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Historic Waco

Waco's zoo sits in one of largest municipal parks in Texas with 50-acre natural habitat zoo that allows animals room to roam./1E



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Paying respects

Emily Boone, 3, of Columbia, S.C., places a toy among the flowers and other items at the memorial for Alex and Michael Smith at the John D. Long Lake near Union, S.C., Wednesday. Story page 7A

Stocks tumble

NEW YORK — Stock prices tumbled wildly on Wednesday in a powerful sell-off that wrenched the Dow Jones average down nearly 130 points before rebounding a bit. The sudden fall in the market's best-known barometer came a day after a 50-point drop and marked the steepest dive in nearly four years. Story page 1C

Over the hill?

WASHINGTON — Bob Dole turns 72 on Saturday, a vigorous septuagenarian with a daily regimen to exhaust men half his age. Still, with political opponents insinuating he is over the hill, Dole would probably rather skip this birthday. If elected president, Dole would be 73 at the time of his inauguration, the oldest president ever to enter the White House. Story page 5A

Lotto: $22 million

AUSTIN — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 6, 24, 31, 33 and 47. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be $22 million.

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Teen's chilling testimony interrupts partisan sniping on opening day of Waco hearings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interrupting the partisan sniping that opened the Waco hearings Wednesday, a teen-age girl described in chilling detail her life inside the Branch Davidian compound — from having sex at age 10 to being taught to place a gun inside her mouth to commit suicide.

"I was all freaked out," a nervous Kiri Jewell, now 14, said as she recounted the first time she had sex with cult leader David Koresh. She also recounted Koresh's graphic description of sex acts with other women and children.

The girl was called on the opening day of congressional hearings by Democrats seeking to defend law enforcement's decision to raid the compound in February 1993. She testified the Davidians anticipated all along they would "be killed by the feds."

The testimony from Miss Jewell, who left the compound before the siege, brought a joint hearing of two House subcommittees to stunned silence after hours of partisan bickering.

Democrats portrayed GOP investigators as having an unholy alliance with the National Rifle Association in pushing the investigation.

"From the beginning, these hearings have had the odor of bias hanging over them," said Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. "And over the last week, we've discovered where that odor is coming from — the National Rifle Association."

Democrats sought answers to the NRA's role in interviewing witnesses for the hearing and examining evidence.

Rep. Bill Zeliff, R-N.H., one of the two subcommittee chairmen overseeing the hearing, said he made "no apology for seeking the truth."

He brushed aside the Democrats complaints, eager to start with a lengthy list of witnesses. Over eight days, they will include top Treasury Department officials, agents on the front lines during the siege and Attorney General Janet Reno.

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Kiri Jewell, 14, is comforted by her father David as she testifies on Capitol Hill, Wednesday before a joint House subcommittee investigating the Branch Davidians in Waco. Jewell was a follower of David Koresh and testified that she had been taught to commit suicide.

AP Laserphoto



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Beatin' the heat

Midlander Tita Hernandez cools off at Casa de Amigos as she and other preschoolers beat the heat Wednesday with the help of a water hose.

Judge approves Amarillo as site for murder trial

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

After a month of speculation, court officials announced Wednesday that the capital murder trial of Henry Lopez Ortiz will be tried in Amarillo.

Ortiz, 41, is charged with capital murder and was arrested Feb. 10 following the discovery of a girl's body in a laundry hamper in a spare room of his apartment.

Ortiz was indicted Feb. 15 for capital murder in the Feb. 10 sexual assault, kidnapping and slaying of 10-year-old Julianne Powell. Ortiz has been denied bond in the case.

238th District Court Judge John Hyde issued a court order commissioning an opinion poll be conducted in Ector County to see if Ortiz could get a fair trial there.

However, preliminary results of the survey indicate it is not possible.

Hyde said Dr. David Hill of Hill Research Consultants, a professional opinion analyst, conducted a survey among qualified jurors in Ector County to determine if a fair and impartial trial could be held there.

He said 300 qualified jurors were interviewed and early indicators show that of those 300, 30 percent had determined whether they thought Ortiz was guilty or innocent.

The four subsequent sites proposed were Abilene, Lubbock, San Angelo and Amarillo. He said Tuesday he would give both sides the opportunity to reach a mutual decision.

According to a court official, the prosecution and defense agreed on Potter County and the judge approved it.

Hyde has said there are three other factors important in selecting a destination for a trial: a climate of the community indicating a fair trial is possible there; transportation of witnesses; and access to air travel because both sides will have outside experts to testify.

Julianne was last heard from by a

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Defense motions seek to suppress bodily evidence

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

Henry Lopez Ortiz will be in court again today for pretrial hearings regarding defense motions to suppress photographs of his body and evidence taken from his body following his arrest on charges of capital murder.

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Two separate hearings are set for today with the first hearing dealing with the defendant's motion to suppress photographs of the defendant's body and evidence from a body search of the defendant.

Among that evidence could be hair and blood samples that may have been drawn from Ortiz.

The other hearing will look into a defense motion to suppress oral statements Ortiz made.

The prosecutors in the case remain tight-lipped on specifics regarding the case and would only comment that Ortiz had made two statements after his arrest.

A third hearing — regarding results of an opinion poll of Ector County residents to see if an impar-

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'Mend it, but don't end it': Clinton rejects calls to end affirmative action programs

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton firmly rejected calls for dismantling affirmative action programs Wednesday, arguing that race and gender preferences are fair and do not discriminate against white men. "Affirmative action has been good for America," he asserted.

The president's unequivocal declaration puts him at war with Republicans and seemed at odds with his past expressions of sympathy for white men who feel that preferences in hiring, promotions, contracts and college admissions work against them.

"We should have a simple slogan: Mend it, but don't end it," Clinton said.

Affirmative action has become a hot issue in the political world, and GOP presidential candidates pounced on Clinton's remarks.

"He should have said end it. You can't mend it," said California Gov. Pete Wilson, who is backing a proposal to terminate race and gender preferences in hiring, contracts and admissions at the University of California.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said, "This is not a difficult issue. Discrimination is wrong. And preferential treatment is wrong, too."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said Clinton "is committed to solving the problem of discrimination in America by extending unfair advantage to even more people."

Dole said he would offer legislation

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"Affirmative action has not always been perfect and affirmative action should not go on forever. It should be changed now to take care of those things that are wrong and it should be retired when its job is done. I am resolved that that day will come, but the evidence suggests — indeed, screams — that that day has not come."

—President Clinton

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Serbs claim fall of second U.N. 'safe area'

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bosnian Serb rebels claimed to have captured a second defenseless U.N. "safe area" Wednesday in what would be another heavy blow to the United Nations' disintegrating peacekeeping mission in Bosnia.

In Sarajevo, the Muslim-led Bosnian government strongly denied that the Zepa "safe area" had fallen. The United Nations was unable to verify the Serb claim.

Pressure has been building on the United States and its allies to act since the Serbs overran Srebrenica, another "safe area," last week. The allies are considering a possible stand at another eastern safe haven expected to come under Serb attack, Gorazde.

Zepa's Muslim representatives "accepted conditions of surrender" at a meeting late Wednesday with the Bosnian Serb commander, Gen. Ratko Mladic, said a statement by the Bosnian Serb army.

Government forces and the estimated 10,000 to 16,000 civilians in Zepa had been under attack since Friday.

The U.S. ambassador to Croatia, Peter Galbraith, said he had "a preliminary report" that Zepa had fallen. He spoke by phone from Washington to an embassy reception in Zagreb, the Croatian capital.

However, Sejdalija Suceska, a representative of Zepa in the Bosnian capital of Sarajevo, said he had been in contact with Zepa about 8:30 p.m. local time (3:30 p.m. EDT) and the town had not fallen.

There was no word on the fate of 79 Ukrainian peacekeepers in Zepa, some of whom reportedly had been held captive by both sides.

A U.N. military spokesman in Sarajevo, Lt. Col. Gerard Dubois, said Serbs had "encircled" Zepa without breaking through Bosnian lines.

He said the purported surrender meeting did not include Bosnian army officers. "There has not yet been a surrender," although government and civilian leaders were discussing a surrender with each other, Dubois added.

His comment signaled a split between Zepa's civilian leaders and the government in Sarajevo, which seemed not to have approved the surrender.

The reported capture raised the threat of another refugee crisis. As they did in Srebrenica, the Serbs announced that they would evacuate Zepa's Muslim civilians starting Thursday.

Some 23,000 Muslim refugees had fled Srebrenica to the north-central town of Tuzla, bringing horrendous tales of atrocities. Another 4,000 men fought their way through Serb-held territory to Tuzla, but the fate of 11,000 others was unknown.

The Serbs, meanwhile, set their sights on Gorazde and attacked a fourth, Bihac, in the far northwest. Gorazde's fall would give the Serbs a clean sweep of land between Sarajevo and the Serbian border.

Gorazde is expected to put up fierce resistance and the West apparently sees it as a last stand in the eastern half of Bosnia.

U.N. officials didn't call NATO airstrikes against the Serbs, who had threatened to kill eight Ukrainian peacekeepers in a base under their control near Zepa and to shoot down any NATO planes defending Muslim-held territory.

The statement from Serb army headquarters in Pale said 30 wounded civilians would be evacuated from Zepa on Thursday morning, to be followed in the afternoon by others who want to leave.

They will go to Kladanj, a government-held town through which the thousands of Muslims expelled from Srebrenica also traveled en route to Tuzla, the statement said.

The Serbs said the evacuation would be done under U.N. escort, but they made similar promises before forcing Muslims from Srebrenica last week.

Reports continued to surface Wednesday of atrocities after the Serb capture of Srebrenica on July 11. In Geneva, the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights said refugees had given unconfirmed but consistent stories of rapes and executions.

A Bosnian Serb spokesman, Jovan Zametica, said Zepa's fall should persuade the West "that it is about time to discard illusions."

"It is time that the international community should help provide a realistic framework for a negotiated settlement," Zametica said.

The Serbs, who hold some 70 percent of Bosnia, have rejected a plan calling for them to surrender a third of their holdings to the Muslim-led Bosnian government.

Senior Western leaders and the U.N. Secretary-General, Boutros Boutros-Ghali, are meeting in London Friday to consider beefing up U.N. forces to protect remaining "safe areas."

A French proposal to intervene militarily to protect Gorazde and break the Serb stranglehold on Sarajevo apparently has not won support from the United States or Britain.

The Clinton administration proposed stepping up NATO airstrikes against the Serbs — without the U.N. approval now needed. President Clinton telephoned French President Jacques Chirac and British Prime Minister John Major on Wednesday to push for the plan, said White House press secretary Mike McCurry.

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic warned against foreign involvement in Gorazde, saying that "whoever sides militarily with the Muslims must be aware that this would mean a war against the Serbs."

In far northwestern Bihac, where government troops are surrounded by three allied enemy factions, rebel Serbs from across the border in Croatia and rebel Muslim troops pressed an attack, the United Nations said. There was heavy artillery and tank fire along the front line. Bihac is home to more than 200,000 people, including many refugees.

The Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency called the fighting the fiercest since the war began three years ago.

Shells also slammed into Sarajevo, killing at least four people — including a 13-year-old boy — and wounding 21 others, the Bosnian Health Ministry said.



AP Laserphoto

Bosnian refugee children from Srebrenica, carry loaves of bread that they received from the U.N. at the refugee camp at Tuzla airport, Wednesday.

Youths flock to Russia to work as volunteers

Foreign Youths Flock to Russia for Summer Volunteer Work

MOSCOW (AP) — A few hundred yards from the once-feared KGB headquarters on Lubyanka Square, youths from around Europe laugh and chat in a mixture of languages as they help restore the old Church of St. George the Victorious.

They are part of a growing trend: foreign volunteers combining charity work with the chance to travel Russia and get to know its people.

The tiny nearby office of Youth Voluntary Service, which arranges the stays of most young visitors, is a popular place these days. Within 15 minutes, new arrivals carrying backpacks knock on the door, coming from France, the Netherlands, Germany, Spain and Belgium.

"I've done several work camps. It's a good way to travel around, meeting people and visiting cities," said Eliane Proca, a 20-year-old student from France.

"I was in India last year and this year I thought I would like to go to the East, to Russia."

For one Danish student, volunteer work was "a cheap way to travel" to Russia and pursue his studies of Alexander Solzhenitsyn's writings.

And Berend Jan Brijder, a 21-year-old Dutch student, was drawn by his interest in how Russians have been affected by the painful changes there.

Most of the young people, ages 18 to 25, stay for two to three weeks during the summer to work, attend cultural events and meet Russian peers.

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Scientists conclude elusive beast is probably just pussy cat

LONDON (AP) — The Beast of Bodmin Moor, the elusive creature blamed for killing livestock and terrorizing hikers, is probably just a pussy cat, scientists have deduced — dispelling a myth as exotic as the Loch Ness monster.

In a hunt that recalled Sherlock Holmes' pursuit of the Hound of the Baskervilles, government wildlife experts investigated a dozen farmers' reports of savage attacks on sheep and calves, and local claims that wild cats have frightened children.

They spent six months studying livestock carcasses, videotapes taken by residents and strange paw prints. They concluded that domestic cats and dogs were responsible, and all that was big and wild on the moor were the imaginations of those who reported seeing pumas and black panthers.

"I am satisfied from the investigation that we carried out that there is no threat to livestock in that area from a big cat," junior Agriculture Minister Angela Browning told a news conference Wednesday.

But belief in the beast was still strong on Bodmin Moor, a great, lonely swath of boggy land about 250 miles southwest of London. The beast is the stuff of British legends — such as Scotland's Loch Ness monster and mysterious patterns trampled into crops grown in southwest England.

"I am just picking myself up off the floor from laughing," said Rosemary Rhodes, 56, who has tried for more than four years to persuade others that wild cats prowl the moor.

Last year, she sold the last of her 50 sheep after four ewes were ripped to death.

Rhodes scoffed at the government's suggestion that the animals she videotaped were domestic cats.

"I gave them footage of Twinkie, my cat. I zoomed in and I zoomed out, Twinkie looked nothing like the pumas I taped," she said in an interview.

Another moorlands resident, Ellis Daw, told Independent Television News that Wednesday's report was a government cover-up.

"I have seen puma. My friends have seen puma, my neighbors have seen puma," said Daw. "We know they're here."

Investigator Simon Baker said it would have been impossible to confuse the beast with a domestic cat.

'I personally think it's (beast) out there. But no one really knows though, until they come face-to-face with the beast.'

— Tony Turner
inn manager

A puma or black panther is up to nine feet long and weighs up to 150 pounds, and has a tail longer than its body. Neither big cat exists in the wild in Britain.

Zoologists Baker and Charles Wilson analyzed videotapes and found "the measurements and body proportion show that it has the same dimensions as an adult domestic black cat."

A night-time videotape of a black cat with eyes glowing with reflected light clearly is not a big cat, Baker said.

"That's Tiddles, isn't it?" quipped Nick Nuttall, environment correspondent for The Times. "Blackie the pussy," said a ministry security guard.

Three plaster casts of paw prints taken on Bodmin Moor turned out to be the marks of two cats and one dog.

Government investigators said they found none of the classic signs of big cat attacks such as claw marks on the hindquarters where the animal is initially pulled down or throat bites.

At Jamaica Inn — made famous by Daphne du Maurier's novel of the same name about romance, smuggling and murder — manager Tony Turner chortled when he heard of the government report.

"Ah, more free advertising," he said, adding that a little mystery helps keep the inn at the edge of Bodmin Moor even busier.

"They're looking in the wrong place or at the wrong time. I should imagine it's hard to run across a big cat out there," Turner said of the 10-square-mile wasteland. "I personally think it's out there. But no one really knows, though, until they come face-to-face with the beast."

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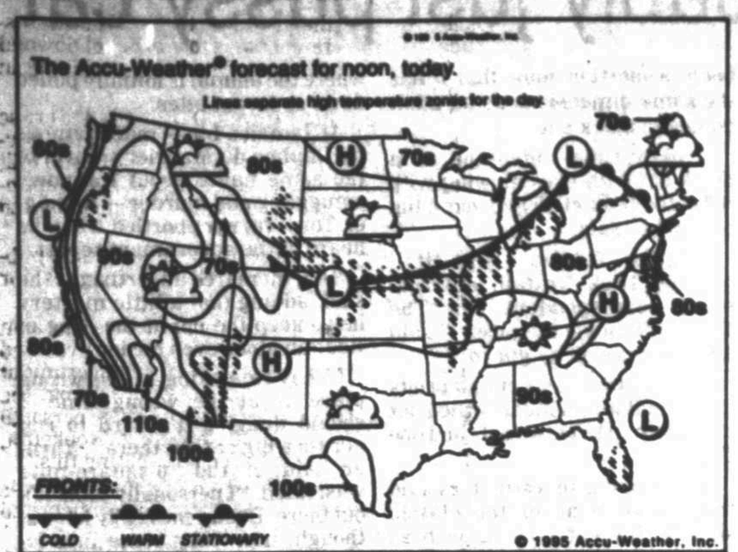
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WEATHER WATCH



Today's high to reach upper-90s

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the upper 90s and south winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight should be partly cloudy with a low near 70, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Friday should be partly cloudy with a high in the upper 90s.

After an overnight low of 67, Wednesday's high reached 96, compared to the record high for that date of 105 set in 1981. The record low was 61 set in 1947.

STATE

There was record-tying heat in South Texas on Wednesday while cooler readings prevailed in the Panhandle.

Skies were fair in the south and west and partly cloudy to cloudy elsewhere with showers and thunderstorms in East Texas and between Abilene and Waco.

High temperatures generally ranged from the 70s in the Panhandle to the upper 90s in the Hill Country and in South Texas. However, at 3 p.m., Laughlin Air Force Base near Del Rio reported 102 degrees.

At 5 p.m., Amarillo had 74 degrees, one notch cooler than the record set in 1893 for the coolest low.

The North Texas forecast is for partly cloudy skies today and tonight with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 90s with lows in the middle 70s.

The forecast for South Texas us for mostly sunny skies and hot temperatures today. Highs in the upper 90s. Lows in the mid 70s.

NATION

Thunderstorms rumbled across the Dakotas into Minnesota on Wednesday and parts of the Southeast were soaked by heavy rain.

In 24 hours ending at 3 p.m., up to 10 inches of rain fell along the western coast of Florida from near Tampa to Fort Myers, with 5 to 8 more inches expected in some areas.

Hail the size of golf balls fell in southeastern South Dakota. Other areas reported gusty wind. Afternoon thunderstorms developed across the central and southern Rockies and High Plains.

From 1 to more than 2 inches of rain fell in 24 hours in parts of southern Arizona and New Mexico as a surge of moisture moved out of Mexico. Douglas, Ariz., received 2.12 inches.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's Highs 96 degrees

Overnight Low 67 degrees

Sunset today 8:53 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow 6:57 a.m.

Precipitation:

Last 24 hours 00.00 inches

This month to date 02.23 inches

Year to date 07.91 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 p.m.	93	6 a.m.	67
7 p.m.	91	7 a.m.	70
8 p.m.	87	8 a.m.	76
9 p.m.	81	9 a.m.	81
10 p.m.	79	10 a.m.	86
11 p.m.	77	11 a.m.	89
midnight	75	noon	92
1 a.m.	74	1 p.m.	94
2 a.m.	72	2 p.m.	94
3 a.m.	71	3 p.m.	95
4 a.m.	70	4 p.m.	96
5 a.m.	69	5 p.m.	95
		6 p.m.	95

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT:

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	97	71	
Amarillo	89	64	.01
Austin	98	75	.03
Beaumont-Port Arthur	94	73	.21
Bryan-College Station	99	76	
Corpus Christi	98	73	
Dallas	99	73	.01
El Paso	92	69	
Fort Worth	98	74	
Galveston	94	82	
Houston	97	71	.33
Lubbock	95	68	
McAllen	99	78	
Paris	90	72	
San Angelo	101	69	
San Antonio	99	76	
Victoria	97	75	
Waco	95	70	.03
Wichita Falls	90	71	.37
Wink	101	69	

Weather Elsewhere

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 5 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	89	64	.22	cdy
Atlanta	99	74	cdy	
Atlantic City	88	65	cdy	
Baltimore	91	69	cdy	
Boston	88	64	cdy	
Chicago	89	63	cdy	
Cincinnati	88	61	rn	
Denver	78	58	.10	cdy
Detroit	84	61	cdy	
Indianapolis	87	62	cdy	
Kansas City	rn	66	cdy	
Las Vegas	102	79	clr	
Little Rock	92	71	cdy	
Los Angeles	82	62	clr	
Memphis	92	69	cdy	
Miami Beach	90	76	rn	
Nashville	91	64	cdy	
New Orleans	96	73	.07	cdy
New York City	90	71	cdy	
Oklahoma City	88	68	clr	
Philadelphia	89	74	cdy	
Phoenix	105	81	clr	
Pittsburgh	82	63	cdy	
Sacramento	87	61	clr	
St Louis	93	69	cdy	
San Francisco	70	59	cdy	
Seattle	92	62	cdy	
Shreveport	93	74	.09	cdy
Washington,D.C.	90	74	cdy	

Area forecast

WEST TEXAS Permian Basin — Today, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 70. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. Friday night, fair. Lows in the upper 60s to lower 70s.

Border forecast

NEW MEXICO — Today and tonight, partly cloudy with scattered mostly afternoon and nighttime showers and thunderstorms, mainly isolated in the northeast and southeast. Highs 70s and 80s mountains and north with 90s lower elevations south. Lows 40s and 50s mountains with upper 50s to lower 70s lower elevations. Friday and Friday night, partly cloudy with mostly isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms, mainly over the mountains. Highs in the 70s to low 80s mountains and northeast with 90s to upper 100 lower elevations. Lows in the 40s and 50s mountains with upper 60s to lower 70s elsewhere.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, partly cloudy with a chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the 70s. Friday, mostly sunny and hot. Highs 95 to 100. Friday night, clear. Lows in the 70s.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

2-6-24-31-33-47

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $16 million

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

7-6-5

REJECT: Clinton gives support to affirmative action

(From 1A)

next week "to get the federal government out of the group-preference business." The White House said it anticipated such a move and hoped to defeat it.

Rather than scrapping preferences, Clinton issued a directive to federal departments and a 100-page report advocating reforms to ensure that programs benefit those who need help the most.

He ordered the elimination or overhaul of any program that "creates a quota, creates preferences for unqualified individuals, creates reverse discrimination or continues even after its equal opportunity purposes have been achieved."

Clinton also called for a new federal set-aside program to target federal contracts to businesses in poor areas even if they are owned by whites. Currently, set-asides are reserved for women and minorities. Congress would have to approve the new set-aside system, and that seems doubtful in light of GOP moves to abolish affirmative action.

Whereas Clinton once had seemed ready to roll back preferential programs, he gave an unflinching defense of affirmative action as a tool to open the doors of education, employment and business opportunity to victims of persistent discrimination.

His remarks cheered leaders of women's groups and minorities, who are an instrumental part of his political base. Myrlie Evers-Williams, head of the NAACP, praised Clinton for "his bold, decisive statement."

Jesse Jackson, considering a challenge to Clinton for the Democratic presidential nomination, called the president's remarks "one of his finer hours as a leader of the country." And yet, Jackson said, "What we heard today is not where the White House was three months ago."

George Stephanopoulos, a senior adviser to Clinton, said he hoped Democratic activists would be energized by the speech.

The president, offering the conclusions of a five-month administration study, said, "When affirmative action is done right, it is flexible, it is fair and it works."

He delivered his findings in a speech at the National Archives amid displays of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. His audience included university administrators, elected officials, women's leaders and veterans of the civil rights movement.

Arguing that affirmative action programs are still necessary, Clinton said that the unemployment for blacks is about twice that for whites and that the Hispanic jobless rate is even higher.

In terms of salaries, women make only 72 percent as much as men for comparable jobs, Clinton said, and the average income for a Hispanic woman with a college degree is less than the average wage of a white man with a high school diploma.

"Affirmative action has not always been perfect and affirmative action should not go on forever," the president said. "It should be changed now to take care of those things that are wrong and it should be retired when its job is done.

"I am resolved that that day will come," Clinton said. "But the evidence suggests — indeed, screams — that that day has not come."

Clinton said affirmative action programs will have to be measured against a recent Supreme Court decision setting a stricter standard for federal programs that provide preferences. Yet, Clinton said the decision "did not dismantle affirmative action and did not dismantle set-asides."

Without naming names, Clinton said "It is simply wrong to play politics with the issue of affirmative action and divide our country at a time when, if we're really going to change things, we have to be united."

Clinton said affirmative action "did not cause the great economic problems of the American middle class" although he said some people seize on those anxieties as a way "of turning their resentment against the minorities or against a particular government program."

Patrick Buchanan, a GOP presidential hopeful and critic of affirmative action, said Clinton's "plan to perpetuate government-sponsored racial discrimination is unjust and unconstitutional." He urged Congress to ban all federal quotas, set-asides and affirmative action programs.

Lamar Alexander, another Republican candidate, said, "It is un-American to treat people as members of a group rather than as individuals. Unfortunately, President Clinton's report fails to recognize this fundamental principle."

TESTIMONY: Hearings open on Branch Davidians in Waco

(From 1A)

The two House subcommittees run by Republicans planned to focus on what agents for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms did during their botched Feb. 28, 1993, raid of the compound near Waco. Four agents and six Davidians died.

That led to a 51-day siege, which ended when government agents knocked a hole in the compound and put in tear gas. The complex caught fire and 81 Davidians, including Koresh and Miss Jewell's mother, died from flames and bullets.

Critics of the government's actions — the NRA being among the most vocal — have charged that law enforcement used excessive and unnecessary force.

Zeliff said the goal of the hearings was to study the "deadly mishandling of the crisis and the ensuing mistrust" of law enforcement.

The GOP scored an early point, when David Thibodeau, a Davidian who survived the siege, testified Koresh regularly jogged outside the compound.

Critics have questioned whether agents could have avoided a showdown by serving the search warrant while Koresh was away. Treasury officials have said Koresh rarely left, something Thibodeau disputed.

The tone changed during Miss Jewell's afternoon testimony.

The girl, who referred to Koresh as "David," laughed nervously at times. Her father sat beside her, his right hand rubbing her back.

She said that after Koresh had sex with her, he told her to take a shower and he read to her from the Bible.

She also testified that Koresh spanked her and other young girls, and she said one of her friends married Koresh and had a baby when she was 14.

Democrats sought to use the testimony to support the position of federal agents that they wanted to search the Waco compound for evidence of illegal guns, child abuse and molestation.

Miss Jewell testified Koresh had taught them that they would die because of their religious beliefs.

"There was never a time when we didn't expect to be killed by the feds," she said.

She added that some of the Davidians talked about using cyanide for a mass suicide and said it was "accepted that the best way to shoot yourself if necessary in this battle ... was to put the gun into your mouth, back to the soft spot above your throat, before pulling the trigger."

Earlier, two authors contended that ATF and the FBI made a series of mistakes at Waco.

"I would hold out the strong possibility that we could face another Waco in the future," said Stuart A. Wright, a professor from Texas who has studied religious movements.

He called ATF's enforcement actions "excessive" and said the raid was based on a "moral panic" that undermined ATF's "ability to make more sensible judgments in its plan of enforcement."

Author Dick Reavis said he believed Koresh and his followers were preparing to surrender and would have if the FBI had not become impatient.

Ray Jahn, an assistant U.S. attorney in Texas, defended the ATF's raid and the FBI's decision to end the siege with tear gas. "The Branch Davidians were not coming out," he said.

Waco residents have mixed views on hearings

WACO (AP) — Clive Doyle stares out across what remains of the Branch Davidian compound where he lived off and on for 27 years.

His eyes scan the shoulder-high weeds buzzing with locusts, the charred foundation that once supported his home, and the rows of small, white crosses that memorialize the 81 people who died two years ago as that home burned to the ground.

But what Doyle was looking for could not be found. He wanted answers and said he hopes congressional hearings now under way will supply some.

"I'd like to see justice served in the sense that there are people that are responsible for what happened here," said Doyle, whose 18-year-old daughter, Shari, died on April 19, 1993, when fire engulfed cult leader David Koresh's compound, ending a 51-day siege with the government.

"This need never have happened the way it did," Doyle said. "The fact that they went about it the way they did, somebody should answer for that."

Doyle, who lives and works in Waco, escaped from the compound's chapel minutes before it burned to the ground.

He is scheduled to testify next week at the hearings. His main reason for doing so, he said, is to bring out the truth about the siege.

"The demonization, the lying about us, the 51 days of pure hell. To me, it all needs to be addressed," he said.

Doyle also said he hopes the hearings will help the nine Branch Davidians who are jailed for their roles in the Feb. 28, 1993, shootout that started the siege. Four agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and six Davidians were killed in the gunbattle.

"I've got nine friends in prison I'd like to help get out. As long as they're there, I'll keep talking," Doyle said. "The government would like it swept under the carpet; they'd like everything to be forgotten. ... I don't think it should be forgotten."

Not everyone in Waco agrees with Doyle.

Mayor Bob Sheehy said his town has tried to get out from under the spotlight that has shined on it as a result of the Davidians. The hearings, he said, will continue to connect the city to the religious group.

"Each event ... like Oklahoma or these hearings, everybody cranks up again and connects it in some way back to the Davidians, and that keeps it alive," Sheehy said. "I'd just as soon not continually be connected to something that we had nothing to do with."

MOTIONS: Defense seeks to suppress bodily evidence

(From 1A)

tial jury could be seated there in the case — was set for Friday, but has been canceled due to preliminary results of the survey indicating a large amount of knowledge of the case there.

Julianne was last heard from by a friend about 4 p.m. Feb. 10 and her mother arrived home about 4:30 p.m. to discover her missing. Police were called out about 5 p.m. after an initial search was conducted.

Officers were led to Ortiz after questioning the girl's mother and their neighbors about the girl's disappearance. Officers had been questioning Ortiz since shortly after 5 p.m. The girl's body was found just before 7 p.m. in a spare room of Ortiz's apartment.

The indictment charges Ortiz with suffocating and strangling the girl before stuffing her body in a laundry hamper while in the course of kidnapping and sexually assaulting her.

Both the suspect and the victim lived in the same building at The Park at Caldera, formerly known as Quinten's Walk apartments, 3100 W. Caldera Blvd. Julianne and her mother lived upstairs from Ortiz and his wife, who lived downstairs.

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SITE: Judge OKs Amarillo for Ortiz murder trial

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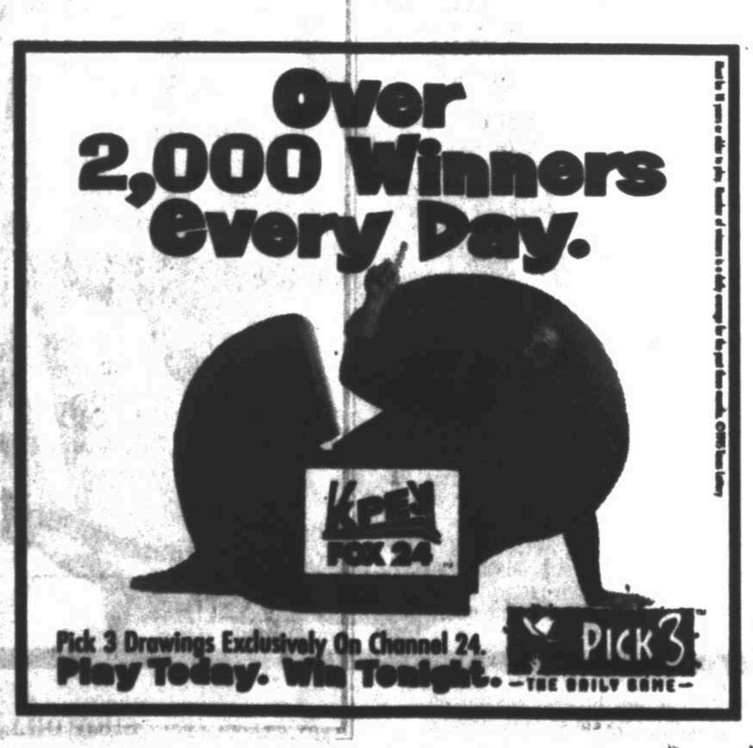
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Nation in brief

■ Smoking rises sharply among 8th-graders

NEW YORK — Occasional or regular cigarette smoking by eighth graders has jumped to 19 percent, an increase of nearly one-third over the past three years, according to a government-funded survey of teen drug use.

Smoking is also on the rise among 10th and 12th graders, although the increases are slightly lower in those groups, the survey found.

The findings come at a time when the Clinton administration is considering tougher regulations on cigarettes to combat what it calls the "pediatric disease" of smoking.

Lloyd D. Johnston, who directed the survey for the National Institute on Drug Abuse, said the findings were a warning that the next generation of American adults could facing rising rates of lung cancer, heart disease and other smoking-related diseases.

"Cigarette smoking is the largest preventable cause of early death," he said. "To see that serious a behavior starting to grow among our children is very disturbing. There is no question that that will cause an enormous amount of unnecessary disease and death." Johnston is a social psychologist at the University of Michigan's Survey Research Center.

■ 4 die in shooting rampage at city building

LOS ANGELES — A city electrician who had been getting on-the-job counseling shot and killed four bosses Wednesday in a rampage through a high-security complex housing police labs and other municipal operations, officials said.

Willie Woods, who surrendered shortly after the morning shootings, is a 12-year veteran of General Services, the city's largest department, handling everything from carpet installation to maintenance of municipal vehicles, said general manager Randall Bacon.

The victims were all supervisors in the department's communications division, which maintains the city's two-way radio equipment.

"His supervisors have been dealing with him about some performance issues for the last eight months," Bacon said. "He had gotten some negative performance evaluations."

Two men were shot in separate offices on an upper level, a third man was shot in a lower-floor office and the fourth man was shot in a lower-floor shop area, said Officer Eduardo Funes, a police spokesman.

■ Legislators vote to block Mexico bailout

WASHINGTON — In a striking rebuke of President Clinton and congressional leaders of both parties, the House voted Wednesday to block billions of dollars in further U.S. loans to bail out the ailing Mexican economy.

By a vote of 245-183, lawmakers approved a provision by Rep. Bernard Sanders of Vermont, Congress' lone independent, that would halt U.S. support for the peso effective Oct. 1. The provision was added to a spending bill for the Treasury, Postal Service and other agencies for the coming fiscal year that was approved by 216-211.

Of the $20 billion Clinton put into the exchange stabilization fund in January with support from Congress' bipartisan leaders, $12.5 billion has been dispensed so far. The House measure would not affect the money already distributed.

■ Authorities intercept 141 Haitian refugees

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — After spending 11 days at sea, 141 Haitians crammed into a wooden freighter were intercepted Wednesday while trying to enter the United States.

The Coast Guard spotted the 61-foot freighter in the New River entrance to the Intracoastal Waterway — a channel that runs parallel to the Atlantic coast and is used by boats to come inland.

Five Haitians jumped overboard but were quickly apprehended, said Chief Warrant Officer Dan Waldschmidt.

The group included 89 men, 27 women and 25 children who set sail from Haiti on July 8.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

House OKs ban on civil servants' abortion benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — A ban on taxpayer-supported abortions for federal workers passed the House on Wednesday as Congress crafted more spending bills constricting the size and activities of government.

Pushed by conservatives, lawmakers voted 235-188 to prohibit civil servants' health-care plans from covering abortions unless the woman's life was at stake. Such a restriction persisted for a decade until it was erased after President Clinton took office in 1993. The government covers 72 percent of the cost of the medical insurance, with employees contributing the rest, and anti-abortion legislators said this was wrong.

"People of conscience, including public employees, should not have to have their hard-earned dollars used for this procedure," said Rep. Linda Smith, R-Wash.

Opponents of the ban said it would unfairly forbid federal employees to use job benefits to pay for a legal procedure available to private sector workers.

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"The radical zealots in this Congress now single out these women for discrimination," said Rep. Nydia Velazquez, D-N.Y.

The vote was the latest in which Congress' anti-abortion forces have flexed the muscle they gained in last November's elections, particularly in the House. The chamber previously has voted to reinstate a ban on abortions at overseas U.S. military hospitals and to halt aid to organizations involved in the procedure anywhere in the world. The Senate has yet to address the issue this year.

The abortion provision was included in a $23.2 billion measure financing the Treasury, Postal Service and smaller agencies for fiscal 1996, which begins Oct. 1.

The overall measure, which was approved by 216-211, would reduce White House operations, the Customs Service and plans for new federal buildings. It also would reject Clinton's request for more money for the Internal Revenue Service.

The Republican budget-cutting drive advanced on other fronts, too. The House began debate on a $62.5 billion measure financing agriculture programs.

Before breaking for the night, the House voted 239-173 to restore funding for popular farm programs that the Appropriations Committee had cut. In exchage the amendment cut low-interest rural housing loans and rural water and sewer projects. The measure also freezes the standard deduction for calculating food stamp benefits, preventing a $190 million increase in the $28 billion program.

Also Wednesday, the House Appropriations Committee approved a $27.2 billion bill for the departments of Commerce, Justice and State that would provide $243 million for extra anti-terrorism efforts that Clinton requested and would boost overall law enforcement, but also would make wide-ranging cuts.

The measure would eliminate a $431 million advanced technology program that is an administration priority, and would cut the Legal Services Corporation, the Economic Development Administration and contributions for U.N. peacekeeping operations.

"This is the year to eat bugs and drink rainwater," said Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky., chairman of the House Appropriations Committee's subcommittee that produced the Commerce-Justice bill. His reference was to the diet of downed U.S. flier Scott O'Grady when he was hiding in Bosnia.

When Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md., tried to erase the renewed restrictions on abortions for government workers from the Treasury-Postal bill, he was supported by 146 Democrats, 41 Republicans and one independent; 186 Republicans and 49 Democrats voted for the ban.

During the debate, one abortion-rights Republican even scolded her GOP colleagues for inconsistency.

"The same people who want to get the long arm of the federal government out of their lives and are preparing to repeal all sorts of government regulations on health and safety would put the government in control of this profoundly personal and moral decision," said Rep. Marge Roukema, R-N.J. "We shouldn't even be debating this."

But conservatives fired back that abortion was precisely the type of activity the government had no business participating in.

"People say get the government out of the bedroom. Well, get the government out of our pockets, paying for this heinous activity called abortion," said Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., a longtime sponsor of legislation that for years restricted virtually all federally funded abortions.

The House also voted:

■ To block continuation of the $20 billion U.S. bailout of the Mexican peso, beginning on Oct. 1. The roll call on the amendment by Rep. Bernard Sanders of Vermont, an independent, was 245-183.

■ To kill all $65 million set aside for a new Food and Drug Administration food safety facility to be built in suburban Maryland. The amendment by Rep. John Duncan Jr., R-Tenn., was approved, 278-146.

Bat-weilding woman ends crime career of 78-year-old

BOSTON (AP) — After a lifetime of small-town holdups, chain gangs and jail escapes, a 78-year-old fugitive reached the end of the line — at the hands of a bat-wielding woman just five years his junior.

Nick George Montos, the first person ever to make the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list twice, walked into an antique shop Tuesday with a gun and threatened to kill owner Sonia Paine, 73, if she didn't cooperate.

He tied her hands to a door with plastic restraints, but she wiggled free, tripped a silent alarm and hit him over the head with her aluminum bat.

The grandmother was hurt in the scuffle, but it was Montos who looked the worse for wear in court Wednesday, his head and wrist bandaged.

"I don't take any crap from anybody," Paine said. "I beat the hell out of him."

Montos, on the run for nine years, was arraigned on a variety of charges, including assault with intent to kill. He was ordered held in lieu of $100,000 bail and is subject to extradition to Indiana, where he was convicted in absentia to 40 years in prison for the armed robbery of a jewelry store.

"His FBI rap sheet reads like a book," said John Burke, an assistant prosecutor in Lake County, Ind., where Montos skipped bail in 1986 while awaiting trial. "He's been in prison or jail in virtually every state east of the Mississippi at one time or another."

Montos, whose career as a criminal began 65 years ago, is "a tired old man," said his lawyer, Lisa Freije.

According to Paine and police, Montos walked into the suburban Brookline shop and pulled out a .22-caliber gun with a crude silencer attached.

"He said, 'Just keep quiet and I won't kill you'," Paine said.

It was the second time in three years Paine had faced a gun in her shop. An armed robber broke a lamp over her son Stanley's head and made off with two cases of jewelry in 1992.

Paine decided to cooperate, allowing the man to tie her hands. But when he cut a phone line her son uses for auctions, something inside her snapped.

"At that point, it was mother's instinct. He's going to cut my Stanley's phone?" she said.

Paine got her hands free and went for the alarm. Then she grabbed the bat her son keeps under the counter and hit her attacker three times, driving him to his knees. But he wrenched the bat away from her, hit her on the head and sprayed mace in her face.

Shortly afterward, a police officer arrived and the would-be robber fled into a back room. When the robber leveled his gun at the officer, Paine hit him again and the officer knocked away the gun.

"I'm not surprised by what my mother did," said Stanley Paine as he sifted for jewelry among broken display cases. "She's a very feisty lady. She's not going to let anyone come in and take what's hers. She worked too hard."

His mother was nursing a head wound that required 10 stitches to close. She gave her age as 65; police said she was 73.

In 1939, Paine emigrated with her parents from Poland, where an upper-class Jewish life of dancing, elocution lessons and maids was cut short by the rise of Nazi Germany.

When the family arrived, she said, all they had were two straw suitcases and a Persian lamb coat her mother hoped to sell. She founded her business in 1961 to help put her three sons through college.

"We came, we struggled, we worked," Paine said. "What a beautiful country, but filled with a lot of awful people, honey."

Montos was 18 when he escaped from jail for the first time, in Miami. He ran from a chain gang in Alabama in 1942 and escaped again in 1944.

He made the FBI list for the first time for a 1951 armed robbery in Alma, Ga. In January 1956, Montos used a hacksaw to escape from prison in Parchman, Miss., and made the FBI list the second time.

Dole fends off age questions as he nears 72

By Rita Beamish
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bob Dole turns 72 on Saturday, a vigorous septuagenarian with a daily regimen to exhaust men half his age. Still, with political opponents insinuating he is over the hill, Dole would probably rather skip this birthday.

If elected president, Dole would be 73 at the time of his inauguration, the oldest president ever to enter the White House. The record-holder is Ronald Reagan, who took office at 69 and was 77 when his two terms ended.

The age question has percolated quietly since Dole began his bid for the Republican nomination to run against baby-boomer President Clinton.

It emerged more pointedly when rival Lamar Alexander suggested Dole was from the wrong generation to lead America in the new century. Dole aides called that a desperate bid for advantage.

Dole defies any stereotype of a senior citizen, and his campaign has tried to neutralize the age issue by promoting him as seasoned and steady against a wobbly and inexperienced Clinton.

"The bottom line is voters elect presidents on the basis of leadership, character and philosophy," said Dole deputy campaign manager Bill Lacy.

Despite a World War II injury that rendered his right arm all but useless, Dole is robust — keeping long hours in his demanding role as Senate majority leader, arriving by 8 a.m. and staying for late night sessions, then hitting the campaign trail when the Senate is not in session.

The tall, trim Kansan uses a treadmill several times a week, has few streaks of gray in his hair and says he has had no resurgence of his 1991 prostate cancer.

But, like Reagan before him, Dole has had to deflect age questions in what some see as a problem compounded by GOP enthusiasm for changes swept into Washington by a crop of younger, fresher Republican faces.

Dole declared himself "in great health" as he entered the race in April. He has dismissed the idea of pledging to serve only one term after earlier considering it.

He told party leaders last weekend he is still young and ready to go. "We've only just begun. Don't worry about it," he said.

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Ruling paved way for equal justice

In this day of special-interest legislating and political power plays, it was reassuring to see that the concept of fairness and impartial justice still counts for something. Midland County's new 385th District Court was approved recently when a three-judge federal panel ruled that the new court and the way it will elect district judges is constitutional.

The future of the court had been in question virtually since it was first proposed in May 1991, primarily because of efforts by Hispanics to change the way district judges are elected. Hispanics contended countywide election of district judges diluted their voting strength, which in effect could result in a Hispanic being unable to be elected in some counties. They preferred election of judges from single-member districts from which they could stand a greater chance of electing more Hispanic judges.

Such a change, however, would have meant that judges would have been elected from special minority districts and as a result, could have been under extraordinary pressure to rule in court in such a way as to please their constituents. Such an election system would have virtually wiped out the longtime practice of people appearing in court equal in the eyes of the law. Some would have been more equal than others.

The decision by the federal panel was correct. It will ensure that justice will continue to be meted out without regard to a person's race and that judges will still represent the interests of all Americans, not just those who reside in their particular political district.

This newspaper has supported and continues to support single-member districts when governmental entities and political races are concerned. But we believe the judiciary should be above politics to whatever extent that is possible. The ruling supports that philosophy.

It also means that the 385th District Court in Midland can open for business and relieve the overcrowding in the other local district courts. That is indeed a positive development.

BOB HERBERT

America sees end of tabloid newspaper era

NEW YORK — "CURTAINS," exulted the Daily News headline. New York Newsday had fallen.

What Newsday never understood, and The Daily News still doesn't get, is that the great tabloid newspaper era is over. The last great tabloid story in this town was the Son of Sam terror, when readers scoured the newspapers for every bit of information about the crazed killer with the big gun who prowled the boroughs in search of fresh young targets. Girls would read that the latest victim was blonde, and suddenly they were drenching their hair with the darkest hues they could find. Reporters and editors were studying the phases of the moon, looking for patterns that might help them solve the case before the police. David Berkowitz wrote to Jimmy Breslin, one madman to another, and the story shifted into an even higher gear.

That was almost 20 years ago. Few people realized it then, but the endgame of New York's amazing tabloid run was already under way. The Son-of-Sam excitement was deceptive, like the final spectacular illumination of a collapsing star.

In those days The Daily News was still very much like something out of "The Front Page." There were crap games in the newsroom and bookies one flight down. Some guys wore hats while they worked and some kept jugs in their desk drawers. The joint was raucous, racist and sexist, and at deadline you could barely see the people around you through the toxic clouds of cigarette smoke, or hear them above the din of ringing phones, bellowing editors and the incessant clatter of the Underwoods.

That was to change very soon. I knew something was up one evening in the early '80s when a night editor, having dinner in the remodeled (and now carpeted) newsroom, unwrapped a wedge of brie and uncorked an expensive bottle of wine. The yuppies were upon us. Enter the great (and never to be resolved) tabloid identity crisis.

By the end of the 1970s, despite journalistic improvements, the realities of declining circulation and declining revenues at The News could no longer be avoided. Rupert Murdoch had gained circulation by turning The Post into a Fleet Street rag but he wasn't doing any better financially. Absurd games like Zingo and Wingo were employed at both papers to artificially bolster circulation.

The top editors at The News, having watched so many of their beloved blue-collar readers vanish into the suburbs, decided (under the constant goading of advertisers) that there was only one way to go: upscale.

They created the Tonight edition, an upscale version of The Daily News, and it sank like a stone. New York Newsday was still to come, but its fate was already sealed. The advertisers may want an upscale tabloid, but the readers don't. The big circulation numbers needed to support a successful tabloid have to come from readers held in contempt by the advertisers. Newsday, proud of the quality of its journalism, was no more successful than any other publication at straddling that divide.

For all of their faults (sometimes they seemed endless), the reporters and editors of the great tabloid era knew who their target audience was and what that audience wanted from a newspaper. Some years ago that ceased to be the case. The audience (or potential audience) changed, and so did the staffers at the papers — and they changed in radically different ways. The upscale staffers at New York's tabloids know next to nothing about the real lives of the people they purport to cover.

The Daily News may call itself New York's hometown newspaper, but its real hometown is somewhere out in the Hamptons. And even at Newsday, which made a serious attempt at covering the city's neighborhoods, the newspaper itself was never geared toward the residents of those neighborhooods. That's why they didn't buy it. It was never their paper in the same way, for example, that Long Island Newsday belongs to the people of Nassau and Suffolk counties, and it was never going to be.

Newsday joined the so-called tabloid wars with the instincts of a vulture alert to the imminent death of either The News or The Post. But even if one of those papers had folded, Newsday lacked a formula for bridging the gap between the upscale culture of today's newsrooms and advertising suites, and the more modest, earthier and culturally dynamic realities of the neighborhoods in which the largest numbers of potential readers reside.

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MIKE ROYKO

Other countries offer flag-protection lessons

If we ranked national problems on a scale of 1 to 10,000, flag burning would be about a 2. It's a bit more serious than the high cost of beluga caviar or the growing practice of putting ketchup on hot dogs. But it isn't quite as troubling as dope smuggling, street crime, cancer, health costs, the tax laws or even mosquito bites, double parking, cat-hair allergies and post-nasal drip.


Royko

However, it is the nature of many politicians to seek the approval of those who believe our stability and greatness as a nation is threatened if some geek with skinny arms and a jiggly Adam's apple phones a TV station to announce that he will flick his Bic at a Taiwan-made banner.

Since we already have a lot of dumb laws (Is Hugh Grant's sex life really any business of a cop or judge?), one more clinker can't do much harm. Even dumb laws serve a useful purpose by keeping lawyers busy, which makes them less likely to run for public office.

But if we are going to the considerable bother and hefty expense of messing with the Constitution to deal with a few flag-burning pests, we might consider following the examples of other nations that frown on such behavior.

Most countries don't have flag-burning laws, including such nationalistic societies as England, France and Japan. But I suppose that if you have had wars fought in your front yard, back yard and living room, you tend to shrug off minor irritants.

But there are countries that take protective measures for their flags. And we might seek their guidance.

In Poland, for example, flag burning and all sorts of other hard-nosed laws are lumped under a section called "Offenses Against Public Order."

Can anyone deny that what the United States needs is more "public order"? If so, you have weak eyes and can't hear.

The Polish public-order laws include these prohibitions:

"Whoever insults, damages or removes a publicly displayed emblem, banner, standard, flag, ensign or other symbol of the Polish state or of an allied state or the symbol of the international workers movement shall be subjected to the penalty of deprivation of liberty for up to 3 years.

"Whoever insults a monument or other work publicly displayed for the purpose of commemorating a historical event or to honor a person shall be subject to the penalty of deprivation of liberty for up to 2 years."

Statues, too. We could fill our prisons with the graffiti crowd.

"Whoever insults, damages or removes an emblem, a standard, a flag or an ensign of a foreign state, publicly displayed either by its representation or by order of a Polish state order, shall be subject to the penalty of deprivation of liberty for up to 3 years."

That's right. Not just their own flag, but flags of other nations. A Polish diplomatic officer explained: "We have these skinheads here. And they burn the Jewish flag. They have to be punished. And if we have a visiting foreign official and somebody insults his flag, they, of course, will be punished."

And that's not all.

The Polish laws also provide up to three years in prison for "whoever publicly insults, scoffs at or degrades a group of people or an individual person by reason of their race, ethnic or racial affiliation."

I really like that. Someone in a locker room says, "Hey, did you hear the joke about the Jewish ..." Wham, three years in the clink. Someone on the golf course says, "Hey, did you hear about the first African space program sending a man to walk on the sun?" Zap, three years behind bars.

And in Poland, it is against the law to broadcast insults to ethnic, racial and religious groups.

So if we would adopt a version of the Polish patriot laws, we could lock up the executives at any TV station that shows old war movies that are insulting to the Japanese, Germans or Apaches.

Poland isn't the only country that has laws against defacing flags or other national symbols.

So does Germany. I don't know why that doesn't surprise me.

And, finally, there is Russia. We called the Russian Embassy in Washington and asked if they had a flag-burning law.

The Russian sounded surprised that we had to ask.

"In Russia?" he asked. "Of course, we have that law."

So we might as well do it, too. If it is good enough for the easygoing Russians, it ought to be good enough for us.

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WHOM TO WRITE

GOP's budget plan tilts heavily at needy

A House appropriations subcommittee dominated by Republicans voted this week (July 13) to chop education programs for poor students and job training programs for low-paid workers. It scaled back a program designed to cut medical costs by identifying unnecessary medical procedures. It eliminated entirely a program that helps states design new educational standards.

The vision behind the GOP's 1996 budget for education, labor and health is radically different — and woefully misguided.

To their credit, the Republicans have made good on their promise to produce a menu of substantial cuts. By terminating over 100 programs, they would eliminate 13 percent in discretionary spending for the labor, education and health departments.

Some of their proposals are sound. Community health programs, for example, would be protected. Others are even brave, like the proposal to end the practice of having Congress, rather than scholars, decide which scientific projects to fund.

The missteps take longer to list. The plan cuts Title I aid for schools with poor children by about 18 percent, even though the program might be partially responsible for helping minority students improve test scores. Worse, the subcommittee would direct Title I money away from very poor schools, usually in urban areas. The plan also eliminates the administration's "Goals 2000" program, which provides money for states to develop education standards.

The nation's foremost economic problem is the 20-year stagnation of wages among workers who do not have a college education. Maybe Goals 2000 is not the ideal way to remedy this, but the subcommittee proposes nothing better.

The subcommittee also takes an indiscriminate swipe at Federal job training programs, good and bad. It would cut job training by 30 percent, including successful programs that help dislocated workers find new jobs. The budget plan takes better care of Health and Human Services.

Still, it proposes a 20 percent cut in the agency that studies the effectiveness of medical practices — at a time when the country is desperately trying to help doctors identify treatments that are truly effective rather than merely expensive.

The plan would also trim Head Start, the early education program for poor children, even though recent research demonstrates its effectiveness.

The Republicans previously decided to cut entitlement programs targeted at the poor, like welfare, twice as heavily as other entitlement programs. They also decided to direct most tax cuts toward the wealthy. Now we learn that they are equally determined to cut discretionary programs in ways that tilt, once again, against needy families.

— The New York Times

ART BUCHWALD

No one likes to finish second, even on rich list

The good news for America is that Forbes Magazine has just come out with its list of the 10 richest men in the world — and the United States has produced No. 1 and 2. Bill Gates, who owns Microsoft, is worth $12.9 billion, and Warren Buffett, the Omaha investor, is listed second with a fortune of $10.7 billion.


Buchwald

I felt so sorry for Warren Buffett.

How would anybody react to coming in second in the "richest men" list and have the whole world snickering? I can't call myself a close friend of Warren Buffett, although I do wear Hathaway shirts, drink Coca-Cola and eat Mrs. See's chocolates — all products in which Warren has large investments. But I am sure that he must be hurting over the fact that, wealthwise, he is No. 2. Americans don't like to finish second in anything.

Ten billion dollars is nothing to sneeze at, but it's chicken feed compared to Bill Gates' piggy bank. At this very moment Warren has to be wondering where he went wrong.

Some may ask what solace, if any, can Warren take from this list?

Buffett, whose credit card rating is now in question because of the Forbes second-place ranking, still has certain advantages over Gates. Bill has all his dough tied up in software, while Warren owns Capital Cities/ABC Inc., a lot of Salomon Brothers and chunks of newspapers all over the world.

If the bottom falls out of the computer market, Gates' worldly goods would go up in smoke, while Warren could live on Mrs. See's chocolates for the rest of his life.

A group of us on the porch of the Vineyard Haven Yacht Club was discussing the advantages of being the No. 1 billionaire and the drawbacks associated with coming in No. 2.

Stuart Weisberg said, "I have a question. When they go to lunch, does the richest man in the world pay or does the second richest?"

Jim Ayres replied, "The second richest. If Gates picked up the tab it would look as if he was patronizing Buffett and hinting that Warren couldn't afford it."

"What about the wine?" I asked.

"Since it's Buffett's lunch he would pick the wine, from one of the better vineyards, to prove to Gates that as far as he was concerned money was no object," Stuart explained.

Jim said, "Would either man bring up his fortune during the discussion?"

The answer from Ken Machlin was firm. "No. One of the unspoken rules of being the richest men in the world is never discuss how much money you have. Multimillionaires do this sort of thing all the time, but billionaires prefer to talk mergers and acquisitions and the odds of the Japanese going broke."

I said, "Despite being friendly in each other's presence, there must be tension between the two men. When you're No. 1, you're always looking over your shoulder to see who is coming up from behind. On the other hand, when you're No. 2, you spend all your time explaining to your family why you failed."

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 20, the 201st day of 1995. There are 164 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin became the first men to walk on the moon as they stepped out of their lunar module.

On this date:

In 1810, Colombia declared independence from Spain.

In 1861, the Congress of the Confederate States began holding sessions in Richmond, Va.

In 1871, British Columbia entered Confederation as a Canadian province.

Tow truck driver admits he took receipts from Simpson's Bronco

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A tow truck driver admitted Wednesday he took credit card receipts from O.J. Simpson's Ford Bronco to show off to fellow workers, a confession that bolstered a defense theory of evidence tampering.

John Meraz came under hostile cross-examination by prosecutor Marcia Clark, who painted him as a liar and a thief. But Meraz helped the defense by describing how the Bronco was shunted around the tow yard, left unlocked and never completely secured.

In a day of mixed results at Simpson's murder trial, the defense lost ground by calling an exercise trainer whose testimony allowed prosecutors to focus on Simpson's physical stamina and his videotaped remarks about punching "the wife."

But Simpson's attorneys ended with tantalizing testimony from a police photographer who told jurors he saw no bloody socks at the foot of Simpson's bed when he videotaped the estate at 4: 13 p.m. the day after the slayings.

Prosecutors have said the socks had already been removed as evidence when the tape was made, but the defense claims their absence suggests they were planted later by police trying to frame Simpson for the murders of his ex-wife and her friend.

Jurors wrote furiously in their notebooks as photographer Willie Ford showed his tape, which began with a shot of Simpson's daughter's bedroom decorated with toys and moved on to the defendant's bedroom.

In other developments outside the jury's presence:

■ Superior Court Judge Lance Ito issued a six-page ruling refuting defense claims that ousted jurors were "targeted" for removal by the prosecution on the basis of race. Ito said tips about jury misconduct came from diverse sources because of wide public interest in the case, and most of them were found to be accurate. He said many of the 10 dismissed jurors concealed relevant information about their lives.

■ The judge criticized defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. and prosecutor Christopher Darden for the ongoing "obnoxious and childish" sniping at each other and suggested it was at the heart of the jury targeting motion.

"The boasting and baiting conduct which has been engaged in between (the two lawyers), both in and out of court, is both obnoxious and childish and not a reasonable, credible or sufficient basis for the court to conduct a hearing into allegations of juror targeting," Ito wrote.

■ Defense attorney Peter Neufeld fought prosecution efforts to bar testimony of bloodstain expert Herbert MacDonell, who analyzed the socks found at the foot of Simpson's bed. Neufeld said MacDonell has concluded that blood was put on one of the socks when nobody was wearing it.

Clark argued that the defense withheld MacDonell's reports and suggested his experiments with blood and socks were flawed because no one could find a pair of socks exactly like the ones in evidence.

The judge put off a ruling on whether MacDonell can testify for the defense.

When Meraz took the stand for a second day, jurors listened intently to his account of his encounter with the Bronco and took copious notes as he described the vehicle.

Asked why he took two receipts and flashed them around, Meraz said, "I guess status and who the man was." He insisted that he put the receipts back in the Bronco, although they have never been found.

Clark suggested that Simpson's attorneys helped Meraz, who was fired over the Bronco incident, hire lawyers to sue his former employer. She also asked whether defense attorneys told Meraz the defendant would not press theft charges in exchange for his testimony.

Meraz denied getting any help from defense attorneys but said he "might have" discussed lawyers with defense investigators.



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Prosecutor Marcia Clark and defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. review a written statement by tow truck driver John Meraz while Meraz was testifying in the O.J. Simpson murder trial.

Smith's ex-boyfriend says she was suicidal

UNION, S.C. (AP) — Susan Smith sat blank-faced Wednesday during testimony by the boyfriend whose rejection prosecutors said caused her to kill her sons, but burst into tears when a diver described seeing "a small hand against the glass" in her submerged car.

Steve Morrow, one of two divers who found Ms. Smith's car in 16 feet of water in John D. Long Lake, described what he saw when he shined his flashlight inside.

"I was able to see a small hand against the glass," he said. He said the car was standing with its grille in the mud, and the boys were hanging heads downward in their car seats.

As Morrow spoke, Ms. Smith and her estranged husband, David, started crying. Defense attorney Judy Clarke placed her arm around Ms. Smith, while across the courtroom, Smith's father, Charles, attempted to comfort him.

Earlier, Ms. Smith's former boyfriend Tom Findlay took the stand and talked for more than two hours about their relationship.

He testified that she dropped by to see him three times on Oct. 25, the day she has admitted drowning her sons Michael, 3, and Alex, 14 months.

In one conversations, he said, she was crying and upset and told him that she had sex with her boss and his father, Cary Findlay.

The next time, she tried to return his sweatshirt, he said. "It seemed very clear she was suicidal," he said.

The third time, she returned with her sons and a friend, Susan Brown, and recanted the story about his father, Findlay said, adding she seemed a little shaken, but less distraught than earlier.

In a letter written a week before the boys' disappeared, Findlay told her that her children were a reason their relationship must end.

"Susan, I could really fall for you," said the letter, which was read in court by prosecutor Tommy Pope. "But like I have told you before, there are some things about you that aren't suited for me, and yes, I am speaking about your children."

Findlay also said that at an Oct. 15 party at his apartment, Ms. Smith kissed a married man, and that put their relationship in perspective.

"You know, nice girls don't sleep with married men," his letter said.

The letter, found in Ms. Smith's submerged car, was dated Oct. 17 and given to her the next day. Prosecutors said it was a reply to a letter Ms. Smith had written him.

In her letter, also read in court, Ms. Smith wrote: "I'm glad we are friends and if that is all we can be, then we will just have to do a hell of a job of being that. Who knows what the future holds for our relationship. I'm just going to live one day at a time."

Prosecutors said her motive in killing the boys was to eliminate them as an obstacle.

In her confession, Ms. Smith wrote that "I was in love with someone very much, but he didn't love me and never would. I had a very difficult time accepting that."

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Paleontologist unearths fossilized treasure — 100-million-year-old dinosaur

By Arthur H. Rotstein
Associated Press

SONOITA, Ariz. — Ron Ratkevich, self-described 43-year-old little kid, is mining a fossilized treasure in a remote hillside he wouldn't trade for gold.

He's living out his childhood dream, unearthing remains of a potentially new dinosaur perhaps 100 million years old.

"It's the most complete dinosaur ever found in Arizona," says Ratkevich, paleontologist for the private, Tucson-based Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. And it's in a 5-square-mile area he calls "the Valley of the Dinosaurs," which could hold countless others and will be the subject of future digs.

It has come about, he says, because of "a bit of geological serendipity." And a stroke of blind luck involving two fossil hunters.

Ratkevich is racing to finish harvesting a number of bones uncovered on a rugged ridge, before the start of summer rains that could wash away exposed fossils.

He estimates about 40 percent of the skeleton has been recovered, and thinks 70 to 90 percent in all could be found after the rains.

The dinosaur probably was a 20- to 27-foot long plant-eater with a bird-like hip that roamed in herds, could walk on its hind legs and used its front legs and bird-like beak to gather plant food.

'For some reason or another, just a bit of geological serendipity ... this one little pocket was preserved and hasn't really been explored.'

— Ron Ratkevich, paleontologist

It had a short neck and a long, whip-like tail and weighed about 4,000 pounds.

Ratkevich said the bones fit none of the creatures the researchers have tried comparing it to.

The site's location on state land north of Sonoita is being kept secret, to deter vandals.

The skull has not been located.

"I don't have any evidence that we'll get more than 50 percent," said David Thayer, the museum's curator of geology. "I'm going to be real excited if we have 70 percent. But 50 percent is a lot."

The museum plans a major exhibit eventually, including a full-scale replica of how the skeleton looked when discovered.

The dinosaur will be portrayed in context with its world of about 90 million to 108 million years ago, during the Middle Cretaceous Period — a time not known for its dinosaurs, Ratkevich said.

He and Thayer were to meet this week with specialists at the American Museum of Natural History in New York to assess the importance of their find.

But they have little doubt.

Nicholas Hotton, research paleontologist emeritus with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, said it sounds interesting and significant, and probably new to science.

"There's relatively little from the middle Cretaceous Period, at least on this continent. That's great," he said.

The Cretaceous Period began 135 million years ago and ended 65 million years ago, with the extinction of dinosaurs.

Hotton also said the number of bones found is significant. "When you get that much of a skeleton, that's something to write home about, even as much as they've got already."

The excavation team hopes to name the dinosaur Sonorasaurus, commemorating the museum's involvement and its location in the Sonoran Desert.

The animal is believed to have died and been carried into a low-lying river channel, near what scientists call the Bisbee Sea.

Sediment preserved the skeleton by covering it quickly. The sandstone deposits now stand vertically, from geological upheaval.

"For some reason or another, just a bit of geological serendipity, this one valley ... this one little pocket was preserved and hasn't really been explored," Ratkevich said. He and his colleagues are calling it "the Valley of the Dinosaurs" because there are clues that more dinosaur bones are weathering out from the entire valley.

Last November, amateur fossil hunters Gordon Nelson and Richard Thompson stumbled across the sandstone ridge. Nelson spotted part of a fossilized pelvic bone, shoulder blade and some ribs. They realized what they had found and contacted the museum.

"We're just so thankful to them. We're indebted," said Ratkevich.

"This is truly a state treasure for the state of Arizona.

"I've died and gone to heaven — dinosaur heaven. How many people can do what they've dreamed of doing since they were a young kid?

"Here I am, middle-aged little kid, digging up a dinosaur."



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THURSDAY

DAY WATCH

Military projects

WASHINGTON — The Senate Appropriations Committee has approved $128.08 million for improvements at Texas military bases. "These projects are important to the future of Texas, and by including them in this bill, we have made it clear we will continue to invest in the Lone Star State in ways that will strengthen our national defense," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, who sits on the Appropriations Committee. The funding endorsed Wednesday by Senate appropriators is lower than the $158 million in Texas military construction funds approved last month by the House. Senate appropriators didn't fund $9.2 million in improvements for Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, slated for closure under the base-closings process; and $500,000 for Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls. The Kelly and Sheppard projects had been requested by the Clinton administration.

Truckers' quarrel

WHEAT RIDGE, Colo. — Two Texas truck drivers quarreling on CB radio ended their dispute at a Wheat Ridge truck stop, leaving one of them hospitalized with a gunshot wound, authorities said Wednesday. Police said the man who fired the shot, Charles Wilson, 39, of Spring, acted in self-defense in the Tuesday incident. They released him. Charges of felony menacing and criminal mischief were pending against Edgar Dale, 33, of Houston. He was recovering from a gunshot wound to the stomach and was listed in stable condition on Wednesday, police Lt. Steve Blair said. Dale's brother, Anthony James Dale, 31, of Austin, may be charged with aiding and abetting Edgar Dale, Blair said. Police said the fight began around 1 a.m. in the parking lot of the Union 76 truck stop.

TODAY'S AGENDA

Listings for meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous, Alanon, Palmer Drug Abuse Program, Codependents Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and Adult Children of Alcoholics can now be heard on CITYLINE. Call 560-2400 and enter category 1860 form complete information.

The Permian Basin Stamp Club will conduct its monthly swap meet and stamp auction at 7:30 p.m. at the General Mail Facility, Midland International Airport. Visitors welcome. Call Mike Cherrington at 699-0202 for more information.

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Bldg., 15 Smith Rd., 11:30-12:30 p.m., 987-7286.

Share Success-Basics of Goal Setting, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave, noon, 570-4539.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape, Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-9412.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 520-2282.

Blacksheep A.A. group, 8 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 S. FM 1788. Info. 563-1200.

Project ADAM (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men) - Support group, 6:30-9:30 p.m., 988-8428 or 520-0277.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society, 7 p.m., Sibley Center by SE entrance of Hogan Park. Call 686-7442.

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome/Fibromyalgia Support Group, noon, HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital conference room; 6:30 p.m., HealthSouth cafeteria, 520-3500 or 683-9114.

The Midland Alzheimer's Support Group, 7 p.m., 3301 Sinclair. For more information on Alzheimer's Support, call Cityline at 560-2400, Category 1215.

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MOTRAN head sees future benefits

Perry believes efforts for I-27 corridor will pay off for area

■ Group made final appeal at public meeting Tuesday night in Lubbock after three years of lobbying.

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Local efforts pushing for the proposed extension of Interstate 27 to pass between Midland and Odessa will ultimately benefit the area whether or not a freeway is constructed, according to the chairman of the Midland/Odessa Transportation Alliance (MOTRAN).

"I'm as certain as I'm sitting here ... we, West Texas, as a result are going to see some significant improvements in our highways in the next 10 years," MOTRAN chairman Charles Perry said.

After about three years of lobbying for a proposed I-27 extension route, MOTRAN's final appeal came during a public meeting Tuesday night in Lubbock held by the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) and HDR Engineering Inc.

The state has been studying three possible routes extending I-27 from Lubbock to Interstate 10 to determine whether a north-south freeway is feasible. Results of the study will be revealed at another public meeting in Lubbock in October.

The freeway campaign is and has been "a tough uphill fight to justify," Perry said.

Although Tuesday's public meeting was only to determine the feasibility of a freeway in West Texas, speakers generally spoke in favor of a specific route. Several speakers from Big Spring voiced the need to upgrade all the proposed routes to facilitate travel in West Texas.

In addition to the Midland-Odessa route, which connects to I-10 south of McCamey, the other two southward corridors pass through Big Spring or Sweetwater to San Angelo and connect with I-10 at Junction or Sonora.

"I think we were pleased with the outcome of our testimony," Perry said. Fifty-three people spoke on behalf of MOTRAN, consuming the majority of the four-hour meeting.

MOTRAN transported two buses of supporters to the meeting at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. A notable contingency favoring the two routes that pass through San Angelo also were present.

San Angelo corridor supporters testified first and were heavily critical of the Midland/Odessa route,

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City reduces speed limit near hospital

By Katherine Poteet
Staff Writer

Traffic problems on the Illinois Avenue side of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center have prompted a reduced speed zone in front of the hospital.

Midland Police Sgt. Brian Bogart said signs were posted last Friday indicating that from Andrews Highway to a block past the hospital was now a 20 mph zone.

"We wanted to give residents time to get used to the reduced speed," Bogart said. "We will begin enforcing that zone here in the near future."

Bogart declined to say when officers would be enforcing the new speed because he said he did not want residents deliberately breaking the speed limit before the official enforcement.

The zone, which previously had a 35 mph speed limit, has one pedestrian crosswalk that leads to the hospital parking lot across Illinois Avenue.

Flashing lights had been placed in the zone in an effort to get motorists to slow down and look for pedestrians, said Laurie Johnson, hospital spokeswoman.

"Motorists have to stop when someone has stepped off of the sidewalk," Ms. Johnson said. "However, most residents never knew if someone was going to stop or not. Motorists had a tendency to ignore those flashing lights."

Bogart said officers will issue tickets to those who do not comply with the new speed limit.

No plans have been made to reduce the speed on the Garfield Street side of the hospital, in part because of the light already on that side of the hospital.

"The City Council, which determined that traffic was too hazardous on the Illinois side, decided that because the light was already up on the Garfield side, that the posted speed on that side was okay," Bogart said.



New 385th District Judge Willie DuBose is sworn in by District Judge John Hyde Wednesday as DuBose's wife, Gloria, looks on.

Brian Adams/Reporter-Telegram

Standing ovation welcomes judge to new court

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

A courtroom full of lawyers, judges and other well-wishers gave 385th District Court Judge Willie DuBose a standing ovation after he was sworn in Wednesday by 238th District Court Judge John Hyde.

After waiting almost two years and battling the U.S. Justice Department, Midland County officials received word Monday that the 385th District Court was finally able to go into effect.

"We are delighted to have a man the quality of Willie DuBose ... we couldn't have done better than him," Hyde said before issuing DuBose the oath of office.

DuBose took the oath with his wife Gloria by his side.

"It's overwhelming to see everybody on such short notice," DuBose said as he looked around the crowded 238th District Courtroom.

"I want to give thanks to those who got the court ... I owe thanks to (former county judge) Bro Seltzer.

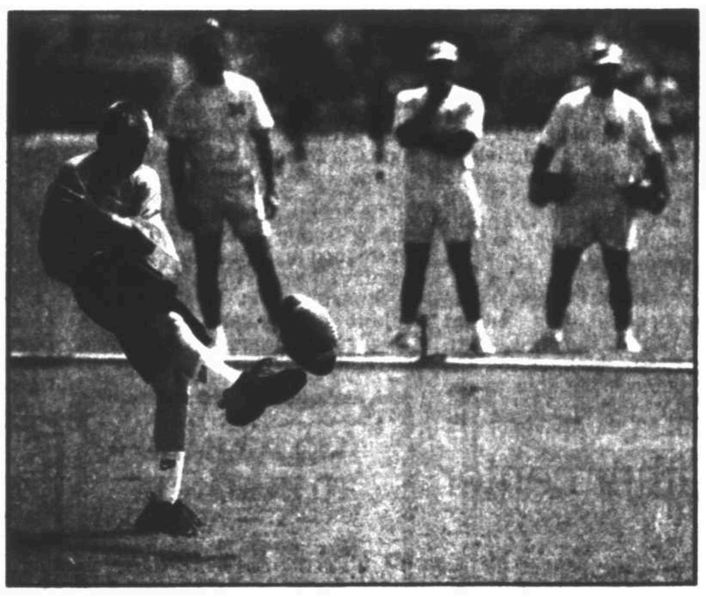
"In addition to the pledge I took here, I pledge to you I'll do the best I can to continue the work of the judiciary here," DuBose said.

A summary judgment hearing by a panel of three U.S. district judges in Washington, D.C., regarding the constitutionality of the 385th District Court, was conducted July 6.

The hearing resulted in the July 10 order stating the way district court judges in Texas are elected is constitutional, therefore allowing the court to begin hearing new cases with its new judge.

The 385th District Court was created by the state Legislature in 1993 to help ease an overburdened court docket in

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Pressure's On

Jeffrey Adams of Midland punts a football under the watchful eyes of Midland High School coaches during a football camp being held this week at Memorial Stadium for youngsters in the eighth-grade and below.

Curt Wilcott/ Reporter-Telegram

Jury selection proceeds for trial of man accused in trooper killing

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Jury selection continues in preparation for the capital murder trial of Levy Lee Edmondson, 17, of Big Spring. This is the second full week of jury selection in the case.

Adding about six potential jurors a day to the final jury pool, attorneys in the case had 32 potential jurors at about 2 p.m. Wednesday. The attorneys are interviewing each potential juror individually for about 45 minutes before adding them to the final jury pool.

The "magic number" of 46 potential jurors in the pool is sought before attorneys can end the voir dire process, a court official said.

Once those 46 potential jurors are agreed upon, each side will utilize 15 "strikes" that can remove a potential juror from the pool, he said.

Judge Bob Moore of the 118th District Court set the limit for each side on strikes, which are used to remove a potential juror from the 46-member pool without further debate.

If all strikes are used by each side, there will be 16 members left, enough to seat a jury of 12 with two alternates and a two-person safety margin, the official said.

Moore is pushing attorneys on both sides to finish the jury selection process by the end of Friday so that testimony can begin next week.

An extensive list of witnesses, including experts and eye-witness-

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ED TODD

Modern, changing times bring longing for 'good old days'

You know, I keep harping on the "good old days," which surely were good in many respects if you believe them so, and I do.



Todd

The reasoning must be akin to that of Francis P. Church who, in his 1897 editorial, "Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus," penned that angels abound, perhaps even on the heads of needles. And just because you don't see them doesn't mean that they don't dance and bring gladness to hearts.

It's the same thing about those yesterdays. The "good old days" may not be apparent but that doesn't mean they didn't or don't exist and live on in spirit.

Now, I'm wondering why, not questioning, just wondering why the good old days were so good if, indeed, they were. Like most all things, I suppose the goodness depends on the time and the place.

Why do we often laud the good old days?

It may be for the same reason people a generation ago or 100 years before that felt that the bygone times were "better" or more moral or more honorable or more wholesome or more challenging or more creative or more interesting or more genteel or more adventuresome than "modern times."

But that's fodder for debate among philosophers, historians and sociologists.

Good, especially the goodness in the human heart, can prevail in tragic times, such as in wars, riots and natural and man-made calamities. However, certainly we do not wish to return to, for instance, "the (so-called) last good war" — World War II. Nor do we want to overlook or minimize the cruelties that emanate from the human heart; those are pervasive in today's world and in ages past. But, thankfully so, goodness is all about — always. Sometimes there is a dearth of it. Goodness is there and here but often needs to be awakened and enlivened.

Olden days were once modern.

Presumably, the Luddites felt that their old-fashioned machinery and ways of doing things were better for them than the newfangled, labor-saving textile machinery that came out in England early in the 1800s, which were their modern days. They broke up "modern" things or tried to. They couldn't stand the idea, not to mention the fact, of iron monsters usurping their jobs and diminishing their craftsmanship.

The term "Luddite" supposedly sprang out of Englishman Ned Ludd's rebellion over the threat of the weaving machines, which were principal players in the Industrial Revolution of the 1700s and 1800s. He greatly and violently protested the threatened change in the labor force. He had cause for his fears.

So do we folk in these more recent modern times. The computer and all of its electronic marvels and

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DEATHS

Felix Welmaker

Memorial services for Felix E. Welmaker of Midland will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity with the Revs. Marshall Mason and Allen Whitman officiating. Burial will be at 6 p.m. Saturday at Colfax Cemetery in Colfax. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.


Welmaker

Welmaker died Tuesday at his residence.

He was born June 29, 1923. He attended Texas Tech University and the University of Texas at Austin. He served in World War II as a P-38 pilot. He moved to Midland from Austin in 1951 and established House of Carpets. He was a member of the Midland Rotary Club, Midland County Club and Racquet Club, Tall City Toastmasters' Club, Tall City Optimist Club, John Birch Society, Midland Chamber of Commerce and the Midland YMCA. He served as president of the Sigma Nu Midland alumni group, president of Midland Carpets, Inc., president of Abilene Carpets, Inc., president of Carpet Supermarkets, Inc., of Odessa and president of Nation-Wide Furnishings, Inc. He was a member of Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland.

Survivors include his son, Scott Welmaker of Abilene; two daughters, Polly Welmaker of Austin and Sally Welmaker Wilkinson of Midland; and two grandsons.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Robert Mims

Graveside services for Robert L. Mims of Midland will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Mark L. Alexander officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mims died Monday at his residence.

He was born March 4, 1914, in Gilmer and later moved to Jacksonville. He attended Lon Morris College. He married Billie Kimbrough in 1942 in Breckenridge. After four years of military service, he returned to Austin and received a master's degree from the University of Texas. He worked for Shell Oil Company. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, past president of Permian Basin Aviation Association, a member of the Geophysical and Geological Society and was an amateur radion operator.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Mims of Midland, and a son, Robert L. (Bob) Mims of Rowlett.

Honorary pallbearers are Bill Brittian, Ned Swallow, Bryant Alford, John Delbridge and Paul Thompson.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Alfred Evans

Services for Alfred Evans of Midland will be at 1 p.m. today at Crestview Baptist Church with Larry Ashlock officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.


Evans

Evans died Wednesday at his residence.

He was born March 21, 1921, in South Bend. He was a teacher in San Benito, Port Isabel, Pearsall and El Paso school districts from 1957 until his retirement in 1986. He also served as a Baptist minister. He was past Grand Patriarch of Grand Encampment of International Order of Odd Fellows of Texas, Brigadier General (retired) Commander of 3rd Brigade, Department Council, PM of Texas IOOF. He was a member of El Paso IOOF #284, Midland IOOF #384, Rebekah #91 of Midland, Encampment #106 of El Paso, Encampment #29 of Mjdland and Canton #33 of Midland.

He was preceded in death by two grandsons, Herbert Wayne Anderson and Asa Wayne Grizzard Jr., and a brother, Frank V. Jones Jr.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Grace Evans of Midland; a son, Alfred V. Evans Jr. of Swansea, Ill; two daughters, Grace M. Smythe and Margie M. Ogilvie, both of Midland; four grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; one great-grandchild; and one nephew.

Memorials may be made to Ken Barger Fund - IOOF, c/o Midland Encampment #29, 610 E. Florida, Midland, 79701, or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Bill Boyce

Services for Bill Boyce are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Boyce died Wednesday in McCook, Neb., in an automobile accident.

POLICE REPORTS

Robbery

Police are looking for several subjects in connection with a robbery that occurred Wednesday at Kent convenience store, 2910 N. Big Spring St.

According to a police report, four male juveniles entered the store at about 11:15 p.m. and took three Marlboro cooler bags.

The subjects were chased a short distance, but lost down an alley, the report stated.

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Tuesday

Vandalism: Leslie Moffatt reported a vehicle scratched with a key at a parking garage at 400 W. Illinois Ave. at 1:52 p.m.

Burglary of a Vehicle: Mary Rendon reported a wallet containing $10 in cash, miscelleous items and a checkbook taken from a vehicle at 1401 Orchard Lane at 3:11 p.m.

Vandalism: Tommy Posey reported rocks thrown the windows of a church bus and a fire extinguisher set off inside at 6:04 p.m. The incident occurred at 3001 N. A St.

Vandalism: Kyle Augurg reported vandalism at 2208 N. Big Spring St. at 8:54 p.m.

Wednesday

Vandalism: Zenith Cleaners, 2101 N. Big Spring St., reported the front window of the business broken out at 7:11 a.m.

Vandalism: Rockwood Manor, 700 W. Scharbauer Drive, reported a fire extinguisher sprayed in the gas tank of a vehicle at 8:25 a.m.

Theft: Subway, 610 N. Big Spring St., reported an internal theft of rolled and loose change from the cash register at 9:25 a.m.

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Anyone with information concerning these incidents should contact the Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

MOTRAN: Group makes final appeal at public meeting

(From 1B)

especially La Entrada al Pacifico, a Texas-Mexico trade corridor devised by MOTRAN as a selling point for the Midland/Odessa extension of I-27.

La Entrada al Pacifico — or The Entrance to the Pacific — spans from parts of Texas to the border at Ojinaga, Mexico and on the Pacific port of Topolobampo.

San Angelo corridor supporters criticized access to Topolobampo and the port's viability as non-existent and unrealistic.

San Angelo officials, and members of the I-27 Coalition, which represents San Angelo, Big Spring, San Antonio and other area cities, said the San Angelo corridors offer better access to Texas ports, Texas cities and the most populated Mexican cities than the Midland/Odessa corridor.

Furthermore, the manufacturing, construction and job growth in San Angelo far exceed that in Midland/Odessa, San Angelo officials said. The city also boasts the largest livestock and fiber markets in the state, supporters said.

Midland/Odessa corridor supporters countered with testimony including statistics showing Chihuahua as the fastest growing industrial center in Mexico. Perry later commented on the testimony concerning Chihuahua as showing a "pocket of prosperity."

And the Topolobampo corridor — which has garnered support by Mexican officials — would, if it becomes a reality, be "cream on top of the cake," Perry said.

"We feel that San Angelo in effect shot themselves in the foot" in their attack on La Entrada al Pacifico, Perry said.

Trade with Mexico played heavily in testimony by MOTRAN members.

"The Midland/Odessa route is the only plan that will open a new trade corridor with Mexico," testified Midland County Judge Jeff Norwood at the meeting.

Texas Rep. Tom Craddick told TxDOT the key to considering a corridor is "new trade, new revenues," which the MOTRAN route offers.

Craddick added that the Midland/Odessa route is the shortest and least expensive, the only access to West Mexico and billions of dollars in trade, the only route with an international airport and access to three interstate highways.

MOTRAN supporters also said their route would pass through the largest metropolitan statistical area in West Texas and provide access to the oil and gas industry and agricultural product transport.

Midland/Odessa route supporters covered the gamut of what they considered advantages to MOTRAN's corridor including business, education, health care and the arts.

In addition to considering the southward extension of I-27, the state also is examining extending the highway northward. Supporters of two possible routes were present at the meeting.

The main issues being considered by the state in analyzing the corridors are: logical connections, travel efficiency, utilization, local public input, environmental considerations and construction constraints.

If the state deems a freeway feasible, the study will continue to determine the best route. Otherwise, the state will study the other improvements to the rural highway system in West Texas.

385th: DuBose is sworn in as new district court judge

(From 1B)

Midland County. However, it was not cleared for operation by the U.S. Department of Justice.

The Justice Department halted the court's operation stating the at-large system of electing judges in Texas is unconstitutional despite a prior Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling upholding the election system.

Following the ceremony, Midland County District Attorney Al Schorre said he anticipates DuBose making "a fine district court judge."

"He had prior experience as a county court-at-law judge and served with distinction for many years, and the bar here thinks he will be a fine district court judge," Schorre said.

DuBose was elected judge of the 385th Court on Nov. 8 but was not sworn in, pending the results of the state litigation.

DuBose said he will begin work as soon as possible assisting Hyde and 318th District Court Judge Jody Gilles with cases next week.

A new courtroom was constructed last year on the fourth floor of the courthouse and has been operating for visiting judges.

DuBose was the Midland County Attorney from 1967 to 1971 and served as a county court-at-law judge for 13 years, retiring in 1990.

JURY: Capital murder trial testimony could start next week

(From 1B)

es, will be seated by both the prosecution and defense during the capital murder trial.

Edmondson is accused of fatally shooting Texas Department of Pubic Safety Trooper Troy Hogue after being stopped for suspicion of driving while intoxicated in December of 1994.

Edmondson was being detained by officers of the Howard County Sheriff's Office, awaiting DPS troopers to make the official arrest — therefore Edmondson had not been searched, according to police reports at the time.

When Hogue approached, Edmondson allegedly produced a .45-caliber revolver and fired, striking the officer one time in the head.

Although Hogue's funeral was one of the largest in Big Spring history, Moore denied the defense's request for a change of venue.

Testimony is expected to include evidence from multiple forensic experts, medical examiners, police officers, psychologists and citizen eye-witnesses at the scene.

One convict has been subpoenaed to testify that Edmondson was laughing about the killing and would repeat the offense on another officer when released.

The extensive juvenile criminal record of the accused also will be used in the trial.

TODD: Modern times will be someone's 'good old days'

(From 1B)

quirks must be to today's changing times what the textile weaving machines were to yesteryears' changes and the Industrial Revolution: fear and death.

There is fear in change. And the fear is in its impact on the world's most important earthling, which always is the beholder: the "I" or the "me" in everybody. That's just the way it is, I reckon. See, there is the all-important "I" again.

Though none of us is the center of the universe, the Earth, West Texas or even Midland, the soul — the very being — of each of us is what we are and about all we know and often not much of that.

But what happens does affect us all.

There is death. The passing of the "good old days," whatever period that represents to each of us, is a death.

The only "good old days" I have experienced are those of the late 1930s, the 1940s, the 1950s and early into the 1960s. After that, at least from this vantage point, times are becoming modern and modernized.

I remember a college professor remarking that about all "modern" meant in describing a modern hotel or motel was indoor plumbing — running water and flush toilets. And I'll tell you what: Aside from the convenience of indoor toilets, I don't sense much progress or much proper or civilized about indoor outhouses.

Those were the days, my friends, in cold, rainy, hot, sleeting, snowing weather. You'd make a path down the lane to the privy, take care of business, observe nature at work and return to your chores or whatever you were doing in or out.

Where have all the outhouses gone?

And the windmills. Where are they especially in this town once called the "Windmill City" before the introduction of a municipal water system and a maze of underground water lines fed by water piped in from groundwater sources and then lakes?

What happened to all of the typewriters and fountain pens — those once-modern inventions of communications and letter-writing?

Where have all the watchmakers gone?

Are we losing the simple but rewarding duty of winding up a wholly-mechanical watch — wrist or pocket or table or floor or steeple. Where are the old timepieces that are devoid of plastic and batteries and throwaway qualities?

Do they make trousers with watch pockets any more?

Notice how plastic often is replacing wood on hand tools?

Imitation can't match the real McCoy?

Notice the drop in the perceived quality of foods and smell-good stuff that comes in plastic rather than glass or tins?

And there is the passing of the grand old theaters and ornate and refined buildings, substantial buildings, which were a joy to behold and to visit.

Nowadays, the emphasis seems to be on function, utility, the bottom line, quick returns for the stockholders and "How soon can we tear it down and build something more modern and functional?"

Whatever happened to glass soft-drink bottles and the penny deposit? They went the way of the old nickel — lost in the shuffle of dollars.

Well, times, as they always have, are changing.

More than anything, I suppose I fear the wholesale death of aesthetics and gentility and craftsmanship and propriety and integrity and kindness, though there always will be pockets and veins of those wonderful qualities - those qualities that make any old time "the good old days."

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Ed Todd is a writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

Navy concert draws complaints over lack of black performers

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Some black leaders are criticizing organizers of an annual Navy-sponsored concert for not including black performers.

"If you can't do it this year, then it's something you need to include next year," said Jacqueline Reece, a member of Corpus Christi Army Depot's Black Employment Program Committee. "You cannot exclude a whole group of people here."

Organizers of the Concert on the Water, scheduled Aug. 4-6 at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, said they were looking for the largest audience possible in the Corpus Christi area.

"When you do a concert of this type, you do a concert on the basis of broad appeal," said Capt. Frank "Rocco" Montesano, commanding officer at NAS Corpus Christi. "And in this community, the broad appeal is country-western, rock or Tejano."

The lineup includes rock groups Ann Wilson of Heart and George Thorogood and the Destroyers; country singers Travis Tritt, Marty Stuart and Ty England; and Tejano bands such as Emilio Navaira, La Diferenzia and David Lee Garza.

About 300 personnel at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi have signed a petition asking that a black R&B, jazz, hip-hop or reggae group be included.

Organizers say they expect 100,000 people to attend the three-day concert.

"To be real honest with you, at this point, there's not enough people into R&B to make it a lucrative thing. When is the last time you heard an R&B group in the city of Corpus? There's just not a large black population in Corpus," said Barry Haley, director of morale, welfare and recreation at NAS Corpus Christi.

According to the 1990 census, the black population in Corpus Christi is 4.8 percent.

"I personally love it. (But) we cannot hire the groups on personal taste. We have to hire them on the basis of demographic support," he said.

Haley said concert performers were selected by the event's major corporate sponsor, Marlboro.

He said he has asked that Marlboro officials consider an artist next year who would appeal to blacks as well as others.

Legislation may cost Texas A&M weather center

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — A bill is pending in Congress that jeopardizes the future of a six-person weather center at Texas A&M that has been providing weather data to farmers in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma for 20 years.

Congress is considering a bill that would eliminate funding this fall for the A&M campus' Southwest Agriculture Weather Center, officials at the station said Wednesday.

"Some of the weather databases that we have maintained for years on soil temperatures, evaporation and solar radiation — information vital to farmers — likely will be lost," said Dr. Mickey Flynn, the chief meteorologist who for 16 years has managed the center.

"There'll be no one to oversee the network of weather observers, many of them volunteers, who generate hundreds of these data records around the state."

The loss of the center also would be a blow to agricultural research efforts aimed at helping producers become more environmentally responsible by making more precise applications of fertilizers and insecticides.

And it will mean the end of the more detailed agricultural forecasts that air around the clock on national weather radio frequencies that many people check on a daily basis.

If approved by the U.S. Senate, the provision in the U.S. Commerce Department budget would end funding Sept. 30 for the agricultural weather center at Texas A&M, and at Auburn, Ala., Stoneville, Miss., and West Lafayette, Ind.

Supporters of the plan say the funding cut would save $1.7 million and argue that agricultural weather functions could be provided privately.

Opponents contend that no infrastructure is in place to replace the service and that small farmers can't afford a private weather service.

Flynn said the budget for the local weather center is $325,000 and that closing the center would eliminate a number of specialized forecasts.

Some of the forecasts include rainfall timing and intensity, wind and chemical spraying, relative humidity and drying conditions, and dew intensity, formation and dry-off times.

Also eliminated would be specially tailored daily agricultural weather advisories, livestock and poultry heat and cold stress alerts, soil temperature reporting and forecasting, and 30-day weather outlooks.

"These alerts and advisories help them make better-informed management decisions," Flynn said.

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Parents grieve over death of son in training accident

HOUSTON (AP) — The parents of Army Capt. Christopher Williams, a West Point graduate and Bronze Star recipient, were prepared for their son's death in warfare, not in a routine exercise.

But the news of his death in a training accident at Fort Sill, Okla. has compounded the tragedy for parents Valerie and John Williams of Houston.

"Death in warfare, is still death," his father told Houston station KHOU-TV on Wednesday. "Death in training, has a bit more hollow aspect to it."

U.S. Army safety inspectors began an investigation Wednesday of the incident that killed their son and injured eight Marines and soldiers when a bomb dropped prematurely.

"You feel numb and you can't put into words how you just ache because it's a sudden separation," Mrs. Williams said.

Williams, 29, was commander of Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery.

The 500-pound bomb was dropped too early Tuesday from an OA-10 Thunderbolt II attack plane assigned to the 917th Wing Air Force Reserve at Barksdale Air Force Base in Bossier City, La. The twin-engine plane was a workhorse of the Persian Gulf War. The bomb struck in the vicinity of two Humvees.

The safety team, which is based at the Army's Safety Center at Fort Rucker, Ala., will look into whether the accident was caused by faulty training procedures or human error, Fort Sill spokesman Daran Neal said today.

Legislator hopes to save education aid for military children

WASHINGTON (AP) — If Congress proceeds with plans to slash federal aid for school districts with large numbers of military dependents, the quality of education will suffer, a Texas lawmaker and school officials testified Wednesday.

The hearing before a House economic and educational opportunities subcommittee came a day before consideration by the House Appropriations Committee of an appropriations package zeroing out funds for school districts educating military dependents who live off-base.

"This shouldn't even be a fight that ought to be fought," testified Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco, who is working to restore the $82 million in dropped funding. "Despite the budget constraints, I can't think of any group in this country that is more deserving than the children of military families."

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— Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco

The bill funding the Education Department's budget provides $550 million for impact aid next year for communities that educate students living on-base. But it zeroes out the $82 million provided this year for districts with military dependents who live off-base.

The rationale behind impact aid is that communities lose funding because federal property can't be taxed and military personnel don't necessarily pay state taxes in the state in which they are living. So, to help defray lost monies, the government for decades has provided a measure of education support for communities with significant numbers of military dependents.

The Copperas Cove Independent School District and Killeen ISD, which together educate nearly 19,000 Fort Hood dependents, would lose $12 million if the off-base assistance is eliminated, the Copperas Cove superintendent testified.

Since both school districts are levying the maximum tax assessment possible, there would be no other way to offset the losses, Edwards and Copperas Cove Supt. Dick Parker said.

"All of our children, including the children of military parents, will be the ones who suffer," said Parker, noting that the aid goes for teacher salaries and other general expenses.

"Without impact aid, we simply do not have the resources to operate a basic instructional program," he said.

The two school districts near Fort Hood would be the most heavily impacted in Texas. Judson ISD, which serves dependents of San Antonio's military bases, could lose nearly half a million dollars.

The subcommittee's chairman, Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, R-Calif., said the Republican leadership has committed to restoring the $82 million. "I think we can get about half the money for that but we're still scraping," he said.

In an interview after the hearing, Edwards said he remains optimistic the money can be restored. "Every dollar we cut in impact aid to those schools will be a dollar that is cut out of their budgets," he said.

"That means teachers will be fired, library books will not be bought, computers will not be purchased and we will compromise the quality of those childrens' education."

Clinton talks to La Raza members via satellite

DALLAS (AP) — Hispanics are making substantial gains in America, thanks largely to affirmative action programs, but must not lose ground to those pursuing policies to end them, President Clinton said Wednesday.

"We need to mend, but not end affirmative action programs," Clinton said, his image beaming from two large screens at the National Council of La Raza's annual meeting. "We need to stay with our principles. Indeed, affirmative action has worked."

The president spoke via satellite from Washington to about 1,800 members of the Hispanic rights group. A large number also viewed a forceful speech from the president on the same topic earlier Wednesday.

Speaking at the National Archives in Washington, Clinton issued a directive to federal departments and a 100-page report advocating reforms to ensure the programs benefit those who need the most help.

He directed departments to eliminate or reform any program that creates quotas, discrimination and preferences for unqualified individuals, and continues even after its equal opportunity purposes have been achieved.

"He came out strongly for (affirmative action). Discrimination is alive and well. And as long as it still exists, there won't be equal opportunity for anyone," Carmen Lepe, an NCLR policy analyst, said after viewing both speeches.

Ms. Lepe said she appreciated that his speech addressed the issues of opportunities and level playing fields for minorities and women.

"He gave a brief summary of the core principles of the Constitution, of civil rights," she said. "Affirmative action stands for those core values. And just as we're beginning to see real positive results of affirmative action, we're being threatened."

While acknowledging that Hispanics will be a majority in this country by 2010, Clinton said the issue of illegal immigration remains unresolved.

"We need to examine immigration policies and reduce the burden of immigrants without hurting children," he said. "We must not use this issue to drive a political wedge into America."

In his speeches, Clinton also called for a new federal set-aside program to target federal contracts to businesses in poor areas even if they are owned by whites. Currently, set-asides are reserved for women and minorities.

Clinton disputed the theory that affirmative action programs have caused economic problems in this country, but said they won't solve the country's woes, either. He identified education as the key.

Gerald Jimenez, attending the conference representing Parents Against Crime and Drugs in Dallas, said he appreciates Clinton's desire to reach out to Hispanics, especially young ones.

Jimenez, who faces gangs, violence and crime in Hispanic communities, said he agrees with the importance of education.

"The biggest problem in our communities is the lack of education," he said. "Hispanics are waking up. They're learning that a better America depends on a better education."

More than 6,000 people have attended the 17th annual conference, which began Sunday and ended Wednesday night.

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Bush creates new council to help with base closings

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush created a new state advisory council Wednesday to help cities affected by the most recent round of military base closures.

Texas "must do everything in its power to preserve and expand jobs in communities impacted by base closures or defense reductions," Bush said in signing an executive order creating the panel.

The Texas Defense Economic Adjustment Advisory Council, which should be operating within the week, will be chaired by Brenda Arnett, the executive director of the Texas Department of Commerce.

The council will be a one-stop clearinghouse for ideas and information on how to make the transition from defense dependency. It will also identify federal funding opportunities to aid communities and help recruit businesses and new jobs into the affected cities, Ms. Arnett said.

"Unfortunately, Texas has consistently shown increases in defense spending, defense dollars and defense jobs in the last five years," she said.

"A significant segment of our community has become dependent on these federal dollars."

With the loss of the bases also comes a loss of defense contracts, spending by military personnel and other indirect costs.

"Now, we're learning the painful lesson that defense downsizing involves a lot more than base closure or realignment," Ms. Arnett said. "These indirect losses will affect every community in the state."

The cost of the council was estimated at about $200,000, and Ms. Arnett said the state has applied for a federal grant to cover the cost.

Bush said the council will exist until it is no longer needed.

The governor also met privately with the mayors of San Antonio, Lubbock, Austin and Texarkana, which all stand to lose thousands of jobs as a result of the latest decisions by the federal Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

The mayors welcomed the state's help.

"This executive order, I think, gives us the opportunity for a rifle shot approach for how you take those bases and convert them to best use, civilian use in all likelihood, for economic development," said Austin Mayor Bruce Todd.

San Antonio Mayor Bill Thornton agreed. "What we saw was Gov. Bush throw his weight behind this effort of ... making this transition go as smoothly and easily as possible."

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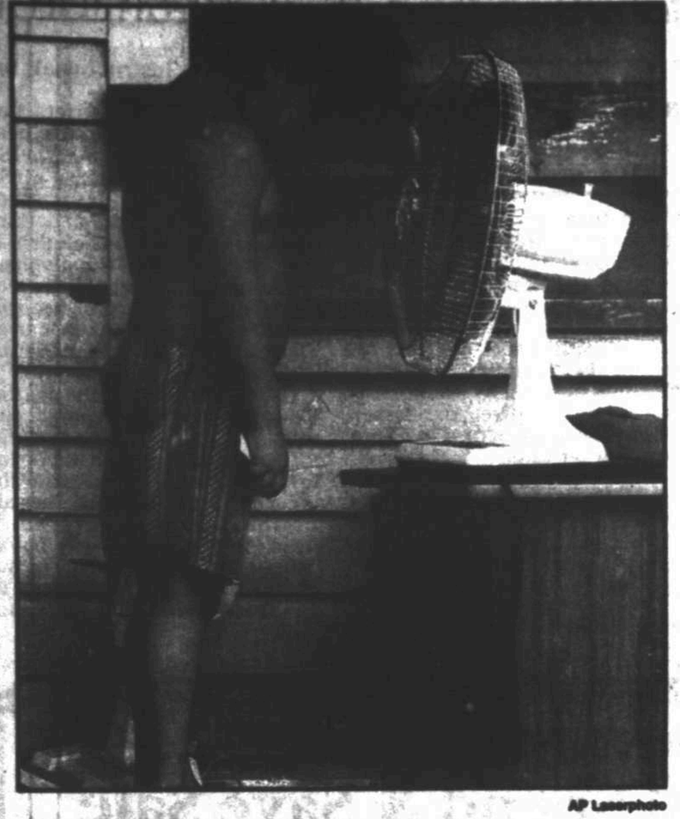
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Catchin' a breeze

Roberto Barcia takes advantage of what breeze he can get from a fan on the porch of his house in Houston last week when temperatures climbed into the '90s.

Singer uses music as balm for the dying

By Michael T. Kaufman
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Rima Starr, whose job is to sing for the dying, was going about her important and meaningful work. With her Yamaha keyboard under one arm, and a big bag of music in the other, Ms. Starr, a tall and handsome woman, was about to visit another patient.

"This woman moans all the time, " said Ms. Starr, who once toured with national companies of Broadway shows and sang in concerts with Luciano Pavarotti. "But when I sing, she stops."

A certified music therapist, Ms. Starr has spent the last three years on the staff of the Jacob Perlow Hospice of Beth Israel Medical Center, singing for, and sometimes with, the terminally ill.

She introduced herself to the doorman of the building, on West 72nd Street, and headed up to the apartment of an 87-year-old woman, a failing victim of Alzheimer's whom she has visited each week for the last month.

The woman was lying in her bedroom, moaning. As her caretaker picked her up and walked her — very, very slowly — into the living room, Ms. Starr set up her keyboard on a folding tray table.

A large spiky plant bent toward the window. Shelves were filled with figurines and vases of many styles, and family members smiled in photographs on the walls.

With baby steps, the thin old woman inched across the room toward a stuffed chair. She wore a blue and pink housecoat and pink foam slippers. Behind her hung a pastel portrait of a bold woman with flashing eyes who was wearing a pearl choker.

When it was newly painted, more than 50 years ago, it must have accurately reflected the likeness of the woman in the apartment, but now only the glistening birdlike eyes showed that she had sat for the painting.

"Will you help me sing?" Ms. Starr asked.

"Maybe," the old woman answered in a raspy voice.

Ms. Starr started playing "Frere Jacques." "Do you know that song?"

The old woman nodded but did not sing along.

"Are there songs that bring back good memories?" Ms. Starr continued.

"Yes."

"Memories of good times with your husband?" Ms. Starr prompted.

"Have you seen him?" said the old woman, who has been a widow for more than 15 years. "Is he here?" She started to moan.

Ms. Starr started to play "Has Anybody Seen My Gal?" From somewhere, the old woman found the words. She sang them and smiled.

Ms. Starr asked her if she had worn flapper dresses.

"Yes," the old woman responded. 'I had whatever was in vogue."

The singer then asked if she liked slow songs or fast songs.

"Fast songs," the old woman said. "I want fast songs."

They sang "Baby Face," "By the Light of the Silvery Moon," "Daisy" and "Always." The old woman knew most of the words. Sometimes she kept time with maracas that Ms. Starr had brought along. When they sang "Sidewalks of New York" and came to the line "We trip the light fantastic," the old woman's face lit up. Anyone could see she really liked that line and whatever she associated with it.

Ms. Starr hugged the old woman. She said she would come back next week. Her next appointment was across the park, with another ailing New Yorker in her 80s who was wearing down. As she headed in that direction, she described her work. "I've always loved singing," Ms. Starr said.

"When show business jobs tapered off, I studied to become a certified musical therapist. I worked with performers conquering stage fright and ordinary people wanting to express themselves better. I worked in mental hospitals. But these three years at the hospice have been the most remarkable.

"I must have worked with 300 people who died. I go to a lot of funerals. The staff at the hospice keep supporting each other as we cope with loss. But I have never felt so useful. I don't even take my vacations.

"Just this last weekend, Lee Rosenstein, a retired teacher, died. She was so gracious and calm, waiting for death. She had great taste. With her, I tried to bring some variety and help time pass. With some of the others, I try to stimulate memories. People who have forgotten almost everything still retain nursery rhymes.

"I'll sing a song like 'Danny Boy,' and it is like a door opening. But some are dying young. Some are in great pain, and the music truly soothes." At the next apartment, Ms. Starr sat at a Steinway grand piano, singing "Getting to Know You" for the frail woman who sat next to her in a wheelchair. "You have a nice voice," the woman said.

Ms. Starr said the piano was wonderful.

The old woman said she would get it tuned the next day. "Of course, I played," the old woman said. "Of course, I read music." She held her hands like a pianist and played a phrase of the "Moonlight" Sonata.

"You never forget," Ms. Starr said.

"Well, I don't know," the old woman said. "Now I play whatever I feel like. I sort of improvise." She doodled weakly with the keys.

Ms. Starr played several standards while the old woman just listened. She did not want to shake the maracas. Then Ms. Starr asked the woman if she remembered the film "Casablanca."

"Sure," said the woman in the wheelchair. This time, she sang with the music: "No matter what the future brings, as time goes by."

Fish farmer puts Midas touch on his crop

By Gina Garrett
The Searcy Daily Citizen

'The koi, you see their beauty looking down on them. But, the fantails and shu bunkins, you see their beauty from the side. That's how you tell an aquarium fish from a pond fish.'
— Roger Safley, fish farmer

JUDSONIA, Ark. — Roger Safley has found a way to spin water into gold, and everything about his business is more than a little bit fishy.

In his blue denim coveralls and Searcy Farm Supply cap, Safley oversees the Little Red River Fish Farm, which raises gold fish of all kinds.

"We specialize in koi," Safley said, adjusting the air hoses in a nursery vat for the tiny Japanese carp that will grow up to be big fish in small ponds in gardens across the world.

With 47 ponds and more than 80 acres of water from the river, the Little Red River Fish Farm also grows fantails and tri-color shubunkin, both of which are primarily aquarium varieties, and comets, "regular" red and white goldfish that can grow up to seven- or eight-inches long and can land in aquariums or ponds.

"The koi, you see their beauty looking down on them. But, the fantails and shubunkins, you see their beauty from the side. That's how you tell an aquarium fish from a pond fish," Safley explained.

The majority of Safley's swimmers are eventually shipped east to distributors in New York, North Carolina, Alabama and Georgia. From there, some of the golds have found their way across bigger ponds to England and Germany.

"I dug my first ponds in 1988," Safley said. "I started with catfish, but the ponds were not really big enough to raise enough catfish for me to make a living."

Three years ago, Safley's friend Bud Norris of Cash approached him about raising golds. Norris, who has a gold fish hatchery on the Cache River, talked Safley into it and the two went into business together and things have taken off.

"When I get the fish down here, they're three days old," Safley said. By the time they reach eight to 10 weeks, the fish are seined from the ponds with 3/16-inch mesh, graded, culled and then returned to the ponds until they are ready to be shipped at about 12 to 14 weeks.

Asked how raising gold fish differs from raising catfish, Safley answered, "There's not really anything. A fish is a fish. They have the same habits, the same needs. But with the gold fish, we do have to bring them up and grade them out."

Currently, Safley and his employees are grading and culling the fish. The fish are eating about a ton and a half of feed each week and will begin to eat more as the summer goes on. With a special feeder that blows the feed out onto the ponds as he drives around the banks, Safley can dish up dinner to all 47 ponds in about two hours.

Due to the different varieties and different grades of gold fish at Little Red River Fish Farm, the ponds vary in size from one-third acre to five acres, Safley said. They are stocked in April and May when the fish are spawning, but Safley said he can usually ship year round. This year, however, the demand was so great that the 1994 crop sold out three months ago. Part of the 1995 crop is ready for shipping now.

As with any other farming operation, Safley must pay particular attention to the weather. "A cold rain in the summer time can kill a pond," he said, explaining that the cold water kills the algae in the pond all at once. Then, as the algae dies and decays, it removes precious oxygen from the water. So far, Safley hasn't lost a pond that way, using paddle wheels to aerate the water as a preventative measure.

As his business continues to prosper, Safley is already planning for the future. "You can't quit. You've got to keep going," he said, grinning.

Asked if he has his own aquarium at home, he answered, "Naw, I get to see all the fish I want to over here."

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Beach battle

Owners, day trippers draw lines in the sand

By Doreen Carvajal
N.Y. Times News Service

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. — From the edge of his beach towel on the sugar-soft sand of Fowler's Beach, Joseph Obermayer can see the rise of newly built ocean estates, which he scornfully derides as potato mansions inhabited by the territorial nouveau riche.

From the edge of eight-foot-high privet hedges bordering his oceanfront development on the old Henry Ford estate, Joern Brunvall can see Fowler's Beach bathers like Obermayer, gauche summer tourists who litter country roads with beer bottles and lines of unsightly cars.

These are the lines in the precious sand that divide wealthy oceanfront landowners from middle-class visitors in the Hamptons, where only a handful of beaches are free to the public. As the East End's potato lands have sprouted houses, each new enclave of owners has sought bans on parking along the access roads to the beaches. They have been so effective that the metal No Parking signs are as ubiquitous as service entrances to the local estates.

Of course, the right-of-way along the beach below the high-water mark has been guaranteed to the public since Colonial days by a law known as the public trust doctrine. The enduring question is: Can you get there?

"It's a question of a natural conflict between people who choose to live on the ocean and people who don't and want to use it," said William W. Esseks, a lawyer who has represented several Hamptons property owners who have won parking restrictions along beach access roads. "You should not park on the roads, because they're trying to have a certain ambiance in the town: views across pastoral fields without cars and trucks."

On the South Fork of eastern Long Island, beach territory is so prized that earlier this summer in Sagaponack, a tourist came to blows with the young daughter of a corporate executive who the police said had demanded the removal from "our property" of a car parked on a public road.

Many of these fierce sand struggles are territorial fights pitting the Upper East Side, wealthy Manhattan newcomers who value the privacy of their second beachfront homes, against middle class New York City beachgoers.

Along the coast of Northeastern states, this debate is acute, as rural properties edging the Atlantic are subdivided into lots and expensive homes. "Potato mansions" is the term that critics like Obermayer use for the airy, contemporary houses that have replaced potatoes and the nematodes that prey on them, which were the previous inhabitants of two-lane roads leading to the beaches.

"The reason why this is a big issue in the Northeast is because beach towns that used to be strictly tourist towns are becoming residential, and in becoming residential the people who live there no longer want tourist space," said Jack Samuels, a professor of recreation and tourism at Montclair State University in New Jersey. "They want to have privacy. They don't see the fact that tourism is sustaining the local economy,"

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All of these forces came into play on the sandy shores of places like Peter's Pond in Sagaponack and Fowler's Beach in Southampton, which has had a reputation for almost two decades as the East End's oldest gay beach, drawing bronzed sunbathers from all over Long Island and Manhattan.

Both beaches lack amenities except the cobalt blue of the Atlantic and wind-scoured stretches of sand. There are no garbage cans, lifeguards or toilets. There are also no requirements for beach passes, and tourists are accustomed to parking along the two-lane public roads that lead to the beaches.

Residents of the Fordune development, 44 lots and homes that have been carved from the old Henry Ford estate, wanted to achieve a country look along the country road that borders their development. Last summer, the development's association moved successfully to ban the very vehicles that made Ford rich. As a result, up went a string of no parking signs on the road by the development's entrance.

In turn, the development's Fowler Street neighbor, a farming family that has worked the land for generations, sought a parking ban on the public road near their large Colonial-style house. The village of Southampton had staked no parking signs along that road, but the beachgoers had draped the signs with paper bags, arguing that the village lacked the authority to impose those restrictions, saying that only the town of Southampton had that right.

When frequent beach visitors like Steven Welch and Carol Hageman realized how quickly parking spots were vanishing, they formed a group, walked beach blanket to blanket in search of donations and hired a $150-an-hour lawyer to reclaim lost spaces. Many supporters were gay men with homes in Manhattan and the Hamptons who could afford to write a check, but not the time to fight Town Hall.

"They want the beach to themselves and they don't want outsiders coming there," said John Rogers, 51, a local interior designer with residences in Southampton and the Upper East Side, who has been active in the fight to reclaim parking spaces on Fowler's Beach. "The people at Fordune have multimillion-dollar homes and they don't want to go through the beach and stumble over boys and girls frolicking in the sand."

"It's their delicate sense of privilege and sense of privacy," said Welch, 38, a Southampton resident, a chef by trade.

On the other side of the road, the oceanfront residents give several reasons for concern about parked cars: safety, esthetics, litter, unsanitary beach conditions, public urination.

Margaret H. Fowler, whose in-laws have farmed the land along Fowler's Street for generations, said the crush of traffic along the road was "an accident waiting to happen." She said the parking spaces should not have been eliminated by her neighbors at the Fordune development.

But her neighbors will not accept the cars. "We pay high taxes and high costs and therefore we are trying to maintain the pristine areas that we live in," said Clifford V. Brokaw III, 67, president of the Fordune Association and a retired investment banker with residences in Southampton and the Upper East Side.

The association's vice president, Joern Brunvall, a former Upper East Side resident who now lives year round in Sothampton, said some day trippers had a habit of crashing into the development's privet hedges and trampling the grass planted by the homeowners. "I don't think class is an issue at all in this," he said. "It's parking that's an issue. It seems like the people from the city are trying to overrun us here."

That is basically the same argument of Daniel Shedrick, the chief executive officer of the KMS Group Ltd. in Connecticut, who owns 64 acres of potato fields fronting Peter's Pond beach in Sagaponack. Earlier this summer, Shedrick drew his line in the gray sand of Peter's Pond with a full-page advertisement that appeared in the Southampton Press.

"Not Murder," declared the headline in bold block leters. "Just a broken nose," added the smaller print of his complaint about beach thugs who had attacked his daughter and tourists who had tramped along his property to "dump their garbage, destroy private property and enjoy the sun." Not to mention the bacchanalian beach parties of "indescribable proportions."

In June, Shedrick sued the Southampton Town Board for $5 million in damages, asserting that his property had lost value because the Board controls the beach access road that runs past his property and has failed to enforce parking restrictions.

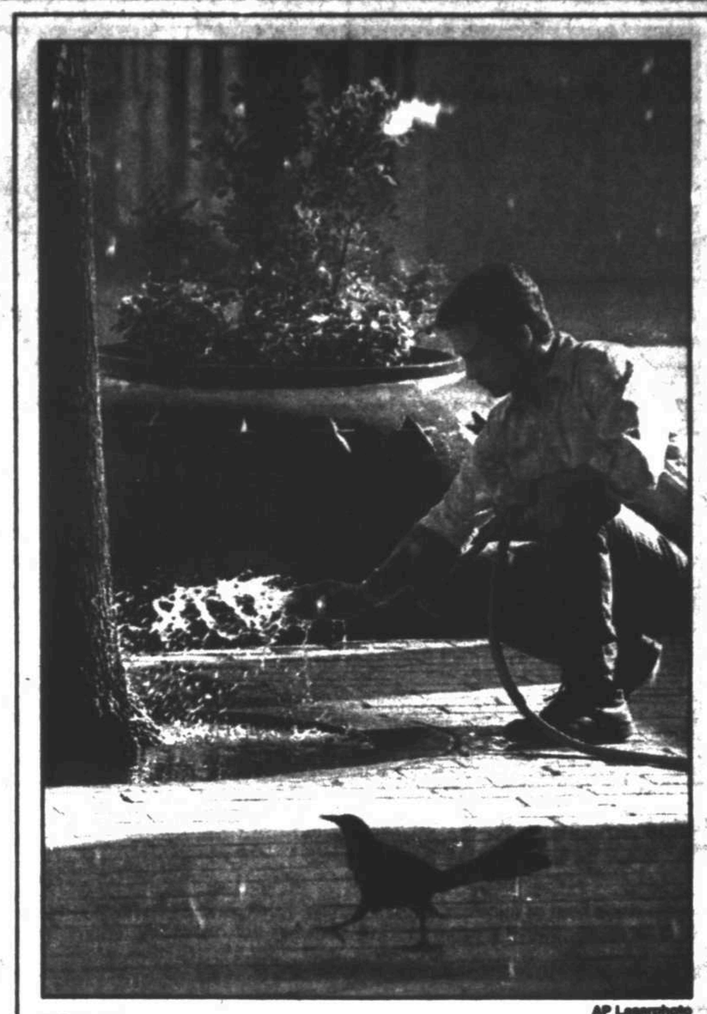
Shedrick has proposed the banning of parking on the road at all times, along with the posting of an attendant in a guard house to monitor activity and break the "criminal, Pavlovian" habits of beachgoers.

In his advertisement, Shedrick railed against the beach tourists and "nine unidentified male teen-agers" who assaulted his daughter, Elizabeth Shedrick, a 25-year-old Fordham University graduate student.

But the Southampton police said they investigated the incident involving Ms. Shedrick and concluded that only two teen-age boys were involved in the dispute. One arrest was made last week in connection with the fight, and Ms. Shedrick has also filed a harassment complaint against a 17-year-old East Hampton resident who the police said was involved in a shouting match with her during the same incident.

Detective Doreen Isola of Southampton said it appeared that a fight erupted as a beach party was breaking up and people headed toward their cars along the road. As Ms. Shedrick tried to drive around a car parked along the road, somebody made a comment.

"She told them to leave and that that was her property," the detective said. "And the argument escalated from there."



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Thirsty tree

Terry Waits, 19, a porter for an office building in downtown Austin waters a tree on Congress Ave. last week as a bird hurries across the sidewalk to get a sip.

Jesse James investigation moves to crime lab

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Scientists who were elated at the unearthing of bones believed to be those of the infamous outlaw Jesse James were buckling down to the laborious process of X-raying and cleaning them Wednesday.

Besides skeletal remains, scientists found a bullet, a coffin chest plate, silver coffin handles and what they believe is the head of a tie pin in the grave at the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Kearney.

"I am quite pleased with what we have," said project leader James E. Starrs, a forensic science professor from George Washington University.

Scientists hope to gather enough DNA from the bones to compare to DNA from known living descendants, settling the question of whether the bank and train robber was really killed in 1882 and buried in northwest Missouri.

Some people claim James faked his death, and fathered more children before dying at the age of 107.

Starting Monday, a cadre of anthropologists and others spent 2 1/2 hot days digging at the cemetery, first using a backhoe and shovels then switching to small hand trowels.

They did not find the well preserved metal casket they expected. Instead, they found the remains buried in a wooden casket, rotted and compressed to about 4 inches in depth. Their disappointment deepened when the first bone was found in poor condition.

At one point, they thought perhaps they were even digging in the wrong grave.

But things took a turn on Tuesday, when they started pulling out skull fragments that appeared to come from a male. The silver of the casket handles, a gold tooth and position of bones were further indicators they had the right location.

And the bones from the arms and legs appeared to be in good condition.

On Tuesday, they removed 20 to 30 skull fragments, the upper rib cage and bones of both arms, along with at least 14 teeth.

Doubt had all but disappeared by Wednesday, when they removed the last of the bones and prepared to leave the cemetery site for the police crime lab in Kansas City.

"There is no question in my mind this is Jesse James," Starrs said Wednesday.

It appeared scientists would be able to reconstruct a model of the face and skull and create computer images to compare to photographs of James, Starrs said.

Hair recovered may be enough to conduct toxicology tests to determine whether James used drugs to ease the pain of wounds, including those received during the Civil War.

Scientists on Wednesday X-rayed the 4-by-6 inch metal plate believed to have been on James' casket. The image revealed decorative scroll etchings, and the letters A and R. Starrs said the letters could be the remnants of "At Rest," but he could discern no name.

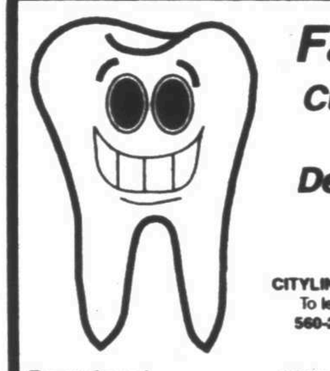
What was first described as a "projectile" found Tuesday in the chest area was determined to be a bullet this morning, said John Cayton, the team's firearms expert. He said the corroded piece of metal was a round ball bullet like those used in old single-action Navy Colts in James' era.

Cayton said experts would continue to look for evidence of bullet wounds in the bones.

Bone remnants were to be sent to Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan., for more intensive analysis today or Friday. A court order that allowed the exhumation set an Oct. 31 deadline for reburying the remains.

According to most historical accounts, James died when he was shot in the back of the head while straightening a picture at his home in St. Joseph. He is said to have been shot by renegade gang member Bob Ford for the $10,000 reward money.

Scientists were also hoping to get court permission to examine bones that were excavated in 1978 from the James farm in Kearney where James was originally buried. His remains were moved in 1902.



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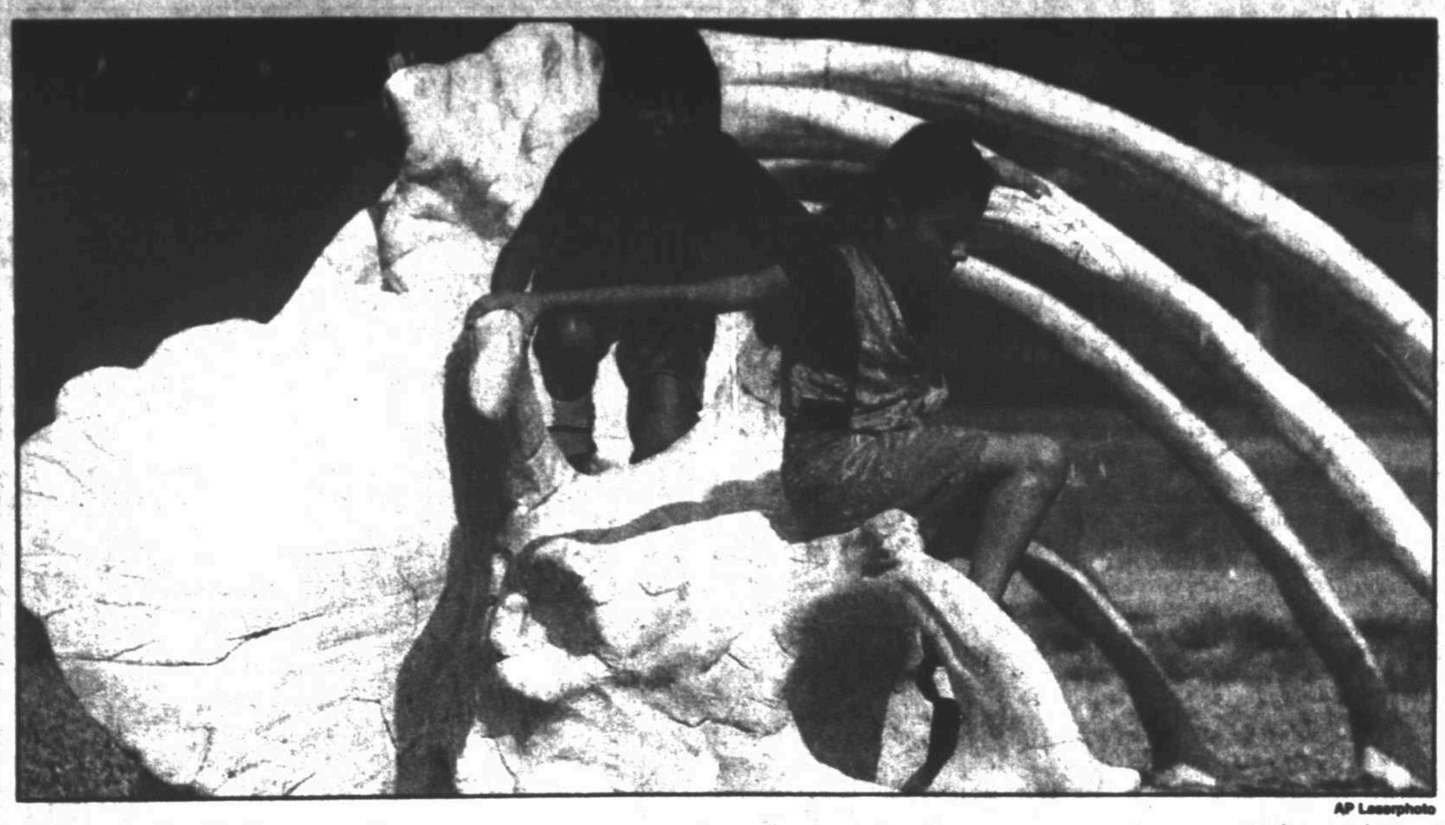
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Playful bones

In the dead heat of summer, Anna Tendilla, 7, left, and Esmeralda Valdez, 8, play, while taking a break during summer school at the Travis Elementary School in Houston.

Sprawling, expensive homes, higher taxes creep up on rural life

By Leigh Hopper
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — At first glance, it appears progress roared up U.S. 290 and passed Rippy Ranch Supply in Dripping Springs without disturbing so much as a horsefly.

The wood floors are stacked with bags of fertilizer and feed, as they have been since 1941. Employees pass time in the front office with a card game. Two young women grade and separate huge bags of mohair in back.

But a subtle shift has occu ed.

The store once existed to feed and maintain herds of cattle. Now the once-huge mohair business has dwindled, and the store does more business in dog food, cat food and bird seed than it ever did in cattle feed.

"The main thing that has happened is all the ranchers have sold their land to developers," says J.N. Rippy, 76, former owner of the store. "From goats to subdivisions. ... We've gone from ranchers to people with dogs and horses."

The shift at the supply store is a microcosm of what's happening all over Hays County.

The rural life is being crowded and changed by sprawling, high-dollar housing developments with names like Sunset Canyon and Heritage Oaks — most within commuting distance just southwest of Austin.

In the past two years, 1,381 new homes were added, and residential properties raised the county's tax rolls by almost $400 million, a 40 percent increase. By one estimate, Hays County's population grew 18 percent — faster than either neighboring Travis County or Williamson County to the north east — between 1990 and 1995.

The average value of a Hays County home is more than $85,000. In the Wimberley and Dripping Springs school districts, where growth is concentrated, homes are valued at an average of $90,933 and $121,502, respectively, according to a computer analysis of property appraisal data by the Austin American-Statesman.

"We're getting overflow from Travis County. Their lifeblood is Austin, but they're living out here," says Hays County Appraisal District chief appraisor Bill Cassidy. "We're doing what Williamson County did 10 years ago. We're going into that growth cycle they had."

The boom is a mixed blessing, creating a wide range of feelings and a number of concerns among the locals:

"I'm a realtor. I'd be a hypocrite to say I don't want growth. I want controlled growth," says Fred Warton of Dripping Springs Realty.

"We've got one red light, and we want to keep it that way," says Phil Bell, a Wimberley furniture maker.

"I have mixed feelings about it," says Wimberley silversmith Joseph Swift. "Generally, there's still room."

"I think it's good for the economy because ranchers were never known to have much money," Rippy says.

The appeal of Hays County is in its rural, slowed-down atmosphere. Dripping Springs has a highly regarded school district; Wimberley, with its community of artists, has a certain Bohemian cachet.

In Kyle, you can find old-timers driving 15 mph on the feeder roads. It's still possible to buy an acre or two, keep a horse and let the dogs run loose.

And it's all within a short drive to Austin: 30 minutes from Dripping Springs, 40 minutes from Wimberley, 25 minutes from Kyle.

"They look at, 'Is it safe to go jogging at night?' And it is," says Hays County Sheriff Paul Hastings.

"We're 15 miles and 20 years from Austin," says Warton. "People just want the quality of life. School is the draw."

At one time, taxes were low, too. But that has changed dramatically in the last few years. The suburbanization of Hays County is creating an influx of students that's straining the capacity of schools. Residents, most of whom live outside incorporated areas, are demanding more and more services from the county — which in turn increases the county's budget.

"Our growth is coming residentially, which puts a tremendous tax burden on homeowners," says Dripping Springs school superintendent Tony Riehl. "We are not reaping the benefits of commercial and industrial development that will help the tax base. We're getting the homes and the kids, but we're not getting the business and industry."

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— Fred Warton, realtor

Dripping Springs Independent School District saw a 10 percent increase in enrollment last year and is expecting the same this year. Wimberley ISD, growing at a rate of 10 percent to 12 percent per year, is building a new high school while Dripping Springs is constructing a new junior high.

Growth also is putting pressure on the sheriff's department. The department took 15,000 calls in June — compared to 36,000 calls for all of 1988, when Hastings was elected.

"It's strained our resources, but it did emphasize that we did have to plan," says Hastings, who predicts only a 15 percent increase in staff by the year 2000. "We have city people in a rural setting. Sometimes people bring their big city problems out here."

In spite of increasing calls, the department's clearance rate — the rate at which crimes are cleared by an arrest — is 40 percent, much higher than the national average of 22 percent.

"Our county has problems. But they are manageable," Hastings says. "We have a high quality of life. We have a good attitude of cooperation from the citizens. We're very active in neighborhood watch plans."

In an attempt to offset the burden on homeowners, the county is trying to broaden its tax base by luring commercial and industrial development.

"It really is a love-hate relationship. Our property values are coming back ... that's good," says County Judge Eddy Etheredge. "But we are impacting our school systems at a fairly alarming rate, so our schools are having to pass bond issues to build new schools.

"I'd much rather have the situation we've got today than the situation we had from 1988 to 1990 where our property values were falling and our unemployment rate was climbing. So there's bitter with the sweet."

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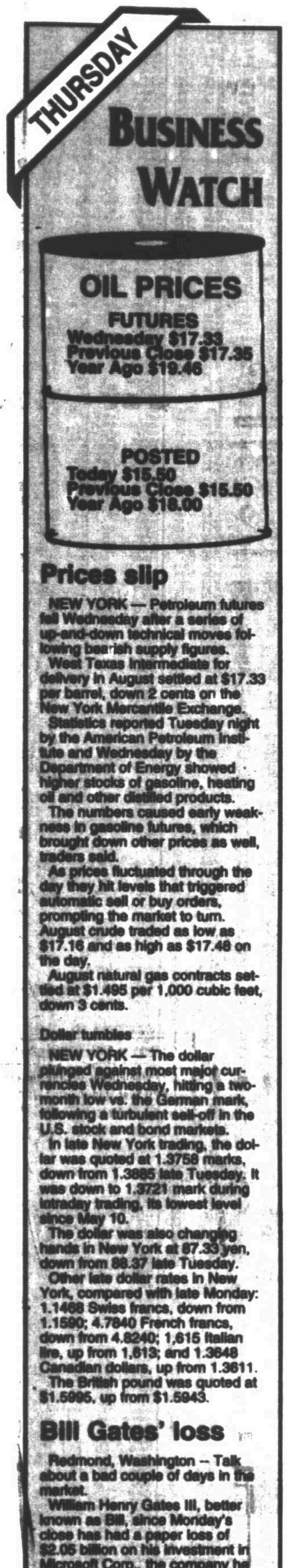
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Prices slip

NEW YORK — Petroleum futures fell Wednesday after a series of up-and-down technical moves following bearish supply figures.

West Texas Intermediate for delivery in August settled at $17.33 per barrel, down 2 cents on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Statistics reported Tuesday night by the American Petroleum Institute and Wednesday by the Department of Energy showed higher stocks of gasoline, heating oil and other distilled products.

The numbers caused early weakness in gasoline futures, which brought down other prices as well, traders said.

As prices fluctuated through the day they hit levels that triggered automatic sell or buy orders, prompting the market to turn.

August crude traded as low as $17.16 and as high as $17.48 on the day.

August natural gas contracts settled at $1.495 per 1,000 cubic feet, down 3 cents.

Dollar tumbles

NEW YORK — The dollar plunged against most major currencies Wednesday, hitting a two-month low vs. the German mark, following a turbulent sell-off in the U.S. stock and bond markets.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.3758 marks, down from 1.3885 late Tuesday. It was down to 1.3721 mark during intraday trading, its lowest level since May 10.

The dollar was also changing hands in New York at 87.33 yen, down from 88.37 late Tuesday.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Monday: 1.1468 Swiss francs, down from 1.1590; 4.7840 French francs, down from 4.8240; 1,615 Italian lire, up from 1,613; and 1.3648 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3611.

The British pound was quoted at $1.5995, up from $1.5943.

Bill Gates' loss

Redmond, Washington -- Talk about a bad couple of days in the market.

William Henry Gates III, better known as Bill, since Monday's close has had a paper loss of $2.05 billion on his investment in Microsoft Corp., the company he chairs. Shares of the biggest personal computer software maker have lost 14 1/2 points in the last two days.

That won't leave Gates holding a tin cup in front of Microsoft's Redmond, Washington-based headquarters. Gates's 141.1 million Microsoft shares are still worth about $13.33 billion, down from about $15.38 billion two days ago.

The slide in Microsoft's stock started Tuesday after management said earnings in its second half may not keep pace with its first-half performance. The stock fell 7 1/8 to 101 7/8.

Then the company was caught in Wednesday's broad decline in technology stocks that sent shares of Intel Corp. and International Business Machines Corp. lower on concern about earnings. Microsoft stock fell another 7 3/8 to 94 1/2.

The two-day skid shouldn't knock Gates from the top spot of Forbes magazine's list of the richest businessman on the planet.

Forbes recently estimated that Gates was worth about $12.9 billion, which for the first time put him ahead of Japanese real estate baron Yoshiaki Tsutsumi.

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Markets give bulls roller coaster ride

■ Dow Jones tumbles 130 points before recouping much of its losses.

By Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stock prices tumbled wildly Wednesday afternoon in a powerful sell-off that wrenched the Dow Jones average down more than 130 points before it recouped more than half the loss. Computer-related companies were particularly hard-hit.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished with a 57-point loss from Tuesday's close, leaving the market's best-known barometer at just under 4,629. It was the second such loss in as many days; the average had fallen 50 points on Tuesday.

Markets were undermined by weakness in big-name technology stocks like IBM, Microsoft and Intel.

Stocks had risen to record levels in recent months, and many forecasters have been predicting a big pullback. Technology stocks had led the advance.

The market also interpreted statements today by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan as bad for stocks. The central banker gave a somewhat optimistic outlook for the economy, wiping out any hopes that the Fed might cut interest rates anytime soon.

Bond prices were also off sharply, which creates higher long-term interest rates. That raises corporate borrowing costs and can diminish profits.

The Nasdaq composite index, heavily laden with technology stocks, fell even more than the Dow industrials in percentage terms. The Nasdaq, which has risen more than 30 percent so far this year, was off as much as 5 percent before recovering to a 38-point, or about 3 1/2 percent, loss at 950. The Dow's drop at closing came to 1.23 percent.

At its lowest point in the day, shortly before 2 p.m. the Dow lost 133.84 points or roughly 2.8 percent.

In recent days, IBM has warned that the outlook for worldwide sales has been cooling, Intel reported lower-than-expected earnings and several Wall Street analysts said Microsoft's stock was nearing a peak.



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Ray Diaz, financial officer with American Toy Co., is surrounded by some of the toys his family's business produces. The stuffed animals and bean bags are manufactured in Midland and sold in the U.S. and Mexico

Toy company 'plush' with business

By Melia McEwen
Staff Writer

To open the door to Midland's American Toy Company is to be greeted by giant bears, monkeys and even Shamu the Killer Whale.

But not to worry, these animals are friendly and are actually stuffed animals of all sizes and colors. Some are even bean bag chairs, which come decorated as bears, frogs or Shamu.

Owned and operated by the Diaz family, ATC manufactures stuffed toys and beanbags that are presently being sold by Wal-Mart in the U.S. and Mexico and by Kmart in Mexico. Work is also being done for Lacks Furniture and Walgreens. The company also has some of its products sold at Sea World and manufactures some licensed products for the University of Texas and Texas Tech University.

The family got into the business "participating in a joint venture with a Taiwanese partner who knew the business and had a toy factory in Taiwan," explained David Diaz. "His market was primarily in the U.S. and he wanted to do the manufacturing closer to the market."

The Diaz family and the manufacturer from Taiwan met when the family owned and operated Bikemasters and imported bicycles through the manufacturer. "We developed a mutual respect and friendship," Diaz said.

The partners operated a maquilladora from 1989 to 1990, manufacturing toys for a contractor who worked for a company selling the product to Wal-Mart.

Finally, said Diaz, "Representatives from Wal-Mart said that the company would look at a product from us if we wanted to manufacture it ourselves, so we did and we began operations here in Midland in 1993. We operated part-time until last summer, when we decided to dedicate ourselves to the business

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American Toy is carving a niche in the stuffed animal market by manufacturing large stuffed animals like this bear.

Research award given Midland man

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Royce J. Howard, 67, of Midland, a builder of precision mud-logging instruments, has been honored by Akjuit Aerospace Inc. of Winnepeg, Manitoba, Canada for his service to Canadian rocket research at the Churchhill Rocket Research Range and Spaceport.

In receiving the award Howard was designated a "Pioneer in Polar Science." He was recognized for his role as Superintendent of Telemetry at the rocket range from 1962-1964.

Located 1,000 miles due north of Winnipeg, the facility now known as Spaceport Canada launched over 3,500 sounding rockets from 1957 to 1989. Howard participated in the launchings as part of a joint venture between the U.S. Air Force Office of Aerospace Research and the Canadian government.

Spaceport Canada is now involved in launching low polar orbit satellites for world communications. The privately financed, international spaceport has launch pads capable of putting 4,000 pound satellites into orbit.

Howard said he is honored to have been recognized for his two year stint at the facility over 30 years ago. Howard, a 1948 graduate of Coyne Electrical Institute in Chicago, also worked for White Sands Missile Range before returning to Midland to go into business.

He is currently president of Howard Atnip Technologies Inc., which is engaged in the process of developing a computerized, integrated mud logging system.

"I was younger and it was a good experience to have worked on this project, but I don't think I would want to do it today," said Howard.

Housing starts mixed in June

By John D. McClain
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Housing starts slipped 0.1 percent in June, the fifth decline in six months, but the drop was entirely in multi-family construction. Single-family starts posted a healthy gain.

Still, starts overall fell in three of the nation's four regions despite falling mortgage rates, which analysts had expected to boost building activity.

The Commerce Department said Wednesday housing starts totaled 1.263 million at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, down from a revised 1.264 million in May. The May total originally was estimated to be 1.24 million.

Although starts fell in each of the first three months of 1995 as mortgage rates peaked, they managed a 2.5 percent advance in April before slipping 0.4 percent a month later.

Analysts had expected construction to increase in June to meet renewed

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INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Gift tax exclusion unlimited on direct tuition payment

By Bill Doyle

Q: Nowadays, the politicians are all gung-ho for "education" and "family." But a grandparent putting a grandchild through college faces obstacles imposed by those same fiscal idiots in Washington.



Doyle

It is not easy to send a student to even a state university on the $10,000 annual exclusion from federal gift tax. It is an outrage for the government to extract more taxes from me for the privilege of giving my own money to my grandchildren for their education.

Do you think there is any hope the present Congress will raise the gift tax exclusion to $15,000 or $20,000?

A: Even though it won't be required for the purpose that has you all charged up, there is a strong possibility Congress will vote to increase that exclusion — and that President Clinton will veto the legislation.

Under present law, you can give up to $10,000 to each of as many people as you please without filing a federal gift tax return Form 709. If you and your spouse make gifts jointly, the limit is $20,000 to each recipient.

When the gifts are larger, you are supposed to file Form 709, even though no federal gift tax is due until the total of those gifts — above and beyond the $10,000 exclusions — exceeds $600,000.

The $600,000 number is your lifetime exemption from both federal gift tax and federal estate tax.

But you don't need any change in the law. Since 1981, there has been another unlimited gift-tax exclusion that comes into play when you pay someone else's tuition or medical expenses, if you directly pay the educational organization or care provider. You needn't file a gift tax return for such gifts.

You can put any number of your grandchildren and other students through this nation's most expensive schools — as long as your generosity and your cash reserves hold out. Don't give away so much money that you will be strapped for cash in your senior years.

Q: My wife and I recently purchased a bond that we feel should not have been sold to us, as we were never advised of the risks involved.

We would like to take this matter further, so that we may recover our loss. Whom should we contact, and what steps can we take?

A: Your first steps should be back to whomever sold you that bond. Brokers are supposed to follow a "suitability rule."

If you get no results, contact the broker's office manager and other higher-ups, all the way to the firm's home office.

If you still are being stonewalled, you can take your case to customer-broker arbitration. The standard agreement a customer signs when opening an account steers disputes to arbitration and away from the courts.

All stock and commodity exchanges, as well as the National Association of Securities Dealers, have arbitration procedures. You can contact the NASD at 1735 K St. N.W., Washington, DC 20006.

But be forewarned that you will not win an arbitration hearing simply because the market price of a security fell after you bought it. You'll have to prove the broker did something wrong.

Q: Are stocks, mutual fund shares, bank accounts, etc., in "gifts to minors" and "transfers to minors" accounts considered part of the donor's estate when he or she dies?

A: The IRS takes the position that those assets should be included in the estate of the donor — the person who made the gifts — if the donor also is custodian of the account.

With that in mind, the wise donor names some other adult as custodian.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

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AMR earnings jump 17 percent

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — American Airlines parent AMR Corp. reported a 17 percent increase in second-quarter profits on Wednesday, but said the boost would have been even higher if not for a hail storm and continued fallout from two winter crashes.

AMR, which also is the parent company for American Eagle and a group of airline service businesses, reported a profit of $178 million, or $2.31 per share, on revenues of $4.31 billion in the April-June period.

A year earlier, the company earned $153 million, or $1.77 per share, on $3.79 million in revenues.

A late April hailstorm at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport temporarily grounded about a tenth of American's fleet. Also, two American Eagle crashes and temporary limitations put on much of the commuter airline's fleet hurt profits in the quarter.

The hailstorm and the American Eagle problems combined took $23 million out of the profit. The results for the quarter also included an extraordinary loss of $13 million to wipe out some debt.

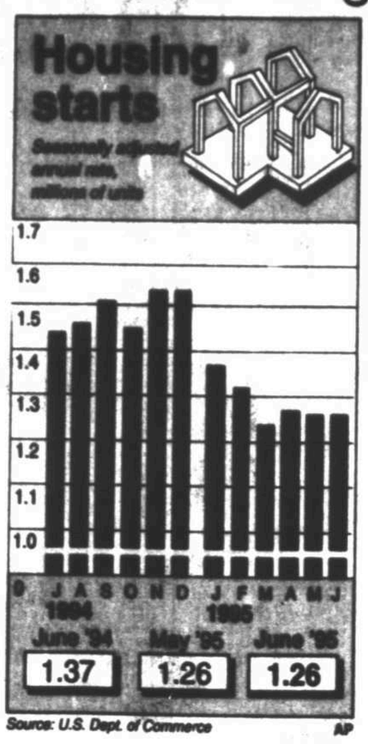
Profits from the airline business — by far the largest part of AMR — rose 37.6 percent.

American posted a 6.4 percent gain in traffic, but collected less money on average from each passenger. Despite expectations that higher fares would boost airline profits this summer, the average amount paid by one passenger to fly one mile dropped 2.3 percent from a year ago.

The overall results slightly exceeded analysts' expectations.

In the first six months of the year, AMR earned $217 million, or $2.79 per share, on revenues of $8.28 billion. A year earlier, the company earned $146 million, or $1.48 per share, on revenues of $7.29 billion.

STARTS: Single family starts post increase



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce AP

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demand in the face of gains in sales of new and existing homes as falling mortgage rates made housing costs more affordable.

Thirty-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 7.53 percent in June, down from more than 9 percent last January. They have continued to fall, hitting 7.41 percent last week, lowest in 16 months.

The monthly payment on a $100,000 mortgage with a 7.5 percent interest rate is $699, while the payment on the same loan with a 9 percent rate is $805 — a difference of $106.

As a result of the slack building activity, starts during the first six months of 1995 were 11.1 percent lower than the same period of 1994. In June, they were down 7.8 percent from the same month a year earlier.

But analysts contend that recent home sales have given builders an incentive to renew single-family construction.

At the end of May, the seasonally adjusted estimate of new houses for sale was 345,000, representing a supply of 5.6 months at the current sales rate. It was the smallest inventory since a 5.3-month supply a year earlier.

Applications for building permits — often a barometer of future activity — suggested continued activity. They rose 2.3 percent, to a 1.27 million annual rate. They had been unchanged in May after rising 0.6 percent in April.

Single-family starts jumped 3.9 percent, to a 1.01 million rate, highest since a 1.05 million rate last March. They had fallen 3.5 percent in May to 974,000, lowest since a 939,000 rate in March 1993.

Single-family homes represent about 80 percent of total starts.

But construction of apartments and condominiums plunged 13.4 percent, to a 251,000 rate, wiping out a 11.5 percent gain a month earlier.

Regionally, the Midwest posted a 9.6 percent increase in overall starts, to a 274,000 rate.

But starts fell elsewhere — down 7.8 percent in the Northeast, to a 118,000 rate; 3.0 percent in the West, to 323,000, and 0.9 percent in the South, to 548,000.

Southwestern Bell quarter strong

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — SBC Communications Inc. reported Wednesday its best-ever second-quarter earnings, an increase of 14.7 percent, driven by strong performances in telephone and cellular operations.

"This was another excellent growth quarter for SBC," said Edward E. Whitacre Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. "In 1994, SBC achieved its third consecutive year of double-digit earnings increases. Our strong 1995 second quarter and six-month results continue this momentum."

SBC reported second-quarter profits of $442 million, or 73 cents per share, compared with $385.5 million, or 64 cents per share, the same period a year ago.

Revenue grew 8.1 percent in the second quarter to $3 billion, up from $2.8 billion in the same period of 1994.

Net income for the first six months of 1995 was $837.2 million, or $1.38 per share. That compares with $743.2 million, or $1.24 per share, for the first half of 1994.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., SBC's largest subsidiary, led the second-quarter earnings growth, Whitacre said.

A total of 105,000 telephone access lines were added in the three months, and 533,000 were added in the past 12 months, resulting in the highest second-quarter and annual access line gain in SBC's history.

Whitacre said the most significant second-quarter development was the enactment of state telecommunications legislation in Texas that, among other things, eliminates earnings sharing, provides for orderly transition to future competitive markets and defines future infrastructure commitments.

SBC's performance also was attributable to its cellular operations, which added 151,000 customers in the quarter and now serves 3.2 million customers in 62 U.S. markets.

San Antonio-based SBC also participates in international wireless markets with equity investments in Mexico, France, South Korea and Chile.

Telmex, Mexico's national telecommunication's company and SBC's largest international investment, experienced a decline in its contributions to earnings because of the peso devaluation and weakened Mexican economy, the company said.

Ford earnings retreat 8 percent in second quarter

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co.'s earnings fell 8 percent in the second quarter as it sold fewer cars and trucks.

The nation's second biggest automaker said it earned $1.57 billion, or $1.45 per share, in the three months ending June 30, compared with $1.71 billion, or $1.63 a share, a year earlier.

Ford's vehicle sales volume fell 2 percent in the quarter, but total revenues rose 8 percent to $36.4 billion from $33.8 billion a year earlier.

Ford said its U.S. vehicle sales fell from 1.11 million to 1.08 million. But Chairman Alex Trotman noted Ford's market share rose to 26.2 percent of combined car and truck sales in the United States from 25 percent in the second quarter of 1994.

On Tuesday, Chrysler Corp. said its second-quarter earnings fell 86 percent to $135 million. Industry-leader General Motors Corp. planned to announce its earnings Thursday.

Chrysler, the No. 3 automaker, had a variety of problems during the quarter, including a 4 percent decline in sales, a backlog of old minivans and extra costs to start making new ones. It earned $135 million or 35 cents a share, coimpared with $956 million or $2.61 a share a year earlier.

TOYS: Company hopes to interest mass retailers

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full-time."

The family's former Western Auto store on East Illinois has been converted into a manufacturing facility for the toys and beanbags.

Diaz said the Taiwanese partner assists with designs and in locating raw material in the Orient.

Because the toy season is usually fall through Christmas, the company began manufacturing beanbag chairs during the slow time and to diversify the company away from strictly toy manufacturing, Diaz said. At present, the company's sales are evenly split between the plush animals and beanbag products.

Average employment is 12, and at peak demand times - producing toys for Christmas - employment can reach 30, Diaz said, adding that employees can turn out 500 pieces a day.

The toy business is highly competitive, he acknowledged, especially when competing against companies from the Orient. ATC's advantage, according to Diaz, is its location, which eliminates the expense of ocean freight. This is a particular advantage when it comes to the large plush animals, where ATC has found its niche, Diaz said.

While Wal-Mart and Kmart buy a majority of ATC's production - and Diaz would like to see Kmart sell the company's product in its U.S. stores - ATC is also having discussions with Toys R Us and other mass merchants.

"We'd like to see our products in the mass merchants like Target, Sears and J.C. Penney; that's a continuing effort," Diaz said. "We supply samples to them and hope someday they'll be interested."

Each year the company operates improves its chances.

"Sales have been doubling every year, and we are creating a name awareness among the larger retailers," Diaz said. "A lot of times, the larger retailers won't take a chance on sourcing from small manufacturers. But the longer you're in business, the more you can instill confidence that you can handle their needs."

David, who handles marketing for ATC, and brothers Ray, who handles accounting, and Rudy, who oversees production, were raised in a business environment, helping their entrepreneur father, who opened a Western Auto franchise in the early 1970s.

And already the next generation of Diazes is getting a taste of the business world: David's daughters and nieces help out at the business during the summer.

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BASEBALL — Chicago Cubs at Montreal Expos, 6:30 p.m., WGN.

Pittsburgh Pirates at Atlanta Braves, 6:35 p.m., TBS.

AUTO RACING — USAC sprint series, 8 p.m., ESPN.

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BASEBALL — Cleveland Indians 14, Texas Rangers 5.

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TEXAS LEAGUE — Jackson Generals at Midland Angels, 7 p.m., Christensen Stadium. Radio: KCRS (AM 550).

KI-Jana signs

WILMINGTON, Ohio — The Cincinnati Bengals gave KI-Jana Carter, the top pick in the draft, a rookie-record $7.1 million signing bonus Wednesday as part of a seven-year deal. The contract includes annual performance incentives that would push the package to $19.2 million over seven years. NFL Roundup, Page 4D.



Carter

Astros trade

SAN DIEGO — Left-handed power hitter Phil Plantier has been traded back home for the second time in his career.

"Hello, again," Plantier told the media on Wednesday, when the Padres got Plantier back seven months after sending him to the Houston Astros as part of the biggest baseball trade in 37 years. The Padres were willing to assume Plantier's $2 million salary in the hopes that he can stay healthy and help keep them in the NL West race. Page 2D

B-ball guru dies

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — James Smiddy, the nation's winningest high school basketball coach with 1,216 victories in 44 years, died Wednesday of a heart attack. He was 71. Smiddy died at East Ridge Hospital, where he had been since being stricken with a heart attack last week. The hospital said Smiddy had undergone a series of tests Wednesday morning and had another heart attack Wednesday afternoon. Smiddy coached eight years at Charleston High School and 36 years at Bradley Central. He retired after the 1992-93 season with a record of 1,216-201.

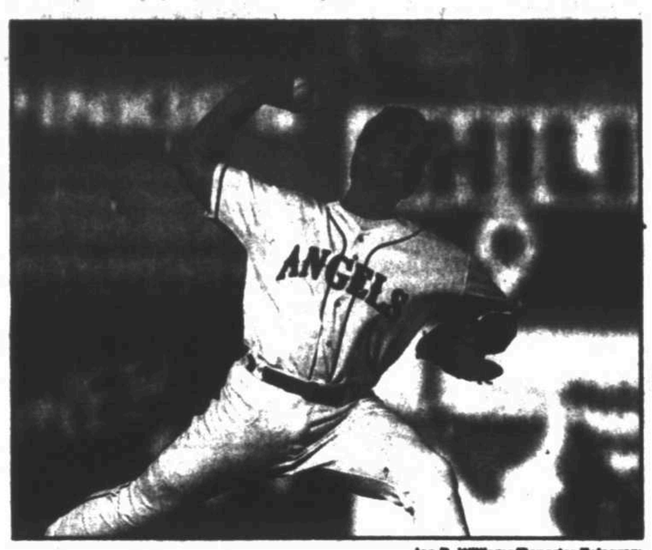
Announcer returns

ABILENE — Public address announcer Dave Andrews received a standing ovation Wednesday night when he took his spot behind the mike for the Abilene Prairie Dogs of the Texas-Louisiana League. The hero's welcome for Andrews was the fans' way of showing support for his ejection Tuesday night. Andrews was tossed because he picked the wrong time to thank an eyeglass manufacturer who sponsored a sunglasses giveaway. Andrews made the announcement shortly after umpire Mel Chettum had just thrown out Abilene manager Charley Kerfeld for arguing a foul call. Kerfeld followed his ejection by removing his glasses and shaking them at Chettum as the argument resumed. When Andrews was tossed, he received a standing ovation from fans. The adulation continued as word of the incident spread Wednesday and he again was celebrated upon his arrival.

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Going the distance

Midland pitcher Ryan Hancock throws a complete-game shutout as the Angels beat Jackson 7-0



Joe D. Williams/Reporter-Telegram

Midland's Ryan Hancock held the Jackson Generals to seven hits in a complete-game 7-0 win Wednesday at Christensen Stadium.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Hurling a complete game shutout at Christensen Stadium is tougher than winning the Texas lottery. But Midland Angel pitcher Ryan Hancock now knows how it feels.

Hancock blanked the Jackson Generals 7-0 in Texas League play Wednesday night, tossing a seven-hitter while walking only one and striking out only two. He had three brilliant double plays behind him. But when the smoke had cleared, Jackson had no runs and Hancock was still on the mound.

It's too bad that money doesn't flow through the fence when pitchers turn in that kind of outing here. That's still a Texas League tradition reserved for the power guys.

But the significance of the feat wasn't lost on Hancock, who now has two complete games this season.

"I've never professed to know the answer of how to pitch in this park," Hancock said. "You just have to go out there and make the other team work for what they get. I just have to give credit to the defense for this one because I wasn't perfect out there, but I got those double plays behind me. It always helps when you only have to get one out in the inning and the infield takes care of you."

It was the second complete game shutout of Hancock's professional career, but he has a special feeling for this one.

"On July 3 of last year, I had one (complete game shutout) at Lake Elsinore, giving up only two hits with nine strikeouts and one walk," Hancock said, but quickly added, "but I'll take this one because Lake Elsinore has a park much more suited for pitching than here. A shutout of any kind is much tougher here."

Hancock has struggled lately, starting the season with a 6-1 mark. Since then his record is 3-4.

"The last few weeks, I was just trying to get back to my old self and be aggressive with the hitters," Hancock said. "I did that tonight. I wasn't perfect, but I made the pitches I had to. I would like to say that I feel perfect with my mechanics, but I'm not in the same spot I want to be every time. It was a matter of making adjustments today."

And adjustments he made. Hancock started the game by hitting Jackson leadoff hitter Melvin Mora and walking Henri Centeno. He then got Kary Bridges to fly to center and Tony Mitchell hit into a double play. Hancock let the leadoff hitter on base in six of the nine innings, even though two were on

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Countdown to Atlanta begins

■ Workers for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta pause briefly to celebrate the one-year mark before the Centennial Games are to begin.

By Marc Rice
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — There was one year to go until the Atlanta Olympics open and amid the hoopla Wednesday boss Billy Payne had a terse parting message for the troops: "OK, get back to work."

That's the way it is in Atlanta, where amid the celebrations and grand promises lies the hard truth that some major hurdles remain before the torch is lit for the Centennial Games on July 19, 1996.

"We now know in a very real sense how much time we've got in front of us before the Games begin," Mayor Bill Campbell said Wednesday.

Not everything is under the control of organizers. Like the heat.

Temperatures in the high 90s have gripped Atlanta for nearly two weeks. With 32 percent humidity, it felt like it was 108 degrees at 4 p.m., just about the time folks would be gathering for the opening ceremonies a year away.

As Juan Antonio Samaranch, the lordly president of the International Olympic Committee observed Wednesday:

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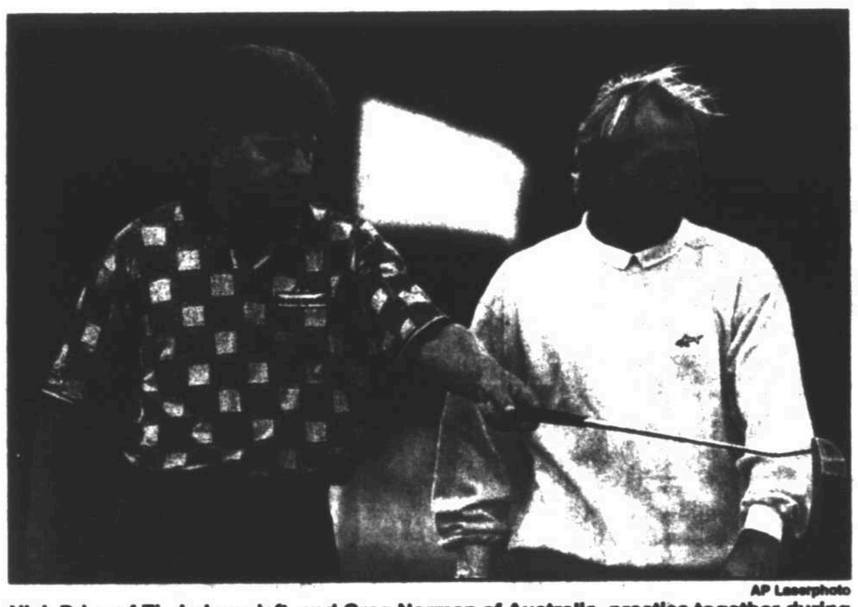


AP Laserphoto

Patrick Yaeger changes a billboard from "366" to "365" as the one-year countdown for the 1996 Olympic Games began Wednesday in Atlanta, Ga. It is Yaeger's job for the entire countdown to change the number of days remaining until the start of the championships, which mark 100 years since the modern games were revived in Greece.

BRITISH OPEN

Questions haunt British favorites



AP Laserphoto

Nick Price of Zimbabwe, left, and Greg Norman of Australia, practice together during the final day of preparations Wednesday for the start of today's British Open.

By Ron Sirak
AP Sports Writer

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Greg Norman has a fragile back and the fresh memory of yet another second-place finish in a major championship.

Nick Price is still trying to get his game back. And Nick Faldo is looking for his first major championship in three years.

The three best golfers in the world go into today's first round of the British Open haunted by questions but also as clear favorites.

Six of the last nine British Opens have been won by Price, Norman and Faldo, including the last three — Price last year, Norman in 1993 and Faldo in '92. And the last time the Open was held on the Old Course at St. Andrews — in 1990 — Faldo was the winner.

Asked what thread linked him with Price and Faldo over the last decade, Norman said: "When they

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Corder leaves Lee volleyball for 1A Bronte

By Amy Wolfenbarger
Sports Writer

Midland Lee volleyball coach Anita Corder simply wanted to move closer to her family.

What she got was a giant leap into uncertainty as the four-year Lady Rebel leader resigned her position last week to become the volleyball, basketball and track and field coach at Class 1A Bronte.



Corder

"I had interviewed at Water Valley and at Miles and at Stephenville — they are starting a program there from scratch — but I didn't hear from any of them and I was getting my mind geared to being at Lee another year and I was getting really pumped up about this year because they (Lady Rebels) have some great athletes coming back.

"But then (former Bronte coach) Karen Fox called me and said she was leaving and that she had already given them my name and number and she wanted me to come interview for the position."

For Corder, who has coaching stints at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene High and Arlington Bowie before coming to Midland, the giant leap comes in adjusting to the small-town life that the volleyball mecca north of San Angelo brings.

Bronte has won three 1A state titles since the 1980s, the most recent in 1991 under current San Angelo Lake View coach and former Bronte all-state player Connie Bozarth, and as Corder quickly found out, "This community, they really live for their volleyball.

"But I've never coached at a 1A school and it's all right there on two city blocks. The players come in to the season talking about going to Austin (state tournament) because their mothers and older sisters went. It will definitely be different. They are so nice down there and the people are so positive.

"We just wanted to get back closer to our families," she said.

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Rookie leads Indians as they bury Texas

■ Herbert Perry drives in four runs on four hits to lead a 19-hit attack as Cleveland whipped the Rangers 14-5.

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Rookie Herbert Perry drove in four runs on four hits, both career highs, leading a 19-hit attack by the Cleveland Indians that buried the Texas Rangers 14-5 Wednesday night.

The runs and hits both matched season highs for Cleveland.

Charles Nagy (9-4) allowed three runs and eight hits over seven innings, striking out three and walking three.

The Indians batted around in the first against Kevin Gross (4-9), scoring four runs on five hits. They added a run on two hits in the second and three runs on three hits in the third for an 8-1 lead.

Gross allowed seven runs on eight hits and two walks in two-plus innings. He struck out one and departed after allowing a double and a walk to start the third.

Perry's RBI single capped the Rangers' four-run first and he greeted reliever Chris Nichting with a two-run double in the third. He also singled in the fifth and had an RBI single in a three-run seventh.

Paul Sorrento, after falling just short in the first of Cleveland's second grand slam in as many games, delivered a two-run homer, his 14th, in the fifth off Nichting.

Angels 10, Blue Jays 2

TORONTO — Russ Springer won for the first time in over a year and California batted around and scored six times in the second inning, snapping Toronto's season-high three-game winning streak with a victory over the Blue Jays.

Springer (1-2) allowed five hits and two runs over 5 1-3 innings, striking out three and walking three. It was his first win since June 15, 1994, when he came on in the eighth inning of California's 12-7 win over Texas.

The four-year major leaguer with a career record of 4-10 was making his fifth start this season and 19th of his career.

Tim Salmon and Jim Edmonds each had three hits and drove in two runs for the Angels, who are 6-1 with one game left on their eight-game road trip.

Red Sox 5, White Sox 3

CHICAGO — Tim Wakefield scattered five hits over 7 1-3 innings and Willie McGee had four hits to lead Boston to a victory over the Chicago.

The Red Sox spoiled the major league debut of Mike Sirotka (0-1) who went 6 2-3 innings, allowing three runs, 11 hits and three walks.

He started in place Jason Bere, who is expected to miss just

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Piazza leads Dodgers over Houston

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — After being benched for a night with cold bats and puzzled psyches, Mike Piazza and Tim Wallach combined for five RBIs Wednesday to help the Los Angeles Dodgers rally for a 6-5 victory over the Houston Astros.

Wallach doubled home the tying and go-ahead runs in the eighth inning. Piazza narrowed the gap to 5-4 in the sixth with his 14th home run, ending a homerless streak of 13 games by the three-time All-Star.

Raul Mondesi, who scored three runs, opened the eighth with an infield hit off Jim Dougherty (6-3) and one out later went to third on Eric Karros' single. Wallach, who struck out in his two previous plate appearances, doubled on a 1-2 pitch from Todd Jones for only his third hit in 24 at-bats.

Expos 3, Cubs 0

MONTREAL — Pedro Martinez struck out eight and limited Chicago to seven hits over seven-plus innings as Montreal held off a late charge to beat the Cubs.

Martinez (8-5) allowed one run and walked four before tiring in the eighth.

Martinez came out after issuing a leadoff walk to Mark Grace and a single by Sammy Sosa in the eighth.

Mets 5, Cardinals 4, 10 Innings

ST. LOUIS — Bobby Bonilla homered with one out in the 10th inning as New York beat St. Louis, their sixth victory in seven games.

Bonilla had been 0-for-4, missing out on the Mets' 13-hit attack, before hitting his 15th home run off a changeup from Rich DeLucia (4-4) on a 1-2 count.

Jerry DiPoto (3-3) worked a scoreless ninth and John Franco finished for his 11th save as the Mets won their fourth straight and sixth in the last seven games.

Rockies 5, Phillies 3

DENVER — Dante Bichette and Walt Weiss each drove in two runs, helping right-hander Bryan Rekar earn a win in his major-league debut as Colorado beat Philadelphia.

Rekar went 6 1-3 innings, allowing three runs on seven hits. He retired the side in order in the second, fourth and sixth innings. Rekar, 23, was pitching at his third level of pro ball this year, having started at Class AA and ascending to Class AAA before his call-up by the Rockies on Monday.

Braves 3, Pirates 2

ATLANTA — Greg Maddux captured his 10th victory and Fred McGriff and Ryan Klesko hit homers, carrying Atlanta to a win over Pittsburgh.

Maddux (10-1) was chased with two outs in the eighth when he yielded a two-run homer to Orlando Merced, his eighth of the year. It came one out after Maddux issued his only walk of the game to Jacob Brumfield. Maddux allowed five hits, struck out 10 and walked one.

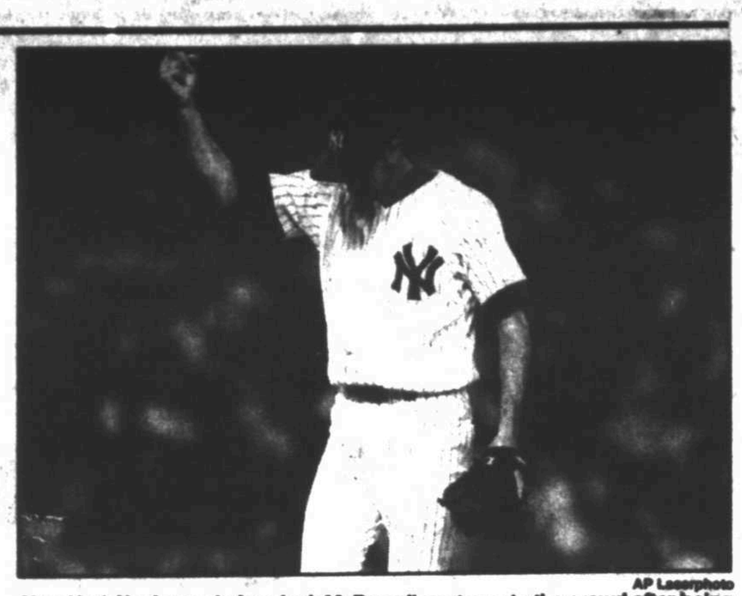
It was the 13th victory in 16 games for the Braves, who snapped a two-game losing streak and beat the Pirates for only the fourth time in their last 15 meetings. The Pirates' three-game winning streak ended as they lost for only the second time in nine games.

Marlins 3, Giants 1

SAN FRANCISCO — John Burkett pitched a five-hitter against his former team and Greg Colbrunn hit his third homer in two games as Florida completed a three-game sweep of San Francisco.

Burkett (7-9), who spent six seasons with the Giants, allowed three singles by Mark Carreon, a double by pitcher Mark Portugal and a single by Jeff Reed.

■ NL Roundup



AP Laserphoto

New York Yankees pitcher Jack McDowell gestures to the crowd after being booed during a game with Chicago at Yankee Stadium.

Gesture by Yankees' McDowell has AL fuming

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — So much for major leaguers giving back to fans this year.

Instead, Jack McDowell stuck it to them Tuesday night.

Booed by a crowd of 21,118 after a brutal outing, he walked off the mound at Yankee Stadium, thrust his middle finger high in the air and twirled it around for all to see — an obscene gesture that seemed to sum up baseball's season of discontent.

"In this year of all years, it shouldn't happen," American League spokeswoman Phyllis Merhige said Wednesday. "Obviously, we're not happy, and we'll look into further discipline later this week."

The New York Yankees immediately fined him $5,000, with the money going to a children's cancer fund. The New York newspapers weren't so charitable Wednesday morning.

"You Jack Ass!" blared the Daily News across the top of the front page.

"Yankee Flipper," declared the New York Post inside. Both tabloids plastered a full-page picture of McDowell extending his finger on the back. All through the day, McDowell was the talk of the town.

Even New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, a big Yankees fan, had his say.

"There are better ways to communicate frustration. ... This is a great pitcher, not just a good pitcher," said Giuliani, who also criticized fans for booing McDowell, noting that crowds at the old Yankee Stadium used to cheers pitchers as they left the mound.

After the game, McDowell said he was sorry the incident occurred, but stopped well short of apologizing to those he offended.

"It was one of those things where, right away, you say, 'Stupid,'" he said. "A two-second reaction to a lot of frustration built up."

But the sight of a $5 million man insulting the paying customers — McDowell even egged on the angry fans in the box seats behind first base, motioning for them to jeer louder — was not exactly what baseball wanted to see. Especially at a time when the game is near an all-time low in popularity.

Attendance is down more than 20 percent, television ratings are off and the sport is struggling to recover from the strike that wiped out the World Series.

Plantier headed home after Astros-Padres swap

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Left-handed power hitter Phil Plantier has been traded back home for the second time in his career.

"Hello, again," Plantier told the media on Wednesday, when the Padres got Plantier back seven months after sending him to the Houston Astros as part of the biggest baseball trade in 37 years.

The Padres were willing to assume Plantier's $2 million salary in the hopes that he can stay healthy and help keep them in the NL West race.

"If you look at the numbers he produced in '93 and '94, particularly when he's healthy, he can really add a lot to the ballclub," Padres general manager Randy Smith said.

With Plantier, health is always a big factor. He has played in just 22 games this year due to a torn hamstring and a fractured right hand that kept him on the disabled list from May 17 through July 6. He's hitting .250, with four home runs and 15 RBIs.

After he was traded from the Boston Red Sox to the Padres on Dec. 9, 1992, Plantier responded by hitting 34 homers and collecting 100 RBIs, both career-highs. Last year was limited by elbow and hip injuries. He had 18 homers and 41 RBIs.

"Physically, I'm fine," said Plantier, who grew up in San Diego. "I didn't play for two months. My season is just starting right now. I'm going in and playing against guys that are in mid-season form. It's up to me to make that adjustment and step it up and get things going early. There's not that time to get into the groove."

Plantier will start in left field in place of Bip Roberts, who went back on the disabled list last Friday. Plantier will bat sixth against left-handers and fourth against right-handers.

In exchange for Plantier, the Astros got minor league pitchers Jeff Tabaka, a left-hander, and Rich Loiselle, a right-hander. To make room for Plantier, the Padres optioned Roberto Petagine to Class AAA Las Vegas.

"We acquire a left-handed reliever who might be able to help us this year, and a young right-hander who has Triple-A experience," said Bob Watson, Astros general manager.

Tal Smith, president of the Astros, is Randy Smith's father.

The Padres entered Wednesday's game tied for third in the NL West with San Francisco, six games behind the Colorado Rockies. The Astros entered Wednesday's action five games behind the Cincinnati Reds in the NL Central.

AL: Brewers stop Mariners; Yankees beat Kansas City

(From 1D)

the one turn because of tenderness in the upper right bicep.

Wakefield (9-1) struck out six and didn't allow a walk as his AL-leading ERA fell from 1.70 to 1.66. He has given up 17 runs in 92 innings.

Twins 5, Orioles 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Rookie Brad Radke won his fourth straight game and Pedro Munoz homered and drove in three runs as Minnesota beat Baltimore, the Twins' sixth win in their last 26 games at the Metrodome.

The Twins ended a three-game losing streak and snapped the Orioles' four-game winning string.

■ AL Roundup

Radke (7-7), the Twins' top winner at age 22, allowed four hits over seven innings. The right-hander retired 12 straight before hitting Brady Anderson to open the eighth when he was lifted.

Radke walked two and struck out four and has won five of six after losing five straight in May and June.

Brewers 7, Mariners 6, (12)

MILWAUKEE — Fernando Vina's infield single off Bobby Ayala in the 12th inning lifted the Milwaukee Brewers to their seventh straight victory, 7-6 oer the Seattle Mariners on Wednesday night.

Ayala (3-3) was within one strike of the victory when he surrendered Jose Valentin's single to center that tied it 6-6.

Vina then bounced the ball up the middle to drive home Matt Mieske with the winning run. Bill Wegman (3-3) was the winner despite having allowed Seattle to go ahead 6-5 in the top of the inning on Tino Martinez's RBI-double.

Jay Buhner hit two home runs for Seattle, which had a three-game winning streak snapped.

Yankees 5, Royals 2

NEW YORK — Tony Fernandez triggered a four-run third inning with a home run, and left-hander Sterling Hitchcock won his second game since May 21, a victory for New York over Kansas City.

Hitchcock (4-6) allowed four hits, walked three and struck out three in 7 2-3 innings.

ANGELS: Harkrider, Glenn, Munoz each have 3 hits

(From 1D)

Midland errors. He flirted with losing his shutout often, but never gave in to it.

Meanwhile, the Angels were pulling even with the Generals in this series at 2-2 as the Midland bats erupted for 15 hits. Tim Harkrider, Leon Glenn and Orlando Munoz each had three hits while George Arias and Michael Wolff each had two hits.

Midland designated hitter Pedro Guerrero hit into double plays the first two times up, but then drilled a two-run double in the fifth. Munoz and Wolff also drove in two runs each.

ANGEL DUST: Hancock is now in a three-way tie for second place in the Texas League wins department with his ninth... The Angels are now 16-12 against teams from the East this year... Jackson's Bridges has now hit in 11 straight games after getting two singles off Hancock Wednesday... General Tony Mitchell, who came into the game hitting .491 in his last 15 games and five homers in his last 11 games, went 0-for-4 against Hancock... Midland newcomer Moe Daniels, who went 0-for-4 Wednesday, is now hitting .158 in the leadoff position, replacing the departed Jovino Carvajal... The Angels are 3-5 on the current homestand, which ends at 7 p.m. today, but can win the series with Jackson when Midland's Jeff Schmidt (4-7) faces Jackson's Doug Ketchen (0-1)... One game was lost to rain on the homestand and will be made up in Shreveport Sunday as part of a doubleheader...

Midland 7, Jackson 0

Jackson	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Mora cf	3	0	0	0	Daniels cf	4	0	0	0
Centeno 2b	3	0	0	0	Harkrider ss	5	1	3	0
Bridges lf	4	0	2	0	Arias 3b	5	1	2	0
Mitchell dh	4	0	0	0	Guerrero dh	4	0	1	2
Hidalgo rf	4	0	0	0	Glenn 1b	3	3	3	0
Kellner 3b	4	0	3	0	Wolff rf	4	1	2	2
Colon 1b	4	0	1	0	Ortiz lf	3	0	0	1
Johnson ss	3	0	1	0	Tejero c	4	1	1	0
Probst c	3	0	0	0	Munoz 2b	4	0	3	2
Totals	32	0	7	0	Totals	36	7	15	7
Jackson						000	000	000	—0
Midland						020	220	10x	—7

E-Arias, Colon, Harkrider. DP-Midland 3, Jackson 2. LOB-Jackson 8, Midland 8. 2B-Tejero, Guerrero, Colon, Glenn, Wolff. SB-Glenn (15), Wolff (8), Munoz (4), Johnson (10). CS-Bridges. SF-Ortiz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Jackson						
Creek L,5-6	4.0	12	6	6	0	4
White	2.1	3	1	1	2	1
Walker	1.2	0	0	0	0	0
Midland						
Hancock W,9-5	9.0	7	0	0	1	2

Creek faced three batters in the 6th. WP-Creek. Bal-Creek. HBP-by Hancock (Glenn). Attn.-2,082. T-2:24.

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Major League Baseball

AL Boxes

Indiana 14, Rangers 6

CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi	TEXAS	ab	r	hbi
Kirby cf	5	2	1	1	Nixon cf	5	0	3	0
Vizquel ss	6	1	2	1	McLmr lf	3	0	0	0
Alvarez 3b	4	1	2	2	Vogt rf	1	1	1	0
Espnza 2b	1	1	1	0	WClark 1b	3	0	0	0
Belle lf	5	0	0	0	Velie dh	4	1	0	0
Thome 3b	5	2	2	0	Rdrgz c	5	0	0	1
MNevz rf	2	3	2	0	Greer rf	4	1	2	0
Amaro rf	0	0	0	0	Tettleton dh	3	2	2	1
Sorrito 1b	4	2	3	4	Pglnulo 3b	4	0	0	0
HPerry dh	5	2	4	2	Frye 2b	4	2	1	0
SAmir c	4	0	2	2	Balboa ss	4	1	2	0
Pena c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	42	14	19	14	Totals	36	6	12	5

Cleveland 413 020 310 —14
Texas 010 200 003 — 6

E—Belle (4), DP—Cleveland 1, Texas 2. LOB—Cleveland 6, Texas 9. 2B—Kirby (6), Vizquel (12), Thome (12), HPerry (6), Frye (12), Balboa (4), HR—Sorrento (14), Tettleton (16). CS—Vizquel (7). SF—Kirby, Sorrento.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Nagy W,9-4	7	8	3	3	0	3
Lopez	1	1	0	0	0	1
Tavarez	1	3	2	2	1	0
Texas						
KaGross L,4-9	2	6	7	6	2	1
Whiteside	4	1-3	3	3	0	2
Cook	2	-3	0	0	0	0
McDowell	1	2	1	1	1	0
Whitehurst	1	1	1	1	0	0

KaGross pitched to 2 batters in the 3rd.

PB—Rodriguez.
T—3:05. A—42,920 (49,178).

Yankees 6, Royals 2

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	hbi	NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi
Raynes 2b	3	0	0	0	Polonia lf	4	1	2	0
Joyner 1b	4	1	0	0	Boggs 3b	4	1	1	0
Gagne ss	4	0	1	0	James dh	4	0	2	1
Gilkey cf	3	0	0	0	ONeill rf	4	0	1	0
CJmes dh	3	1	1	1	Mrphy 1b	3	0	0	0
Ldchr ph	1	0	1	0	SMyers cf	2	1	0	0
Brdrck c	3	1	1	0	Pagnzi c	3	0	0	0
Nunly ph	1	0	0	0	TFrndz ss	3	1	1	1
Hatt rf	3	0	1	0	Kelly 2b	3	1	1	0
Offerm ph	0	0	0	0					
Cloman p	0	0	0	0					
Howard lf	3	0	0	0					
TGdwn cf	3	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	5	1	Totals	30	6	9	4

Kansas City 010 100 000 — 2
New York 004 100 00x — 6

E—TFernandez (3). DP—Kansas City 2, New York 2. LOB—Kansas City 7, New York 2. 2B—Borders (7), Hattberg (16), HR—CJames (2), TFernandez (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Torres L,0-1	3	1-3	7	5	5	1
Magnante	4	2-3	1	0	0	2
Montgomery	1	3	1	1	0	0
New York						
Hitchcock W,4-7	6	2-3	4	2	1	3
Wickman	1	1-3	0	0	0	0
Wetteland S,13	1	0	0	0	0	1

PB—Borders.
T—2:28. A—23,688 (57,545).

Red Sox 5, White Sox 3

BOSTON	ab	r	hbi	CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi
McGee lf	5	0	4	1	LJhnsn dh	4	1	1	0
JnVntn ss	4	1	2	2	Raines lf	5	0	3	0
MVghn 1b	5	0	2	0	Thmas 1b	3	0	0	0
Cnsco dh	5	0	0	0	Durham rf	4	0	0	0
Whitkr rf	4	1	1	0	Vntura 3b	3	0	0	1
Nhrng 3b	4	0	0	0	Knutsn ss	4	0	0	0
McHrnc c	3	2	1	1	Dvraux rf	4	1	1	1
Tmsley cf	4	0	0	0	Drhm 2b	4	1	2	0
Alicea 2b	4	1	3	1	Karkvc c	3	0	0	0
					Guillen ss	4	0	1	0
Totals	36	5	13	5	Totals	34	3	8	3
Boston			000	104	000	—	5		
Chicago			000	000	012	—	3		

E—Vntura (11). DP—Boston 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Boston 7, Chicago 8. HR—JnVsntetin (15), Mactertane (11), Dever-naux (5). SB—Alicea (6). CS—McG (1). SF—LJohnson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Wakefield W,9-17	1-35	1	1	0	0	6
Corsaln	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Ballstrs	0	0	0	0	1	0
Harris S,10	1	1-3	0	3	2	1
Chicago						
Bnstka L,0-1	6	2-3	11	3	3	3
DeLucn	1	1-3	0	0	0	1
PHernandez	1		2	2	2	0

Belinda pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP—by Wakefield (Karkovice).
T—2:38. A—22,391 (44,321).

Angels 10, Blue Jays 2

CALIFORNIA								
TORONTO	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi	
Phillps 3b	4	2	1	0	White cf	2	0	0	0
Edmns cf	5	2	3	2	Huff cf	1	0	0	0
Salmon rf	5	1	3	0	Molitor dh	3	0	0	0
CDavis dh	5	1	2	1	RAlmr 2b	4	0	2	0
Snow 1b	5	1	2	1	Carter lf	4	0	0	0
DArndn lf	4	1	1	0	Borders c	4	0	0	0
Easley 2b	4	0	0	0	Sprgue 3b	3	0	0	0
Fergsn c	4	1	2	1	Green c	1	0	0	0
Correia ss	4	1	2	2	AGnzlz ss	4	0	1	0
					Alfnzo c	4	0	1	0
Totals	40	10	16	10	Totals	32	2	4	0

E—Easley (5), Correia (7). DP—California 2, Toronto 2. LOB—California 5, Toronto 5. 2B—Edmonds (18), Fabregas (8), Sprague (17), AMartnez (3), 3B—Phillips (1), Correia (1). HR—CDavis (10). CS—Fabregas (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Springer W,1-1	25-1-3	5	2	1	3	3
Holzemer	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
James	1	1	0	0	0	0
McPherson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Butcher	1	0	0	0	0	0
Toronto						
Guzman L,3-6	2	6	6	6	1	0
Rlordan	2	2	1	1	0	2
Cox	3	5	3	3	1	1
Crabtree	2	2	2	2	0	2

HBP—by Springer (Sprague).
PB—Fergsn.
T—2:58. A—39,139 (50,516).

Twins 5, Orioles 3

BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	hbi
Bd							
ByAdn lf	4	0	0	0	Knbtch 2b	4	2	2	0
Alendr 2b	3	0	0	0	Becker cf	5	1	1	0
Brbarie 2b	1	0	0	0	Puckett rf	2	1	0	0
Hrbnek 1b	4	1	2	1	Mrtnez dh	3	2	2	3
CRpkn ss	2	1	0	0	Orsby lf	4	0	1	1
Baines dh	4	0	1	0	Hrdzlz 3b	4	0	1	0
Smith ph	0	0	0	0	Ingram ph	0	0	0	0
Bass rf	4	0	2	0	Shnbk 1b	0	0	0	0
Mernz 3b	3	0	0	0	Stiggl 1b	4	0	0	0
Huson ph	0	0	0	0	Wlbeck c	4	0	1	0
Zaun c	3	0	0	0	Meares ss	4	0	0	0
LOmez ph	1	0	0	0					
OGdzn cf	4	0	0	0					
Totals	31	3	5	3	Totals	33	5	8	5

Baltimore 001 100 001 — 3
Minnesota 000 500 00x — 5

E—Mernz 2 (6). DP—Minnesota 1. LOB—Baltimore 7, Minnesota 9. 2B—RPalmeiro (17), Bass (10), Wallbeck (9), HR—RPalmeiro (20), PMartnez (18). SB—Knobtauch (22), Becker (4). SF—Puckett.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
McDonald L,2-6	2-3	6	5	5	0	2
Oquist	4	2	0	0	3	2
APrdobs	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Minnesota						
Radke W,7-7	7	4	2	2	2	4
Guardado	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mahomes	0	0	1	1	1	0
Guthrie	1	0	0	0	1	0
Aguilera S,2	1	1	0	0	0	1

Radke pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.
Mahomes pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.
Guthrie pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

HBP—by Radke (ByAnderson).
Balk—McDonald.
T—3:14. A—12,786 (56,144).

Brewers 7, Mariners 6

SEATTLE	ab	r	hbi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi
Cora 2b	5	1	1	1	Vina 2b	6	1	3	2
Amaral cf	6	0	2	1	Hntchck dh	4	2	2	1
Blwtnz dh	6	0	1	0	CrWlls 3b	6	0	3	0
Tbtnz 1b	6	0	1	1	Nilsson rf	6	0	1	1
Buhner rf	5	2	3	2	Higgns ph	0	0	0	0
Nelson lf	4	1	1	0	Surhoff 1b	4	1	0	0
ADiaz cf	2	0	0	0	Hulse lf	3	2	0	1
Rdrgz ss	5	1	2	0	Sheffld ss	3	1	0	0
DWhtn c	5	0	2	0	Mthny c	3	0	0	0
Strmbrg 3b	4	0	1	1	Jaha 1b	4	1	2	1
Thmp pr	0	0	0	0	Listach pr	0	0	0	0
Rivers 3b	1	0	0	0	Mesnik rf	1	1	0	0
					Kmnchk ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	49	6	15	6	Totals	43	7	13	6

Seattle 000 400 200 — 6
Milwaukee 100 100 005 — 7

Two outs when winning run scored.

E—Cora (11), Blowers (2). DP—Seattle 2, Milwaukee 2. LOB—Seattle 8, Milwaukee 10. 2B—Thornton (16), Hulse (3). 3B—Strumberg (2). HR—Buhner (15), Hentchck (2), Jaha (22). SB—Nelson (4), Hulse (4). SF—Thornton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Bosio	6	1-3	8	3	3	4
Charlton	2	3	0	0	2	1
Risley	1	2	0	0	0	1
Frey	1	1	0	0	0	0
Ayala L,3-3	2-3	2	2	2	2	0
Milwaukee						
Bones	8	10	5	5	1	3
Ignasiak	1	1-3	2	0	0	0
Plesac	2	2-3	0	0	0	2
Wegman W,3-3	1	3	1	1	1	0

Charlton pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

HBP—by Bosio (Vina), by Bones (Amaral). PB—DWilson.

NL Boxes

Dodgers 7, Astros 5

HOUSTON	ab	r	hbi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	hbi
Mouton cf	5	0	0	0	Finvlle ss	4	1	1	0
Mgdan 3b	5	2	4	0	Mndez rf	3	3	2	0
Caminit 1b	5	0	0	0	Piazza c	4	1	2	3
Bgwell 1b	5	0	0	0	Karros 1b	3	1	2	1
Ausmus c	4	0	0	0	Mondsr 3b	4	0	1	0
Mlay lf	4	2	2	2	Hndrsn cf	3	0	1	0
Elsebio c	3	0	1	0	Ashley lf	3	0	0	0
Bgsby 2b	4	0	0	0	Offrmn 2b	4	0	0	0
Miller ss	4	0	0	0	Hansen ph	1	0	0	0
Bendall p	3	0	1	0	Wmsn p	0	0	0	0
Dghrty p	1	0	0	0	DeShld 2b	4	0	0	0
TGulnes p	0	0	0	0	Rkhrsz p	2	0	0	0
					DGwsn rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	5	10	4	Totals	32	6	9	6

Houston 200 020 000 — 5
Los Angeles 102 002 02x — 7

E—Hollandsworth (1). DeShields (6). DP—Los Angeles 1. LOB—Houston 7, Los Angeles 5. 2B—Mondesi (15), Wallach (11). HR—May (1), Piazza (14). CS—Karros (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Swndsn L,5-6	5	2-3	6	4	4	2
Dougherty	1	6-3	3	2	2	0
TnJones	2	3	1	0	0	1
Los Angeles						
Rktsnitz	7	9	5	0	1	5
Wmsn W,2-7	1	1	0	0	0	1
TdWorrell S,13	1	1	0	0	0	1

T—2:52. A—37,350 (56,000).

Martins 3, Giants 1

FLORIDA	ab	r	hbi	SAN FRAN	ab	r	hbi
Conine rf	4	0	0	0	Vrdes 2b	3	0	0	0
Carr cf	4	0	1	0	DLewis cf	3	0	0	0
Conine lf	2	0	1	0	Bonds lf	4	0	0	0
Bnlnfnt 3b	3	0	0	0	ONeill rf	3	0	0	0
Clbrnn 1b	4	2	2	1	Cmron 1b	4	0	3	0
Grggs rf	4	1	2	0	JeRead c	4	0	1	0
Kllshr ss	3	0	1	1	Bonsor 3b	3	0	0	0
CJhnsn c	4	0	0	0	Bqmnn ss	2	0	0	0
Burkett p	4	0	0	0	Cnsco p	0	0	0	0
					Prtugal p	2	0	1	0
					Clayton ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	8	3	Totals	31	0	5	0

Florida 010 100 001 — 3
San Francisco 000 000 000 — 0

E—Nelson (2), Burkett 2 (13). DP—Florida 1. LOB—Florida 7, San Francisco 5. 2B—Colbrunn (10), Portugal (2). HR—Colbrunn (12). CS—Grissp (1). SF—Benjamin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida						
Burkett W,7-9	9	5	1	0	1	8
San Francisco						
Portugal L,5-5	7	2-3	7	3	2	2
CVallejo	1	1-3	1	0	1	0

HBP—by DSmith (Kllshorn).
T—2:18. A—12,420 (63,000).

Expos 4, Cubs 3

CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi	MONTREAL	ab	r	hbi
McRae cf	4	1	1	1	RWhite cf	3	0	0	0
Sndbrg 2b	4	0	0	0	Stggll 1b	4	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	1	2	1	Cnderc ss	4	0	1	0
Rdsms ss	2	0	0	0	Alou lf	4	2	2	0
Zeile 3b	4	0	0	0	Grdzlz 3b	4	0	0	0
Gnzalez lf	3	0	2	0	Pride pr	0	0	0	0
Wilkins rf	3	0	0	0	Fletchr p	0	0	0	0
TJhnsn 2b	1	0	0	0	Sprbrc c	0	0	0	0
Wallace ph	1	0	0	0	Wlkrsn p	0	0	0	0
Walker p	0	0	0	0	Scott p	0	0	0	0
Timms ph	1	0	0	0	Spehr c	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	5	2	Totals	33	4	5	4

Chicago 100 000 002 — 3
Montreal 011 001 01x — 4

E—Alou (3). DP—Chicago 2, Montreal 1. LOB—Chicago 11, Montreal 7. 2B—Gonzalez (14), DFletcher (11), 3B—Grace (1), Bullett (4). SB—Gonzalez (3), Cordero (7), Tarasco (13). S—Zeile, Bullinger 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Bullinger L,8-2	7	1-3	9	4	4	2
Hickerson	0	1	0	0	0	0
Walker	2	-3	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
PJMartnez W,8-6	6	7	7	1	1	4
Scott	2	1	0	0	0	1
Rojas	2	-3	4	2	2	0
Shaw S,3	1-3	1	0	0	0	0

PJMartnez pitched to 2 batters in the 8th, Hickerson pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

WP—Bullinger.
T—3:11. A—14,867 (46,500).

Rockies 5, Phillies 3

PHILA	ab	r	hbi	COLORADO	ab	r	hbi
Dykstr lf	4	2	1	0	Mrggsy dh	4	1	1	0
JMartnz 1b	5	1	2	0	Girardi c	4	0	1	1
Utyhl cf	4	0	2	1	Bchette lf	4	1	1	2
Mrdcai c	4	0	0	0	Wllmr rf	3	1	1	0
Bnnich rf	4	0	0	0	Grnga 1b	4	0	1	0
Hayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Castilla 3b	4	1	2	0
Mlnkvc ss	4	0	0	0	Bates 2b	4	1	1	0
Stocker ss	0	0	0	0	Wellss ss	3	1	1	2
Mulhlnd p	2	0	0	0	Hrbkmp p	2	0	0	0
Dnlsn ph	1	0	0	0	Pardo p	0	0	0	0
Brnyn p	0	0	0	0	Lskmp p	0	0	0	0
Lwtnpr ph	1	0	0	0	Holmes p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	5	1	Totals	32	5	9	5

Philadelphia 000 010 002 — 3
Colorado 000 100 04x — 5

E—Castilla (11). DP—Philadelphia 1, Colorado 1. LOB—Seattle 8, Milwaukee 10. 2B—Thornton (16), Hulse (3). 3B—Strumberg (2). HR—Buhner (15), Hentchck (2), Jaha (22). SB—Nelson (4), Hulse (4). SF—Thornton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
TGreen L,8-6	6	8	5	5	5	3
Borland	2	1	0	0	0	2
Colorado						
Reker W,1-0	6	1-3	7	3	1	3
Painter	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dipoto	2	0	0	0	0	1
Holmes S,9	1	0	0	0	1	2

HBP—by Reker (Kolnberger).
T—2:32. A—48,087 (50,200).

Braves 3, Pirates 2

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	hbi	ATLANTA	ab	r	hbi
Bmtld cf	3	1	0	0	Grssom cf	4	1	1	0
JBell ss	4	0	1	0	Blauser ss	3	1	1	0
Merced rf	4	1	2	2	JGnzlez 3b	3	0	0	0
MJhnsn 1b	4	0	0	0	McGriff 1b	4	1	1	2
Kmmnk lf	4	0	0	0	Justice rf	3	0	0	0
Chrstns p	0	0	0	0	Klesko lf	3	1	1	1
King 3b	4	0	1	0	MKelly lf	0	0	0	0
Lnsford c	3	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	4	0	1	0
Lrriano 2b	4	0	0	0	Lamke 2b	2	0	0	0
Parent c	3	0	0	0	Mddux p	2	0	0	0
Peguero ph	1	0	0	0	Mdlbrk p	0	0	0	0
Loiaza p	2	0	0	0	DwSmt ph	1	0	0	0
Wlkrsn p	0	0	0	0	Wnters p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	4	2	Totals	27	3	4	3

Pittsburgh 000 000 020 — 2
Atlanta 200 000 10x — 3

E—Cojones (9). DP—Pittsburgh 1. LOB—Pittsburgh 7, Atlanta 4. HR—Merced (8), McGriff (13), Klesko (10). SB—Brumfield (8), Merced (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Loaiza L,8-6	7	4	3	3	2	5
Gott	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Christiansen	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Wlkrsn	1	0	0	0	0	1
Atlanta						
Glltdzk W,10-17	2-3	5	2	2	1	1
McMichael	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Mdlbrks S,9	1	1	0	0	1	1

WP—Gott.
Umpires—Home, West; First, Darling; Second, Hirschbeck; Third, Pulli.
T—2:20. A—35,736 (52,710).

Mets 5, Cardinals 4, 10 innings

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	hbi
Butler cf	5	2	4	0	GPena 2b	5	1	3	0
Alfonzo 2b	5	1	2	1	Ogando ss	4	0	0	0
Bragna 1b	5	0	2	1	BJrdn rf	4	1	0	0
Bonilla 3b	5	1	1	1	Lnkfrd cf	5	1	2	1
Jordan lf	4	0	1	0	OBaisy lf	4	1	1	0
Hndley c	4	0	2	1	Coles 3b	3	0	2	0
CrJnes rf	4	1	1	1	Mebry 1b	4	0	0	1
Dyer ph	1	0	0	0	Stelfer c	4	0	0	0
Plsnpher p	2	0	0	0	Ptrsk p	2	0	0	0
Mahrtn ph	1	0	0	0	Dayett ph	1	0	0	0
Franco p	0	0	0	0	Ancha p	0	0	0	0
Spiers ph	1	0	0	0	Hente p	0	0	0	0
Mahlon p	0	0	0	0	Mcrthy ph	1	0	0	0
Franco p	0	0	0	0	DeLos p	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	5	13	5	Totals	37	4	9	4

New York 000020010 1 — 4
St. Louis 000130000 0 — 4

E—Bonilla (14). DP—New York 2, St. Louis 3. LOB—New York 7, St. Louis 7. 2B—GPena (5), Coles (5), Lnkfrd (2), Stelfer (1). HR—Bonilla (15), CrJones (8), Lankford (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Pulsipher	6	6	4	4	4	3
DHenry	2	1	0	0	0	2
DiPoto W,3-3	1	0	0	0	0	1
Franco S,11	1	1	0	0	0	2
St. Louis						
Pattbrook	6	8	2	2	2	1
Arocha	2	4	2	2	0	3
Henteg	1	1	0	0	0	0
DeLucia L,4-4	1	1	1	1	0	1

T—2:52. A—28,164 (57,078).

Tuesday's Late Boxes

Reds 5, Pirates 1

CINCINNATI	ab	r	hbi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	hbi
DSndrs cf	5	0	0	0	Finley cf	4	1	1	0
JBrnby p	0	0	0	0	JoRead 2b	4	0	1	0
Howard rf	4	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	3	0	1	0
Larkin ss	3	2	1	0	Gnzlez lf	4	0	0	0
RBrdrs rf	4	2	2	0	Pgnte 1b	1	0	0	0
Morris 1b	4	0	1	1	Mthms ph	1	0	0	0
Sntiago c	4	0	1	2	Nieves lf	3	0	1	0
Boone 2b	4	0	0	0	Asmus c	3	0	0	0
Benzin 3b	3	1	0	0	Hollbert ss	4	0	1	0
Rijo p	1	0	0	1	Hamltn p	2	0	0	0
McElroy p	1	0	0	0	Lwsjet ph	1	0	0	0
XHnndz p	0	0	0	0	Bcht p	0	0	0	0
LHrns ph	1	0	1	1	PClark ph	1	0	0	0
Wallach ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	5	7	5	Totals	33	1	6	1

Cincinnati 020 002 001 — 5
San Diego 000 000 010 — 1

E—Gwynn (10). Hamilton (4). LOB—Cincinnati 5, San Diego 8. 2B—RBrenders (20), 3B—LHarns (2). HR—Finley (7). SB—Larkin (26).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Rijo	7	2	0	0	1	2
McElroy W,2-0	1	0	0	0	0	1
XHernandez	1	0	0	0	0	0
JBrantley	1	0	0	0	0	2
San Diego						
Hamltn L,3-4	7	6	4	3	1	5
Bochtler	2	1	1	1	0	1

Rijo pitched to 1 batter in the 3rd.
WP—Bochtler.
T—2:31. A—10,876 (47,750).

Astros 13, Dodgers 4

HOUSTON	ab	r	hbi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	hbi
Mouton cf	5	2	2	0	Finvlle 2b	3	0	0	0
Bggio 2b	4	2	2	2	DeShld 2b	0	0	0	0
Bgwell 1b	5	1	2	2	Offrmn ss	4	2	1	0
Elsebio c	5	1	2	3	Mndez rf	4	0	1	1
Caminit 3b	4	2	2	1	Karros 1b	4	0	0	0
Mlay lf	2	1	1	0	Hansen 3b	3	0	0	0

Philadelphia 8, Colorado 8. 2B—Jeffereies (17), VanSlyke (2), Bates (13). HR—Bichette (15). SB—Hollandsworth (10).

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Claimed Mike Butcher off waivers from the Oakland Athletics. Designated Mark Dalesandro, catcher, for assignment.

Blades surrenders, released on bond

PLANTATION, Fla. (AP) — Seattle receiver Brian Blades was released on $10,000 bond Wednesday on a manslaughter charge in the shooting death of his cousin, and his agent said the player would be back in the Seahawks' training camp by week's end.

Accompanied by his attorney and agent, Blades surrendered at the Broward County Jail for booking for the July 5 shooting.

Blades gave a tearful televised message that the fatal shooting of his cousin was an accident. Police offer another story, however.

The bullet that killed Charles Blades was fired from less than 4 inches from his chin after a struggle, police said Tuesday. Witness accounts and other evidence have shown Brian Blades fired the gun.

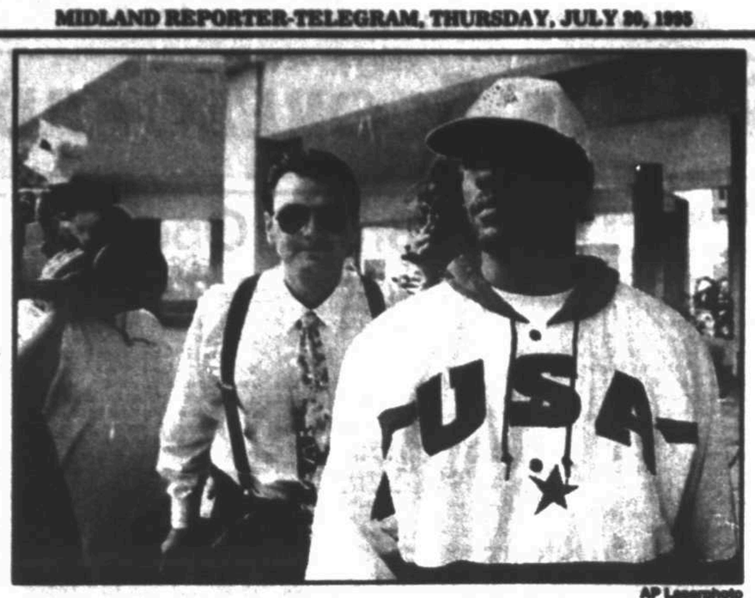
"There was no indication that (Blades) used any caution to prevent the injury," Plantation police Sgt. Michael Price said in announcing the arrest warrant Tuesday.

Brian Blades, 29, was in Seattle preparing for training camp Tuesday but made arrangements to return when his attorney was notified of the warrant.

"We'll comply with the warrant, and Brian will come back immediately from Seattle, and he will return to Seattle as soon as he can," said agent Drew Rosenhaus. After the arraignment, Rosenhaus said Blades would be back in camp by Friday.

Blades has refused to talk to police about the incident, saying he was too distraught. But at a news conference last week he talked about the shooting, stopping short of saying he pulled the trigger.

"I know Charles' death was an accident," a sobbing Brian Blades said at the time. "The police know Charles' death was an accident. And most important, God knows Charles' death was an accident."



AP Laserphoto

Seattle receiver Brian Blades, right, enters the Broward County Jail Wednesday to surrender for booking for manslaughter for the fatal shooting of his cousin, Charles. Agent Drew Rosenhaus, left, accompanied him.

According to the arrest warrant, Brian Blades intervened in an argument between his brother, Bennie, a defensive back for the Detroit Lions, and Bennie's ex-girlfriend. Bennie then shoved his brother, who left after threatening to return with a weapon.

Brian Blades went to his house nearby and pulled out his .38-caliber semiautomatic handgun. His cousin, Charles Blades tried to stop him.

Moon says strained marriage caused spat

MISSOURI CITY, Texas (AP) — The wife of Minnesota Viking and former Houston Oiler quarterback Warren Moon fled her home this week after she told authorities her husband struck and choked her, then pursued her by car.

Felicia Moon has decided not to press assault charges in the Tuesday afternoon incident termed a "marital argument" by Missouri City police. Moon, in a statement released late Wednesday in Houston, blamed the incident on "a strain in our marriage."

"Unfortunately yesterday, a heated argument occurred," Moon said. "I'm very sorry it happened. Felicia and I both love each and will work to move in a positive direction with God in our life."

Police went to the couple's home in the suburb just southwest of Houston after receiving a a 911 call from the residence, notifying police an assault was in progress. It is not known if Mrs. Moon or if one of the couple's four children placed the call.

When police arrived, Moon and his wife were gone. A short time later, Mrs. Moon returned and told police her husband struck her in the head with an open hand and choked her to the point of losing consciousness. She told police she broke free of Moon and fled in her car. Moon apparently followed her, police said, but his wife said she lost him. Mrs. Moon was brought to the police department where her statement was taken. She informed them that she did not wish to personally pursue criminal charges against Moon.

"She alleges she was struck in the head, she was choked until she almost passed out," said Missouri City police chief Hank Howell.

In Texas, authorities can prosecute crimes when the victim refuses to do so. Last May, Moon reached an out-of-court agreement with a former Vikings team cheerleader who said he sexually harassed her. Moon's attorney in that matter said an agreement had been reached, but then declined to say if money was involved.

Cowboys sign cornerback; Carter joins Bengals

The Associated Press

NFL Roundup

No. 21 finally made his anticipated appearance for the Dallas Cowboys Wednesday, just in time for the team's last day of its "quarterback school" mini camp.

No, not Deion Sanders. He's still courting all NFL comers while he roams the outfield for the Cincinnati Reds.

For now, No. 21 in the Cowboys' program is cornerback Alundis Brice, a fourth-round pick out of Mississippi who signed a deal with the team Wednesday morning.

The 5-10, 178-pound Brice was the ninth of the club's 10 draft picks to sign a contract, and he immediately staked a claim to his uniform number.

"I'm not giving it up. He's going to have to come take it," Brice said of Sanders, for whom Cowboys owner Jerry Jones is fishing. "I'm very serious."

Brice said he wouldn't give the number away, but wouldn't rule out selling it.

"Anything's available for a price," said Brice, who said he's fully recovered from a gunshot wound to the chest he received earlier this year when he tried to break up a fight.

His signing amplified the absence of the team's top pick, Sherman Williams. Team officials said the Alabama running back could be in pads by Friday's first day of official training camp in Austin, but nothing is certain.

Meanwhile, negotiations with standout linebacker Darrin Smith appear at a standstill, making him the only veteran holdout. Players must report to the team's St. Edward's University facility by 3 p.m. today, and two-a-day practices begin Friday morning.

The wildcard of the club's payroll, Sanders, won't play a down of football for anyone until baseball is over. The Reds are a favorite to go to the World Series, which could last into late October under the game's new playoff format.

Jacksonville Jaguars

STEVENS POINT, Wis. — Ernest Givins has already circled Sept. 3 on his calendar, and not because it's his 31st birthday. He's got a score to settle on that day.

His new team, the Jacksonville Jaguars, opens the regular season against the Houston Oilers, the team that thought Givins was too old and too expensive.

"What keeps me going is I'm very bitter about what happened in Houston," said Givins, who was let go by the Oilers after nine seasons and signed with the expansion Jaguars as a free agent.

"Very bitter," he adds with emphasis.

Givins is the leading receiver in Houston history, having caught at least 53 passes in each of his first eight seasons and making the Pro Bowl twice. Last year, though, he slipped to only 36 receptions as the Oilers plummeted to the worst record in the NFL.

Cincinnati Bengals

Cincinnati signed Ki-Jana Carter, the top pick in the draft, a rookie-record $7.1 million signing bonus as part of a seven-year deal.

The contract includes annual performance incentives that would push the package to $19.2 million over seven years. It also includes provisions that would make the running back from Penn State a free agent in 1999.

"The money is outstanding. The Bengals were generous," said agent Leigh Steinberg, who also represents Collins. "It gives him the ability to void. And he's here two days into training camp, which is really the most important thing."

Miami Dolphins

Free agent defensive lineman Steve Emtman met Wednesday with Miami officials and underwent a physical. Emtman, who has had major injuries to both knees, was released Saturday by Indianapolis and cleared waivers Monday. The 6-foot-4, 300-pound lineman was the first pick overall in 1992 draft out of Washington.

New Orleans Saints

Kicker Morten Andersen, a 13-year veteran and the New Orleans Saints' leading scorer, was released so his contract could be renegotiated to fit under the salary cap. Coach Jim Mora said efforts will begin immediately to negotiate a new contract to keep Andersen, whose remaining two years on his contract terminated, making him a free agent.

Buffalo Bills

Linebacker Cornelius Bennett signed a one-year contract worth $3.09 million, about three times what he made last year.

Washington Redskins

There will be no quarterback controversy this year in Washington, which has started six different quarterbacks over the last two years. Coach Norv Turner has given the nod to Heath Shuler over fellow second-year player Gus Frerotte.

DAYS: ACOG back to work after quick celebration

(From 1D)

"Maybe we will not wear ties."

Among the greatest challenges ahead is raising enough money to meet a $1.58 billion budget.

Though tax money is paying for such things as security and rebuilding streets, the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games is relying on corporate sponsorships, television-rights contracts, souvenir sales and ticket orders to stage the Olympics.

Payne says ACOG has about 80 percent of its budgeted revenues under contract, and has repeatedly expressed confidence that money projections will be met.

But while ticket sales have been better than expected, other revenue sources have lagged. For instance, efforts to sell commemorative bricks and coins have fallen short.

The need for sponsorship money is so strong that ACOG sanctioned "Wheel of Fortune" and "Jeopardy" as the official game shows of the Olympics. ACOG probably will be selling sponsorships up until the time fans are filing into the stadium for the start of the Games, Payne has said.

An accountant has warned that some plans will have to be curtailed if the money can't be found.

ACOG also must complete a $500 million construction program that includes six new permanent venues, one temporary arena and renovations to several others.

One nagging question for organizers was answered Wednesday when a consultant explained why two Olympic athlete dorms have settled more than normal.

An engineering report said a concrete slab foundation should not have been used on the type of soil under the dorms, one of which has sunk nine inches and the other, six inches.

Though construction is said to be on schedule, the work doesn't end when the last bricks are laid. Each building must be fitted with systems for such things as scoring and food service, and put through a dry run.

ACOG must also resolve a festering feud with the International Yacht Racing Union over plans for the yachting competition in Savannah. The union, an international federation that governs the sport, accuses ACOG of reneging on promises to provide a large marina on the Georgia coast.

A transportation plan designed to keep most cars out of downtown and use a mass-transit system to whisk spectators to events must be refined. Commitments are needed from employers to help by juggling workers' hours and rescheduling deliveries.

Hundreds of thousands of ticket orders placed early this summer must be processed. Since the best tickets are gone, ACOG must stir up interest to sell millions of remaining seats.

Thousands of volunteers, who will give directions and provide other services to visitors, must be trained.

Plans for the opening and closing ceremonies must be finalized and kept secret. The route of next year's torch run leading to the opening ceremony will be announced Sunday.

But all that work remained in the future, if only for a few hours. Wednesday was a day for ceremony as Atlanta began the final year of its journey to the Games.

Samaranch, Payne and Campbell were in Lausanne, Switzerland, to formally invite 197 nations to the '96 Games.

About 2,000 ACOG employees and volunteers gathered near the Olympic stadium construction site for an early morning party that was a respite from the frantic pace of preparations.

On the streets of Atlanta, feelings were mixed as the huge event grew ever closer.

"I think it's going to be wonderful," said parking lot attendant Sam Benson. "Atlanta is the place to be."

But Carolyn Tucker, who works at a federal office building downtown, has little confidence Atlanta would be ready.

"They've got too many things just getting started — the construction, fixing the bridges and streets," she said. "They might be able to do it. I doubt it."

CORDER: Lee v-ball coach changes jobs

(From 1D)

Midland Independent School District Athletic Director Tim Whalen confirmed the change.

"She resigned last week to take a position at Bronte and I understand that she wanted to get back down that way so we released her because if that's what she wants, we don't want to stand in the way," Whalen said.

Corder led the Lady Rebels to two playoff seasons in four years and Whalen said he was disappointed to see her leave after the successful stint. Whalen also said that a replacement has not been named at this time.

Corder said she is looking forward to teaching and coaching in a small school system because of the lack of severe discipline problems like the one experienced at Lee during the last school year when a student discharged a handgun during school hours.

"I wasn't having problems with my volleyball players — I wouldn't trade them for anything in the world — just the general student population. I just got tired of dealing with kids bringing .357 magnums to school.

"I asked if they ever had any problems like that at Bronte and they said their biggest discipline problems are keeping the students from bringing Cokes into the building and getting to class on time," Corder said.

Corder said that Bronte's principal finally did remember an incident when a student brought a gun to school and kept it in his locker all day, and when they confronted him about it, they found out he had only wanted to hunt rabbits with his friends after school.

Now with school and workouts beginning Aug. 14 in Bronte, the only problems Corder will have to contend with are finding a place to live and getting the Longhorns back to the state tournament.

LOCAL SPORTS

Winchell, Conine lead junior event

ODESSA — Shelly Winchell and Emily Conine of Midland each finished first in their age group in Wednesday's round of the West Texas Professional Golfers Association Junior Tournament at Odessa Country Club. The tournament continues today at Midland's Green Tree Country Club.

Winchell shot a 105 to take first among girls 12-14 and Conine's 85 was the best round for girls 15-18. Midlander Blake Brown shot a 41 for second in the boys 10-11 division.

Albright PB Playday winner

Trina Albright took first place in first flight gross play of the Permian Basin Playday at Green Tree Country Club. Ladell Nolan of Mission Dorado won net play first flight and Nita Dickman of Sun Set had the lowest putt total in the first flight.

Winners from the Permain Basin Playday:

Gross flights: First: Tina Albright, Green Tree, Second: Becky Hakes, Ranchland Hills, Third: Jo Dickson, Ranchland Hills, Fourth: Flossie Larsh, Green Tree, Fifth: Susan Pickard, Green Tree.

Net flights: First: Ladell Nolan, Mission Dorado, Second: Mary Ruth Robertson, Comanche Trail, Third: Andrea Voisine, Ranchland Hills, Fourth: Ramona Harris, Comanche Trail, Fifth: Dorothy Moving, Ranchland Hills.

Lowest putts: First: Nita Dickman, Sun Set, Second: Pat Keller, Ranchland Hills, Third: Liz Lara, Green Tree, Fourth: Evelyn Davis, Green Tree, Fifth: Kathy Thompson, Green Tree.

GTCC assistants place in tourney

GLEN ROSE — Green Tree Country Club assistant professionals Chris Carpenter and John Gatlin played at the Top Flite Assistants Championship held at the Squaw Valley Golf Club this week.

Carpenter finished with a two-day total of 141 to tie for the fifth spot and earn $413. Gatlin shot a 151 for the two rounds and tied for 40th.

The winner of the tournament was Bruce Smith from Dallas' Lakewood Country Club. Smith shot a 134 and earned $850 for his efforts. Baron Buss of McKinney's Stonebridge Country Club, Rick Witt of Irving's Las Colinas Country Club and Perry Arthur of Arlington's Riverchase Country Club tied for second six shots back.

Stroman heads list of winners

EL PASO — Monica Stroman and Amber Goodwin led City of Midland Aquatics in the El Paso International Invitational at the El Paso Swim Center held July 14-16.

Stroman, who will compete in the Senior Nationals and Junior Nationals later this summer, won ten individual races including the 200-backstoke, 100-butterfly, and the 400-individual medley, the same event she placed second in at the Speedo Junior Nationals last March.

Goodwin had eight first-place finishes in the female 15-16 division to go along with a second and a sixth. The 200 back and 100-fly were among her first place finishes.

First-place finishers from the El Paso Invitational held July 14-16 at the Sierra Medical Center.

Female Open Division: 200 Back: M. Stroman, 100 Fly: M. Stroman, 200 Free: M. Stroman, 100 Free S. Carnett, 200 Breast: M. Stroman, 200 IM: M. Stroman, 200 Fly: M. Stroman, 100 Breast: M. Stroman, 400 Free: M. Stroman, 400 IM: M. Stroman, 50 Free: M. Stroman, 1,500 Free: S. Kimble, 400 Free Relay: COM A, 400 Medley relay: COM A.

Female 15-16: 200 Back: A. Goodwin, 100 Fly: A. Goodwin, 200 Free: A. Goodwin, 200 Breast: A. Sanchez, 100 Free: A. Goodwin, 200 IM: A. Goodwin, 100 Back: A. Goodwin, 100 Breast: A. Sanchez, 400 Free: J. Hinojosa, 50 Free: A. Goodwin, 400 IM A. Goodwin, 400 Medley relay, COM A.

Female 13-14: 200 Breast: Erin Irons, 400 IM: E. Irons.

Female 11-12: 100 Free: S. Brown, 50 Breast: Abby Ritchie, 100 Back: S. Brown, 200 Medley relay: COM A, 200 Free: S. Brwon, 50 Back: S. Brown, 100 Breast: K. Sheffield, 50 Free: K. Sheffield, 100 Fly: S. Brown, 400 Free: S. Brown.

Female 10-Under: 100 Free: Brooke Mayes, 50 Breast: K. Wentworth, 100 Back: B. Mayes, 50 Fly: Nate Lowry, 200 IM: Brooke Mayes, 200 Medley relay: COM A, 200 Free: B. Mayes, 100 Breast: K. Wentworth, 50 Free: K. Lowry, 100 Fly: K. Lowry, 200 Freestyle relay: COM A.

Male Open: 200 Free: A. Kapchinske, 200 Breast: J. Rodriguez, 200 IM: J. Rodriguez, 100 Back: J. Rodriguez, 100 Breast: J. rodriguez, 400 Free: A. Kapchinske, 400 IM: A. Kapchinske.

Male 15-16: 200 Breast: 1. Adam Jimenez, 400 Free: A. Jimenez, 400 Medley relay: COM A, 400 IM. A. Jimenez.

Male 13-14: 400 Free Relay: COM A, 100 Breast: S. Carnett, 400 Medley relay: COM A, 400 IM Greg Brink.

Male 11-12: 100 Free: G. Strauss, 50 Fly: G. Strauss, 200 Medley relay: COM A, 50 Free: G. Strauss, 400 Free: G. Strauss.

Male 10-U: 100 Free: Lee Irons, 50 Breast: Tommy Brown, 100 Back: L. Irons, 200 IM: L. Irons, 200 Medley relay: COM A, 50 Back: Lee Irons, 200 Free: L. Irons, 100 Breast T. Brown, 50 Free: L. Irons, 100 Fly: Kyle Edens, COM A.

West, Harrison get GTCC aces

Paul West shot a hole-in-one Tuesday at Green Tree Country Club's north course No. 5 hole and Mike Harrison matched the feat Wednesday at No. 7 east. West used a 4-iron on the 181-yard 3-par and was witnessed by Greg Akins. Harrison's shot was seen by Charles Knorr and Brad Miller.

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Cyclists honor fallen teammate

PAU, France (AP) — In a moving tribute to a fallen rider, the Motorola teammates of the late Fabio Casartelli crossed the finish line together during Wednesday's stage of the Tour de France.

The rest of the cyclists paid their respects as well. Lance Armstrong and Frankie Andreu of the United States, Steve Bauer of Canada, Alvaro Mejia of Colombia, Stephen Swart of New Zealand and Andrea Peron of Italy were allowed to go ahead as a group in a gesture to Casartelli, an Italian who was killed during Tuesday's stage after a crash on a mountain descent.

Peron led the pack across the line of the 16th stage.

"There is nothing else to say except 'Thank you' to all the cyclists who rode today to pay homage to Fabio," Bauer said.

It was a spontaneous idea that came during the day as the pack moved slowly between Tarbes and Pau. A quick discussion among the leaders, then a word or two between Bauer and the race directors and the idea was developed.

"I share their feelings," said Bernard Hinault, a five-time winner of the tour and now one of the race officials. "How can you run a race when you are thinking of a teammate who has gone?"

After a slow pace, the Motorola team went to the head of the pack with about six miles remaining in the 147-mile stage.

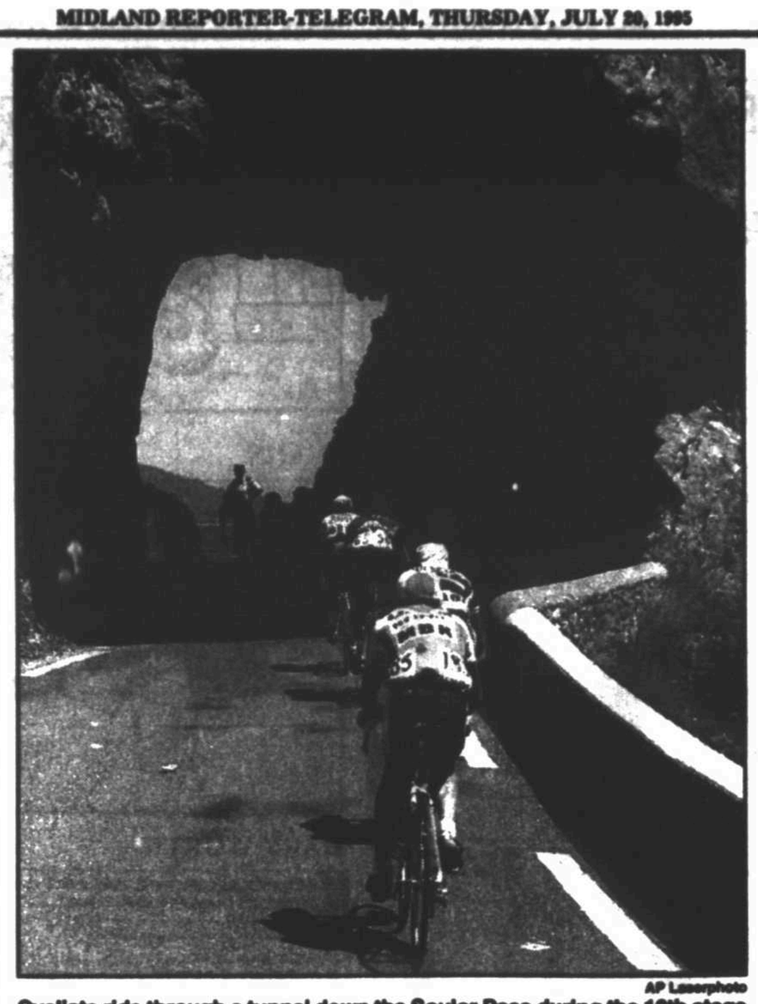
In the final stretch, the Motorola riders moved about 100 yards ahead of the main pack to finish as a group to the applause of the crowd that usually waits for a sprint finish.

There was no emotion shown by any of the Motorola riders as they kept their hands on their handlebars across the finish line, in sharp contrast to other stage winners who usually raise their hands in victory.

The Motorola team wore black ribbons on their sleeves in memory of Casartelli.

Riders held a minute of silence before the start of the leg in Tarbes with the Motorola riders on the front line.

"The riders don't have a lot of energy this morning," said Hennie Kuiper, the assistant manager of Motorola. "It's very hard for everybody but it's important that the group stay together."



AP Laserphoto

Cyclists ride through a tunnel down the Soulor Pass during the 16th stage of the Tour de France between Tarbes and Pau in southwestern France.

Seles to share No. 1 status with Graf on return to game

The Associated Press

Monica Seles will share the No. 1 ranking Steffi Graf when she returns to tournament tennis next month 2 1/2 years after being stabbed in the back during a match.



Seles

The WTA is expected to announce the decision to restore Seles' ranking later this week. "I'm happy about it, of course," Seles said on Wednesday. "But I was going to play either way."

The co-ranking of No. 1 will exist at least through the first six tournaments that Seles plays. There was no word on what would happen after that.

There had been some controversy over Seles' ranking during Wimbledon, when the players voted to withdraw their original offer of a co-No. 1 ranking with Graf.

"There was a written proposal of a ranking and then it was taken back," Seles said. "I didn't understand."

Martina Navratilova, president of the WTA, blamed the delay on "some misunderstanding and some miscommunication" between players and agents.

"The bottom line is, the players want Monica back and perhaps they didn't understand the ranking system and how it works," Navratilova said.

Under terms of the agreement, Seles and Graf will be co-ranked No. 1 for the first six tournaments Seles plays.

"The players had no problem with that," said Navratilova, who will play Seles in a made-for-TV exhibition at Atlantic City on Saturday, July 29.

The problem, Navratilova said, was how Seles would be ranked after the first six events. One proposal was to calculate her standing based on the number of tournaments played rather than the regular minimum of 12 within a 52-week period.

Among those opposed to that idea was Graf, who thought it would give an unfair advantage to Seles. She was concerned that her own chronically aching back might not allow her to play 12 tournaments and, in fact, Graf withdrew on Wednesday from the Toshiba Tennis Classic because of her back.

Navratilova seemed happy with the Seles settlement.

"The only fair way for her to come back is No. 1 because that's how she left," she said. "There was no discussion about that. The discussion was about how long she would keep it."

OPEN: Price, Faldo and Norman encounter pressure to stay on top

(From 1D)

go to play golf they play with a lot of pride."

"You guys have no idea how hard it is to do so," he said about being that good for that long. "To maintain that level of play like Faldo does, Price does and I do is extremely difficult."

But for a decade these three men have dominated the oldest golf tournament, and many expect them to do so again this year.

Gamblers in Britian, where betting is legal, have made Faldo the favorite, Norman the second choice and Price the fourth pick, behind Bernhard Langer. The Sony World Rankings have them ranked Norman, Price and Faldo.

And there seems to be no reason to think that, come Sunday afternoon, one of the three won't be raising the silver claret jug that goes to the winner.

Except ...

— Norman is nursing a bad back and must still be nursing the wound from his runner-up finish at the U.S. Open last month, the seventh time he has finished second in one of the four major championships.

— Price has not really contended in any tournament this year, finishing in the top 10 only twice and no higher than seventh.

— Faldo finished first, second and fifth in consecutive tournaments in March, but has not won a major championship since the British Open in 1992. This year he was 24th in the Masters and 45th in the U.S. Open.

If the winner of the 124th Open championship does not come from among one these three, other contenders include three U.S. Open champions — Corey Pavin, Lee Janzen and Ernie Els — as well as Colin Montgomerie, the Scotsman who leads Europe in money winnings but has yet to win a major.

Also likely to be in the hunt are Davis Love, who finally had a good major at the Masters this year, and Langer, who has the touch and imagination to handle the wide range of shots required at St. Andrews.

Of the top three, Norman has been playing the best, winning more than $750,000 in June alone, when he won the Memorial and at Hartford, finished second at the U.S. Open and was fourth at Kemper.

And Norman said Wednesday it's not as good as he can be.

"No," he said when asked if this is the best he's ever played. "In 1986 and for a time in '89 and '90 I played this well. I don't feel like it's anything different."

What is different is a sore back.

"It's just a little stiff and sore," Norman said. "I'm getting heat, cold, massage, all that stuff they do for it."

If it wasn't a major championship this week, Norman said, he wouldn't be playing.

"I would have gone home," he said.

Price, the defending champion, won everything in sight last year, winning six times, including the British Open and the PGA Championship. But the distractions of greatness took him away from practice and his game suffered.

"What we all need when we are playing well is a course in time management, something I have had a tough time handling" Price said. "But I am now back on track."

His game has shown signs of life in recent weeks.

"I feel it is very close," Price said.

Price added that his pick to win the Open was Norman, "for the way he has been playing this year and his love for this Open championship, and Corey Pavin. This course is right up his street."

Faldo knows the address, too. He has the kind of precision needed to handle St. Andrews, he's won on this course before and he has taken three British Open titles since 1987.

"My game is in good shape," Faldo said. "I've been preparing well."

He said the Old Course offers a unique set of challenges.

"You've got to get your iron shots the right distance," Faldo said. "On a normal course you miss a shot and you end up 20 or 30 feet from the hole. Here you miss a shot and you end up 20 or 30 yards away."

And if the wind blows off the sea and rains rolls in, Faldo will be even tougher. He's at his best when par is a good score.

"My game is where it wants to be right now," he said. "I've won the thing three times and absolutely I'm proud of that. I'd like to achieve more."

If it's Faldo hoisting the silver claret jug Sunday, he will have achieved a lot. It would give him four British Open titles to go with the two Masters he has won. No one was won more than six majors in their career since Tom Watson took his eighth at the British Open in 1983.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Plan new projects more carefully, enlisting the help of people who have the expertise you lack. The necessity for secrecy should be impressed on everyone with a stake in an important deal. Friends and family rally to your side in December. The financial picture brightens. Travel early in 1996. Next spring is the ideal time to wed.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: guitarist Carlos Santana, actress Diana Rigg, singer Kim Carnes, famed explorer Sir Edmund Hillary.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may be thinking about changing careers. Do not underestimate your talent for teaching. A so-called "investment expert" could be misinformed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A wonderful day for business negotiations and professional activities. References are very important. Make certain you know who you are dealing with! A quiet chat helps repair any damage done yesterday.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Both bills and checks arrive in he mail. Be frugal. Buying things you do not really need will only clutter up your home. Focus on self-improvement activities instead of watching TV this evening.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Go slow when making changes that could curtail your earning power. Neighbors offer to help out but will expect favors in return. Put romance on hold while you deal with a difficult personal issue.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You feel much more optimistic about a project today. Painting a rosy picture for potential investors helps you get a contract signed. Romance needs more time to grow. A surprise takes place this evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Finish a pending job assignment before starting anything new. Avoid engaging in a tug-of-war with an ambitious colleague. You should be able to resolve your differences later today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your self-confidence is growing by leaps and bounds. The romantic picture looks a bit complicated. Certain family members may not be happy about the love of your life. Show where your loyalties lie.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Emotions run high today. Do not let a domestic squabble get out of hand. Let good judgment prevail. A brilliant idea could be too controversial for those in authority.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A loved one encourages you to look on the light side. Try as you may, you cannot quite dismiss a nagging financial worry. Seek more data. Your imagination could be way off the mark.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put in several hours of hard work, then call it quits. Your efforts are appreciated by those who have been observing your performance. New financial rewards are on the horizon. Be patient.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can expect to receive high marks for a remarkable public-relations coup. Your business smarts will take you right to the top! Be objective if asked to mediate a domestic dispute.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): An excellent time to launch a new enterprise. Those who try to inveigle you into being extravagant do not have your best interests at heart. Self-discipline helps you attain a long-cherished goal.

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Opening lead: King of ♣

This deal was reported by Alan Falk of Lansing, Mich. After West led the king of clubs, South could not be stopped from making the heart slam. Your task is to study the diagram, then identify which trick declarer lost.

We like North's preemptive leap to four hearts. When South showed slam interest by cue-bidding the ace of spades, North cooperated by cue-bidding the ace of diamonds, and South proceeded forthwith to six hearts.

To bring home the slam, you are going to have to set up and run dummy's diamonds. To accomplish that, you need to find trumps no worse than 3-1 and diamonds 3-2.

Win the ace of clubs, cash the aces of hearts and diamonds, then ruff a diamond high! Now lead a low heart. West can do no better than win the jack, and it makes no difference what that defender returns. Suppose it is a trump? You win in dummy with the nine, ruff another diamond high to establish the suit, then get back to dummy with a ruff to run the diamonds. So move to the top of the class if you selected the jack of trumps as your only loser.

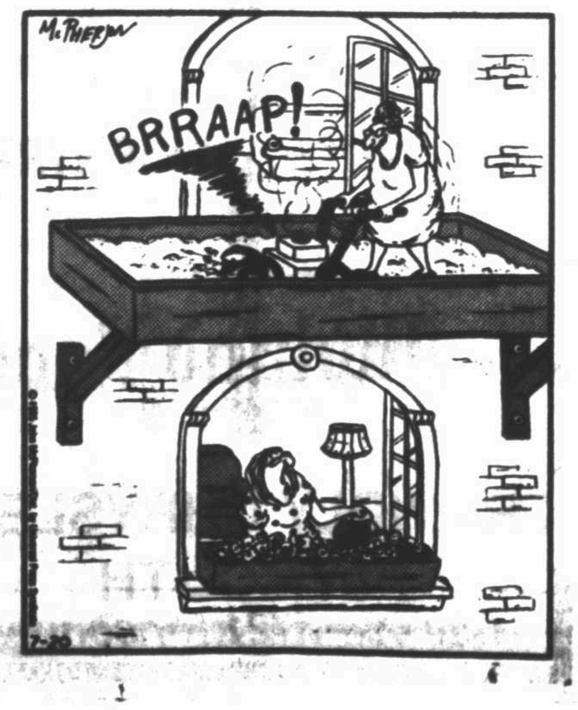
What if diamonds were 4-1? You can still get home, provided trumps are 3-1 and the jack is unguarded. That gives you just enough entries to the table to ruff another diamond high, extract the remaining fang and concede a diamond. Dummy still has a trump entry to cash the long diamond.

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Gere sets tongues wagging, gives mysterious woman very public kiss

MOSCOW — It wasn't just any old kiss. It was a full-court press by Richard Gere. In front of a crowd.

Gere set tongues wagging Monday at the Moscow International Film Festival when he called out, "Masha, come here!"

A young woman in baggy pants and deck shoes appeared on stage at a Moscow hotel and Gere, a festival judge, kissed her, then turned to the audience. His few words were translated thusly: "This is Masha Valentinova. We met in 1988."

The kiss put Masha Valentinova on the front page of several major Russian newspapers Wednesday. So who is the mysterious Masha? And why did she merit the precious public peck?

"Some lover?" asked the irreverent Moskovsky Komsomolets newspaper.

"Who is this Masha?" Komsomolskaya Pravda demanded. "And how did they meet in 1988? And why did Gere shout heart-rendingly to her — and then kiss her on the lips? This is the biggest intrigue of the festival."

A call to Gere's public relation's agency in Los Angeles wasn't immediately returned.

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WASHINGTON — It's quitsville for Bianca Jagger and Rep. Bob Torricelli after a two-year romance.

The New Jersey Democrat and the former wife of Mick Jagger blamed their breakup on busy schedules and separate homes.

"Bianca Jagger has been an extremely important part of Bob Torricelli's life during the past two years," said Jamie Fox, Torricelli's chief of staff.

"Unfortunately, with homes in three different cities and individual time-consuming political commitments, they were kept apart for significant periods of time," Fox said Wednesday, confirming reports of the breakup.

The decision was mutual, and the two "remain close friends and important allies," Fox said.

Torricelli and Jagger, a Nicaraguan, shared an interest in human rights and Latin America. They met when he helped her bring a sick boy from Bosnia to the United States for treatment.

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NEW YORK — The high-rent district at New York Knicks games just got a lot pricier, and Spike Lee isn't happy.

Lee, along with Woody Allen, John McEnroe, Ahmad Rashad, Darryl Hannah and about 50 other fans with dough, will pay $1,000-a-game for their courtside seats next season.

That's up from $500 and amounts to $86,000 for a pair of season tickets.

And that doesn't include the playoffs.

"These owners are greedy. Just plain greedy," Lee said, referring to ITT-Cablevision and other owners.

All ticket prices are going up, but others at a far lower percentage than the exclusive courtside seats. Knicks spokesman John Cirillo said the Garden's president, Dave Checketts, recommended the hike.

Still, Lee figures higher prices will bring in the wrong kind of fans.

"Now you're going to have all these Wall Street guys and pseudo movie-star wanna-bes ... who don't know jack about the games," Lee said.

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NEW YORK — Kevin Costner defended "Waterworld" against a flood of stories saying the most expensive movie ever made will also be the biggest belly-flop in Hollywood history.

"I've taken a lot of slings and a lot of arrows," he said on NBC's "Dateline" Wednesday night. "I'm kind of like the shield in front of everybody. You know — bam bam, and there's some dents and there's even some holes. But you know, I'm proud of the work that we did."

"Waterworld" cost a reported $175 million. Some have dubbed it "Fishtar" and "Kevin's Gate," comparing it to past flops "Ishtar" and "Heaven's Gate."

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CINCINNATI — David Yow, lead singer of the rock band Jesus Lizard, was arrested after exposing himself on stage and urging a crowd of 10,000 to take off their clothes in "Censor-natti."

Yow dropped his drawers, then did a little bump-and-grind with the microphone before zipping back up Tuesday night. He was arrested on a misdemeanor public indecency charge after the band finished up.

The 34-year-old Yow was taken to jail and released on bond pending a hearing Aug. 25. He left the city for a show Wednesday night in Detroit.

Jesus Lizard was performing at the outdoor Riverbend Music Center as part of the traveling Lollapalooza show. Yow yelled at the crowd to get naked and railed about the city's reputation for censorship.

It wasn't the first time Yow has dropped his pants on stage, but it was the first time he was arrested for it, said the band's publicist, Scott Giampino.

"He has a penchant for doing what he feels like," Giampino said.

Jesse James Dupree, leader of the heavy-metal band Jackyl, was charged with public indecency in 1993 for exposing his buttocks during a concert in Cincinnati.

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Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

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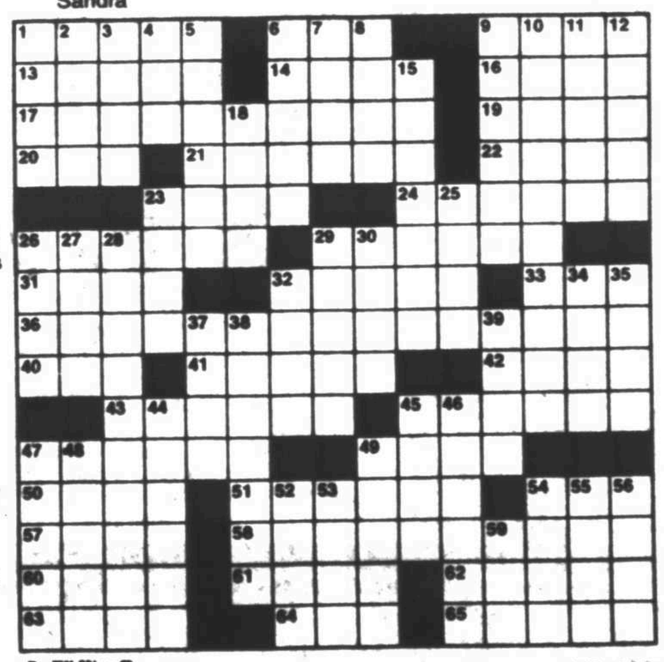
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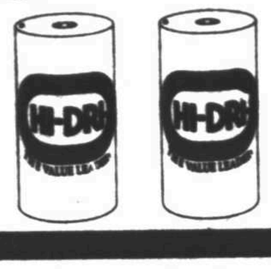
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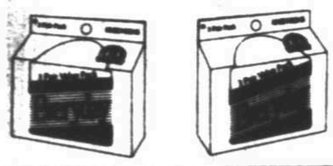
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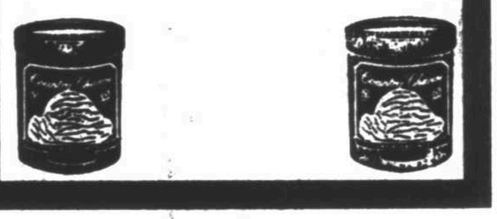
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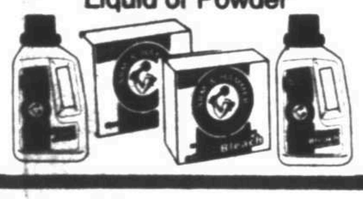


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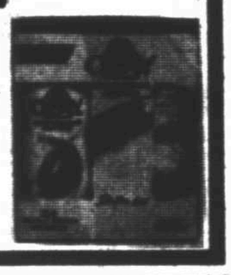
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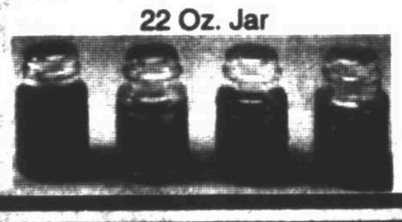
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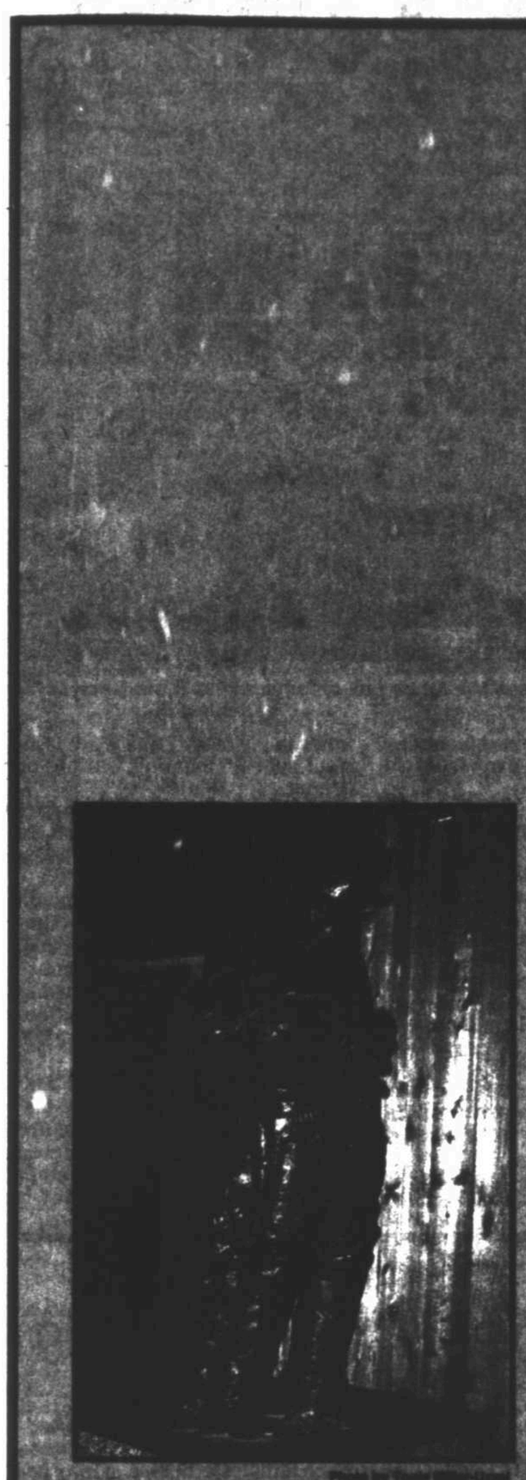


Photo by Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Art recreates the Old West throughout the Texas Ranger Museum and Hall of Fame. Along the base of this bronze sculpture reads: "No man in the saddle can stand up against a fellow that's in the right and keeps on a'comin' — Texas Ranger Capt. Bill McDonald.

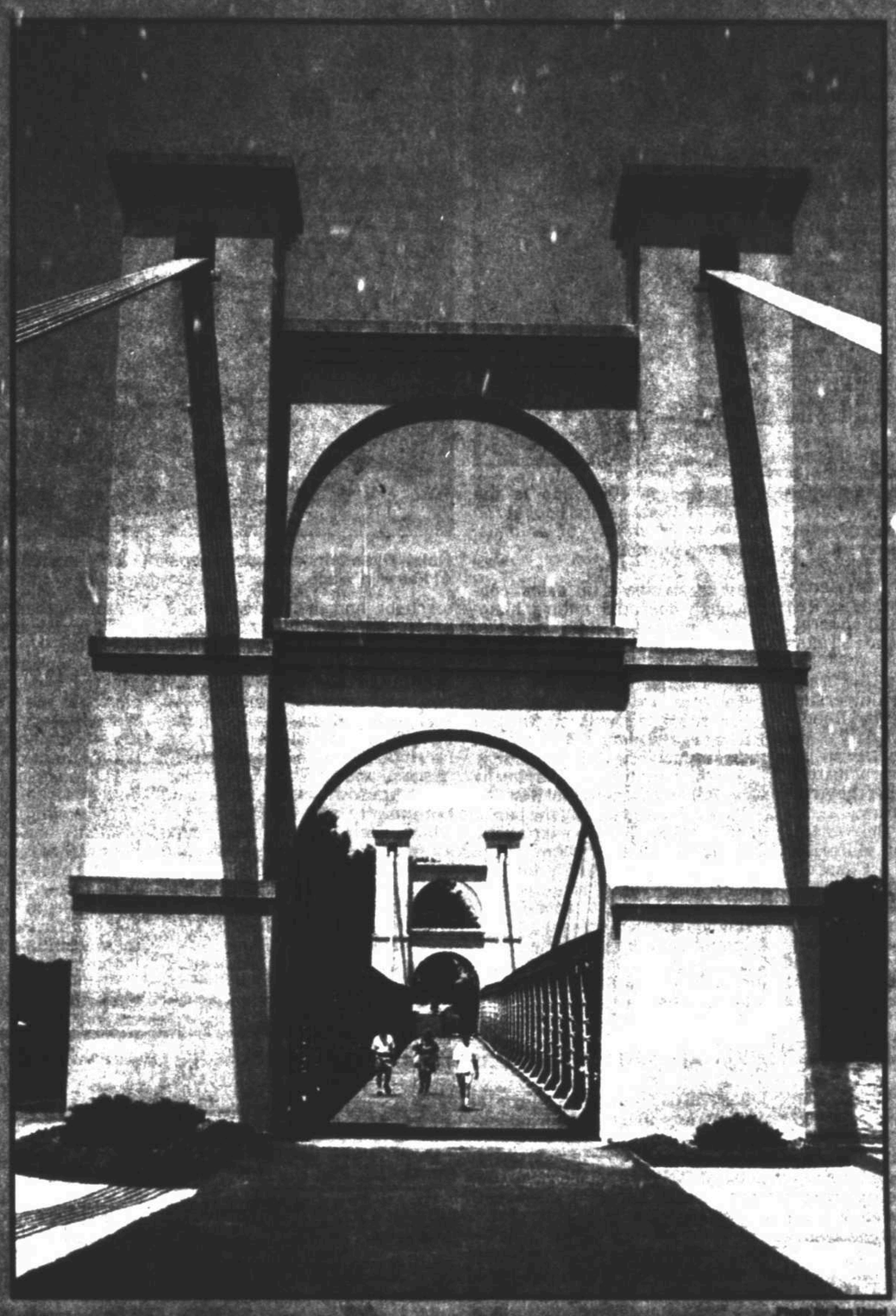


Photo by Jim Lowe
Visitors to Waco can venture across the Suspension Bridge and cross the Brazos River. The bridge was built in 1870 and served as a model for the Brooklyn Bridge.



Photo by Jim Lowe
This handprint, with signature and dates inscribed, of pitching legend and future baseball hall-of-famer Nolan Ryan is just one of the many pieces of sports memorabilia on display for visitors to view at the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.



Photo courtesy of the Cameron Park Zoo
Visitors to the zoo can see Sumatran Tigers, like the one pictured, lounging in the sun and relaxing in a natural habitat exhibit.



Photo courtesy of the Cameron Park Zoo
Gibbon Island is home to a family of white-handed gibbons who love to sing and swing among the trees and ropes on their island.

Waco is a city of history

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

WACO — Travelers yearning for bodies of water, green fields and trees don't have to look any further than the heart of Texas in Waco.

Waco has a variety of attractions from a new zoo to museums and historical homes.

Rich in history, Waco was settled by the Waco Indians on the banks of the Brazos River in the late 1700s. The city was named after that tribe.

Some 50 years later, the black soil of the Brazos River Valley lured cotton kings from southern plantations bringing a society of culture and education.

Located off Interstate 35, Waco is about halfway between Dallas and Austin with about a 100-mile trip each way to those locations.

The city has enough going on to keep a weekend jam-packed with activity.

Sight-seers can enjoy the sites with a ride on a narrated tour in a mule-drawn wagon or on the Brazos Trolley. Tourists are transported to various attractions around town on both.

Among the sights visitors will want to see is Waco's suspension bridge.

Built in 1870, the suspension bridge was a model for the Brooklyn Bridge. A famous Waco landmark, the bridge provided a means to get across the river with cattle on the historic Chisholm Trail.

The bridge also is a romantic site for young lovers. Lit at night, it makes a romantic stroll along the Brazos River. In the summer, it is the site of evening concerts and other special events.

Just down the road a bit, visitors will enjoy the Cameron Park Zoo. The zoo is the nation's newest natural habitat zoo with a cascading waterway and featuring an African savanna, Gibbon Island, Sumatran tigers and a Tree Top Village.



Photo by Jim Lowe
A mule-drawn wagon takes tourists around town from attraction to attraction for a mule's-eye view of Waco.

Waco's zoo nestles in one of the largest municipal parks in Texas with 416 acres of wildlife, lush vegetation, trails and picnic areas offering fun for children of all ages.

With new exhibits-in-the-making, the 50-acre natural habitat zoo — with its park setting — provides indigenous as well as exotic species room-to-roam and places-to-play.

The concept of fewer animals living in spacious surroundings affords respect and dignity to each, while giving visitors the opportunity to discover their unique personalities, up-close and personal.

Giraffes, zebras, crowned cranes and other species cohabit the African Savanna exhibit. These animals can be found drinking together around the watering holes in Africa and living harmoniously in the zoo.

Natural barriers such as ponds, moats, rocks and wood protect the habitants and provide a quality of life for each.

The fun starts with a stop by Gibbon Island where a family of Asian apes play swinging on ropes and trees. The winding path then leads past Texas longhorns, Galapagos tortoises — which range in size from 100-500 pounds — and the barnyard petting zoo to the Treetop Village where visitors can be eye-to-eye with giraffes grazing on trees.

Leaving the village, guests can see the rhinos and elephants and colorful flamingos before making their way to the endangered Sumatran tigers.

The zoo continues to expand and improve, adding an American bald eagle aviary last winter. A herpetarium is scheduled to open in late 1996.

Other future exhibits planned include the Brazos River Biome featuring wildlife and plant life indigenous to the Brazos River. The plans call for underground tunnels where visitors can see a prairie dog's view of the world, in addition to much else. An aquar-

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WACO: Attractions include history, sports, education

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ium and an aviary also are in the works.

Near the zoo is Cameron Park with 368 acres of woods, walking and hiking trails, scenic riverside picnic areas, a wildflower preserve called Miss Nellie's Pretty Place, and a children's playground designed for access by the physically challenged.

Across Interstate 35 on University Parks Drive is a variety of other attractions from the Texas Sports Hall of Fame to Baylor University and its features.

The Texas Sports Hall of Fame opened in April 1993 and is located just two blocks east of I-35.

The hall of fame salutes Texas Collegiate and Professional Sports; Texas High School Sports Halls of Fame; and Texas Tennis Museum and Hall of Fame.

"A tribute to the spirit of greatness that lives within the history and traditions of sports in Texas. Fascinating sports memorabilia highlights more than 350 Texas sports heroes to thrill the heart of every sports fan," said Jordan Cox, executive director.

Among some of the memorabilia on display is the 1938 Heisman Trophy presented to TCU quarterback Davey O'Brien, the auto racing uniforms worn by A.J. Foyt and Johnny Rutherford; Rogers Hornsby's 1926 St. Louis Cardinals baseball uniform; professional football jerseys and other sports figures.

Children of all ages will enjoy the interactive displays which include trying on professional football helmets, checking their own hand and feet sizes against those of NBA players and comparing their height to NBA players as well.

Nolan Ryan fans can even take a snapshot with a replica figure of the future hall-of-famer.

Visitors can also visit the Tom Landry Theater and relive exciting films of college and professional sports highlights, spotlighting the extraordinary career of Tom Landry.

Right off the interstate a few blocks from the Texas Sports Hall of Fame is Fort Fisher Park and campground. The original Fort Fisher was an encampment for Texas Rangers in 1837. Today, the riverside location has campsites and RV hookups with the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum on its grounds.

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum boasts an extensive collection of Texas Ranger and Indian relics and Old West artifacts.

Built in 1974 as a monument to Texas Rangers, past and present, the museum honors 26 Rangers with the latest entry of a Ranger who gave his life to rescue a 3-year-old girl from a dangerous kidnapper and murderer.

Visitors also can view a 20-minute multimedia slide presentation of the history of the Texas Rangers which is presented on the hour.

Another asset of the museum is the Moody Texas Ranger Memorial Library containing more than 1,400 volumes as well as a microfilm bank of Texas Ranger service records from 1847 to present.

Also on display are firearms, photographs and artifacts relating to Texas in frontier times as well as artifacts of Mexican Vaqueros, buffalo hunters and Texas Rangers.

Across the street on University Parks Drive is Baylor University, chartered in 1845 under the Republic of Texas. The university is the largest Baptist university in the world. Baylor has several historical attractions including the Armstrong Browning Library.

The library holds the world's largest collection of materials relating to Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. The collection is housed in an imposing library with 56 stained glass windows depicting the poetry of the Brownings. Also on display is an extensive collection of Wedgwood china.

Baylor also houses the Strecker Museum, which is the oldest continuously operated, natural history and cultural museum in Texas. The collections were founded in 1856 when Baylor University was located at Independence.



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The Cameron Park Zoo is the nation's newest natural habitat zoo featuring a variety of animals, including giraffes.

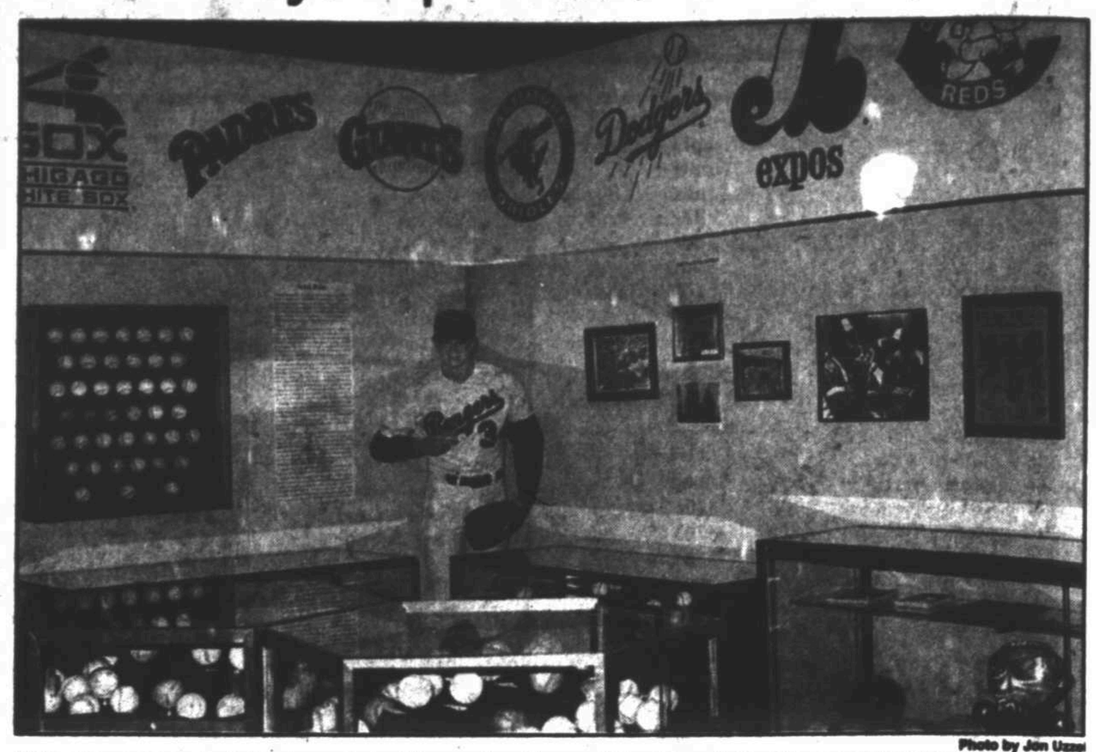


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Nolan Ryan fans can take snapshot with a replica figure of the future hall-of-famer at the Texas Sports Hall of Fame in Waco.

The museum is housed presently in the basement of the Sid Richardson Science Building on the campus of Baylor University.

Another feature of Baylor is Gov. Bill and Vara Daniel Historic Village which sits along the banks of the Brazos River, next to the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.

Guests can step into a turn-of-the-century Texas river village with more than 20 wood-frame buildings which represent a Texas farming community of the 1890s. The 13-acre site includes a cotton gin, a blacksmith shop, a livery stable, a hotel, a saloon, a church, a school, and the homes of landlord, sharecropper and tenant farmers.

Baylor University also houses the Martin Museum of Art, which has a permanent collection of African art, Etruscan glass, Imperial pottery and 16th century manuscripts. There also are exhibits by national and international artists.

Across town is the McLennan Community College Art Center which offers exhibits year-round including changing shows and adventurous modern art.

History buffs can take a look at how the cotton kings and other well-to-do Wacoans lived by stepping back into their homes.

The Historic Waco Foundation maintains four historic homes which are all fully restored and feature authentic period furniture, china and decorative art from the late 1800s.

For a look at how Waco has progressed over the years, visitors can tour the Taylor Museum of Waco History, which is located on the site of one of the Waco Indian tribe's main villages.

The museum features historical displays including a Mount Carmel exhibit, which highlights probably one of Waco's saddest, but most memorable events.

Head back east and visitors can get a taste of Waco at the Dr Pepper Museum, which is the 1906 home of Dr Pepper with exhibits, memorabilia and a working soda fountain.

River boat rides are available on the Brazos Princess and for more water-going folks, Lake Waco is an ideal spot for boating, sailing or fishing.

For more information contact the Waco Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-321-9226 or 817-750-5810.

There is a Tourist Information Center on I-35 at exit 335B (University Parks Drive) in Waco. The center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The number there is 1-800-922-6386 or 817-750-5996.

Special Waco Fun Fare '95 tickets can be purchased at a discounted fare for a visit to a number of Waco attractions. For more information on the fares contact the Tourist Information Center.

Oktoberfest adds more fun to traditional festivities

Staff Report

FREDERICKSBURG — Two added pavilions, even more German music and mouth-watering food, promise to make this year's famous Fredericksburg Oktoberfest the ultimate fall celebration Oct. 6-8.

Fredericksburg's Oktoberfest follows in the tradition of an 1810 celebration in Germany to celebrate the engagement of Crown Prince Ludwig to Baroness Theresa. Fredericksburg's German heritage makes it a natural to host the festival that best reflects the heart and soul of this historic Hill Country Town.

Music, food and fun are the themes of Oktoberfest. This year, there will be more of everything, according to coordinators.

The development of Market Square continues to add to the enjoyment of Oktoberfest. This year's visitors will find two new pavilions, making four covered entertainment areas. Two will feature continuous music and live entertainment; two will showcase a variety of Texas artisans' unique arts and crafts.

Even more authentic German music is being planned for this year's version of the popular event. Fans of polkas, waltzes and the popular chicken should polish up their dancing shoes. A new featured act is an authentic Alpine yodeler, bringing the music of the Alps to the heart of the Hill Country.

After building hearty appetites, hungry revelers can sink their teeth into tempting German favorites like wurst, sausage, kraut, brochen and strudel. Fajitas, shiskabobs, nachos and German tacos will be in abundance, with a wide variety of liquid refreshment.

Shoppers are eager to see the array of original, handmade crafts on display. Select artisans will again offer gifts of wood, pottery, fashion, stained glass and jewelry. Many visitors take advantage of this event to do early Christmas shopping.

Oktoberfest is a traditional family event, according to organizers. Children receive reduced admission, and can enjoy face painting, storytelling, puppet theater, rides and games.

Fredericksburg also offers many attractions for the entire family. In addition to shopping and fine dining, visitors can visit the Nimitz Museum, Pioneer Museum, Enchanted Rock and LBJ Ranch.

Founded in 1981, Oktoberfest has a tradition of supporting arts programs in the area. All work is done by community volunteers, and proceeds support projects sponsored by the nonprofit Pedernales Creative Arts Alliance.

Hours for Oktoberfest are 6 p.m.-midnight Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-midnight Oct. 7 and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 8.

Adult admission is $5 for Oct. 6 and 8, and $6 for Oct. 7. Tickets for children ages 6-12 are $1. Children under 6 years old are admitted free all weekend.

More information on Oktoberfest and Fredericksburg is available by writing to Oktoberfest, P.O. Box 222, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624, or call (210) 997-4810.

DEAR ABBY

Bombing reveals best, worst times

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My sons, 14 and 15, have been raised in a society that is at its lowest point. There was no one to trust or believe in. I felt despair for children growing up in a world where this could happen.



Van Buren

Then I watched the rescue operation in Oklahoma City through my tears, and the workers who were so courageous in their efforts to find victims. I began to get feelings of warmth and came to realize that we don't have far to look to find heroes. All the men and women who risked their lives to save others will be shining examples to my sons.

For every drug dealer, thief and murderer, there are hundreds of good citizens. For every cheating, immoral person, there are hundreds of honest, faithful, hard-working people. For every evil, sick, misguided person involved in the bombing, there are hundreds of brave, unselfish, angelic rescue workers. I have come away with a feeling of hope because of them. — KATHERINE SIMON

DEAR KATHERINE SIMON: And let us not forget those from every state in the union who sent checks, ranging from $1 to $10,000, as well as children who emptied their piggy banks to help the cause. Also, thanks to the doctors and nurses who immediately went to Oklahoma to offer their services.

DEAR ABBY: Because of my faith, I believe that all who perished in the bombing are now in a better place.

We are only on a journey through this life — life is not permanent, but life does not end. Perhaps God, in his mercy, allows these things to happen to shorten the journey for some, for reasons we mortals cannot understand. — MURIEL IN SEATTLE

DEAR ABBY: In response to "Ernie's Mom in Clearwater, Fla.," please have Ernie neutered. The pet overpopulation problem is disgraceful!

We would all love to have "whole" dogs, but we must neuter them to avoid the proliferation of unwanted and abandoned dogs. Many of them are sold to laboratories where they are used in medical research, and tortured in experiments to develop and test new products.

If a male dog is not allowed to breed, it is cruel to keep him frustrated because of natural sexual needs that remain unsatisfied. These dogs will frantically try to reach females in heat, and may get lost and become vulnerable to theft or accidents.

The macho human male should not project his own feelings onto the dog, and as the vet said, neutering does not alter a dog's friskiness. At best, it conserves it because the dog retains his puppyhood into adulthood. —RACHEL ROSENTHAL, LOS ANGELES

DEAR RACHEL: Thanks for calling attention to the overpopulation of dogs, and stressing the importance of having them neutered.

I concur. And may I add that cats should be altered for the same reasons.

Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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AT WIT'S END

Cats have a serious attitude problem

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column originally appeared Feb. 1, 1990.

By Erma Bombeck

Don't expect Michael Jackson to lose any sleep over it, but there's a new video for cats on the market. The way it works, a cat plunks down 20 bucks and gets a 30-minute cassette of colorful birds chirping and fluttering provocatively across the TV screen.



Bombeck

Why am I not surprised? If royalty ever gets a foothold in America, it will materialize through cats. For years the Royal House of Fur has enjoyed a status never known in the animal kingdom. A feline is without doubt the most indulged, spoiled, independent pet to own a human.

I contend that most cats suffer from chronic PMS. They're unpredictable, moody, sometimes loving, sometimes hostile. They go when they want to go and come back when they are ready. They are stroked on their own terms. They invented self-esteem; there is not an insecure bone in their body.

I'm used to dogs. When you leave them in the morning, they stick their nose in the door crack and stand there like a portrait until you turn the key eight hours later. A cat would never put up with that kind of rejection. When you returned, she'd stalk you until you dozed off and then suck the air out of your body.

A dog can be chasing cars five miles away. When he is called, he comes panting and sweating, only to hear you say, "Just wanted to know where you were." Can you see a cat accepting that without reprisals?

And you don't want to live with a cat you've had neutered! There aren't enough diamond chokers in the world to buy back their affection.

I'm uncomfortable with cats. They make me feel insecure. My daughter knows this. Most young women get a guard dog when they get their own apartment. She bought two cats for Mom Insurance. She knows her mother would never set foot in the door.

If cats were human, they'd watch "Masterpiece Theater," drive a German import car, belong to a country cub, melt Brie before serving, subscribe to The New York Times Book Review every Sunday and think Harley-Davidson was a law firm.

Dogs, on the other hand, would watch "Roseanne," belong to the Price Club, have a plastic liner in their pocket for their leaky pen and consider Pavarotti an Italian entree.

Will cats really watch a video? Get serious! Where are you going to find a cat who admits to owning a TV set?

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c/o: L. Shane Stokes
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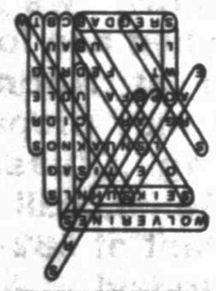
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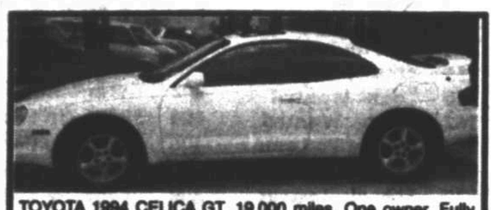
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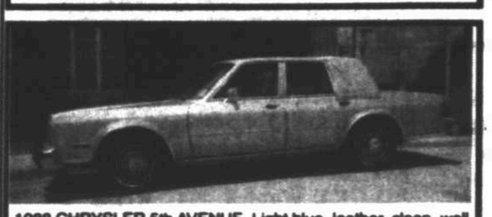
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1992 PONTIAC GRAND AM, to settle estate. Air, power brakes/locks, power steering, 4 cyl. $8500.00. 683-8886



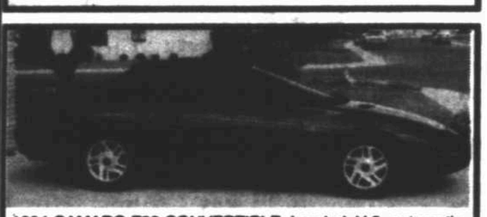
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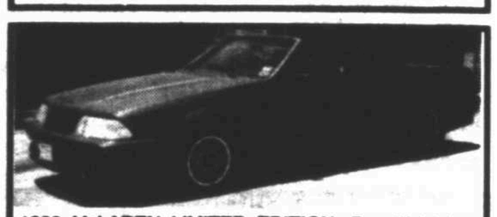
1988 CHRYSLER 5th AVENUE, Light blue, leather, clean, well maintained, priced to sell. Call 520-4465



1990 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN. Silverado package. Blue with white, blue cloth interior. New tires, AM/FM cassette. Clean. $10,500. 694-1040



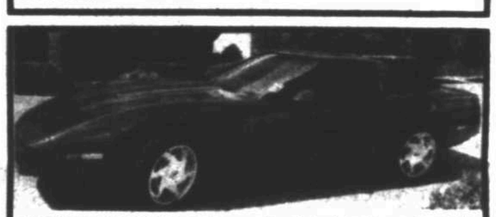
1994 CAMARO Z28 CONVERTIBLE. Loaded, V-8, automatic, low miles. A car this much fun to drive should be illegal. Great price $22,900, negotiable. 689-6011



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1991 FORD TAURUS, 53K, 6Cyl, PS/PB/AT. Air/cruise/pwr. win., seat, lock. Clean, good car. (915) 686-0798 after 5:00 or 682-9715, ext. 209.



CORVETTE 1989 Red Coupe, Leather interior, automatic, loaded. Excellent Condition. 46K miles. Priced below book at $16,400. 688-6985 days, 687-0908 evenings.



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CHEVROLET 1992 SUBURBAN 4WD. New style. Custom teal and silver paint, running boards, security system. 52,000 miles. $22,000. 682-5711



BEAT THE IMPORT LUXURY TAX-1993 LEXUS 300SC. Excellent condition, 22,000 mi., automatic, white w/grey leather interior, air conditioning,AM/FM cassette. 520-6603 after 6 p.m. $29,900.



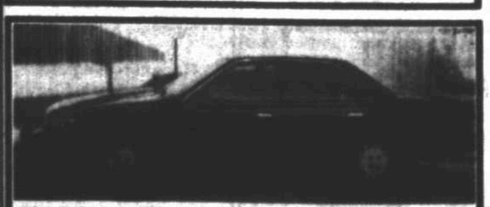
BELOW BOOK 1988 CHEVROLET CELEBRITY EUROSPORT. Power windows/seats, cruise, tinted windows, one owner. Never wrecked, good gas mileage. $2,795. 520-7928



CUTE AS A BUG! 1971 Super Beetle. Rebuilt engine, new shocks, new tires, new radio and tape player. $1995 or best offer. Call 686-7908.



1982 OLDS TORONADO. One owner, redwood color, loaded w/memory seat. $3450. Weekdays 682-0452, nights & weekends 697-7353.



PRICE REDUCED. 1992 NISSAN STANZA XE. All power, loaded, only 31,700 miles! $8,500. 570-5119 (evenings), 560-4210 (8-5 Lisa)



1994 TOYOTA 4-RUNNER, V6, 4WD. 11,000 miles, fully loaded. White with tan leather interior, sunroof, CD. Below blue book. Daytime: Ron 683-5233, Evenings 697-7526



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MUST SELL!! Moving overseas! 1992 Cadillac Seville, Polo Green exterior, Tan leather interior. CD/Cassette Players. Digital Display. 39,900 miles. $23,500. Please Call 570-4061.



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BMW750-il 1989, cirrus blue, phone, AM/FM/Cassette, CD, sun roof, leather heated seats, alarm, radar detector, 52,000 miles, $22,000. Scott 682-3753, M-F, 8-5.

HI, MY NAME IS BRIA
20, I am pregnant, seeking single white male, 20-28. Just needing a confident. #21695

COSMOPOLITAN
DWF, 38, adorable, petite, slender, outgoing, N/S, enjoys theatre, dancing, racquetball. ISO WPM, 32-42, intelligent, humorous, attractive, stable. #92162

WHERE ARE YOU?
SWF, 30, ISO honest, affectionate gentleman, 30-60, neat, romantic, humorous, outgoing, loves music, candlelight evenings. #92814

CHRISTIAN LADY
Attractive widowed black female, 48, seeks compassionate man, 40-60, race unimportant, for companionship. Will make you happy. #21734

NEW TO AREA
SBF, 19, looking for a SM who enjoys sports, movies and dining out. #22159

STARTING OVER
SWF, 42, enjoys baseball, bowling, country/western dancing, ISO S/DWM, 35-45, for fun and laughter, possible relationship. #92288

CAN YOU SEE
Beyond a persons' faults? Single white female, 38, looking for friendship in a white male, 40-50. #92281

DBF ISO W/BM
For friendship, possible relationship. I enjoy movies, dining out, travel and good conversation. #22092

WHITE FEMALE, 37
Divorced, mother of 2, 5'7", redhead, green eyes, smoker, loves country music, country living, animals, dancing, fun. Seeking friendship, age not important. #92699

46, BLACK FEMALE
Seeking outgoing male, 36 plus, loved children, movies, travel, dinners and socially active. Professional, financial stability. #91695

ARE YOU HIM?
Single female, 20, seeks single male, 20-30. Enjoy travel, dining, movies and romance. All calls answered. #91373

ATTRACTIVE
Degreed single white professional Christian female, seeks non-smoking, attractive single or divorced white professional Christian male, 40-45, intelligent, honest, successful, responsible, family-oriented. #40394

ADVENTUROUS
Intelligent divorced white professional female, non-smoker, 5'4", 125 lbs., seeks humorous, interesting, fun, healthy, mellow, outdoors man, 55-75. #22712

WHITE MALE, 47,
seeking white female, 35-50, for dinners out, movies, travel, for friends first, possible relationship. #92913

WHITE MALE
Seeking divorced/single white female, love kids, romance, open-minded, honest, and same. #92810

SEEKING MRS. RIGHT
Single female, 28-55, who's a go-getter, loves Jesus, people. I'm single white male, 53, same qualities. #22694

DWM, 37
6', 180 lbs., financially secure, live in Stagpring. Looking for someone for friendship, possible relationship, 28-40. #22259

WHY BE LONELY?
DWM, retired and financially secure, seeking slim and trim young lady, 45-60, to date. Call me! #92309

PROFESSIONAL WHITE
Male, 38, supportive, caring, loves children. Seeks white female, 20-40, petite/medium frame. For friendship, good times. #91544

SINGLE WHITE
Christian male seeks slim, attractive, intelligent single white/Hispanic female, 22-36, for friendship, possible relationship. #91799

GOOD TIMES
White male, 31, hazel eyes, strawberry blond, sportsmanship. Seeks female, 18-30, fun, excitement, movies, dinner, quiet evenings. #91799

WHITE FEMALE,
33, 195 lbs., seeks unattached white male, 30s, for walking partner. Let's get fit together, possible relationship. No games/drugs. #92312

MALE LOOKING TO
Meet others, single, 18-28, for outdoor sports, movies, dining out, fishing, hunting. #91857

SINGLE WHITE MALE
Professional person, non-drinker, non-smoker, seeks white female, 35-50, who wishes to be treated like a lady. #92259

SINGLE WHITE MALE,
Mid 30s, neat, clean, tall, slim, dependable, hard worker, no dependents. Seeks marriage-minded white or Hispanic female. All replies answered. #21779

SINGLE WHITE
Professional male, 35, seeks friend, white or Hispanic, 20-30, for friendship and sports. #92681

SINGLE MALE, 18
Looking for someone to enjoy sports activities with. If you're 18 or over, give me a call. #92849

MOTORCYCLE
Traveler wanted for trips to Sturgis, Rhudoso, Terlingua, Yucatan and Copper Canyon. Camping, partying, no drugs, no fighters. #91861

ABBREVIATIONS

A=Asian	B=Black
C=Christian	D=Divorced
F=Female	H=Hispanic
ISO = In search of	J=Jewish
NA=Native American	M=Male
N/S=Nonsmoker	W=Widowed
P/F=Professional	S=Single
W=White	*=Not Responsible

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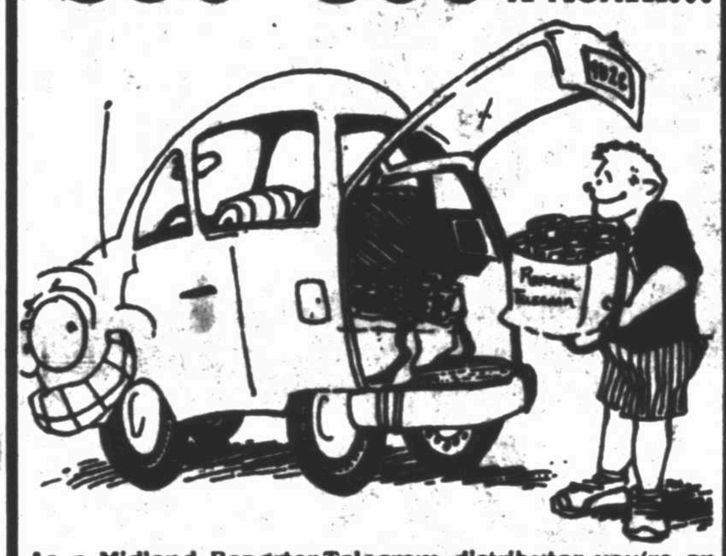
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$350-$800 A MONTH!!!



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Actual delivery takes 1 - 2 hours Monday - Saturday, and 2 - 3 hours on Sunday, depending on the size of the route. Papers must be delivered by 6 a.m. on weekdays and 7 a.m. on weekends.

You'll need a valid driver's license, and a dependable vehicle. A modest cash bond is also required to get your small business started.

For more information call the Circulation Department or apply in person

Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois
688-2700

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PROMOTIONAL SALES PROFESSIONAL

Leading national marketing company working with the Midland Reporter-Telegram is seeking an exceptional business-to-business sales executive to sell a cutting-edge marketing program to local merchants. Requirements: Self-motivated, effective at conceptual selling, creative, problem solver with a strong desire to work smart to earn top dollars. Commission, Expenses, Benefits, and Growth Potential - Locally and National. Send resume to: Box M-01, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SALES SECRETARY

Support to Sales area of well established company. Must have WORDPERFECT 6.0 for Windows. Experience with LOTUS, EXCEL and any GRAPHICS software a plus. Good communication skills - deal effectively with people. Professional poise and polish. SALARY OPEN, outstanding benefit package. Please call Tracy Newton at The Cashback Card, 203-462-7459.

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Information Systems Specialist/Safety Coordinator: BS Degree in Computer related field. Entry level position. Two years experience in PC or LAN environment. Excellent knowledge of Microsoft Windows, Word, Access, DOS, and WordPerfect 5.x to 6.x. PC troubleshooting abilities a plus. Must also oversee Safety and Environmental programs. Must have superior people skills.

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Midland Dr. & Thomason
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Manor Park Retirement Home
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201 E Illinois
Midland

Or call 687-8807..... ask for Tonya Brandon
Please leave message if no answer.

The Midland Reporter - Telegram has routes available now in the following areas:

Downtown area
Illinois & Midkiff area
Midkiff & Cuthbert area
Midland High area

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Available Now!

"A" Street Routes
Lee Freshman

Available 8/1/95!

DeZavala Area
"A" Street & Loop 250

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Or call Pat Keahey..... 687-9002,
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Haynes & Midkiff Area
Loop 250 & Holiday Hill Rd.
Midland Dr. Area

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The Midland Reporter- Telegram has an opening on one of its few "special allowance" routes. This larger route receives a $50.00 check each Friday in addition to the regular monthly route profits. There are two routes available:

Rankin Hwy & Cottonflat area
Midland Freshman area

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★ GREAT ★ ★ OPPORTUNITY ★

FOR EXTRA INCOME !!!

Deliver the Midland Reporter-Telegram to homes and retail locations in the ODESSA AREA. This route will be available on July 1st, 1995.

Please call Ronnie Griffith at 687-8805 for more information.

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BLIND BOX REPLIES

When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: (this is an example)

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c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

The information for a blind box is confidential, therefore, The Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot disclose the identity of the advertiser to anyone for any reason. However, readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it.
If you have any questions please call 682-6222 and a friendly Classified Consultant will explain the procedure to you.
Thank You for using the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classifieds.

CREW MEMBER needed for small drilling rig. Class A CDL required. Overtime and travel. All expenses paid. Oil Field construction experience helpful. Wage based upon experience. Good employee benefits. Call 682-8343, 24 hours, leave name and number.

CUSTODIAN/ grounds keeper- full time, needed for local church. Must have good work habits, experience and references. Send letter with name, address, phone number and brief description of previous employment to: Box E-3, C/O Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

DELIVER Telephone Books to earn extra money. Men or women over 18 with auto and liability insurance are needed to deliver the New Southwestern Bell Midland Telephone Directory. Call toll free 1-800-648-0014. Between 8 am and 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday. EOE

RESTAURANT
PINOCCHIOS PIZZA
Now hiring Drivers for all shifts/ phone operators. Drivers must have current Texas drivers license, insurance, 18 years or older. Flexible hours and great working environment. Please apply in person 3303 N. Midkiff- San Miguel Shopping Ctr.

DOMINO'S Pizza always has room for Delivery Drivers. Apply at location nearest you!

DOCK ASSISTANT

The Midland Reporter-Telegram is taking applications for a part-time dock assistant. Duties will include, but not be limited to, the delivery of newspaper routes and training of newspaper carriers. Mileage is reimbursed. If interested, come in and apply at 201 E. Illinois or call the Circulation department at (915) 688-2700. Ask for Gilbert Silva.

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DRYWALL FINISHERS
Needed immediately for large local job. 3009 Garden City Hwy. Suite C, 570-8559.

GENERAL- SONIC DRIVE- IN, north Midkiff Road, is now hiring Cooks, Wait Staff and Cashiers. All shifts available, many shifts available during school hours. Please apply in person only 1109 N. Midkiff.

SALES. Small expanding company is looking for energetic salespeople to sell cellular phones in your home town area. Applicants must have good communications skills, neat appearance, and be highly motivated. We are an authorized CellularOne Dealer: 1(800) 687-4408.

MAINTENANCE Mechanic to perform maintenance and repairs on heavy equipment and trucks. Must be experienced. Welding, CDL or equipment operator a plus. Now hiring. Call 332-3102 or apply at 2970 South County Road West, Odessa.

MANAGER TRAINEES NEEDED. Must be people oriented. Willing to work hard and have the desire to succeed. Potential to make up to $35K per year. No experience necessary, will train the right people. Must be willing to relocate. Apply in person only 2804 W. Wall, Peerless Tyre.

SERVICE- National Car Rental is now in need of part time service person. Must be at least 21 years old, have valid drivers license, be willing to take drug test and able to work nights and weekends. Apply in person: 209 Pilot Road, Midland International Airport.

TRAILER PULLER/ GENERAL SHOP PERSON. Quality Logging is seeking a trailer puller/ general shop person. Responsible with good driving record. Wages commensurate with performance and experience. Call 682-7168 for an appointment.

MAINTENANCE Supervisor (92 units) Midland, 5 years experience, HVAC certified. To $9.00/ hour. Resume to: Property Manager, 509 Delmar, Midland, TX 79703. 689-8116.

WAREHOUSE /Delivery person position open immediately for a Midland based distributor. Ability to drive a fork life and a 1 ton stake body required. CDL with Haz Endorsement Preferred. Apply in person at Oil Center Research, 951 Advance Ave., Midland, TX 79701.

PART TIME Optical Assistant to work flexible day hours. Immediate opening. Experience not a must, will train. Send resume to: #6 Bentley Court, Midland, TX 79705.

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METHODIST HOSPITAL PLAINVIEW

OR/PACU NURSE MANAGER

Registered in Texas, Management Experience Required, Current Competency in Surgical Procedures.

Send resume to:
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2601 Dimmitt Rd.
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Attn. Personnel

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FWA DRILLING CO.
is looking for
EXPERIENCED

Longevity Raises		BASE PAY
After	DRILLERS	$13.85
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RIG UP TRUCK DRIVERS		$9.50

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Apply at:
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ENGINEERING OPPORTUNITY

NEEDED: ENGINEERING MANAGER and MANUFACTURING ENGINEER

Large manufacturer of well known vacuum cleaner is looking to upgrade the Engineering Department of their manufacturing facility.

Engineering Manager must have prior experience in managing people and projects. Manufacturing Engineer must have a degree in Industrial Engineering or acceptable experience in manufacturing.

Please do not apply if you do not have education or previous experience in an industrial/ manufacturing environment.

Previous experience and/ or education in safety and EPA is as plus.

This division of the company has over 300 employees. Benefits are excellent. Opportunity for advancement is excellent for the applicant who is willing to work for advancement.

Please send resume to: Attention: Personnel Manager
Kirby West
P.O. Box 749
Andrews, Texas 79714

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

For a Distribution Company that has operated in the Permian Basin for over 50 years. Looking for experienced individual with strong accounting and inventory control skills. Understanding of EDP Systems, insurance programs, financial analysis and budget issues required. Excellent financial and fringe benefit package. Send resume and financial history:

Personnel
P.O. Box 2322
Odessa, Texas 79760

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ELECTRONIC ENGINEER

For testing of computer systems using PC's, PLC's and Flow computers. Entry level considered. Knowledge in Quick Basic and/ or Visual Basic helpful. Some travel required. NO PHONE CALLS. Local established company. Resumes only to:

LINCO ELECTROMATIC
Automated Systems
P.O. Box 4096
Midland, TX 79704

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YOUR AD TO US
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24 Hrs. a Day

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- ★Full name and address
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FOR RESUMES that get results. Call 699-1919. Fast service. Reasonable rates. Professional quality.

CLERKS

FRIENDS CONVENIENCE STORES

Interviewing
July 20th
1 - 3 pm
3614 W. Wall

Evening & Midnight Clerks

Starting pay $4.85 to $5.05/ hr.
Looking for hardworking, self- motivated people.

GENERAL- HELP wanted for full time positions. Must have drivers license. Apply in person at Raindance Car Wash, 1103 Andrews Hwy.

NUEVA VISTA ADVERTISING SALES

We are looking for people who want to make above average earnings working with an outstanding sales team calling on Midland/Odessa businesses for our Hispanic oriented publication "Nueva Vista".

If you have a strong desire to succeed, good customer relations skills and want a new challenge that is exciting and financially rewarding, **call J.R. Ruiz at 687-8809**

or send resume to:

J.R. Ruiz
Midland Reporter-Telegram
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Midland, Texas 79702

NEWSPAPER/PRINT TELEMARKETING SALES

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GENERAL Help wanted all shifts. Apply in person between 2 & 5 pm. Drug screen required. Texas Burger, 2501 N. Big Spring.

HAIRDRESSERS & Nail Techs- Great opportunity, Great group, Make money, Commission on sales. Come and join us! 683-9881.

HOME PARENTS

Girlstown, U.S.A., located 50 miles east of Lubbock, is accepting resumes for home parents. Home parents are married couples who will train to provide mother/father role models for children and live in a private apartment within the home, with food and utilities provided. Minimum high school education with preference for college degree. Individuals must be stable, caring and patient.

Girlstown, U.S.A. provides an excellent benefit package and the opportunity to provide a future to the youth in our care. Candidates must possess excellent interpersonal relation skills and the desire to work with young people.

Interested parties should respond with a cover letter and resume to:

Girlstown, U.S.A.
Personnel Administrator
P.O. Box 1890
Amarillo, TX 79174-0001

HOUSEKEEPERS needed immediately. Super 8 Motel is now hiring. Apply in person 1000 W. I-20, Midland.

✓ MAINTENANCE Technician, HVAC certified. Excellent starting Salary! Apply at the Courtyard Apartments, 2300 North A or call 682-3831.

SALON- NICE CLEAN Hair Salon. Hair stations for lease. $100 a week, Nail stations $55 week. 520-4488.

OIL FIELD- Taking applications for Drilling Rig personnel in the Andrews area. 915-366-3658, Parker Drilling Company.

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RESIDENTIAL SUPERVISOR. Effective August 1, 1995. Serves as resident advisor and presents group classroom sessions. Insures compliance with all rules and regulations of MRC. Supervises resident in recreation and community service activities. Transports residents in MRC van. Must be able to work any shift, as needed, to include evenings, nights, weekends, and holidays. High school diploma or equivalent. Valid driver's license and driving record acceptable to insurance carrier. Experience in residential setting, counseling, case work, or related tasks preferred. Start at $1,.305 a month, plus benefits. Applications will be accepted through 4 pm, July 25, 1995 at the Midland Restitution Center, 215 W. Industrial, Midland, TX.

RELIEF Night Audit position available. Prefer hotel experience, but not necessary. Apply in person, 1003 S. Midkiff, Lexington Hotel Suites.

REPRESENTATIVE Needed for AVON! Good money, good hours, sign now! Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

RESTAURANT- Dino's Pizzaria and Restaurant is now hiring. Apply in person 4322 B Andrews Hwy.

RESTAURANT- SIDEKICKS opening their second store. Looking for key people to fill Cook, Prep and Cashier positions. Apply between 8- 10 am and 1- 3 pm, 600 N. Marienfeld, second floor Arco Building. No phone calls accepted.

RESTAURANT- VENEZIA now taking applications for hostess/ host and wait staff. Apply in person 10- 11 am or 4:30- 6 pm Wadley & Garfield.

RESTAURANT- WHATABURGER now hiring for all shifts. Apply with manager, between 2- 5 pm at: 800 Andrews Hwy., 3206 Midkiff or 1905 N. Big Spring.

ROOM Attendants needed, experience preferred, but not necessary. Apply in person, 1003 S. Midkiff, Lexington Hotel Suites.

SERVICE Agent. Must be dependable, have good driving record, and have own transportation. Must work weekends. Apply in person Budget Rent-A-Car at 2700 LaForce Blvd.

STATION Attendant with good driving record. Right pay for the right person. Apply in person Cecil Chevron, 3301 N. Midkiff. No Phone Calls.

PRE K TEACHER for child care center to prepare 4 year old children for Kindergarten readiness. Qualifications include college classes in early childhood education with Pre K teaching experience. For more information call 684-8270.

WAITRESS NEEDED. 3704 W Wall, PJ's. Apply between 4-6pm.

TEACHERS- First Presbyterian Children's Day Out seeks Teacher for the 1995- 1996 school year beginning August 31 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. 683-0851, 699-7533.

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DENTAL- PRIMARY dental clinic is accepting applications for appointment scheduler and chairside assistant. Experience preferred. Bring resume between 4 and 5 pm, Monday thru Saturday to 4519 N. Garfield Street, Ste. 16. No phone calls please. Salary D O E. Excellent benefits.

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MEDICAL Receptionist needed for very busy medical office. Must be energetic, neat in appearance and have excellent customer relation skills. Previous medical and computer experience preferred. Not looking for experienced in accounting or bookkeeping. Must like variety and enjoy working with people. Monday through Friday 8:30 am- 5:30 pm. Send resume and salary requirement to: Box E-5, C/ O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

DIRECTOR Of Nurses- now accepting applications. Long term care experience required. 10 years experience preferred. Must be knowledgeable of all Medicaid, Medicare, State and Federal regulations. Salary Open. Excellent Benefits. Contact Bruce Harkey, Administrator. Memorial Health Care Center, Seminole, TX 79360 (915) 758-4877. E.O.E.

312 Professional Help Wanted

"Associate Analyst"

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B.S degree in Computer Science. 6 months related experience in developing and maintaining PC and Macintosh based network system in Appletalk & system 7.0, 7.1, 7.5. Yearly salary $30,000. Apply at the Texas Employment Commission, Midland, Texas or send resume to 1117 Trinity, Room 424T, Austin, Texas 78701, JO# TX6422196. AD paid by an equal Opportunity Employer.

NEWS PRODUCER- Newschannel 11, has an opening in its News Department for News Producer. Requires experience, creativity and excellent Journalistic skills. Prefer degree in broadcast Journalism or telecommunications, along with experience in news at a commercial television station. Send resume to: Dave Walker, News Director, 5600 Avenue A, Lubbock, TX 79404. No phone calls, please. Deadline for applications is 7/ 28/ 95. E. O. E.

PART TIME Right Arm needed. Community concern a must. Public speaking skills preferred. Imagination and creativity a plus. Send resume by July 31, to
500 N Lorraine Ste 191, Midland, TX 79701.

SOCIAL SERVICES. Centers for Children and Families is seeking Coordinator /Instructor for an inhome volunteer based parenting program. Degree in Child Development, Social Work or Psychology preferred. Must have skills in parent child relationships, teaching, group dymanics and volunteer management. Half time 6 month position. Duration of position maybe increased dependent on funding. Hours vary some evening work required. Apply at 1031 Andrews Highway, Suite 200, Midland, TX 79701. Closes July 28, 1995. EOE.

TEACHER- St. Andrews Presbyterian Mission is seeking to hire a certified teacher for its Pre-K 4 class. Applicants must have at least 2 years experience, be willing to complete 15 yearly clock hours of training as required by DHS, and be certified in CPR and First Aid. Stop by St. Andrews Mission, 1708 N. Ft. Worth, or call 682-2351 for information.

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312 Professional Help Wanted | 318 Sales Help Wanted

TELEVISION- KOSA-TV Operations is seeking two part- time employees for a 1 am- 6 am overnight shift. Need to have some background in Master Control Air Switching, Video Tapes, Etc. Target date will be August 1st. Brissette Broadcasting is an EOE. Contact Rick McGee, 915-580-5672, 1211 N Whitaker St, Odessa, TX 79763.

BANKER- WESTERN National Bank a strong and growing independent Permian Basin financial institution, is seeking an experienced Personal Banker/ New Accounts Clerk for our Midland office. The successful candidate will possess proven skills in business development and financial product sales. Teller experience would be a plus. Please FAX resume to Stan Pinkham or Nellie Arana at (915) 334-5525.

214 Clerical Help Wanted

ASSISTANT to Finance Manager -general office plus handles Health Insurance; WordPerfect /Lotus required. Send resume /salary requirements: Assistant, P.O. Box 2237, Midland, Texas 79702-2237. Closing date 7 /24 /95.

CPA or full charge bookkeeper. Duties: receptionist, payroll and full charge books on computer. Mail resumes to Box F-32, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

INSURANCE SALES Secretary. Part- time, 20 hours per week. Insurance experience preferred but not required. Normal office skills, including PC, typing and fax required. Bilingual helpful. Send resume to: Joe Olguin, 3525 Andrews Hwy. Ste. 101, Midland Texas 79703.

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318 Sales Help Wanted

ADVERTISING. Salesperson to sell "Place -Based Media" to small business in the Permian Basin. Prior media sales, helpful. (915) 659-0667 or Fax resume: (915) 655-1302.

PROFESSIONAL SALES PERSON NEEDED

The Nations top largest manufacturer of portable buildings and spas is looking for a top level sales person. Call 563-1807 for an interview.

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319 Management Help Wanted

MANAGER- RV PARK in Ruidoso area is currently looking for a manager. Good opportunity for retired couple or other, on site housing provided, need experience in light plumbing and electrical repair. Must like people. Send inquiries to: Mountain High RV Park, P. O. Box 5254, Midland Texas 79704.

329 Skilled Trades

AIR & Electric Tool Repairman. Pick up applications at Builders tools, 1308 S. Midkiff Rd. , Suite 101.

COIL TUBING and Nitrogen help needed, at least 1 year experience. Class A CDL and HazMat endorsement. Apply in person Nowsco Well Services Inc., 2401 E. I-20 access road.

COMMISSION MECHANIC for R & R engines. Must have own tools. 600 N. Weatherford. 685-1076, Ron's Engines.

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GEO -TECH. Local oil & gas producer is seeking a geological /engineering Tech with a minimum of 5 years experience. Job requires knowledge log libraries, cross sections and production graphs. Computer & spreadsheet skills with Lotus or Quatro Pro a plus. Light typing & filing. Good benefits, non smoking environment. Send resumes to: Box D-4, Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

LAB Tech needed Level IA and Level II TXDOT certified. Good company benefits. Call Larry at (915) 332-0721. EEO.

OIL FIELD Electrician. Must have a minimum of 3 years experience, steady work history, clean driving record and ability to work well with customers. Good pay and benefits. Call 915-756-2201 (Stanton) for interview.

OIL FIELD- $18K TO $22K YEARLY. Manufacturer of oil field production equipment is seeking installation, service and repair technician. Knowledge of oil field helpful. Some training provided. Salary depends on experience. Send resume to Box F-38, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

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PLUMBING- S & W SERVICES in San Angelo now taking applications for Licensed Plumbing Service Tech. Both residential and commercial jobs. 401K retirement plan, health insurance, and other benefits. Salary will pay 10 to 15 based on experience. Must relocate to San Angelo area. Call 915-653-3593 and ask for Shelly.

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NEED babysitter in my home. Mixed hours. Call 686-0512.

336 Child Care Providers

EXPERIENCED teen Babysitter. Evenings- your home or mine. Responsible. References. Digital Pager- 567-6113- Amy.

WOULD like to care for your child, evenings or nights in my home. Call 520-3133.

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PEACH FACE Lovebird and cage, $45. Lovebird is 6 months. Call anytime, 689-7603.

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Attention Readers

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NO Experience Necessary! $500 To $900 Weekly/ Potential Processing Mortgage Refunds. Own Hours. Call (818) 583-3294, Ext. 634 (24 hours).

SMALL restaurant for sale. Good location. Established business. Open Monday thru Friday, 7 to 3. Reasonably priced. Call 915-697-7530 or 915-686-5478.

URGENT! We need 10 part-time people to start making money right now! Call 567-7988.

BUILDING Materials: used 4,000 brick, 2 x 4's, 2 x 6's, 2 x 8's, plywood, paneling. 682-4867.

ANTIQUE ALADATE with tripod and plain table. $450. 683-3768, mornings and from 3:30 PM.

PORTABLE COLOR TV, $75. VCR, $75. 10 ft Satellite dish-complete, $250. Lowry organ, $250. Metal detector, $50. 697-1558 or 699-1454.

21.7 CU. FT. frost free, double door refrigerator $650; Epson LX1 printer $75; IBM color monitor $75; car seat $25. stroller $25. All subject to best offer. 683-6859

GONE OUT of Business! 9 showcases, lots of shelves and brackets. For more information Call 520-6918.

NEW Home sewing machine model 3123. Like new, Only used once. Flatbed white, sewing machine, straight stitch and zig zag. 570-1628.

FOR SALE: custom drapes, lining and hardware, 14 ft. long, neutral color. $75. 697-3780.

SMALL peach occasional chair; ladies Wilson Bush Daniels golf clubs and bag hardly used. 683-3204.

CENTRAL AIR Units. 3 ton. Working. $800. Other needs a compressor, $600. 520-5742, leave message.

ALL NEW ARRIVALS! The Clothes- Out Store, 4400 N. Big Spring, Mission Shopping Center #5A. 20- 70% Off womens apparel and shoes. Monday- Saturday 10- 5:30. 683-7579.

DELTA SIDE Boxes. For full size pickup. $150. 694-6519.

WEDDING Dress, size 4. Beautiful, white, long train, Taffeta & Lace. $150, Cyndy, 567-5733 digital beeper.

16 FT. barbecue trailer. Excellent pit with smoker, lots extras. $7,000. Call for details 697-1424 after 5:30.

ANTIQUE FURNITURE FOR LES$ Unit #3, Advantage Storage , 5000 N. Lamesa and Sotoman Lane. Open Friday- Saturdays, 10- 5.

PORCH swings new $35, gliders $65, bookcase $35, dog house $45, Picnic table $85. 563-0452.

MOBILE PHONE- Portable. Motorola Ultra Classic. All accessories and batteries. $150. Call 683-3033, ask for Rick.

SAM'S Swimming Pool; used 2 months. Paid $1,500, sell $1,000 firm. Call 682-1808 after 5.

STAMP COLLECTION for sale. Various types of stamps. Call 682-6212.

DADDIES LONG Legs now available at Hidden Treasures Gift Galley, 2101 W Wadley #24. Across from Antiques Etc.

RESTHAVEN GARDEN of Prayer. 1 space. $500. 697-5009.

RESTHAVEN. GARDEN of Devotion. 3 lots, $700 each. 684-4170.

HOT Springs Spa with full cover, redwood skirt. Less than 1/2 price at $2,500. Call 683-4547.

7 ROOMS of plush carpet, excellent condition. Best offer. (915) 756-2902.

2 DRESSERS, 1 $40, 1 $5. Metal desk, $25. 520-8104.

COMIC Book Cards for sale, mint condition. Collectors only, 694-8763, leave message.

NORDIC Track Pro with computer. Used 3 times. Paid $680. Sell for $400. 570-5666.

LAWNMOWERS. 2 Tillers, 1 four speed with reverse. Upright vacuum cleaners. Excellent shape. 694-3779.

4 CEMETERY SPACES for sale at Resthaven. In Garden of Devotion. 560-7433, beeper.

TELEX InstaLoad XL; 16m film projector. Excellent condition, $200 or best offer. Please call 570-0640.

SAP- Laguna, brown marble, seats 5, 8 jets. Free cover, chemical kit, and redwood cabinet. One only. Save $1,780. 563-3108. After 3 pm, call 550-5225.

OFFICE FURNITURE for sale. Desk, bookshelf, two drawer file, computer/ printer stand, swivel high back chair. Oak finish. Excellent condition. Bought for over $1000, Selling for $650. 683-7743, after 5 or leave message.

MOVING OUT of state. Microwave $100, couch and loveseat $400, travel trailer $1000. 699-6526.

DIAMONDS- 1/2 carat to 10 carat- Fine quality, far, far below retail. G. G. Appraisals. Call anytime (800) 388-7628.

WANT TO Buy: Volkswagens. Running or not. 682-1303.

WANT TO Buy: Mobile Phone. Prefer Motorola Flip phone. 520-3364.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.



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MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards and Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2611 W. Wall 699-1224.

KENMORE 19.6 cu. ft. refrigerator freezer with ice maker. Gold colored, works perfectly. $160. Call 694-7226.

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NEED GOOD USED FURNITURE. Buy, sell, trade. Rowe's New & Used. 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5966.

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WASHER- DRYER, Sofa sleeper, 2 braided rugs and 200 Yds. of carpet, gun cabinet, 4 bar stools. Call 682-7676.

KING SIZE Waterbed. $150. 684-6519.

GAS Stove, less than year old, full size bed and chest -of-drawers. 520-7556.

BIG SCREEN TV, $500. Full waterbed, $100. 520-9708.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2611 W. Wall 699-1224.

17.0 cu ft Frostless refrigerator-freezer. Kenmore. Excellent condition, $250. 684-5747.

WANTED: Good used carpet. Medium to dark colors. 683-4169.

CHERRY DINING Room set with china cabinet, 2 upholstered chairs. GE dryer, Freezer/ refrigerator. 699-7943.

MANY NATIONAL Geographical Magazines, excellent condition, $.25 each. 2800 Frontier, 594-1391.

WHIRLPOOL DOUBLE Oven electric stove with drawer. Almond color. 684-5188.

SECTIONAL for sale. great condition. $400 or best offer. 697-8657 for more information.

BEAUTIFUL, old, cherry drop leaf dining table. 6 Carved chairs with needlepoint seats. $2,000. 686-9482.

MUST SELL portable Kenmore dishwasher, used one year, $250 negotiable. Call 699-7368.

WHIRLPOOL washer and dryer, almond, 9 years, $250. Sofa/ sectional, cream beige, $150. All good condition. 570-0561.

BRASS & marble king size bed, recliner, antique dresser and wardrobe, wood dining table & chairs, glass Rattan dining table & chairs. 697-6009.

MOVING! Must sell! Country French Oak Dining Room by Century. Trestle table, 81" by 44" and extends to 129" with two 24" leaves. China cabinet has tremendous storage on bottom and top is decorated with hand leaded glass, also comes with matching buffet. Table top is a must see to appreciate the intricate hand inlaid parquetry. This suite is complete with 6 side chairs and 2 arm chairs. This offering is only for those with impeccable taste and a desire for the finest. Call in San Angelo, 915-949-1492 for appointment.

BROWN JENNY Lind baby bed with mattress, $75. 699-0371.

2 sets complete with desk, girls bedroom furniture, 1 set complete with desk, boys- girls bedroom furniture. Hand painted 4 poster twin bed- girls. Various antique chairs, tables, and cabinets. Call for prices. 683-3088.

ABOVE ground POOLS- Get them while its hot! We have a good selection to choose from. Save money by installing your own. Call for details, 563-3108. After 3 pm call 550-5225.

COUCH for sale. Queen sleeper. $100. Good condition. Country blue. Call 694-6394 or 697-3801.

COFEE SERVER. 5 pieces. Never need polishing. $50. 682-1201.

BLUE Sectional, like new, $800, couch & chair $75, coffee/ matching end tables $50. 520-2933.

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, any size mattress and box set. Free frame or delivery. 550-5123.

QUEEN size bed with brass headboard; dresser, 26" console TV. 694-8943.

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DICK THE CLUBMAKER, Custom golf clubs, repairs, grips, shafts. 2605 W Kentucky Ave. 683-2614.

FOR SALE: DP Ultra Gym pack fitness system. Real good condition. Free standing. $150. 682-9616.

S & W model 686 357 Mag $360. Suburban floorboard mats and cargo Husky liners $50. Call 699-5662 after 6 pm.

2 SETS OF Graphite Irons, 3-SW. Like new, your choice, $140 each. Please call 570-1733.

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79703

3 FAMILY GARAGE Sale. Baby items, exercise equipment, girls clothes- all sizes, lots of miscellaneous. 4320 Princeton. Friday- Saturday, 8- 4.

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79703

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79705

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BIG SALE- Designer clothes, computer, furniture and miscellaneous items. 8:30 to 5, Friday-Saturday, 3105 Shell. No early sales. Cash only.

GARAGE SALE- Childrens clothing, adult clothing, etc., Thursday- Friday, 7 am, 1506 E. Scharbauer Dr.

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MULTI- FAMILY Garage Sale! Benefiting Girls Soccer Team. Bikes, Exercise equipment, sofa- sleeper, Christmas tree, children's clothes, toys, and lots more. 2503 Humble. Friday- Saturday, 9- 2. Cash only please.

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79705

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1809 DEVONSHIRE. Polo Park. Friday Saturday, 7 am. Park in front. Children and adult clothing, lamps, pictures, comforters, linens, toys, decorator items, front door, etc.

79706

BACK TO School Sale!
3110 W C R 130, Friday, 8 am
Lots of clothes- excellent condition, girls dresses, shorts and jeans sizes 6-12. Boys sizes 3-4. Boys jeans, 32" waist. Tons of toys, Home decor, some shop items, large TV antenna receiver, clothes line T posts, much more miscellaneous! No early sales.

79707

THURSDAY/ FRIDAY P.M. Showcase, Furniture, Dryer, Jewelry. New gift items, T-Shirts. 3326 Shandon (ring bell).

HUGE GARAGE Sale! Regular/ lawn furniture, CBs, tools, lots of crafts and miscellaneous! 412 Sweetbriar. Friday-Sunday, 8- ?

MOVING SALE- 3322 Shandon, Friday- Saturday, 8- 1. Exercise bike, TV, keyboard, lots of clothes.

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79707

★MULTI- FAMILY! Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8 am- ? 4308 Crestgate (opposite Wal Mart. Park in front, follow signs). School clothes, all sizes mini blinds, TV, computer, tons of toys. New items each day!

FRIDAY ONLY! 9- 2. Games, puzzles, stuffed animals, baby clothes, miscellaneous. Cash only. 3400 Dentcrest.

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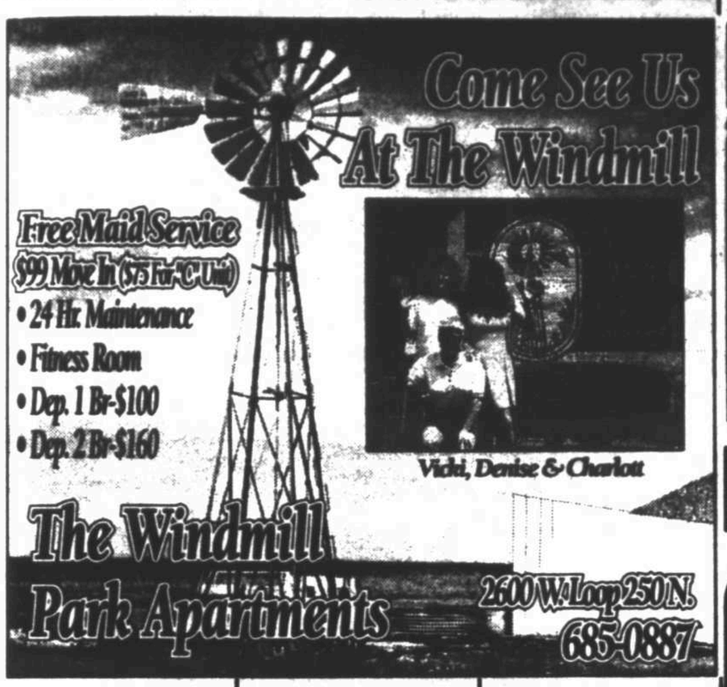
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055 Business/Property Office Space Rentals

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057 Commercial Property

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KEY
To Abbreviations

Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA.	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA.	Qualifying
	Assumable
Ac.	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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3 BEDROOM, 2 bath By Owner. 1 living area, fireplace. Good trees, extra clean. Priced for quick sale. 1806 Hughes, 683-2870.

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BY OWNER: 2 1/4 acre of Pecan trees with or without 1994 16 x 76 mobile home. Air conditioning, water well, storage. Financing available. 683-6322.

BY OWNER: Brick 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, central heat & air, dishwasher, garbage disposal, range. Financing available, 10% down. 505 Gray, Stanton. (512) 398-7243.

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Out of Town Property

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RESIDENTIAL LOT, 2504 W. Michigan. $5,000. Commercial lots, S. Atlanta, from $9,000. Owner financing. 695-3005.

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-2908 Purple Sage-Perfect recipe for 3/2/2 Keller home, cul-de-sac, bookcases, skylights, pool.
-1405 Mayberry-Desperate!!! Must sell 3/2/2 across from park, RO system, formal living, den, auto sprinklers.
-4602 Leisure-4/2/2, sunroom, affordable, low maintenance. Seller's motivated.
-5007 Heather-3/3 1/2/2 Spanish style, circle drive, wet bar, dog kennel, jacuzzi, pool.
-3209 Thomas-3/2/1, 2 living areas, low utility bills, small down.

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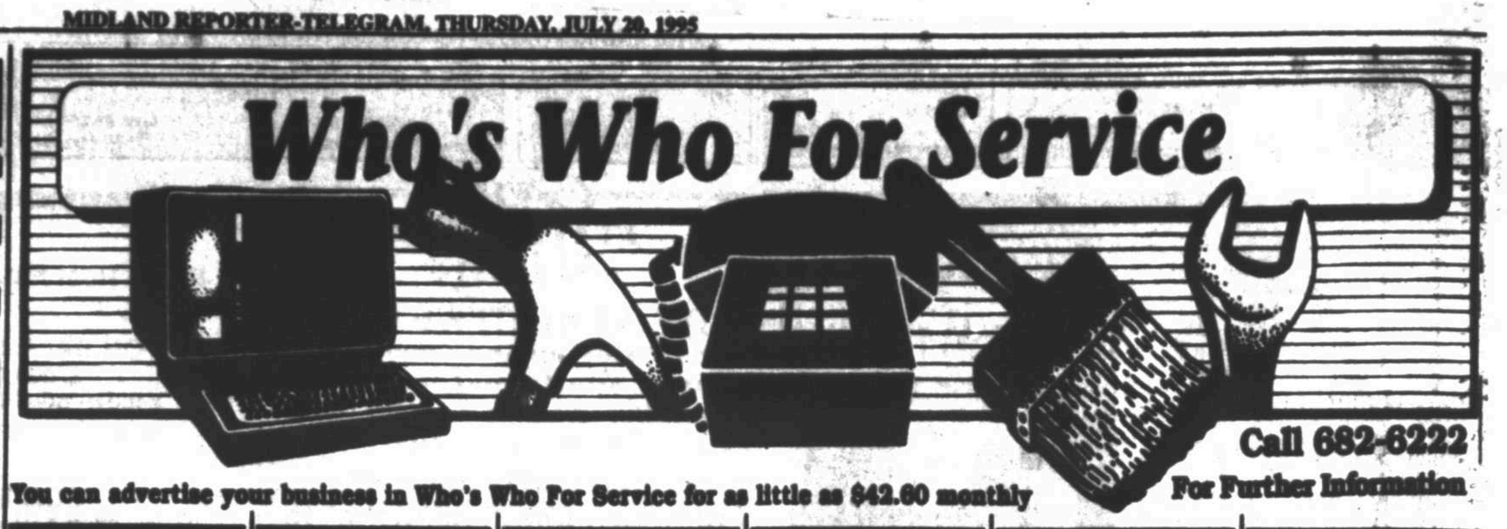
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Block grants worry latino legislators

By Jonathan J. Higuera

As the Republican-led Congress fulfills its promise to shrink the federal government's role in domestic programs, Latino politicians at state and local levels are sounding the alarm at what they predict will be an impending disaster for their communities.

"The role of local government will be made almost impossible," Angel Ortiz, the lone Latino on the 17-member Philadelphia City Council, describes it. "The federal government says it's giving power to localities, but in reality they are not because you need resources to be powerful."

Mary Rose Wilcox, the only Hispanic on the five-member Maricopa County Board of Supervisors which includes Phoenix, concurs: "We tried this a decade ago. It was supposed to lead to a bigger bang for your buck and spur partnerships and private-sector investment.

"Well, none of that happened. In our state, people on the local level are trying to `out-conservative' Washington so they want to cut back even more. It just means poor people are going to be sold down the river."

Wilcox, whose district is predominantly low-income, is concerned about housing programs targeted for state block grants. "It's been my experience that state grants become too political in nature. The grants that come directly from federal government are more flexible and better able to deliver ser-

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Las subvenciones conjuntas preocupan a los legisladores latinos

Por Jonathan J. Higuera

A medida que el Congreso dominado por los republicanos cumple su promesa de disminuir el papel del gobierno federal en los programas domésticos, los políticos latinos a los niveles estatal y local están haciendo sonar la alarma por lo que ellos pronostican que es un desastre inminente para sus comunidades.

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Stefani performs on a brand new stage at Twin Cities Speedway, Saturday, July 15, 1995

Hispanic Chamber wraps-up most successful Menudo Cookoff ever

By Jeffrey McDonald

Just one year ago, organizers of the 1994 Mex-Tex Menudo Cookoff & Family Festival proclaimed it the most successful ever. This year, they took that success and doubled it.

"It was a smashing success! By our estimates, we did more than double the attendance from last year," said Charlene Romero Wurtz, Executive Director of the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the cookoff. "We had five-thousand come through the gate on Friday, we had twelve-thousand come through on Saturday, and on Saturday we did ten-thousand."

"We had to shut down early Saturday because of the weather. But even with that, it was still the most successful cookoff ever. It was absolutely fantastic in every sense of the word!"

Never before had the cookoff attracted so many people from so many places as it did this year. And not just the audience, either. There were also record numbers of participants, both in the vendors' booths and in the cookoff itself.

"We had people from New Mexico, Odessa, Midland, Fort Stockton, Pecos, Marfa, even Denver, Colorado," said Romero Wurtz. "You name it, we had it. People just came from all over."

"We had about fifty-five cookers and the judges were just amazed. We never had so many cookers before and the judges were astonished. We had nineteen in the chili, twenty- nine in the fajitas and thirty-four in the menudo."

After the months of planning, and the hard work by as many as 380 volunteers, it should not be surprising that this year's cook off was such a success, in spite of some problems. There was, for example, the Saturday night rain that brought the evening's festivities to a premature end. Then two of the headline Tejano attractions had to cancel suddenly due to sickness.

"Shelly Lares' father, he had a stroke, I think," said Romero Wurtz. "And a member of Culturas was sick. But the others took it from there, and they filled in and did a great job."



Mona Larson, "First Place Chili Winner", proudly displays her trophy, while trying to stay out of the hot sun last weekend.

But that, according to event organizers, was the extent of problems this year. Security for this year's cookoff was good and there were no incidents There was no damage to the Twin City Speedway facilities. And there were no reports of any alcohol-related problems, a spotless record which event organizers stress has always been a trademark of the menudo cookoff.

According to Romero Wurtz, the final total is not yet in on the revenue raised by ticket sales. Proceeds from the Mex-Tex Menudo Cookoff & Family Festival benefit the operating expenses of the Midland Hispanic Chamber -of Commerce, and will fund their activities and programs throughout the year.

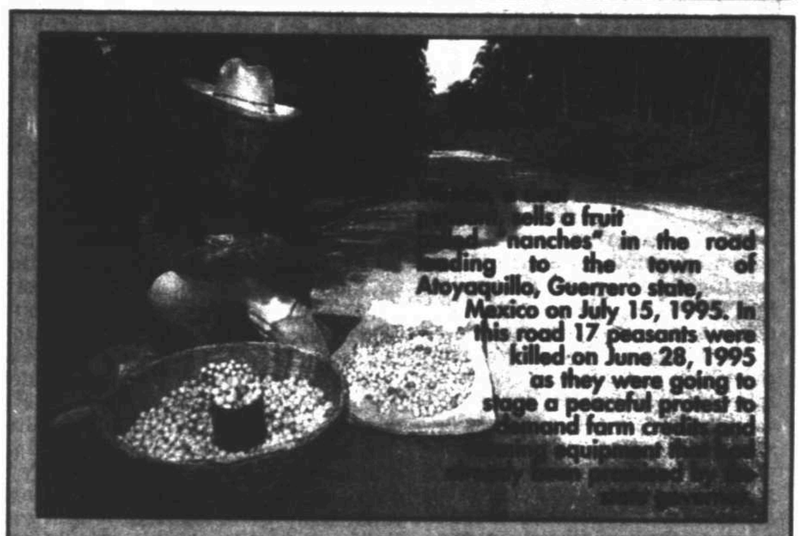
The event was also successful for the dozens of vendors who set up concession and activity booths, raising funds for their own activities. This included numerous non-profit, community service organizations such as churches, scholarship funds and youth athletic teams.

"They were amazed at the amount of people, and the amount of business they did this year," said Romero Wurtz. "We redesigned the layout of Twin City this year, and it created more traffic for the vendors. And this year we had a dance area, where more people could dance, but it didn't interfere with those who wanted to get something to eat at the booths. Joe Loya did the layout. He's responsible for the logistics and he really outdid himself this year."

As this article was going to press, crews were wrapping-up, cleaning the site and thinking already of next year's event. All agree that if this year's success can continue, then the Annual Mex-Tex Menudo Cookoff & Family Festival will continue to build upon its reputation as one of the premier family celebrations in West Texas.



(FOREGROUND) Ruben Vargas patiently awaits the first of thirty-four menudo entries to be judged at this years Mex-Tex Cookoff.



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Guerrero conflict

By S. Lynne Walker
Copley News Service

TEPETIXTLA, Mexico — Amid the rushing rivers and rustling palms of the coastal state of Guerrero, a troubling new strain can be heard. Though faint, it is the unmistakable murmur of rebellion among thousands of impoverished indigenous people.

Just up the road from the opulent Pacific resort of Acapulco, there are rumblings of violent uprising by peasant farmers — sons of guerrilla fighters killed by government troops during an insurrection almost three decades earlier — who have been ignored by agencies charged with alleviating the hardships of millions of Mexicans living in the countryside.

"We are a forgotten people," said Jose Asencio Dominguez, a 24-year-old member of an increasingly militant peasant group known as the Southern Sierra Campesino Organization (OCSS).

"The government does not remember that we are living in wretched conditions here. The only way to remind them is to mobilize ourselves," he said from the organization's headquarters in Tepetixtla, a mountain village that was the site of a bloody battle between guerrillas and government troops during the 1967 uprising.

Since a small group of peasants formed the OCSS in March 1994 — just two months after a rag-tag army of Indians launched a rebellion in the nearby state of Chiapas — their numbers and influence have surged in coastal towns and in mountain pueblos perched high above the Pacific Ocean.

Hundreds of peasants have joined their ranks to block highways, occupy public buildings and hold anti-government rallies in towns stretching from the tropical resort of Ixtapa-Zihuatanejo to the state capital. On Sunday (July 16), more than 1,000 OCSS members and supporters marched on Acapulco to protest the massacre of 17 peasants by police at a roadblock near Tepetixtla last month.

Demands that once focused on government assistance for peasant farmers have broadened to include protests over corruption, repression and even the disappearances of OCSS members.

"The people want justice, they want liberty, they want work," said Asencio. "We cannot give up our struggle until we have solved our problems. We are going to win what we want."

OCSS leaders, who have severed ties with the leftist Party of the Democratic Revolution (PRD), say they are at the vanguard of a populist movement aimed at improving the lives of Guerrero's poorest people. Their only weapon, they insist, is their ability to mobilize their supporters.

But both government officials and OCSS sympathizers point out that the demands bear an ominous similarity to the manifesto broadcast by the rebel Zapatista National Liberation Army when it declared war on the Mexican government last year.

"The example of Chiapas in some way inspired the radicalism of this group," Gov. Ruben Figueroa said in an interview with reporters in the state capital last week. "I have met with them and they do not propose things that are peculiar to campesinos."

While no one suspects the OCSS is an offshoot of the highly-trained Zapatista army, the inescapable poverty, the repression of peasant groups and the government neglect of indigenous people in Guerrero mirrors the conditions that sparked last year's uprising in Chiapas.

"What happened in Chiapas and what is happening here is part of the same process," said Julio Ocana, advisor to the leftist mayor of the town of Atoyac, where the 1967 Guerrero uprising began. "The misery, the poverty, the repression, the abandonment of the people are the same."

Like the Zapatistas in Chiapas, peasants in Guerrero say they are no longer willing to live in the dark, to suffer the humiliation of being unable to write even their own names for lack of basic education, to fill the yawning hunger in their stomachs with nothing more than tortillas, to scrape just $3,000 worth of crops from their land each year.

"We have a war," said Ascencio. "But a war of what? A war of hunger. The Zapatistas carried arms. We have still not arrived at that point."

Few people believe the peasants' claims that they are not armed. Virtually every campesino owns a rifle or shotgun for hunting the wild game that thrives in the lush tropical forests of Guerrero, said Ocana.

Peasants say they must have some means of defending themselves in Guerrero, a state with a centuries-long history of violence. Village feuds that claim the lives of entire families are common, there are frequently kidnappings for ransom and campesinos are all too often killed by police.

Guerrero is also a key player in the nation's illicit drug trade. Marijuana and heroin poppies flourish among coconut palms and leafy banana trees. In this no-man's land, honest cops often die in the battle against narcotics traffickers.

A statewide anti-gun program has seized 6,000 weapons in 24 months. But that figure suggests tens of thousands of guns remain in the hands of citizens.

"Like you wear a watch, they carry guns," said Father Hugo Hernandez Maldonado, a priest in the coastal town of Coyuca de Benitez, 30 miles outside of Acapulco. "It's a part of life in Guerrero."

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Remember the alamo

Writer seeks missing half of the Alamo story — the winners'

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Davy Crockett, James Bowie and William Travis are the familiar figures involved in the 1836 Battle of the Alamo.

But none of the fabled Texas rebels survived the March 6, 1836, defeat at the former San Antonio mission. What about the victors?

A sportswriter at a small California newspaper wants to change all that. Ron Jackson is seeking descendants of the foot soldiers who served under Mexican strongman Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna.

"We don't even know who these men are," said Jackson, who is writing a book on the Alamo battle and its aftermath from the descendants' point of view.

The glory of the dead, defeated heroes has long outlived the glory of the Mexican Army that won that day's battle, only to lose the War of Texas Independence at the Battle of San Jacinto a year later.

Jackson has been running classified advertisements in newspapers in Mexico City, Durango, Leon, San Luis Potosi, Piedras Negras and Matamoros.

"I want to put some advertisements out there, target the towns where the (Mexican) battalions were from, and see what happens," Jackson said. "Courageous men on both sides died in this human tragedy."

By night, Jackson who describes himself as a lifelong Alamo enthusiast who covers sports for the Reporter, a small daily newspaper in Vacaville, Calif.

But for the past year, Jackson has devoted his afternoons to interviewing people with ties to 47 of the Alamo defenders.

Kevin Young, president of the Alamo Battlefield Association, said Jackson's effort, while worthwhile, would not rewrite history. Nevertheless, the contribution to history could be significant, he said.

"If (he) gets any names, then we can start working on the other side, which up to this point has been real sketchy," said Young, who works at an Austin publishing house that may print Jackson's manuscript. "Most of that army was conscripted. And they went back as a defeated army after San Jacinto."

Santa Anna himself was captured by rebel forces, called Texians, near the San Jacinto battlefield April 22, 1836, one day after his army was defeated.

The imprisoned Santa Anna commanded remnants of the Mexican army to retreat, ensuring the independence of the Republic of Texas.

Gilberto Hinojosa, dean of fine arts and humanities at Incarnate Word College, said it was unlikely that a "soldado," or Mexican soldier, would have concerned himself with the Alamo conflict.

"The full impact of the battle militarily was limited. The greatest impact has been as to how the story has been told," Hinojosa said.

"The critical battle was San Jacinto, and it was Mexico's loss," he said. "The Alamo would have been very forgettable for Mexicans. If they talked about anything, it would have been about being forced to march all the way to San Antonio in what was a record cold winter."

La decision nos hace regresar a los dias de 'La carga del hombre blanco'

POR RAY GONZALES

El hecho de que el Tribunal Supremo de Justicia de los Estados Unidos haya vuelto sobre sus pasos acerca de la redemarcación posterior al censo y del mérito de la Ley de los Derechos electorales, no debería resultar sorprendente, dado el éxito de Reagan y Bush para llenar al tribunal con una mayoría conservadora agresiva. La última ironía es quizás el voto de Clarence Thomas, quien nunca habría sido postulado para el tribunal de no haber sido un afroamericano seleccionado para sustituir al jurista negro Thurgood Marshall, que se jubilaba. Este último, desde luego, fué el campeón de la imparcialidad y la protección igual, habiendo ganado la decisión del caso Brown vs. Junta Escolar, que puso fin a la segregación en las escuelas, como asesor legal principal de la Asociación Nacional para el Adelanto de las Personas de Color (NAACP en inglés).

El aspecto más hipócrita del dictamen del alto tribunal fué la noción de que, de algún modo, la raza era diferente que las demás normas de la "comunidad de intereses", que usó el tribunal en decisiones anteriores como directrices para determinar la constitucionalidad de los planes de redemarcación. El Magistrado Anthony Kennedy, al redactar la decisión de la mayoría, declaró: "Cuando el estado asigna a los electores sobre la base de su raza, se dedica a la asunción ofensiva y degradante de que los electores de una raza en particular, debido a su raza, piensan igual, comparten los mismos intereses políticos y preferirán a los mismos candidatos en las elecciones".

Anteriormente, el tribunal permitió la creación de distritos extremadamente arbitrarios en sus demarcaciones, que desafiaban a la lógica sobre la presunción de que la comunidad de intereses de las personas pobres o ricas, de las personas demócratas o republicanas, o de las personas citadinas o rurales, o de las clases trabajadoras o acomodadas, deberían ser puestas en un sólo distrito, basándose sobre lo que tenían en común.

En California, con la que estoy primordialmente familiarizado por haber prestado servicios en su legislatura y presidido un comité hispano de redemarcación, puedo decir que, anteriormente, la única comunidad real de intereses en la redemarcación o redistribución era la protección de los titulares. Todo el trámite de la redemarcación, que se produce después del censo al final de cada decenio, siempre ha sido únicamente político.

La dirigencia de ambos partidos políticos se adentra en el trámite de la redemarcación con un principio de orientación -- debe protegerse a todo titular de cada partido. Si hay distritos que no tengan titulares que participen en la elección siguiente debido a jubilaciones o personas que procuran otros cargos, el partido mayoritario de costumbre llevará la ventaja en las inscripciones de estos nuevos distritos. Este es un trato político generalmente acordado por ambos partidos en la mayoría de las legislaturas estatales.

En el decenio de 1970, en California, la legislatura controlada por los demócratas, con la concurrencia de los republicanos, bosquejó un distrito para la asamblea en el Condado Orange, conservador, para el auxiliar demócrata del Presidente de la Asamblea, Jesse Unruh. Los límites del distrito eran tortuosos por todo el Condado Orange, abarcando a casi todas las residencias demócratas y minoritarias en una docena de ciudades. Al distrito se le calificó jocosamente de "corredor", por el apellido de su nuevo Asambleísta, Ken Cory. El mismo se asemeja al distrito congresional de Georgia que fué objeto de la actual decisión del Tribunal Supremo.

En mi propio caso, después que el entonces Gobernador Ronald Reagan vetó el plan de redemarcación de 1971, elaborado por la dirigencia demócrata y republicana de la legislatura de California (y debe señalarse que lo vetó por sobre las objeciones de los republicanos miembros de la legislatura), el tribunal permitió que se efectuaran las elecciones de 1972 usando los límites anteriores a 1970. Así, cuando yo ingresé a la legislatura en 1973, nos enfrentamos nuevamente con la tentativa de aprobar un plan de redemarcación.

En uno de los planes más extravagantes elaborados alguna vez por una legislatura, la dirigencia demócrata y republicana bosquejó un plan que hacía que mi propuesto distrito atravesara la línea del Condado Kern hacia el oeste, adentrándose en la parte costera del Condado de Santa Bárbara en una franja de 12 pies hasta la playa. El distrito propuesto estaba destinado a proteger al titular republicano del Condado de Santa Bárbara, que no deseaba al recinto costero de la Universidad de Santa Bárbara ni al entonces radical cologio de Isla Vista, contrario a la guerra de Viet-Nam, en su distrito. El problema era que él necesitaba la parte fuerte republicana del Condado de Santa Bárbara al norte del recinto. Para llegar a esta población, el límite occidental del distrito habría de ser la línea de la marea alta para el demócrata y la línea de la marea baja para el titular republicano, de modo que él pudiera dar la vuelta y llegar a la población del norte a fin de mantener la contiguidad.

Como yo era el demócrata más cercano al recinto, a través de una cadena de montañas y en otro condado, la dirigencia de ambos partidos acordó, por sobre mis objeciones debido a lo absurdo del diseño, que yo debería representar al recinto y a Isla Vista. El Gobernador Reagan vetó el plan, no debido a los muchos distritos legislativos y congresionales demarcados arbitrariamente, sino porque él creyó que no se había dado suficientes distritos a los republicanos.

El hecho de que el Tribunal Supremo proclame súbitamente que no podría aceptar "principios tradicionales de demarcación neutrales en cuanto a la raza" es una burla a la justicia. ¿Dónde estaba el tribunal cuando básicamente todas las legislaturas masculinas totalmente blancas diseñaban distritos durante decenios, que protegían a los blancos varones titulares, sin perjuicio de a qué partido pertenecieran? ¿Dónde estaba el tribunal cuando cinco varones blancos reiteradamente distribuyeron a las poblaciones minoritarias del Condado de Los Angeles para beneficiar a los cinco supervisores blancos varones de ambos partidos?

Anteriormente, cuando el Tribunal Supremo afirmó la Ley de los Derechos Electorales de 1965, lo hizo con la esperanza de poner fin para siempre al diseño de distritos que disminuyeran al mínimo intencionalmente la fuerza electoral de los grupos no blancos. El decir que no hay comunidad de intereses entre los afroamericanos, el decir que quienes apoyan a los distritos basándose en la raza se dedican a "presunciones ofensivas y degradantes", equivale a negar el hecho de que virtualmente todos los miembros no blancos del Congreso y de las legislaturas estatales proceden de distritos predominantemente no blancos y que es virtualmente imposible para alguien que no sea blanco el resultar electo en un distrito mayoritariamente blanco.

Según el punto de vista del tribunal, parece no haber comunidad de intereses en ser representado por alguien que es igual que uno con respecto a la raza, mientras que hay una comunidad de intereses si alguien es como uno con respecto al nivel de ingresos, la ocupación, la selección del lugar donde vivir, la afiliación a un partido y así por el estilo. Bastante evidentemente, el Tribunal Supremo, como el Congreso controlado por los conservadores, nos está llevando de regreso en la historia, a una época en que la "carga del hombre blanco" era dirigir y controlar a los pueblos infortunados más obscuros del mundo, porque en verdad ellos no podían ser dirigidos por uno de los suyos.

(Ray Gonzales es un funcionario federal. Los puntos de vista expresados en esta columna son personales.)

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GRANTS: Creative government

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vices."

Regardless of their effectiveness, state block grants will be a reality and Latinos should gear up to ensure they get their fair share, say others.

"If Hispanic legislators aren't more forceful, we will get hanged twice," says New Jersey state Rep. Rudy García (D-Union City). "Our role as state legislators will be to make sure block grants go toward what they are intended for. It's not unusual for a governor to try to use those funds to fill gaps."

García is first vice president of the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, which has 250 members. It opened an office in Washington, D.C., earlier this year. The group's president, Ephraín González, Jr. (D-New York), is more optimistic. "When there's a crisis, there's opportunity. We're coming together here to work at it in a more united fashion. We've got 435 representatives, 100 senators and more than 3,000 staff members we have to educate about our communities' needs."

In state legislatures with larger Hispanic delegations, the opportunities may be greater to receive a fair share, some speculate. For example, in Texas the 26-member Hispanic caucus built a coalition with the African-American caucus last session that helped it defeat proposed education vouchers and fend off challenges to bilingual education and student-teacher ratios. "Now we're fighting to get our members chairmanships on various committees," says state Rep. Roberto Alonzo (D-Dallas), who heads the Mexican American Democrats, a statewide group. "A lot of the work is done at the committee level before it hits the House floor."

Jim St. George, an analyst with the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a Washington, D.C.-based research group, says there is no historical precedent that Latinos will be able to capitalize on the new distribution methods. He suggests that Latino state and local politicians begin prioritizing community needs and re-evaluating revenue streams: "It's hard to imagine a scenario where Hispanics come out winners. The question is will they be massive losers or just losers."

He sees caps to state block grants being bounced around in Congress as exacerbating the hits Hispanics could take because the fastest-growing states or those with the most needs may face rapid funding losses.

"Reaganomics is a minor-league version of what could happen," he says. "When the economy slows down, people go on welfare, need food stamps and Medicaid. In the past, the federal government has said `we're willing to help you provide that.' Now they are saying, `No, we'll give you what you got in 1994.'"

In Los Angeles County, which is facing a $1.3 billion deficit, federal funding cuts have already begun taking a toll, leading to a proposal to shut down the County-University of Southern California Medical Center, which has a 90 percent Latino clientele.

But not all believe the changes will be doom and gloom. Jane Delgado, president of the Coalition of Hispanic Health and Human Services Organizations, says the changes are part of atrend that has been occurring over time. "In the '60s we learned to come to Washington to protest. But a good institution has to soul-search and realize that things change. The real action is at the state and local level."

(Jon Higuera is editor of Hispanic Link Weekly Report, a national publication based in Washington, D.C.).

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Health: Briefs

Attitudes and Cancer Screening

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (AP) — Cultural beliefs that underline fatalism and honor contribute to many Hispanics' inability to make cancer-preventive lifestyle changes or seek cancer screenings, a Texas A&M survey suggests.

Vanessa Carpenter, an undergraduate fellow, surveyed 112 Hispanic women in the Texas towns of Alice and Rio Grande City and found that "fatalismo" (there is little a person can do to prevent disease) and "marianismo" (a moral code involving honor and shame) are strong factors that prevent many of them from changing behaviors and getting screening. Socioeconomic status and language barriers also are factors.

Most of the women surveyed said they knew tobacco can cause cancer and that eating fruits and vegetables can help prevent it, but they still feel they have no control over the disease. More that three-fourths of the group said they didn't think they could perform a breast self-exam or change their lifestyle to avoid getting cancer.reduction, how to reduce breast and colon cancer risks, helping children stay fit, alternative medicine, new health perils for children, tips on home exercise equipment, and how to sleep better and snore less.

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Business / Negocio

California regents to consider changing affirmative action

By DEXTER WAUGH

SAN FRANCISCO — More than six months ago, when University of California Regent Ward Connerly broached the idea of removing race and ethnicity from the university's affirmative action policies, Regent Clair Burgener raised a prescient warning to his colleagues: "Keep cool, folks."

On July 1, Burgener became chairman of the UC Board of Regents. It will be his task to help keep things cool Thursday, when regents are scheduled to vote on changing affirmative action policies at the school's nine campuses.

Will they be dismantled, modified or kept as is, with racial considerations intact? "People have very strong feelings on all sides of this issue," said Burgener, a former congressman from Rancho Santa Fe. "It'll be tough."

Not since the mid-1980s — when there were student protests and wrenching debate over divestment in South Africa — has an issue so embroiled the regents. Those who lived through the South Africa issue say this one far outstrips it for emotional content.

More than 60 people have signed up to speak Thursday, including the Rev. Jesse Jackson, a possible presidential candidate, and former Berkeley Free Speech Movement firebrand Mario Savio.

Gov. Wilson, who is running for president, is coming, along with Lt. Gov. Gray Davis and Assembly Speaker Doris Allen; All three are ex- officio voting members of the 26-person board.

About 1,000 students are expected to hold a teach-in outside. Civil rights and union leaders such as Dolores Huerta of the farmworkers' union plan to attend a noon rally.

Inside the UC-San Francisco building in Laurel Heights, about 250 media representatives from around the country will be jamming into overflow rooms.

"What started as an intelligent discussion has evolved into a political circus," said Regent William Bagley, of San Francisco.

Jackson and Connerly have already been sniping at each other in the press.

"You've got Regent Connerly calling the Rev. Jackson a preacher of doom and you have the reverend describing Regent Connerly as a collaborator of apartheid," said Regent Ralph Carmona, of Sacramento. "We haven't had a meeting yet and you've got this kind of exchange going on. How can you have a rational, reasonable discussion? This is a political food fight we are going to have."

Regent Daniel Simmons, a faculty representative from Davis, said: "The university has been put into the middle of a presidential contest. This decision now has nothing to do with what's appropriate for the university and everything to do with presidential candidates."

"Does anyone really believe that politics has nothing to do with it?" asked Regent-designate Richard Russell, a black attorney from Pasadena who calls himself the "living embodiment of affirmative action" because he got into UC-Berkeley even though he said he didn't have the grades.

"Does anyone really believe that Gov. Wilson is not going to stand on the stump and say we abolished this affirmative action in California?" he asked.

While some argue for delay, others are ready to vote. "Whatever (Connerly) comes up with, I intend to vote for, and I don't intend to be intimidated by Jesse Jackson," said Regent Glenn Campbell, of Palo Alto, who has been on the board since 1968. "Better people than Jesse have tried to intimidate me in the past. ... All he wants to do is come and give us a sermon."

Regent Stephen Nakashima, of San Jose, who favors Connerly's proposal, said, "It's not a question of retaining affirmative action 100 percent, or eliminating it 100 percent. There are changes that can be made."

If Connerly's motion passes, there is also the promise of civil disobedience by Jackson and a group of Bay Area ministers led by the Rev. Amos Brown of San Francisco's Third Baptist Church.

Brown said they are "willing to go to jail in protest of the attack on equal opportunity and inclusion for minorities and women in the University of California system."

Connerly, of Sacramento, started it all in January when he called for ending racial preferences in admissions, hiring and contracting. The formal proposal he made two weeks ago is one of three the board will consider Thursday.

Connerly, whose action subsequently brought him wide exposure in the national media, said events might have spun out of control, "but I can't do anything about that. It's out of my hands. All I can do is stay the course and propose what I think is right, and just hope that somewhere along the line reason will prevail."

After the fall: Two faces of Mexico's economy

By ANTHONY DePALMA
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MEXICO CITY — Most Wednesdays, at precisely 2 p.m., government officials gather here at the ornate National Palace to give the latest figures on declining inflation, surging stock prices and other positive signs of Mexico's steady climb back to economic stability.

While the good news is being related inside, unemployed Mexican workers sometimes mill outside on the huge Plaza of the Constitution, occasionally swaggering up to a microphone facing the palace windows.

They are hungry, they call out, and they are angry because the government is forcing them to pay for getting the nation's economy back on track.

The difference between what is said in the palace and what is shouted on the plaza underscores an inescapable conclusion about Mexico almost seven months after the peso was disastrously devalued: the economy here now has two faces.

One is reflected in steadily improving macroeconomic indicators; the other reveals the deepening misery of Mexico's 91 million people.

The extent to which Mexico can draw those two economies together in the coming months will determine not only how well it recovers from this latest crisis, but also whether it will be able to overcome some of the fundamental problems that have for so long created appalling gaps between the rich and poor in Mexico.

Should it fail to draw the economies closer, many fear a period of deepening political and social unrest in a country that has already been shaken for more than a year by a peasant uprising and a string of assassinations.

The outcome is of critical importance to the United States, which is still waiting for the promised benefits from the North American Free Trade Agreement and is fearful of a new wave of illegal immigration if conditions worsen.

And while the Mexican government trumpets the latest positive numbers, it is far from declaring victory.

"We are very careful not to claim that because we have made progress in returning to the market that the crisis is over," said Mexico's finance minister, Guillermo Ortiz. "We will say the crisis is over when we get some real growth going and employment increasing."



In an AP interview Zedillo says that Mexico is conquering its economic crisis and should be able to maintain a stable peso this year. (AP Photo/Jose Luis Magana, files)

Still, the palace version of the economy is positive indeed. With surprising speed the Mexican stock exchange has bounced back to pre-devaluation levels. Inflation rates are still high, around 3 percent a month, but declining broadly after peaking at 8 percent in April.

Although the peso is now allowed to float freely, it has remained at around the same level — between 6 and 6.3 to the dollar — for weeks.

What's more, Mexico racked up a $165 million trade surplus in the first quarter and the government last week successfully placed $1 billion in commercial notes, a startlingly swift recovery considering that after the last financial crisis here, in 1982, it took seven years to regain access to international capital.

From the plaza, however, the government's recovery program looks more like a virus than a cure.

Fearing hyperinflation, the government essentially shut down the economy here, raising prices on basic items like electricity, gasoline and even tortillas.

Interest rates on consumer loans reached 100 percent and, though dropping, still exceed a punishing 45 percent. Banks have repossessed houses and cars in record numbers. Inflation far outstrips wage increases. And perhaps worst of all, in a country with no unemployment insurance, as many as one million people may have lost jobs since January.

As the government's March 9 recovery plan of budget cuts, tax increases, price hikes and a tight money supply continues to take hold, the gap between the palace and the plaza economies appears to grow wider.

That is hard for President Ernesto Zedillo to accept since he campaigned on a promise of personal well-being and prosperity for Mexican families. But even he concedes that the hardships are likely to get worse before a real turnaround begins.

The government hopes that as investor confidence slowly returns in the second half of the year, and exports remain strong, companies will begin to buy equipment and expand, providing jobs that will lead to some positive growth by the end of the year.

Government spending will also increase throughout the rest of this year, while the national development banks will start to make more credit available.

But until then, as savings run out and the recession hits harder, more jobs will be lost and more pockets will go empty.

"There's a big difference between what the government says and what we the people feel," said Maria Ortega, 28, a nurse from Puebla, a colonial city about 50 miles southeast of Mexico City.

Like other civil servants, she received a 13 percent wage increase this year, "but that's not enough to cover my bus fare," she complained.

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Recently released CDs provide testimony to Tejano's past

A few weeks ago, a new twist was the Tejano mixes where engineers take original songs from the master tape and "re-mix" the sounds for an extended and augmented dance version. Then I asked what's next? Tejano oldies?

LATIN MUSIC



Well, yes

"Tejano Goldies," is a 14-track CD on the Lago label, packed with hits from Augustin Ramirez, Latin Breed, Jimmy Edward, Royal Jesters and more. These are from the original masters which captures the instrumental sound and charm of the period. The down side is the state-of-the-art wasn't always so good back then. The quality is uneven but hey, that's the way it was.

The time-traveler special kicks off with the 1970s classic "Memories," by Jimmy Edward, an affecting, unforgettable ballad about young love. Ruben Ramos tears it up on the riveting "Quiero Una Cita," from 1972. Ramos and his band are captured at the top of their game here. Excellent second and third harmonies and bewitching horns elevate this song to a masterful performance rarely seen in the industry.

David Marez delivers the raw emotion and powerful pride on "Soy Chicano," recorded in 1974 by the Royal Jesters. At the time, most people figured the song was an anthem for a burgeoning Chicano movement. Yeah, movement leaders latched on to it, but it is much more. It is a beautiful, horn-swept salsa-tinged ballad haunting in its infectious rhythms.

"Todos Dicen," another monster from 1974, is presented here with its thundering horns by the Latin Breed, perhaps the seminal band of the '70s. With his raspy voice and emotional tones, singer Jimmy Edward delivers the spirited braggadocio required in a song about lovesick man standing up to a bad woman.

The raging war in Vietnam is evoked in "Patita de Conejo," recorded by Joe Bravo in 1970. A simple song about obtaining a rabbit's foot for good luck with the girls. Many Mexican-American troops in Vietnam saw another meaning in the song, hoping for good luck in surviving the war.

Also included is the memorable polka "Peanuts" from 1967 by the Sunglows.

If you want a soundtrack from Tejano's first Golden Age, this is indispensable. But obviously there are many more hits. Producer Fausto Daniel is already working on "Tejano Goldies II."

25TH ANNIVERSARY

Little Joe, perhaps the music's most eloquent spokesman, has rereleased "25th Silver Anniversary" live concert CD on his Tejano Discos/Rodven label. He's recorded other shows, such as the poorly produced "Live For Schlitz" in 1977, but he's never been captured live like he was on April 26, 1985 at Fiesta Plaza.

This is an electrifying performance, supplemented by a symphonic orchestra. Some of the best players were on hand: Bob Gallarza on guitar, Steve (Rat) Silvas on keyboards; Rick Reyes, on drums, Albert "Skeeter" Amezquita, Rene Gasca, and Frank Partida, on trumpets and Jaime Flores, on saxophone.

At centerstage, a seemingly possessed Little Joe is pouring everything he's got on stage, particularly on the emotional heartbreakers.

The show opens up with deafening cheers from a packed venue as the band thunders into "Cartas Marcadas," a tough tale about revenge against a double- crossing lover. The lyrical tone was somber but the mood is celebratory with horns blasting over the orchestra string section. The song ends with Little Joe singing about having the capacity to forgive and having a renewed urge life to its fullest.

Other highlights include Jose Alfredo Jimenez's incredibly sad "Ella," and the galloping polka "Isabelle."

And then there's the national anthem of Tejano music, "Las Nubes." The song has much in common with Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the U.S.A." Both have catchy, anthemic rhythms soaring over stark lyrics of despair and disillusionment. The '80 Reaganauts tried to take the latter as theme song for the presidential campaign. Politicos and beer companies tried to take the former as their own.

The song is Little Joe's defining moment, both on the CD and in his 40 year career. Who else but Little Joe can sing about living in difficult times but maintain hope and conviction?

A minor complaint: where are the liner notes guys? A CD this momentous should have had one. No Excuses.

OFF-THE-RECORD:

Will the real Go-Cart Karloz please stand up? The former KXTN-FM disc jockey (real name Carlos Taboada) is involved in a heated dispute with station officials over who owns the right to the radio name.

"They (KXTN) are telling me I can't use the name but I registered it with the city," Taboada said recently.

Meanwhile, DJ Mico Rodriguez was filling in for the departed Taboada last week, using the moniker "Go-Cart Karlos."

Stations officials didn't want to go into details on the dispute. Owner Warren Tichenor would only say "We originated the name and the character on our radio station. We're pursing legal means to protect our rights, as to where it leads to, we're not certain." Stay tuned.

(Ramiro Burr covers the Latin music scene every week in Latin Music. For questions or comments call Burr at (800) 456-7411, ext 7306.)

LATINOS: Cuando hay una crisis, hay una oportunidad

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"El papel del gobierno local será hecho casi imposible", según lo describe Angel Ortiz, el único latino en el Consistorio Municipal de Filadelfia, compuesto por 17 miembros. "El gobierno federal dice que está dando poder a las localidades, pero en realidad no es así, porque se necesitan recursos para ser poderoso".

Mary Rose Wilcox, la única hispana en la Junta de Supervisores del Condado de Maricopa, en Arizona, concurre diciendo: "Probamos esto hace un decenio. Se suponía que llevara a un mayor rendimiento por cada dólar y a fomentar asociaciones e inversión por parte del sector privado.

"Bueno, nada de eso ocurrió. En nuestro estado, la gente al nivel local está tratando de "ser más conservadoresD que Washington, de modo que quieren rebajar aún más. Eso quiere decir solamente que a los pobres los van a dejar desamparados".

Wilcox, cuyo distrito está formado por personas de bajos ingresos primordialmente, está preocupada sobre los programas de viviendas señalados para subvenciones conjuntas estatales. "Mi experiencia ha sido que las subvenciones estatales llegan a ser demasiado políticas por naturaleza. Las subvenciones que venían directamente del gobierno federal son más flexibles y más capaces de prestar servicios".

Irrespectivamente de su eficacia, las subvenciones conjuntas estatales serán una realidad, y los latinos deberían prepararse para obtener su proporción equitativa, dicen otros.

"Si los legisladores hispanos no son más enérgicos, nos colgarán dos veces", dice el Representante Estatal Rudy García, de Nueva Jersey (demócrata por Union City). "Nuestro papel como legisladores estatales será el asegurarnos de que las subvenciones conjuntas se empleen para lo que fueron destinadas. No es inusitado el que un gobernador trate de usar esos fondos para llenar brechas".

García es primer vice-presidente del Grupo Nacional Hispano de Legisladores Estatales, que tiene 250 miembros. El mismo abrió una oficina en Washington, DC., a principios de este año.

El presidente del grupo, Ephraín González Jr. (demócrata por Nueva York), es más optimista. "Cuando hay una crisis, hay una oportunidad. Estamos reuniéndonos aquí para trabajar en eso de modo más unido. Hay 435 representantes, 100 senadores y más de 3,000 miembros de su personal a quienes tenemos que enseñar acerca de las necesidades de nuestras comunidades".

En las legislaturas estatales que tienen delegaciones hispanas mayores, las oportunidades pueden ser más numerosas para recibir una proporción equitativa, especulan algunos. Por ejemplo, en Texas el grupo hispano de 26 miembros elaboró una coalición con el grupo afroamericano en la última sesión, que le ayudó a derrotar la propuesta de comprobantes para la enseñanza y a mantener a raya a los desafios a la enseñanza bilingue y a las proporciones entre estudiantes y maestros.

Ahora estamos luchando para obtener para nuestros miembros las presidencias de varios comités", dice el Representante Estatal Roberto Alonzo (demócrata por Dallas), quien dirige a los demócratas méxicoamericanos, un grupo estatal. "Gran parte del trabajo se hace al nivel del comite antes de que llegue al pleno de la Cámara".

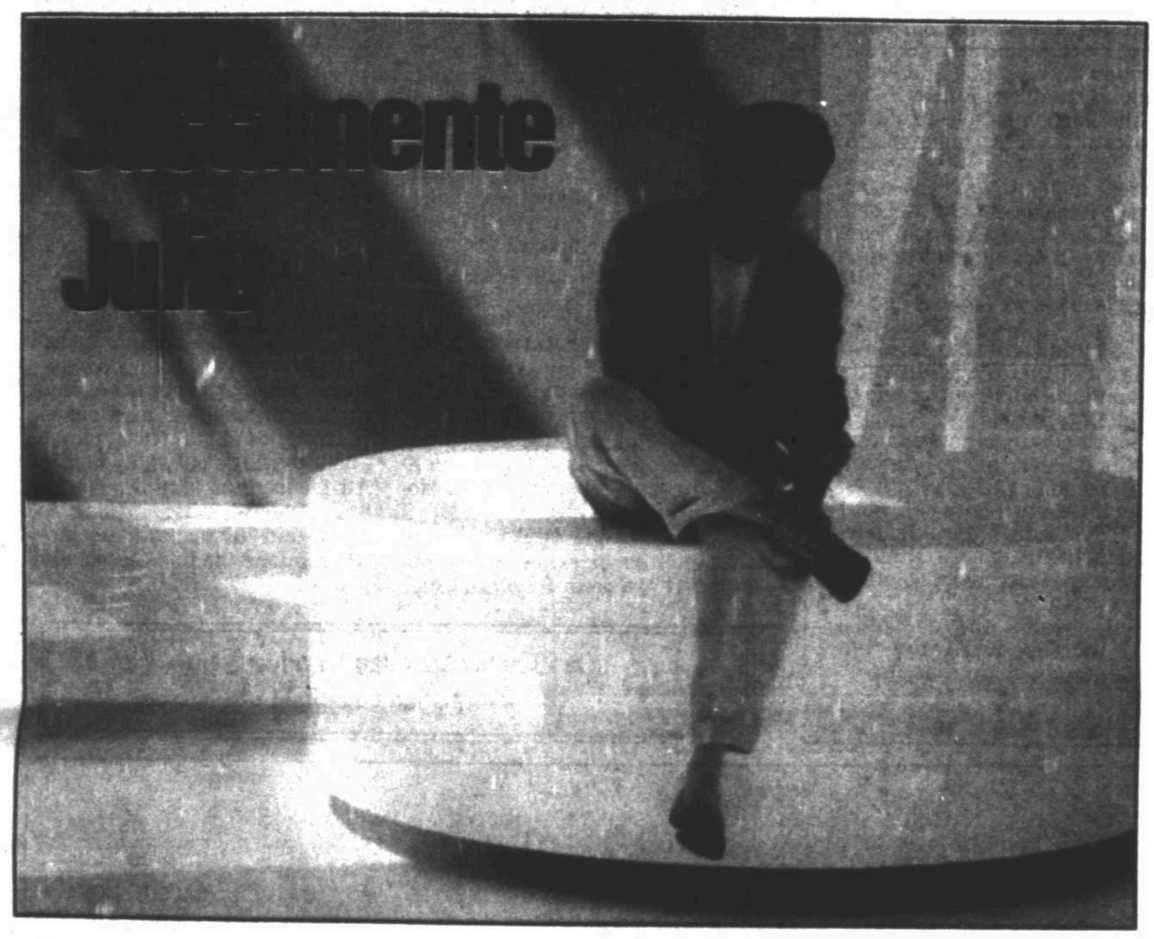
Jim St. George, analizador del Centro sobre Prioridades de Presupuesto y Cursos de Acción, un grupo de investigación con sede en Washington, DC., dice que no hay precedente histórico de que los latinos podrán ser capaces de acostumbrarse a capitalizar sobre los nuevos métodos de distribución. El recomienda que los políticos latinos estatales y locales comiencen a fijar prioridades para las necesidades comunitarias y a re-evaluar las corrientes de ingresos: "Es difícil el imaginar un escenario en el que los hispanos sean los ganadores. La cuestión es si serán perdedores impresionantes o sólo perdedores".

El ve a los límites de las subvenciones conjuntas estatales que se pelotean en el Congreso como que agravan los golpes que los hispanos podrían recibir porque los estados de crecimiento más rápido o los que tienen las mayores necesidades pueden enfrentarse a pérdidas rápidas de financiamiento.

Pero no todos creen que los cambios serán ruina y penumbra. Jane Delgado, presidenta de la Coalición de Organizaciones Hispanas de Salud y Servicios Humanos, dice que los cambios son parte de una tendencia que ha venido ocurriendo durante algún tiempo. "En el decenio de 1960 aprendimos a venir a Washington para protestar. Pero una buena institución tiene que hacerse un examen de conciencia y darse cuenta de que las cosas cambian. La acción verdadera es a los niveles estatal y local".

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Aunque siempre ha cantado y grabado temas clasicos espanoles, latinoamericanos e internacionales, Julio Iglesias regresa a su ruta, en "La Carretera", su album numero 70, realizado y dirigido por Ramon Arcusa. La cancion moderna. La cancion de Julio.

La cancion titular de este album es por eso particularmente nueva: vanguardista en su arreglo y obsesiva en su letra. Es como si los experimentos de los ultimos anos, en colaboraciones con artistas de otras culturas y tradiciones, hubieran fructificado aqui, en un tema que ya parece el guion de un videoclip donde la camara se desplaza a la mas alta velocidad. Destinada a convertirse en un clasico. "La Carretera" descubre una faceta de su interprete que sus admiradores no han visto: la obsesion como embriaguez, la noche oscura del alma, el vivir como viaje cargado de peligro, la soledad y el deseo como unicos acompanantes.

Sus autores, Roberto Livi, productor de voz de todo el album, y Rafael Ferro, tambien crearon dos temas que son justamente Julio Iglesias, "Cosas de la vida" y "El ultimo verano." Quien canta con mayor sentimiento que Julio, la dulzura que deja un amor plenamente disfrutado y la amargura de haberlo para siempre perdido? Igualmente, la melodia en ambas nos recuerda otros exitos de Julio que reviven la sensualidad del amor y lamentan su ausencia, sin perder la frescura de su originalidad.

Tampoco nadie mejor canta la alabanza de una mujer hermosa, como lo hace Julio en otro tema de Livi y Ferro, "Baila Morena." Se trata ademas de una bella tradicion poetica latina, la celebracion de la mujer "de raza". Y tambien la cancion regresa a un terreno que Julio pisa cada vez con mas fuerza, el de la musica latinoamericana de raices. " Baila Morena" se mueve con un fuerte acento tropical, el baiao, primo brasileno de la cumbia colombiana, ensalzado por el lirico acordeon de Egidio Cuadrado, del grupo Carlos Vives.

Dentro de ese marco ritmico latino, la version que nos brinda Julio de "Derroche", una cancion cubana de hace cuarenta anos, viene revestida de un arreglo renovador. Es casi un numero de salsa, acentuado por una percusion totalmente bailable y por un coro afroantillano cantado por esos jovenes genios que son Donato Y Estefano. Estos son los autores de la pegajosa "Agua Dulce, Agua Sala", cancion que recoge una tematica filosofica profunda, sagazmente vestida de fiesta y sabor. En contraste con la inquietante energia de "La Carretera", "Agua Dulce", "Agua Sala" invita a aceptar a la vez la amargura y el placer...y seguir bailando.

Pero la colaboracion de estos jovenes maestros con Julio Iglesias no es solo rumba y fiesteo. En "Sin excusas ni rodeos" se sumergen con Julio en ese mundo, tan suyo, de melancolico deleite: canciones del adios y el arrepentimiento tardio. Solo para dejarnos al gran interprete de la cancion moderna sumido en una melacolia sin deleite alguno. cuando interpreta otro tema de Livi y Ferro, bien llamada "Mal de amores." En la tradicion latina, codificada por el tango, de la cancion como tragedia, aqui todo es llanto y no hay salida ni escape ni carretera, solo sufrir.

Pero no para siempre. La coleccion de temas titulada "Rumbas" tambien canta el mal de amores, pero lo hace con el salero aristocratico de la rumba flamenca, "madre", como dice Julio, de toda la musica caribena. El ingenio de estas coplas sale natural de la voz de Julio, siempre matizada, aun en sus canciones mas modernas, de una sutil elegancia gitana. Y el arreglo teje, con igual ingenio, el flamenco puro con la orquestacion moderna, las voces roncas de la rumba con el lirismo seductor de Julio.

Y con "Vuela Alto", Julio se une de nuevo al gran orfebre de la cancion, Manuel Alejandro, en un tema que se tenian guardado estos dos para lanzarlo en el momento apropiado. Llego por fin la hora de ese consejo a quien se arriesque a subir, de ver el mundo de la fama con firme estoicismo, y de pronunciar sus verdades: Aqui no regalen nada/todo tiene un alto precio/peldano que vas subiendo/peldano que hay que pagar.

Con este album, Julio Iglesias demuestra que lo ha pagado todo, peldano por peldano. Y jura que subira - y pagara - mas. En medio de la carretera de su vida artistica, carretera alta, carretera nocturna, carretera veloz, Julio es pura esencia. Puro cantar.



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