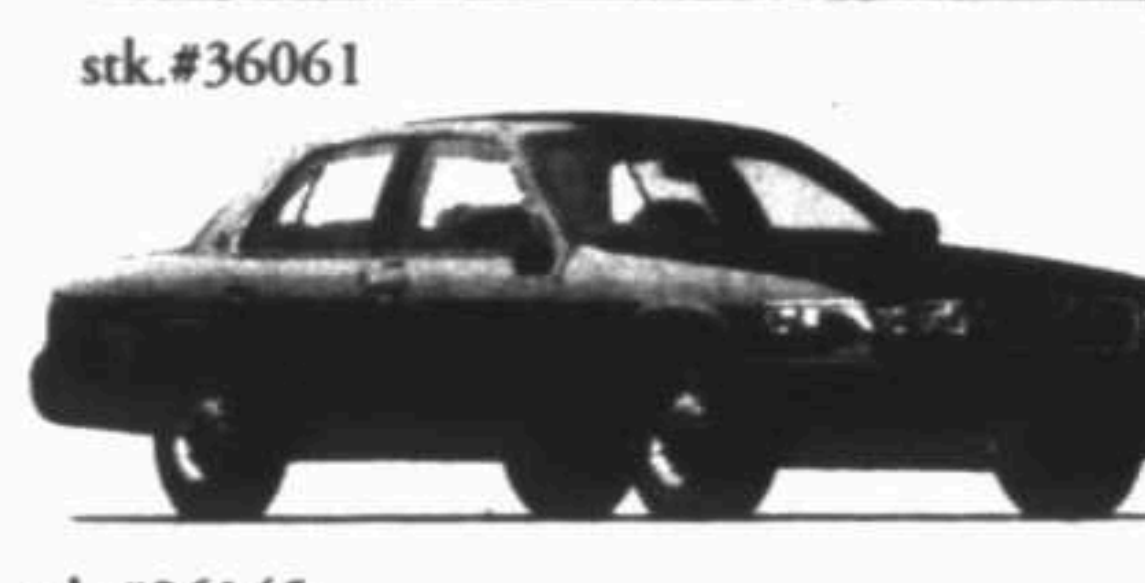
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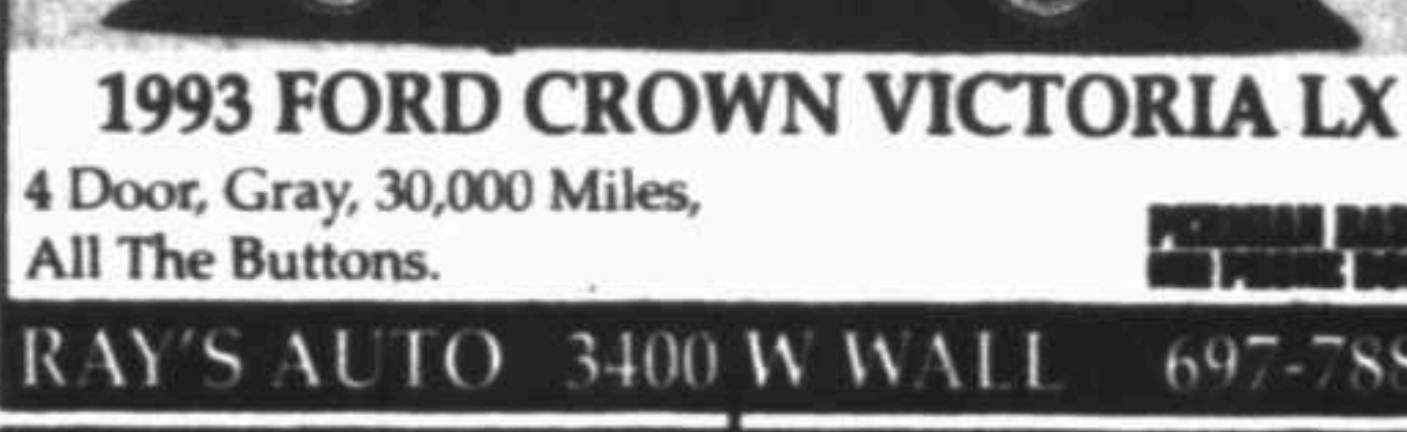
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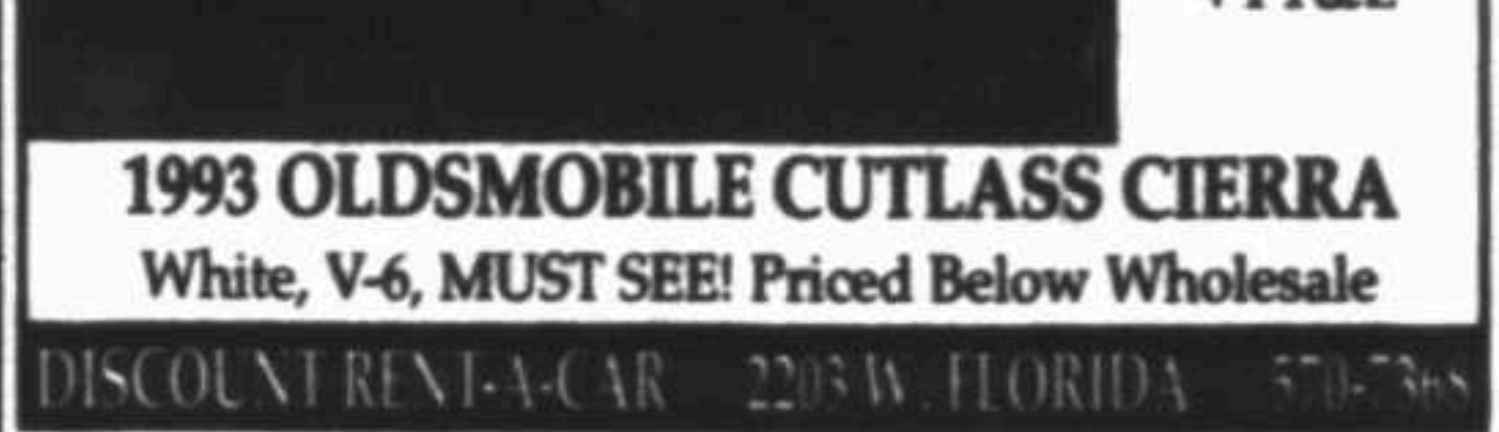
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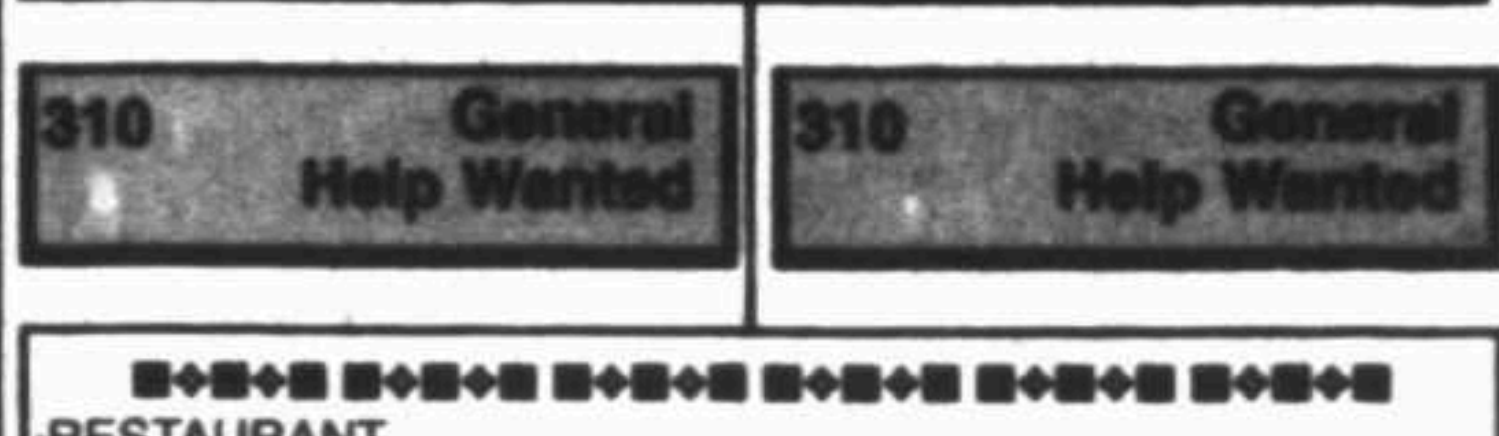
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