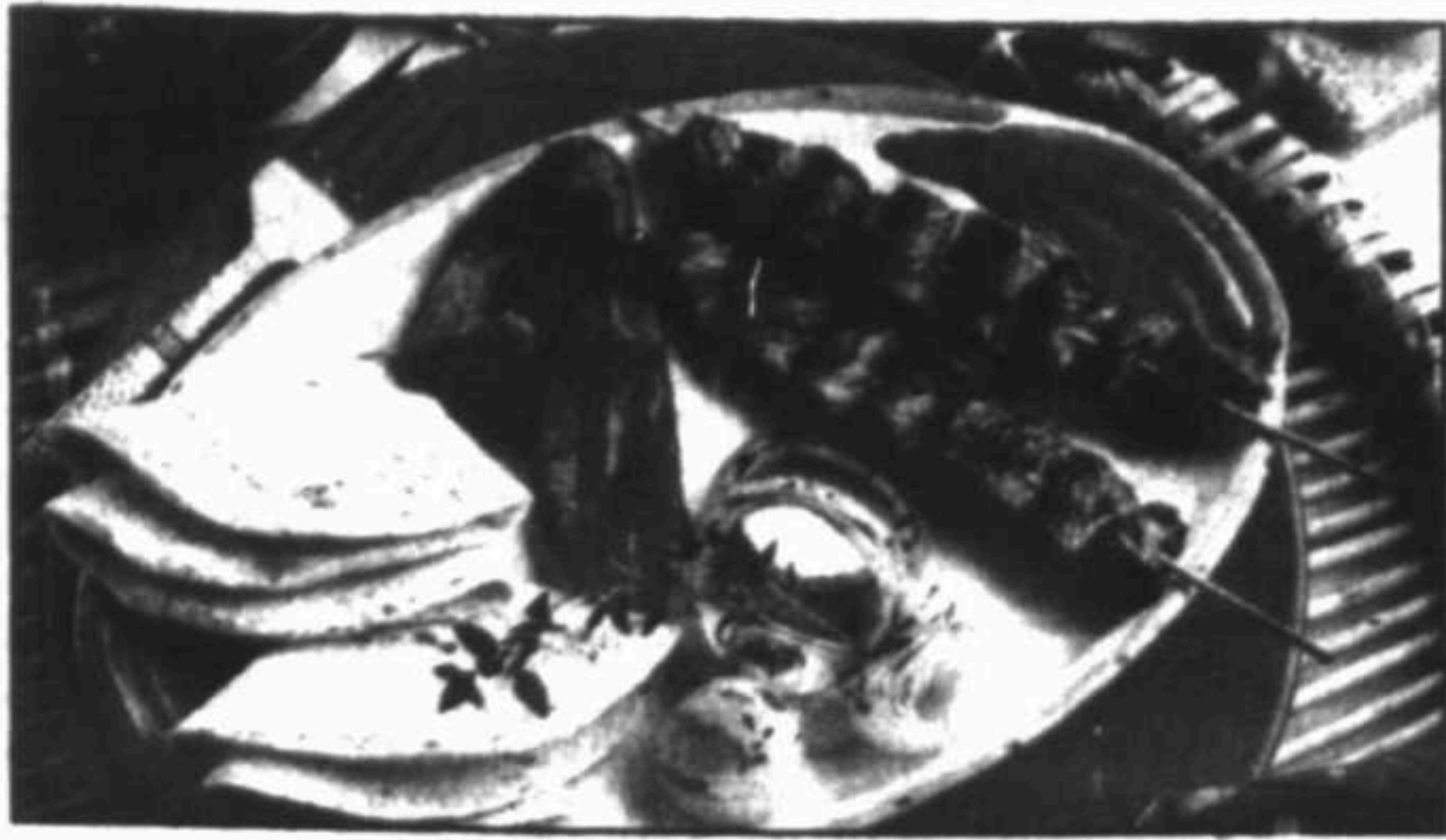




FOOD

Summer treat

Beef fajitas on a stick make for easy grilling on hot summer days as alternative to usual hot dogs, hamburgers./1D



SPORTS

NL wins

Mike Piazza launches upper-deck home run, lines RBI double to lead Nationals to a 6-0 victory in All-Star game./1C

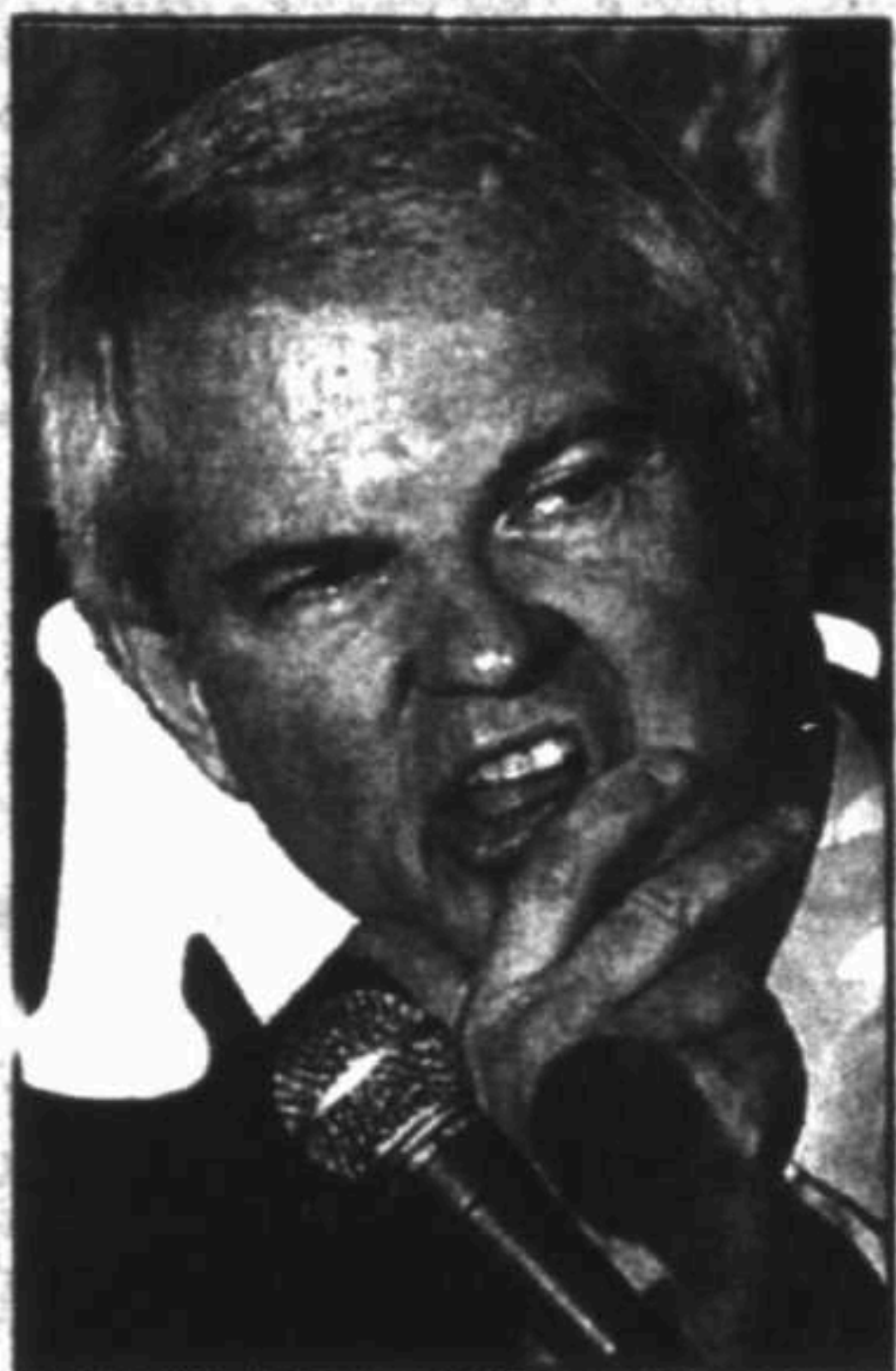
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Lamm's bid

DENVER — With just \$6,000 and a "hard-choices" slogan, former Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm on Tuesday began a drive for the presidential nomination of Ross Perot's fledgling Reform Party. The lifelong Democrat framed his uphill campaign as an outsider's wake-up call to the nation, declaring, "I begin this campaign with only one promise, and that's to present the truth and, in some cases, the hard truth, and to trust you to make the right choices."

Story page 7A

AT&T junk mail?

NEW YORK — Don't toss that next piece of pitch-mail you get from AT&T, or you could wind up in possession of a credit card you never asked for nor wanted. AT&T has been sending letters since April to some of its calling-card holders alerting them they'll soon be receiving an AT&T Universal MasterCard — unless they call the company to say they don't want it. A consumer advocacy group says the solicitation, while legal, forces consumers to take action to avert receipt of a card they never requested.

Story page 7A

Dole on guns

RICHMOND, Va. — Bob Dole had good news and bad news Tuesday for supporters of gun rights: He endorsed Virginia's NRA-approved "instant check" system on would-be gun buyers but he stepped back from his pledge to push for repeal of the ban on assault weapons.

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Author Elmer Kelton was one of the speakers Tuesday on the 20th anniversary of the Haley Library and History Center.

Brian Adamcik
Reporter-Telegram



Novelist: Haley Library is reminder of where we have been

■ Midlanders celebrate 20th anniversary of library J. Evetts Haley established to preserve much of West Texas past for future generations.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

In a time when "we sometimes seem to be losing our moral compass," the Haley Library and History Center and similar historical libraries "can serve as a benchmark" of morality and perspective and "a reminder of where we have been and what we have been," Western novelist Elmer Kelton said on Tuesday at the 20th anniversary celebration of the Haley Library.

"Evetts Haley was always aware of that moral com-

pass," Kelton, 70, said of the late cowman-historian, J. Evetts Haley, who established the library in memory of his first wife, Nita Stewart Haley, who died in 1958.

Haley was mindful of "our slow drift away from so many of the character-building aspects of our pioneer heritage," Kelton said.

Haley left a "legacy of knowledge ... and accumulated wisdom of many generations who are gone but can continue to speak to us through the written word."

Kelton, who is author of such celebrated works as "The Time It Never Rained," "The Good Old Boys," and "The Day the Cowboys Quit," noted that the almost 30,000-volume library of rangeland history of the Southwest "preserves much of our West Texas past for future generations."

"That will become more and more important, as each

Please see **HALEY/2A**



Demonstrators calling for a raise in the minimum wage gather on Capitol Hill Tuesday, calling on the Senate to vote in favor of the 90-cent raise.

Senate passes 90-cent jump in minimum wage

■ Lawmakers reject GOP proposal to narrow number eligible for increase.
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate approved a 90-cent increase in the minimum wage Tuesday, raising the prospect of bigger paychecks for more than 10 million Americans. Lawmakers rejected a Republican proposal to narrow the number eligible, culminating months of acrimonious debate.

The 74-24 vote to raise the minimum from the current \$4.25 an hour to \$4.75 initially and to \$5.15 by next July was a victory for Democrats who have sought to make it a central election-year issue.

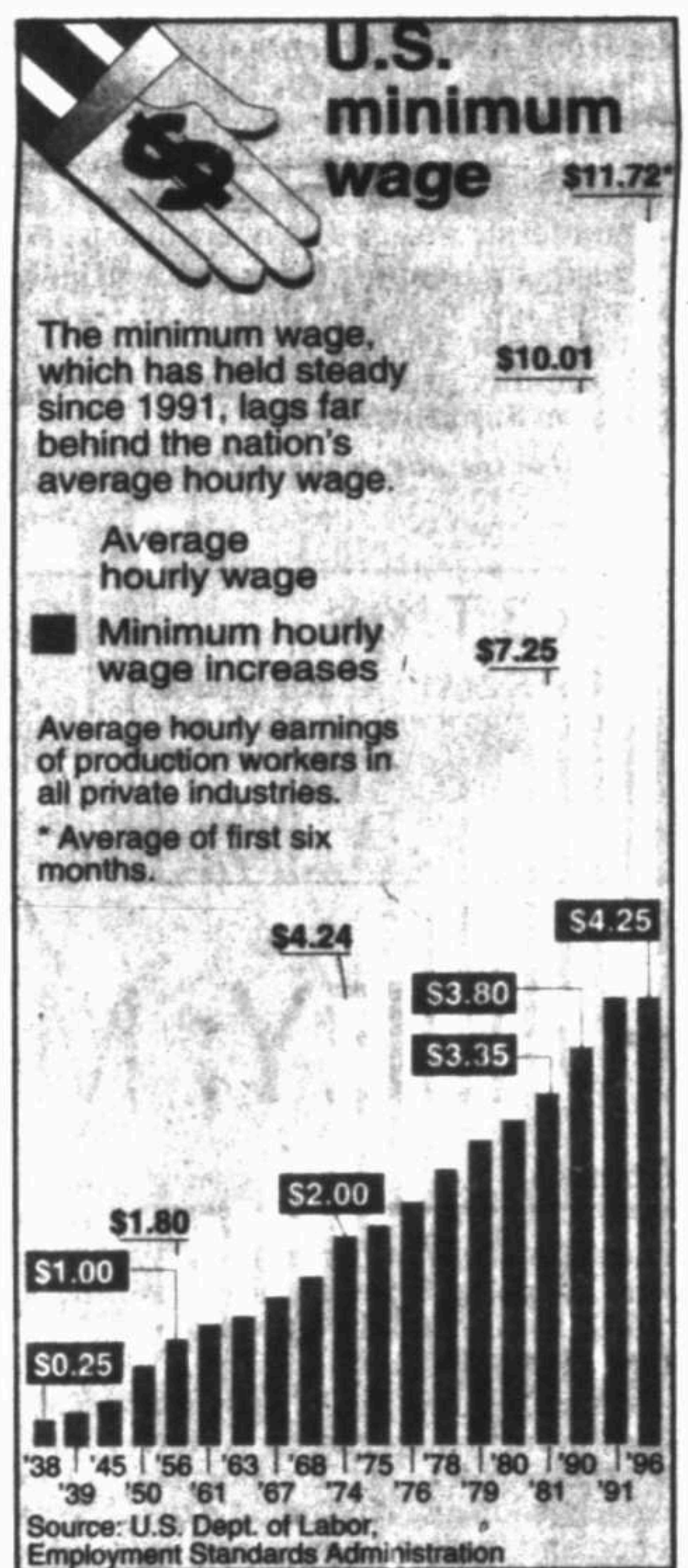
"The invisible Americans who have been left out and left behind were recognized today by the U.S. Senate," said Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., a leading proponent.

The bill was part of a package of tax breaks aimed mainly at business that passed the House by 281-144 in a similar version on May 23. The two chambers still must work out differences in the tax section of the legislation.

Sen. Majority Whip Don Nickles, R-Okla., said he might try to block the House-Senate negotiating conference until Democrats give ground on stalled health care legislation. But Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota said Republicans would obstruct final passage "at their own peril."

Americans overwhelmingly support the increase and Nickles "would be held responsible should he decide to pursue

Please see **JUMP/2A**



Police suspect teens in rash of weekend vehicle vandalism

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

Police are investigating a rash of vandalism to vehicles on the city's west and northwest sides over the weekend.

The individual or groups responsible have no respect for others or their property, police said.

There are no suspects. Over the weekend, 21 reports of vehicle vandalism were made to police; 13 of those occurred late Sunday night or early Monday morning.

The person or persons involved used a baseball bat

or club to break the windows of several vehicles, police said. Other reports of bricks and fireworks being used to break windows or damage vehicles also were made.

Most who were vandalized didn't hear their vehicle windows being broken because of noise made by their home's air conditioners and nobody saw anyone.

One Midlander whose vehicle windows were broken said she heard footsteps Sunday night, but thought it was the neighbors. The resident didn't hear any breaking glass.

Genell Emerson's mother was visiting from Hobbs, N.M., and had parked her car on the curb. She was having engine problems and when her daughter checked

the vehicle Monday morning she found the front and back windshields broken.

While her insurance covered the damage, she said she had to pay a high deductible.

"I'm keeping the car in the garage, but I don't know what I'll do when my daughter gets back and has to park her car," she said.

Police told her that several cases had been reported and that they suspected a group of 12 to 13 year olds.

For Frank Yanacek, putting his van, which had three side windows broken, into the garage is not an option.

Please see **BROKEN/2A**

Hutchison's 'Homemaker IRA' passes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate has breathed new life into an effort to give homemakers the same Individual Retirement Account deductions available to millions in the workplace.

Included in the minimum wage package adopted Tuesday by the Senate was a provision offered by Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, allowing stay-at-home spouses to increase their IRA contributions from the current \$250 annual ceiling to a maximum \$2,000.

Mrs. Hutchison and Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., have been trying unsuccessfully since 1994 to get their "Homemaker IRA" legislation through Congress. It was included last year in a balanced budget bill vetoed by President Clinton.

The two senators contend the current

tax code discriminates against stay-at-home spouses, inhibits savings and doesn't promote the family structure. Nearly 10 million middle-income families are affected by the "blatant discrimination in our tax laws," Mrs. Hutchison said.

The expanded IRA provision isn't included in the House-passed minimum wage bill, meaning that the issue will have to be resolved when House and Senate negotiators meet later to resolve differences in their bills.

Mrs. Hutchison framed her measure as one of fairness for stay-at-home spouses. Dual-income married couples can save a maximum \$4,000 a year in their IRAs, compared to \$2,750 for a married couple with one paycheck.

Please see **PASS/2A**



Bertha

Henry Laws, a construction worker in Amarillo, St. Thomas, walks past the remains of Frank's Bakery Tuesday, which fell on top of a car during Hurricane Bertha. Story 3A

AP Laserphoto

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WEATHER WATCH

Today's high to be in low 90s

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, less than 20 percent chance of rain and a high in the low 90s with southeast winds at 10-15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, 20 percent chance of rain and a low in the low 70s.

Thursday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, 20 percent chance of rain and a high in the mid-90s.

The high for Tuesday was 96, compared to the record high for that date of 103, set in 1964.

Tuesday's low was 76, compared to the record low of 56, set in 1979.

STATE

Isolated but violent thunderstorms pounded parts of North Texas with up to marble-size hail and high winds that damaged roofs Tuesday as a weak cool front moved through the state.

No injuries were reported. But authorities said some buildings in Fort Worth were damaged by winds gusting to at least 70 mph.

The storms broke a heat wave that was blamed for at least nine deaths in North Texas since July 4. The latest victim, a 75-year-old Dallas woman, died Monday of heatstroke in temperatures that soared above 100 degrees.

But readings Tuesday afternoon in North Texas were kept in the mid-70s to mid-90s. Elsewhere, temperatures ranged from the 60s and 70s in the Panhandle to 100 degrees at Laughlin Air Force Base at Del Rio and 102 at Cotulla and Laredo.

The National Weather Service said storms dumped over 2 inches in about 1 1/2 hours in Fort Worth Tuesday afternoon as flash flood and wind advisories were issued.

Elsewhere in the state, winds were easterly to southeasterly at 10 to 20 mph and occasionally gusty.

A flash flood watch was posted for parts of the West Texas plains through today as showers and thunderstorms developed in the Panhandle and elsewhere.

Hail almost 2 inches in diameter broke windows along the Texas-Oklahoma border, with scattered power outages overnight.

A waterspout was reported near Anahuac in Trinity Bay as storms developed north and east of a line from Taylor through Conroe and Orange.

More scattered thunderstorms, some severe, were expected through Thursday as the weak front stalls over Texas. An upper-level low was centered across the Rio Grande valley and southern Edwards Plateau.

Lows were expected to range overnight from 68 to 76, with daytime highs from 84 to 98, except from 100 to 107 along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

NATION

Thunderstorms rolled across the Northeast Tuesday, and knocked out power and flooded streets in Arizona.

A cold front stretched from the Southwest to New York state, bringing cool air — with afternoon highs in the 60s across the northern plains — to areas enduring sticky hot weather.

Dickinson, N.D., had a record-tying low of 41, while south of the front Brownsville, Texas, barely cooled off to an overnight low of 82, tying a record that has stood since 1880.

At the western end of the front, early morning thunderstorms in Arizona flooded streets around Phoenix, and utilities said wind broke power lines and blacked out as many as 16,000 customers. A handful of customers might not get electricity back until today.

Lightning started two house fires in Phoenix, the Fire Department said.

Nearly 2 inches of rain fell near Lake Pleasant, about 25 miles northwest of downtown Phoenix, the National Weather Service said.

Showers also streamed across parts of New Mexico.

During the afternoon, light to moderate rain was scattered along the cold front across the central and southern Plains.

Lines of thunderstorms also rolled along the eastern end of the front during the afternoon, prompting severe thunderstorm watches in southeastern New York, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and northern Delaware.

Thunderstorms and showers also were possible along the Gulf Coast.

Tuesday's temperatures around the Lower 48 states ranged from a morning low of 39 at Williston, N.D., to an early afternoon reading of 96 at Phoenix. The highest heat index, the combination of temperature and humidity, was 108 at Houma, La., and the lowest wind chill was 30 at Sexton Summit, Ore.

Also see our expanded weather coverage and map on page 8B.

Pick 3 Texas

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

0-3-4

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

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JUMP: Senate OKs minimum wage increase

(From 1A)

that course," Daschle said.

President Clinton urged Congress to send him the bill quickly for his signature. "There is no reason that minimum wage workers should have to wait any longer for their raise. This is not a time to nickel and dime our working families."

Vice President Al Gore made a rare appearance in his capacity as president of the Senate to oversee the final vote and stress its importance. "If you are looking for a straw in the wind" to see how political fortunes are blowing this year, "look no further than this vote," he said.

The Clinton administration has campaigned vigorously for the wage increase and has chided Bob Dole, President Clinton's likely opponent in November, for not speaking out in behalf of it. The minimum wage issue bedeviled Dole's final days as Senate majority leader, with Kennedy and other Democrats blocking movement of other bills because of GOP reluctance to take up the minimum wage.

Dole's campaign, in a statement, said he had made clear his support of a raise in the wage and said Clinton had ignored the issue in his first two years and was now "playing maximum politics with minimum wage."

Clinton, while saying the increase was crucial in helping millions of working Americans escape poverty, had promised to veto the bill if it contained an amendment, proposed by Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., to exempt newly hired employees and workers in businesses grossing less than \$500,000 a year.

Bond's measure would have allowed employers to wait six months before meeting the mini-

mum wage. It also would have delayed until Jan. 1 the date for raising the wage to \$4.75 and until Jan. 1, 1998 for instituting the full \$5.15, both six months beyond the House-set dates.

The House bill allows for a 90-day period when teen-agers can be given a "subminimum" or "training" wage of \$4.25. Bond would double that period and make it apply to all new workers.

His amendment was defeated 52-46, with five Republicans joining all 47 Democrats in opposing it. Sen. James Jeffords, R-Vt., who joined GOP Sens. Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado, Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, Alfonse D'Amato of New York and Mark Hatfield of Oregon in voting against it, voiced concern that businesses would fire workers after six months to avoid paying the minimum wage.

The Senate also rejected by 52-46 an amendment by Kennedy that would have reduced the training wage time for teen-agers to 30 days and removed House language capping the hourly wage that must be paid to those receiving tips.

Supporters of the bill argued that the minimum wage has not been raised since 1991 and is nearing a 40-year low in purchasing power. They said the \$8,800 an individual can earn on the minimum wage is slightly more than half the poverty level income for a family of four.

But Republicans said the raise could force small businesses to make large-scale layoffs of low-income workers, adding to the welfare rolls. "There's something worse than low wages and that's no wages," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

Bond accused Democrats of being manipulated by organized labor and said the defeat of his amendment "shows me they don't care about small business in

PASS: Senate approves 'Homemaker IRA'

(From 1A)

"I cannot believe that we are standing here today talking about this issue," she said in a floor speech, rapping the podium for emphasis. "Because if you work outside the home you can set aside \$2,000 a year, which accrues tax-free for your retirement security, but if you are a homemaker working at home, raising your children, contributing to this country and its stability, you are allowed to set aside \$250 a year."

Mrs. Hutchinson found herself in the somewhat unusual position of urging approval of the overall minimum wage bill — and signature by President Clinton — even though she voted against final passage.

She rejected a 90-cent-an-hour increase in the minimum

wage after Republicans were unsuccessful in their attempt to exclude newly hired workers and small business employees from the wage increase.

Currently, tax deductions for annual \$2,000 IRA contributions are limited to people not covered by other retirement plans and whose income doesn't exceed specified limits.

For single taxpayers, a full deduction is available with adjusted gross income of \$25,000 or less; a partial deduction from \$25,000 to \$35,000, and no deduction above that point.

For married couples filing jointly, the full deduction stops at \$40,000, with partial deductions in the \$40,000 to \$50,000 range and nothing at \$50,000 and above.

America.

Immediately after the minimum wage victory, Democrats geared up for another labor fight, over a GOP-backed bill called the "TEAM" act that would make it easier for employers to form groups with workers to discuss such issues as quality control.

Debate began Tuesday on the bill, which labor unions and the administration see as an attempt to break the strength of organized labor.

Today, the Senate will vote to cut off debate and move toward final action on another highly disputed labor bill, a measure introduced by Sen. Lauch Faircloth, R-N.C., to eliminate the rights of states to require nonunion workers covered

by collective bargaining agreements to pay their share of the costs of union representation. Democrats say they have the votes to defeat the cloture vote.

The Senate tax-break package, intended to soften the blow to businesses of the wage raise, is more generous than the House's — roughly \$11 billion over eight years, compared with \$7 billion.

Both bills liberalize equipment writeoffs for small businesses and offer them a new type of simple pension plan. The bills would temporarily reinstate several expired tax breaks, including the exemption for employer-paid tuition.

The bill is H.R. 3448.

Dems pick up wage points but GOP fights on

By Adam Clymer

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — As a matter of pure politics, Republicans in Congress have handled the minimum wage as an exercise in snatching defeat from the jaws of defeat. Or at least snatching prolonged, painful defeat from the jaws of quick, change-the-subject defeat.

Since March, Democrats have marveled at their good fortune as Republicans fought off holding a vote on raising the \$4.25 per hour wage. Democrats thought they would win, sooner or later, because the public overwhelming supports an increase, but they never counted on dominating congressional debate with the issue. House Speaker Newt Gingrich saw that risk, and let the House vote in May; so the Republicans can reclaim the agenda.

But in the Senate, where the leadership was distracted by Bob Dole's farewell tour, the issue languished six more weeks. Tuesday Democrats won, and figured they would have to settle for victory. But conservative Republicans decided to keep the wage issue alive a while longer, saying they would prevent the bill from going to conference or back to the House for a final vote.

Sen. Don Nickles of Oklahoma, the deputy Republican leader, said he would keep the bill tied up until Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., gave ground on a health insurance bill. Gleeeful Democrats applauded the Nickles strategy, saying the longer the wage issue flourishes, the more political hay they make.

The odd thing, even in this presidential year, is that pure politics does not pull all

News analysis

strings. Philosophical views on policy still matter. While plenty of conservative Republican senators from Strom Thurmond of South Carolina to Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania voted to gut the wage bill by reducing its coverage and then "got well" by voting to pass it, two dozen voted against passing it at all.

They argued that raising the minimum wage would hurt small business, cost jobs, and even, in the words of Sen. Hank Brown, R-Colo., cause "a crime problem and a juvenile problem of epic proportions," involving suddenly unemployed teen-agers.

For most lawmakers, politics was at the core of Tuesday's events, even if it was muted on the Senate floor, where Democrats were wary about offending Republican allies they needed to defeat the amendment reducing coverage, but not outside.

A noontime rally on the West steps of the Capitol had sweltering union members chanting "America needs a raise," and Kennedy, the bill's chief sponsor, proclaiming, "You're out Republicans, you're wrong on the minimum wage." He told the union members, "We're going to make sure they are out in November," and they roared.

Secretary of Labor Robert Reich said few issues have so united the Democrats, all 47 of whom voted against reducing coverage and for the bill. Beyond what the bill does "for 10 million working people," he said, this issue "symbolizes whose side Democrats are on and that

this party is fundamentally about hard-working people."

Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, who heads the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, said the issue was helping party candidates in places like Texas and Idaho, two states whose four Republican senators voted against the bill. But he said that while "the good news is we get a lot of votes, the bad news is the Republicans get a lot of money" from the issue.

Just as the issue helps Democrats to reconnect with organized labor, financially and ideologically, it enables Republicans to identify with their small-business base.

Tuesday it enabled one senator in a tough primary, Sheila Frahm of Kansas, to work against the suspicion that she was too moderate to succeed Dole. She voted against the bill, even though her retiring colleague, Sen. Nancy Landon Kassebaum, voted for it after voting to reduce its coverage.

The threat of further delay was raised even before the bill was passed. Emerging from a party luncheon, Nickles told reporters, "My intention is to see that we don't have conferees appointed on the minimum wage bill until after we have conferees appoint 1 to the health bill."

He was referring to the Kennedy-Kassebaum bill, whose central feature would make insurance coverage portable from job to job and curb insurance companies rights to limit coverage of pre-existing conditions. Kennedy has blocked the appointment of conferees after Dole sought to stack them in favor of adding a provision for tax-deductible Medical Savings Accounts, which the Senate had killed.

HALEY: Midlanders celebrate library's 20th anniversary

(From 1A)

generation pulls further away from its pioneer heritage — the traditions that made us what we are as a people."

Kelton saluted books, particularly historical works on America's Old West, which he had researched in drawing on his experience and imagination in writing his novels.

"I have gone to books for background on the Colonial period of Texas, the Revolution against Mexico, the decade of the Republic, and the first years of statehood," Kelton said. "There is, really, no other place to go for that material today."

In particular, Kelton cited Haley's biographical classic, "Charles Goodnight: Cowman and Plainsman," which he consulted "not so much for Goodnight himself as for the times (1836 to 1929) and circumstances in which he lived, the feel of the land and the

environment, his descriptions of the wildlife and the characteristics of open-range country, and the men who worked them.

"It is our very good fortune that farsighted people like Evetts Haley saw fit to preserve these materials for us and for future generations to whom our own times will seem as remote as the Texas Revolution or the Civil War seems to us."

Ernest Angelo Jr., who as Midland's mayor 20 years ago participated in the library's 1976 dedication, lauded The Haley Library and History Center as "one of Midland's greatest sources of pride... a unique establishment the likes of which can't be found."

"What is in this library is nowhere else," Angelo said. "That makes it unique. It is a resource (on America's Western range history) for people from all over the country" and abroad.

Haley, who died last year at age 94, provided the foundation of the

library's collections and developed into a man of utmost "character and integrity," Angelo said.

"This is a national shrine, really. J. Evetts Haley was clearly one of the great historians of Texas and of Western heritage. I think it is unfortunate that the community sometimes doesn't fully appreciate what it has. On the other hand, considering how museums and libraries generally don't get broad support, we are fortunate that this one does have a strong base of support."

Haley's widow, Rosalind Kress Haley, alluded to the library's remarkable collection.

West Texas rancher John

"Rich" Anderson of Gail said Haley was a wonderful man.

"I have read nearly all of his books... gave me a lot of inspiration about how old-timers did and everything."

Anderson, a conservationist who is immediate past president and current chairman of the board of the Ranching Heritage Association at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, said that an accurate perspective on history "gives us a sense of the past, because unless you know where you have been, you don't know where you are going."

Nationally acclaimed Western artist Tom Ryan, whose "The Big

Gather" painting of a roundup on the 6666 Ranch was in the library's opening exhibit in 1977, lauded Kelton and Anderson.

"They are home-grown boys here in Midland," Ryan said. "If you want to talk ranch talk, well, those boys can talk it."

Rancher Evetts Haley Jr., who succeeded his father in running the library and who is chairman of the library's board of trustees, said that "deep in my heart" is the "preservation of the (ranching) heritage" and the "self-sacrifice" that his father had made.

"Dad didn't take a dime's worth of tax deductions for the collections to the institution," Haley said. As

a trust, the library was pledged by Haley "for the benefit of the people of Texas, period, nothing more. He never wanted researchers to have to pay" for using the library.

"And he didn't want any government money," Haley said. "And it has been true 'til today — not local, not state, not federal."

The Haley Library and History Center remains independent.

"And it means a lot to me to preserve the traditions of independence in the preservation of our heritage that he started," said Haley, who noted that he and his family "don't want to do anything that would compromise the independence of this institution."

BROKEN: Police investigate vandalism

(From 1A)

Yanacek, who has been vandalized before, has only a carport.

"The same thing happened about a year ago," Yanacek said. "They ripped the top on our convertible."

Yanacek was told by police that he lives in a usually quiet neighborhood on the city's west side. He lives at the end of a cul-de-sac and when he asked police why his vehicle was vandalized and no one else's was, police told him it was because of where he lived in the cul-de-sac.

"Because I live on the end, police said they drove in and hit my van on the way out," he said.

Yanacek was looking into replacing the windows, but will have to pay out of his own pocket because the van was not insured.

"I even left it unlocked because there was nothing in it to steal," he said.

On another occasion he had cassettes taken from one of his vehicles "in the middle of the day on a Saturday."

When asked if he would take any precautions in the future, Yanacek said, "What? Moving?"

Anyone having information regarding these crimes are asked to call the Midland Police Department at 685-7108.

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Bertha's as it mak

NASSAU, Bah. Swirling its 460-mph winds, Bertha picked up and headed for the ing in its wake uprooted telephone poles and left at least four people dead.

Meteorologists expected to see the U.S. mainland open Atlantic, and n't hit the Bahamas.

But because of its size — 460 mph and its 115-mph winds — the U.S. mainland Weather Service said it probably knocked tropical storm-force winds some of the way off the coast.

"This is a hurricane more like Hugo in 1988," said Jerry Rabinowitz, director of the Center in Miami.

Bertha's winds mph early Tuesday Category 3 storm-force damage.

Hurricane was effect Tuesday for the Caicos Islands, the southeast Bahamas, 250 miles. By 5 p.m. E about 110 miles north of Turks Island, moving at 17 mph.

Bertha brushed Monday, then Caicos Tuesday, harmless rain showers. But three storm-related accidents killed one in the Bahamas.

Coast Guard of Rico were searching for a boat with a man aboard. The boat that it was in the water, said. There was a Tuesday afternoon.

Hours earlier Bertha drenched most of the 700 Bahamas archipelago.

Winds raged up to 110 mph, but I ain't seen yet," retired war correspondent said in a telephone interview from Mayaguana Island.

Gusty breezes further south at base for a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter regiment Monday afternoon. Helicopters were in the air at Guantanamo Base in Cuba.

Further north Bahamas, people

Summer s

CHAMONIX, Five people were killed and one was missing in a sudden summer storm Sunday, with winds gusting to 120 mph.

"We've seen more conditions in police Cmdr. Ra rescue chief but "Most of the major mistakes: weather forecasts."

Authorities ordered the body of a climber who died of a heart attack at the highest mountain peak.

The victim's South Korean, hospital in this mountain town, where hypothermia released their names.

The climbers Mont Blanc du Nord, peak on the north side of the mountain, at 15,781 feet.

They began the but ran into trouble. A rescue team by helicopter found



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Bertha's winds kick up to 115 mph as it makes its way toward Bahamas

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — Swirling its 460-mile-wide mass out of the Caribbean, Hurricane Bertha picked up force Tuesday and headed for the Bahamas, leaving in its wake roofless homes, uprooted telephone poles and at least four people dead.

Meteorologists said the storm was expected to curve away from the U.S. mainland and into the open Atlantic, and probably wouldn't hit the Bahamas directly.

But because of Bertha's tremendous size — 460 miles around — and its 115-mph winds, the National Weather Service in San Juan, Puerto Rico said Bertha would probably knock the islands with tropical storm-force winds, and maybe some of hurricane force.

"This is a huge storm — it's more like Hugo in '89 or Gilbert in '88," said Jerry Jarrell, deputy director of the U.S. Hurricane Center in Miami.

Bertha's winds increased to 115 mph early Tuesday, making it a Category 3 storm capable of extensive damage.

Hurricane warnings were in effect Tuesday for the Turks and Caicos Islands, eastern Cuba and the southeast and central Bahamas, 250 miles east of Florida. By 5 p.m. EDT, Bertha was about 110 miles north-northwest of Turks Island, moving northwest at 17 mph.

Bertha brushed by Puerto Rico Monday, then the Turks and Caicos Tuesday, teasing them with harmless rain showers and gusty winds. But three people died in storm-related accidents in Puerto Rico and one in the Virgin Islands.

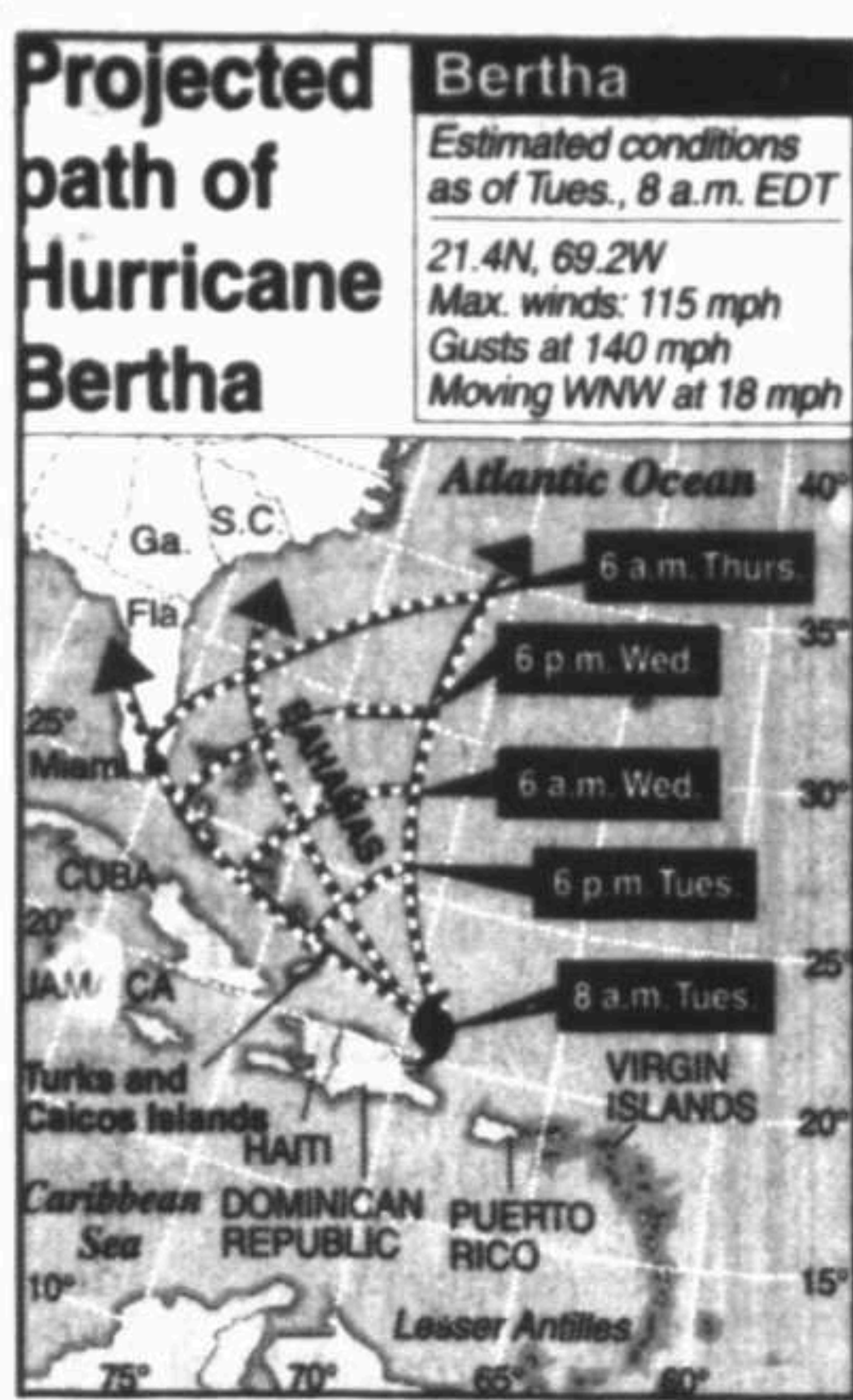
Coast Guard officers in Puerto Rico were searching for a crippled boat with as many as 42 people aboard. The boat radioed Monday that it was in the eye of the hurricane and passengers were jumping into the water, the Coast Guard said. There was no sign of the boat Tuesday afternoon.

Hours earlier than expected, Bertha drenched the southernmost of the 700 islands in the Bahamas archipelago Tuesday afternoon.

Winds racing up to 55 mph nearly doubled over coconut palms, "but I ain't seen none fall down yet," retired waitress Susann Ford said in a telephone call from Mayaguana Island.

Gusty breezes buffeted trees further south at Great Inagua, base for a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter regiment that evacuated on Monday afternoon. The helicopters were flown to Guantanamo Base in Cuba for safety.

Further northwest in the Bahamas, people battened down



their homes, nailing plywood over windows, stocking up on food and water, and packing a change of clothing to take to hurricane shelters.

Tourists unwilling to risk the hurricane headed for the airport, which remained open Tuesday afternoon.

Club Med's Columbus Isle resort on San Salvador Island was evacuating its hundreds of guests, said Marcia Kemp, a spokeswoman for the island's administration.

San Salvador's marina, usually filled with luxury yachts at this time of year, emptied overnight with news of Bertha's path, said Carter Williams, owner of the island's Riding Rock Inn.

Carter said he had not yet decided whether to evacuate his 30 guests. He said most were virtual hostages to the storm since they were scuba divers who needed at least another 24 hours to adjust to pressure changes before flying.

In Bertha's wake, residents of northeastern Caribbean islands took stock of the damage: electricity and telephone poles uprooted or hanging at drunken angles; tree trunks blocking roads; power outages; houses with ripped-off roofs that left belongings at the mercy of torrential storms.

Yet many islanders were relieved that they did not suffer like they did last year in the worst Atlantic storm season in 60 years.

Anna Petersen, 84, surveyed the mud flooding her St. Thomas apartment and tempered her despair with the memory of Hurricane Marilyn's destruction nine months ago.

"The wind came through and took everything," she said. "But it could have been a lot worse."

Summer snow storm kills at least 5 in Alps

CHAMONIX, France (AP) — Five people were reported killed and one was missing Tuesday as a sudden summer storm dumped nearly 28 inches of snow and sent winds gusting to 60 mph in parts of the Alps.

"We've seen near-winter weather conditions in the Alps," said police Cmdr. Raymond Mollaret, a rescue chief based in Grenoble. "Most of the victims made a major mistake: they didn't take weather forecasts into account."

Authorities on Tuesday recovered the body of a South Korean climber who died trying to scale a peak of Mont Blanc, Europe's highest mountain.

The victim's companion, also a South Korean, was airlifted to a hospital in this southeastern mountain town, where he was treated for hypothermia. Police did not release their names.

The climbers ran into trouble on Mont Blanc du Tacul, a 13,937-foot peak on the northern face of Mont Blanc, at 15,781 feet the highest mountain in the Alps.

They began their ascent Sunday but ran into trouble at 12,800 feet. A rescue team searching the area by helicopter found the survivor

Tuesday morning.

Numerous climbers have been killed or seriously injured trying to conquer the craggy, snow-capped peak and others in the Alps.

Authorities recovered the bodies of two other climbers killed Monday in an avalanche at 9,850 feet in the Oisans section of the Alps. Their nationalities were not immediately known.

Also in Oisans, rescuers were searching for a guide reported missing since Sunday in the Sarennes glacier area.

Europe 1 radio reported Tuesday that one of two young Belgians who spent the previous night without equipment — apparently caught off-guard by the storm — had died in a hospital of hypothermia. They were climbing in France's Haute-Savoie region at about 6,900 feet.

In the Hautes Alpes, two Britons hiking in a canyon of the Fournel River were swept up in a flash flood Sunday caused by the storm. One drowned, while the other was rescued injured.

The same storm forced Tour de France organizers Monday to eliminate two mountain climbs on a leg through the Alps.



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Investigators uncover remains at mass grave

CERSKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Forensic scientists unearthed a jumble of reeking bodies in an eastern Bosnian wood Tuesday, confirming the existence of a mass grave and adding evidence against Bosnian Serbs under investigation for war crimes.

Investigators exposed at least 10 bodies, using trowels, brushes, a backhoe and shovels to dig out half of a 30-yard-long, 3-yard-deep gravesite in wooded hills northwest of Srebrenica.

They expect to find more bodies as they excavate the rest of the embankment over the next few days.

At a second suspected massacre site in nearby Kravice, a Finnish forensic team quit work Tuesday after recovering about two dozen bodies, said Andrea Angeli, a representative of the international police task force in Bosnia.

Together, the two sites have provided the largest number of bodies to date of what are believed to be the victims of the worst massacre of the Bosnian war — killings that followed the fall of Srebrenica to Bosnian Serbs one year ago Thursday.

The excavations mark the beginning of a concerted effort by Western authorities to learn the fate of as many as 7,000 Muslims still missing and believed slaughtered.

The clothed corpses stank of death as reporters were given a tour of the grave by William Haglund, a forensic anthropologist on the excavation team.

"Here is one individual, lying on its side," Haglund said, pointing to a skeleton wearing dirt-soiled clothes. It lay atop at least three other corpses, their skeletal limbs tangled together.

There were three or four other clumps of decomposed bodies as well.

Evidence will be used to build a case against suspects indicted by the U.N. war crimes tribunal, including Bosnian Serb military commander Gen. Ratko Mladic and political leader Radovan Karadzic.

"I imagine that there's going to be bodies that are lying on top of each other," Haglund said. "How spread out they are we don't know yet."

Two skulls, one of them smashed, rested on top of the embankment. Red flags marked areas where human remains and other evidence had been found.

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Mladic has been singled out as the man who allegedly orchestrated massacres around Srebrenica, which his tribunal indictment called "the most horrendous, unimaginable war crimes committed in Europe since the end of World War II."

Evidence against Mladic and Karadzic was presented to the tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands, this month; on Thursday, judges are expected to issue international warrants for their arrests.

One witness described how he survived by playing dead under a pile of bodies as Serbs mowed down Srebrenica men. Peering through the bleeding bodies, he said he saw Mladic watching the slaughter.

A penitent Serb soldier testified that he was forced along with others to open fire on as many as 1,200 Muslim men in one day.

The chief investigator for the tribunal, Cees Hindriks, was present

at Cerska on Tuesday. Hindriks said investigators will excavate six to eight suspected mass grave sites this summer, about half of them connected to Srebrenica.

In May, four bodies were found at this site in a remote east Bosnian valley some 20 miles northwest of Srebrenica. The skull of one of those bodies, unearthed by the same investigators during preliminary work, had a bullet hole.

Investigators surmise that Bosnian Serbs lined the Muslims up on a dirt road and opened fire, pushing

ing their bodies over the embankment and covering them with soil from the other side of the track.

"We are carefully removing the soil, and rocks and debris on top of the bodies. As we take it away, we are uncovering parts of remains.... We are trying to determine where whole bodies extend," Haglund said.

Reporters at the site were kept behind concertina wire on the edge of the grave, some 50 to 100 feet from where the team worked.

Haglund said it was important to keep as much of each body together as possible so that investigators will have a better chance of making an identification. Remains that are identified will be returned to families for burial.

"The more complete the body is," he said, "the more complete story that body will tell."

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WASHINGTON — because of fragility, U.S. officials are deferring the terrorist threat of a 25 bombing that could be in Saudi Arabia Secretary of State William Clinton Tuesday.

Senate Armed Services Committee members at the U.S. military academy. They and other military leaders are being aware that had blocked a U.S. wider security could have saved bombing at Dhahran.

Perry said preparations are that the work of sophisticated organized terrorism helped by an international

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Defense secretary: U.S. officials understated threat in Saudi Arabia

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WASHINGTON — In part because of fragmentary intelligence, U.S. officials understated the terrorist threat before the June 25 bombing that killed 19 Americans in Saudi Arabia, Defense Secretary William Perry said Tuesday.

Senate Armed Services Committee members expressed shock at the U.S. military's lack of preparedness. They scolded Perry and other military leaders appearing before them Tuesday for not being aware that Saudi officials had blocked a U.S. request for a wider security perimeter that could have saved many lives in the bombing at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Perry said preliminary assumptions are that the bombing was the work of sophisticated and well-organized terrorists, probably helped by an international terror-

ist group. If their sponsor turns out to be another nation, he said, "We should retaliate."

Perry testified that intelligence preceding the bombing was "fragmentary and inconclusive. It did not provide the user with any specific threat."

"The size of the bomb was unprecedented for any of the (Persian) Gulf states," Gen. J. H. Binford Peay told the committee.

A truck bomb set off last month outside the Khobar Towers military housing high rise on King Abdul Aziz Air Base near Dhahran killed 19 U.S. servicemen and injured about 200 other Americans.

Officials estimate the bomb had the force of 5,000 pounds of dynamite.

That was approximately 10 times the estimated blast of a car bomb that killed five Americans at a Saudi National Guard office in

Riyadh last November.

"It appears that at the upper levels, the Department of Defense and the Joint (military) staff were either unaware or insufficiently attentive in preparing for this most recent attack, despite numerous internal warnings, indications and similar attacks," committee Chairman Strom Thur-

mond, R-S.C., told the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. John Shalikashvili.

Security changes at Dhahran's Khobar Towers because of the Riyadh bombing clearly "did not do enough because 19 Americans are dead," Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., said.

Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev.,

said he found it "somewhat shocking" that military leaders had not made the "fairly elementary" guess that terrorist attackers would work on a bigger bomb.

Retired Gen. Wayne Downing has started an investigation to find out why all the safety recommendations had not been carried out.

"Significantly fewer casualties would have occurred if all the prescribed security measures had been implemented by the time of the attack," Perry said.

President Clinton has repeatedly said he has confidence in Perry, whose resignation had been suggested by Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., the chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.



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Library is keeping traditions alive

Festivities at the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library and J. Evetts Haley History Center on Tuesday marked the institution's 20th anniversary in Midland — and during those years the library has become as much a part of the southwestern landscape as the bronze longhorn and calf that stand outside the facility in mute testimony to our Western traditions.

The library, moved to Midland from Canyon in 1976 when noted historian J. Evetts Haley returned to the community in which he had spent his youth, is renowned as a research facility specializing in the history of the Southwest with particular emphasis on the cowboy and the cattle industry. Its 30,000 volumes and hundreds of rare interviews conducted by Haley with early-day Texans, cattle ranchers, merchants, lawmen and

outlaws annually attract researchers and writers from throughout the nation.

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J.P. "Pat" McDaniel, the library's director of development, has accurately described the library as "a choice cultural asset that might not be in the forefront of the general public, but it is in the forefront as a major cultural asset" that chronicles the development of the American West.

The library's founder, J. Evetts Haley, died last October at the age of 94, but he left a marvelous legacy in the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library and J. Evetts Haley History Center. After 20 years, it continues to retell the story of the cowboy and the West as only Haley could do.

JACK ANDERSON

Mexico unhappy about NAFTA results

GUANAJUATO, Mexico — A century ago, the caretaker of the overcrowded local cemetery dug up a few unclaimed bodies to make room for new ones.

What he found astonished him: Minerals in the soil had mummified the corpses, preserving them in a grotesque leathery skin. The caretaker stored the bodies in a shed, but soon the curious were slipping him money to see them.

Over the years, the shed evolved into the Museum of the Mummies, and to the tourists who came to view the preserved bodies in glass cases, one mummy stood out: that of a young woman who had been buried alive. Her arms and face were forever frozen in the horrific position of someone desperately trying to claw their way out to the air above.

"We have been that mummy," explains a prominent citizen of this mountain city in the heartland of Mexico. "And the earth that was thrown in on top of us was the United States and its horrible NAFTA agreement. Can we make it out alive?"

The individual, who spoke with our associate Dale Van Atta on the condition of anonymity, was trying to illustrate how the North American Free Trade Agreement has been viewed by many Mexican citizens.

Americans are familiar with the various arguments voiced by U.S. opponents of the agreement: The loss of jobs to low-paid workers, environmental degradation and so on. Many assumed that if critics thought it was a bad deal for the United States, it must have been good for Mexico. Not so, say many observers here.

In 1994, the first year of the agreement, Mexico's agriculture trade deficit with the United States climbed to \$1.7 billion — meaning Mexicans were buying \$1.7 billion more in produce from the United States than they were selling north of the border.

"So the first stage of NAFTA was a big defeat for Mexico," lamented Guanajuato Gov. Vicente Fox in an interview. "The jobs that we were supposed to be creating were created in the States, not in Mexico. All of our productive structure went broke, went into bankruptcy, and we lost over a million jobs."

Fox, a fourth-generation rancher in the

region, blamed the loss on former President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, the Harvard-educated politico who championed the pact and now faces financial corruption charges. Fox believes Salinas was too close to the United States and was giving American farmers advantages over his own Mexican farmers.

"We have the productivity, we have the yield, but we didn't have the President (Salinas) associated with the Mexican economy," he continued. "He was associated with the United States, because he studied there. So, we had to face that. Even myself — I had to import vegetables and apples from the States to market them here. I couldn't compete with American prices because of an over-valuation of 35 percent that (Salinas) applied to the produce."

Fox was plying a popular line — a strong strain of suspicion, hostility and fear of the United States that runs through the Mexican psyche. The fact that the U.S. government took almost half of Mexico's sovereign territory in the mid-1800s is surprisingly fresh in the minds of many Mexicans. There is a natural suspicion that American officials would only agree to NAFTA if it benefited America more than Mexico. The results of the first year of the agreement only intensified those feelings.

Last year, however, was a different story.

Mexico went from a \$1.7 billion trade deficit to a \$260 million surplus in farm exports. But rather than cheers, this news was overshadowed by complaints about new safety requirements and restrictions on Mexican trucks coming across the border — provisions that were spelled out in the agreement.

The trucking issue, in particular, was of big concern to environmentalists and safety advocates in the Southwest, who worried about giant, triple-trailer Mexican trucks belching fumes and wreaking havoc on American highways.

Still, even enlightened Mexican officials view some of the rules and restrictions in a conspiratorial light.

"Now that we're winning the battle in the second stage," Fox notes, "now that we're exporting, that we have come closer to a true balance of trade in the second stage — now the U.S. finds new objections to our tomatoes and avocados, for example. It's not fair — it's not fair for the U.S. to always win, win. We have to be partners; we have to win both. Otherwise, NAFTA will never work."

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ANOTHER VIEW

Oklahoma bombing victims have rights we should honor

As if they haven't suffered enough, survivors and families of victims of the Oklahoma City bombing have now been banned from the trial.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ruled that those victims who are scheduled to testify during sentencing — should Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols be found guilty — are "witnesses," and thus cannot watch the trial until after they testify.

Matsch's ruling is a ridiculously loose interpretation of what constitutes a "witness," and is a slap in the face both to the victims and to democracy.

One of the strengths of our system is its openness — we don't conduct trials behind closed doors in this country. That means victims, too, have a basic right to attend a trial as long as they aren't disruptive.

This is not about witnesses having their testimony tainted by hearing evidence before they testify — the victims in question should be allowed to testify as to the bombing's impact on their lives only if the jury is considering the death penalty. Their credibility in relating the pain of losing family members or surviving the bombing is hardly going to be changed by treating them as citizens and letting them watch the trial.

Prosecutors should appeal this ruling, and the appeals court should strike down Matsch's decision and order him to treat crime victims like the citizens they are.

— North County Times
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, July 10, the 192nd day of 1996. There are 174 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 10, 1940, during World War II, the 114-day Battle of Britain began as Nazi forces began attacking southern England by air. By late October, Britain managed to repel the Luftwaffe, which suffered heavy losses.

On this date: In 1832, President Andrew Jackson vetoed legislation to re-charter the Second Bank of the United States.

In 1850, Vice President Millard Fillmore assumed the presidency, following the death of President Taylor.

In 1890, Wyoming became the 44th state.

In 1896, 100 years ago, the Democratic National Convention in Chicago nominated William Jennings Bryan for president on the fifth ballot. (The next day, the convention nominated Arthur Sewall for vice president.)

In 1919, President Wilson personally delivered the Treaty of Versailles to the U.S. Senate, and urged its ratification.

In 1925, the official news agency of the Soviet Union, TASS, was established.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. and British forces invaded Sicily.

In 1951, armistice talks aimed at ending the Korean conflict began

at Kaesong.

In 1962, the Telstar communications satellite was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1973, the Bahamas became independent after three centuries of British colonial rule.

In 1992, a federal judge in Miami sentenced former Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega, convicted of drug and racketeering charges, to 40 years in prison.

Ten years ago: The Federal Reserve Board cut its discount rate from 6.5 to 6 percent, its lowest level since early 1978.

Five years ago: Boris N. Yeltsin took the oath of office as the first elected president of the Russian republic. President Bush lifted economic sanctions against South Africa, citing its "profound transformation" toward racial equality. President Bush announced he was appointing Alan Greenspan to a second term as Federal Reserve chairman.

One year ago: Nobel laureate Aung San Suu Kyi was freed from her almost six-year-long house arrest in Rangoon, Burma. Lawyers for O.J. Simpson opened their defense at his murder trial in Los Angeles. President Clinton embraced mandatory ratings for TV programs and legislation to put parental-control chips in new sets.

Today's Birthdays: ABC News correspondent David Brinkley is 76. Former boxer Jake LaMotta is 75.

JOHN GONZALEZ

Minorities don't expect 'special deal' for school

AUSTIN — Federal courts have told me, as a Hispanic parent, that I can't expect my kids to be admitted into any public universities in Texas just because of their surname.

Actually, I've got news for those judges, and for anyone who thinks that Hispanics rely on and cherish that surname advantage. Proud as we may be of our heritage, acceptance anywhere based solely on our surname is not a goal, at least in my family.

And if I know my kids, they're not counting on any such breaks. If they work hard in school for several more years, they'll walk through the colleges' front doors just like everybody else.

I'm not saying that the "playing field" is level. History undoubtedly has placed some minorities at a disadvantage. But public opinion and the courts have turned against programs that tilt the field, so it's time to move on. It's also time to admit that the imbalance often begins in the neighborhood school, and that it's there that we can begin to understand the inequities.

Public schools are much more than institutions of learning. They're competitive caldrons where kids fight tooth and nail for grades, leadership roles, team positions and class rankings.

They take meticulous notes on who gets what. Any unfairness is duly noted, and indeed, there are many inexplicable occurrences. Most of

them arise from subjective faculty judgments, such as who should get the lead role in the class play, whose essay was best, who will lead the band, whose science experiment was best, and so on. Hearts are broken on daily.

The theory that "life is unfair" has been proven to many students, but many others are not yet convinced. Perhaps rightly so. Unfairness sometimes is actually fraud and incompetence in disguise.

Yet it's painful to see student rivalries turn so ugly so often. Take, for example, the rash of lawsuits over valedictorian status filed by salutatorians who lost out by margins such as .005 on their grade-point averages. And any teacher can tell you how many "concerned parents" they've heard from who questioned judgments and took their complaints to principals, school boards or even the courthouse.

Therefore, regardless of blood line, any college-bound kid who keeps his or her eyes open has a good notion about the rigors of scholastic competition. They know it's tough going, that no one should expect favors, and that even counting on fairness is a bit of a gamble.

So why, then, would anyone assume that when it comes time for college or law school, the minorities in the crowd are expecting a special deal?

Any rounded education includes dialogue about the bad old days of blatant academic discrimination and racism, along with discussions

about lingering inequities. What is fading, or merely tuned out, is the clamor for reverse discrimination to even the score.

There are still plenty of voices calling for "affirmative action," but many now rally around other banners and advocate new strategies to rectify inequities. These activists talk about "ensuring diversity," "guaranteeing opportunity" and "promoting a multicultural environment" on Texas campuses — all commendable goals.

The immediate quandary is that the U.S. Supreme Court said it's wrong to slight anyone en route to those goals.

As Texas Attorney General Dan Morales put it: "Striving to obtain these worthy objectives does not grant license to violate either the U.S. Constitution or fundamental notions of basic fairness. Constitutionality aside, it is simply wrong to give one applicant an automatic advantage over another applicant based solely upon the color of one's skin. It was wrong 50 years ago and it's wrong today."

So the future is already here. As another term of school approaches, it's time to take the remote controls out of our kids' hands and replace them with books from their dusty summer reading lists.

John Gonzalez is chief of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram's Austin bureau.

ART BUCHWALD

Dole's stand on tobacco raises some questions

One of the reasons that we have presidential campaigns is to see how the candidates act under pressure. A good example of this is the way in which Bob Dole is handling the tobacco issue. Despite overwhelming scientific evidence to the contrary, Dole is sticking to the political philosophy that nicotine is not addictive, although for some it might be habit-forming.

The Dole position is that many things in our daily lives are bad for some people but OK for others. In other words, anything you put in your mouth is a crapshoot. He cited milk as an example. "A lot of things aren't good. Drinking's not good. Some would say that milk is not good."

At the same time Dole doesn't want the federal government passing laws preventing people from smearing milk all over their lips if

they want to.

Many voters are concerned that, if elected, Dole may carry his laissez-faire attitude to every issue he is presented with.

"President Dole, how do you feel about nuclear waste?"

"Well, we know nuclear waste is not good for children. At the same time, I don't think that Washington should tell people whether they can have nuclear waste in their bathtubs or not."

"What should people do if they don't like it?"

"Just say 'no' to nuclear waste. Nobody is forcing people to bathe in it if they don't want to."

"President Dole, do you think that Bosnia is addictive?"

"Let's just say it's a habit. I personally don't believe that we should stop what we're doing in Bosnia, but there are other people who think we should."

"So what is the answer?"

"Leave Bosnia to the states. They know more about the Serbs and Croats than we do."

"President Dole, do you think that our airlines are safe?"

"Some are, some aren't. You don't want to throw out the baby with the bathwater. I am not

as concerned about whether the planes are safe or not, but rather whether they should allow smoking on them again."

"Are you bringing back smoking on planes because you consider it healthy?"

"I say that if we are going to ban smoking on airlines, then we also ban coffee in Starbucks. My staff tell me that more people have problems from drinking cappuccino than from puffing on a Virginia Slim."

"How do you feel about guns, Mr. President? Do you believe that they are addictive?"

"Most people would say that they aren't. Handguns kill some people but they don't kill others. Why should we penalize those who own handguns and don't want to kill anyone just because there are others who will shoot a person to settle an argument?"

"What would you say to possession of semi-automatic weapons by pregnant women?"

"I don't believe that pregnant women should carry loaded weapons. At the same time many pregnant women are good shots, and owning a gun is a great way to pass the time."

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Former Governor Lamm to seek Reform Party presidential nomination

DENVER (AP) — With just \$6,000 and a "hard-choices" slogan, former Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm on Tuesday began a drive for the presidential nomination of Ross Perot's fledgling Reform Party.

The lifelong Democrat framed his uphill campaign as an outsider's wake-up call to the nation, declaring, "I begin this campaign with only one promise, and that's to present the truth and, in some cases, the hard truth, and to trust you to make the right choices."

His decision was sure to muddy the race between President Clinton and Republican Bob Dole, and it threatened a showdown with Perot himself, who has left his candidacy for the Reform Party nomination an open question.

At a packed news conference on the University of Denver campus where he teaches a course dubbed "Hard Choices," Lamm said he

would campaign on a platform of restoring fiscal sanity to Washington by drastically curbing popular entitlement programs such as Medicare and Social Security.

"America has to ask itself not what it wants, but what it can afford ... The New Deal, in my mind, has become a raw deal for my children," Lamm said. He faulted Democrats and Republicans alike for what he said were cowardly decisions to paper over the nation's problem and leave the bills to future generations.

"If Dick Lamm getting into this race focuses the debate on the important issues facing Americans then we welcome it," said Clinton-Gore spokesman Joe Lockhart. He dismissed any suggestion the campaign was worried Lamm would siphon Democratic votes from Clinton.

Dole spokesman Nelson Warfield's take was that "if two

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Democrats are in the race, it's probably going to help the one Republican."

Republican pollster Linda DiVall said it was too early to tell, given Lamm's minuscule national profile. She predicted that as Lamm gains exposure, his "gruff, candid, straightforward approach is one that voters will embrace."

It's his message — bent on tipping sacred cows — that could trip him, DiVall said.

Lamm called it "a no-B.S. agenda." Lamm, who left the Colorado Statehouse in 1986 after three terms, wants to gradually privatize Social Security, raise the retirement age to 70 and reduce annual cost-of-living adjustments. He would deny both Social Security

and Medicare benefits to wealthy retirees. He would also reduce veterans' benefits and military pensions.

The country, he said, "just doesn't need a new president. It needs a whole decade of reform and renewal."

As Lamm became the first official candidate for the Reform nomination, the looming question was whether Perot himself would seek to carry the banner of the party he has spent millions to build over the past year.

Perot has said he will run if nominated at the party's Aug. 11 convention, but it remains unclear if he will actively seek the nomination.

Lamm said he'd spoken with the billionaire Texan on Monday night

but still had no inkling of his intention. "He's a good poker player. Hell, he's free to run," said Lamm, adding he would stay in the nominating race even under a Perot challenge.

Lamm, whose infant campaign is so far a family-run operation, joked about having just \$6,000 in the bank and promised an "unorthodox, grassroots campaign" without high-paid consultants or pollsters. He urged supporters to make handmade signs and organize their neighbors.

"I have this belief we can create spontaneous combustion," he said.

As of Tuesday afternoon, his toll-free fund-raising hotline was not yet running, and his downtown Denver headquarters was still taking shape.

But the candidate wasn't waiting around. He planned an early-morning trip Wednesday to court Reform activists in northern Cal-

ifornia, before moving on to Minnesota.

A key question is whether Lamm, if nominated, would be entitled to the \$32 million in federal funds that Perot is eligible for based on his showing in the 1992 campaign. The Federal Election Commission has not ruled on whether another Reform Party nominee would qualify, but commissioners have indicated it's unlikely.

As if Lamm's climb weren't steep enough, there is a lawsuit.

In Colorado, as in several other states, candidates must be registered as independents for at least a year before running as independents. Lamm, a Democrat with no plans to change his registration, must run as an independent in states where the Reform Party is not yet recognized. He said Tuesday that he'll file suit to challenge the ballot-access laws.

AT&T sending unsolicited credit cards to prospects

NEW YORK (AP) — Don't toss that next piece of pitch-mail you get from AT&T, or you could wind up in possession of a credit card you neither asked for nor wanted.

AT&T has been sending letters since April to some of its calling-card holders alerting them they'll soon be receiving an AT&T Universal MasterCard — unless they call the company to say they don't want it.

A consumer advocacy group says the solicitation, while legal, forces consumers to take action to avert receipt of a card they never requested and to pay close attention to mail they might normally toss unopened.

"There's nothing wrong with AT&T trying to get new business with new (credit card) customers," said Ruth Susswein, executive director of Bankcard Holders of America. "It's the way they're going about soliciting that's the problem."

The solicitation is targeted at a select group of customers who already have one of AT&T's 8 million calling cards and have had their credit ratings screened, he said.

"We check their credit bureau reports to make sure they're people we'd solicit anyway" for AT&T Visa or Mastercards, Montagna said. "It's not a massive thing."

Those who pass muster will first receive letters telling them they will be sent a credit card unless they call a toll-free number to say they don't want the card.

A lack of response will be interpreted as an affirmative by AT&T, which will then mail the card. As with most other credit cards sent in the mail, the card will be inactive until the customer calls a toll-free number to activate it.

But Susswein worries about cards stolen from the mail, or from trash cans where they've been thrown in unopened envelopes by heedless recipients who never knew a card was on its way.

With enough information about the consumer, a thief could get the card activated "and charge up a

storm" on a card the consumer never knew was missing, Susswein said.

Montagna said AT&T had security procedures he could not discuss to protect customers against credit card fraud. And, he noted, a customer is only responsible by law for the first \$50 of charges on a stolen card.

"Any fraud would be something we'd have to bear," he said.

Susswein, however, said stolen credit cards can be expensive headaches for victims hounded by collection agencies to pay up or explain away fraudulent charges.

AT&T's design of the solicitation is legal, Susswein said, because the company is simply expanding on an existing relationship with its

customers.

"But they're right at the limit of the law," Susswein said.

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Dole retreats from weapon pledge

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole retreated Tuesday from his earlier pledge to seek repeal of a 1994 ban on assault weapons, saying the law had lost its teeth anyway. "Let's be realistic," he said.

Instead, Dole renewed his call for nationwide instant computer checks on the background of all gun purchasers.

"As we've seen right here in Virginia, what works is an instant check on handguns, shotguns, rifles — all guns, period," Dole said.

He spoke at the Virginia State Police Academy, where he watched as an officer processed gun-sales requests at a computer terminal, a process that took about a minute for an approval.

It was the latest installment as Dole and President Clinton continue their election-year emphasis on crime-fighting.

Dole's turnabout on the assault weapons ban came a day after Clinton announced a program to trace guns confiscated from teen-

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agers back to their original sellers. Dole portrayed Clinton's announcement as a warmed-over version of something the Clinton administration had initially proposed in 1993.

"There's nothing wrong with that idea," he said. "But I believe the issue isn't just tracking down guns in the hands of violent youth. The real issue is keeping guns out of their hands in the first place."

Dole in March 1995 vowed to make repealing the assault-weapons law a top legislative priority, telling the National Rifle Association in a letter that he viewed the legislation as "ill-conceived."

However, Dole as Senate majority leader never scheduled a vote on the repeal measure. And he has seldom mentioned the issue during his presidential campaign.

Now, seeking to widen his polit-

ical support for the general election battle against Clinton, Dole formally turned his back on the repeal effort.

"Let's be realistic," Dole said. "Of the 17 weapons that were specifically outlawed, 11 are already back on the market in some other form. We've moved beyond the debate over banning assault weapons."

President Clinton said he was baffled by Dole's remarks, saying, "I'm not entirely sure what he meant."

"My position is clear," Clinton said at an afternoon news conference. "I fought for and passed the Brady bill, the assault weapons ban, the 100,000 police. If he now believes that we were right on that, then I applaud that."

He was traveling later Monday to Philadelphia to attend baseball's All Star Game.

Whitewater prosecution rests

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — The prosecution rested in the Whitewater trial of two Arkansas bankers Tuesday in a case focusing on Bill Clinton's 1990 campaign for governor.

Chief prosecutor W. Hickman Ewing Jr. wrapped up the government's case after calling 20 witnesses in 11 days of testimony.

Although bankers Herby Branscum Jr. and Robert M. Hill are the defendants, much of the testimony concerned Clinton and top White House aide Bruce Lindsey.

Defense lawyers complained frequently that the prosecutors, working for Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, were trying to put Clinton's 1990 gubernatorial campaign on trial.

The president, whose defense testimony was videotaped Sunday but yet to be played for the jury, is not charged in the 11-count indictment.

Defense lawyers have said Lindsey is an unindicted co-conspirator, while the government — without using that term — contended he participated in a conspiracy to hide campaign cash withdrawals from the Internal Revenue Service. Lindsey was Clinton's campaign treasurer.

Branscum attorney Dan Guthrie, whose case will begin Wednesday, said Tuesday he did not expect to play Clinton's testimony or call Lindsey to the stand this week. Jurors would likely see an edited version of Clinton's 2½-hour taping, his second in a Whitewater-related trial.

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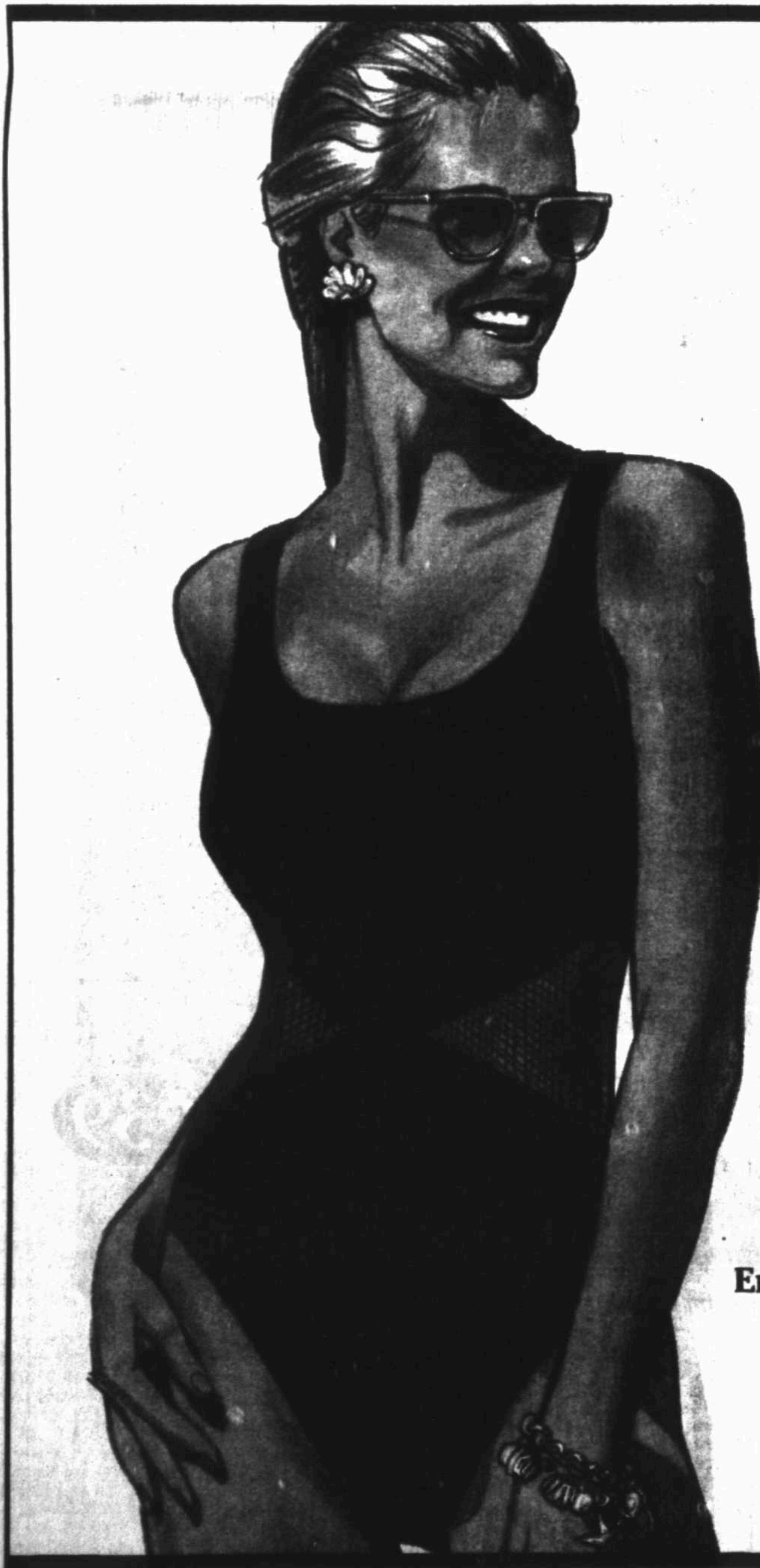
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BASIN BRIEFING

Summer session

ODESSA — Registration for Odessa College's Summer Session II is set for 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. today. Late registration is set for Thursday and Monday. Students may register on the second floor of the Student Union Building. All students must provide documentation of Texas residency for the 12 months prior to enrollment to avoid paying the non-resident tuition rate. All transfer students must furnish an official transcript and TASP scores. Second summer session classes are conducted July 11-Aug. 16. For more information call (915) 335-6400.

Tae Kwon-Do

ODESSA — The A.B.L.E. center is sponsoring a program presented by Nunez's Tae Kwon-Do as a hands-on instruction in self-defense tactics for individuals with disabilities from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Comanche Trails Park, off Interstate 20 next to the pond. A cookout is planned. All interested persons are invited to attend. For more information, call 915-580-3439.

Street closed

The intersection of Garfield Street and Loop 250 will be closed during the day beginning today for construction work. "Construction workers will start placing bridge beams for the main lanes at the overpass... expect to continue working through Friday," said Mike Chetty, the Texas Department of Transportation engineer in charge of the project. During the work traffic will be detoured; the intersection will be open at the end of each work day.

Oliver in Odessa

ODESSA — "Oliver" opens Thursday at Permian Playhouse. The musical will be onstage Thursday through Saturday and July 18-20 at 8 p.m. and Sunday and July 21 at 2:30 p.m. The production is being presented by the Playhouse and the Globe of the Great Southwest. For reservations call the Playhouse box office, 1-915-362-2329, between noon and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 580-2400, Category 7100.
Permian Basin Small Business Association, 7 a.m., 405 N. Marlenfeld, third floor conference room.
Gamblers Anonymous, 4801 Neely Ave., Room 6, 7:30 p.m., 24-hour hotline, 587-7916.
Midland Articulators Chapter of International Training in Communication, 4400 N. Big Spring St., 689-7875 or 682-8820.
Singles Group, First United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m., parlor.
ARCO Articulators, 11:30 a.m., ARCO Building, 688-5760.
Uptown Chapter of Business & Professional Women, luncheon program, Petroleum Club, Lynne Clark, 682-0291.
Tall City Toastmasters Club, 11:30 a.m., Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-3193 (Bob Cloughesey).
Company D, 403rd MP BN, Company D, Texas State Guard 7:30 p.m., Texas National Guard Armory.
Midland Apartment Association, board of directors, noon, Clusters Club room.
Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G. St., 570-8612.
Midland Quilters Guild, 1 p.m., Golf Course Road Church of Christ, Room 100, 694-2804.
Midland Health & Welfare Association, noon, Salvation Army, 300 S. Baird St.
Downtown Lions Club, noon, club activity building, 200 Plaza St.
Midland Country Club Women's Golf Association, 9 a.m.
West Side Optimist Club, noon, Granada Club, Wall Street.

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City plans downtown revitalization

Government and business to raise money for improvement

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

A plan to revitalize downtown — which includes creation of a non-profit corporation to assist in the effort — was unveiled Tuesday before the City Council and Chamber of Commerce board. "We think this is very solid start for the next year," City Manager Mike McGregor said after outlining the proposal. Plans call for the downtown district — bounded north-south by Cuthbert and Florida avenues and east-west by Lameza Road and A Street — to be revitalized with the assistance of a city-sponsored downtown corporation.

Using \$50,000 — divided evenly between city and private money — the non-profit corporation will be created in September and an executive director secured in November.

The efforts of the corporation will be sustained by dues — such as \$500 to \$1,000 annually — from voluntary business members in the downtown district. "The challenge is to get membership in the corporation," McGregor said.

Downtown revitalization would also be funded with a tax increment and abatement policy implemented early next year. Tax dollars collected on downtown property above existing amounts — as property values increase from revital-

ization — would be earmarked for downtown.

Council member Jose Cuevas pointed out the need to have other taxing entities — especially the school district — donate those extra tax dollars to the downtown project. All taxing entities should be involved due to the benefit to the community and the increased tax base that results from revitalization, he said.

Initial setup of the corporation would also include development of a newsletter and market research to determine the needs and wants of downtown tenants.

For example, a survey of NationsBank building tenants revealed that moving the Farmers Market — from east of down-

town — to downtown would be welcome. Additional surveys would determine the need or want for medical clinics, drug stores, clothing stores, gift shops, apartments and other businesses downtown.

In conjunction with creating the corporation, other efforts to revive downtown are scheduled.

The city plans to make parking meters coinless on Colorado Avenue on a test basis this fall and possibly demolishing up to three dilapidated buildings next year.

The downtown corporation, city, chamber and private sector would work

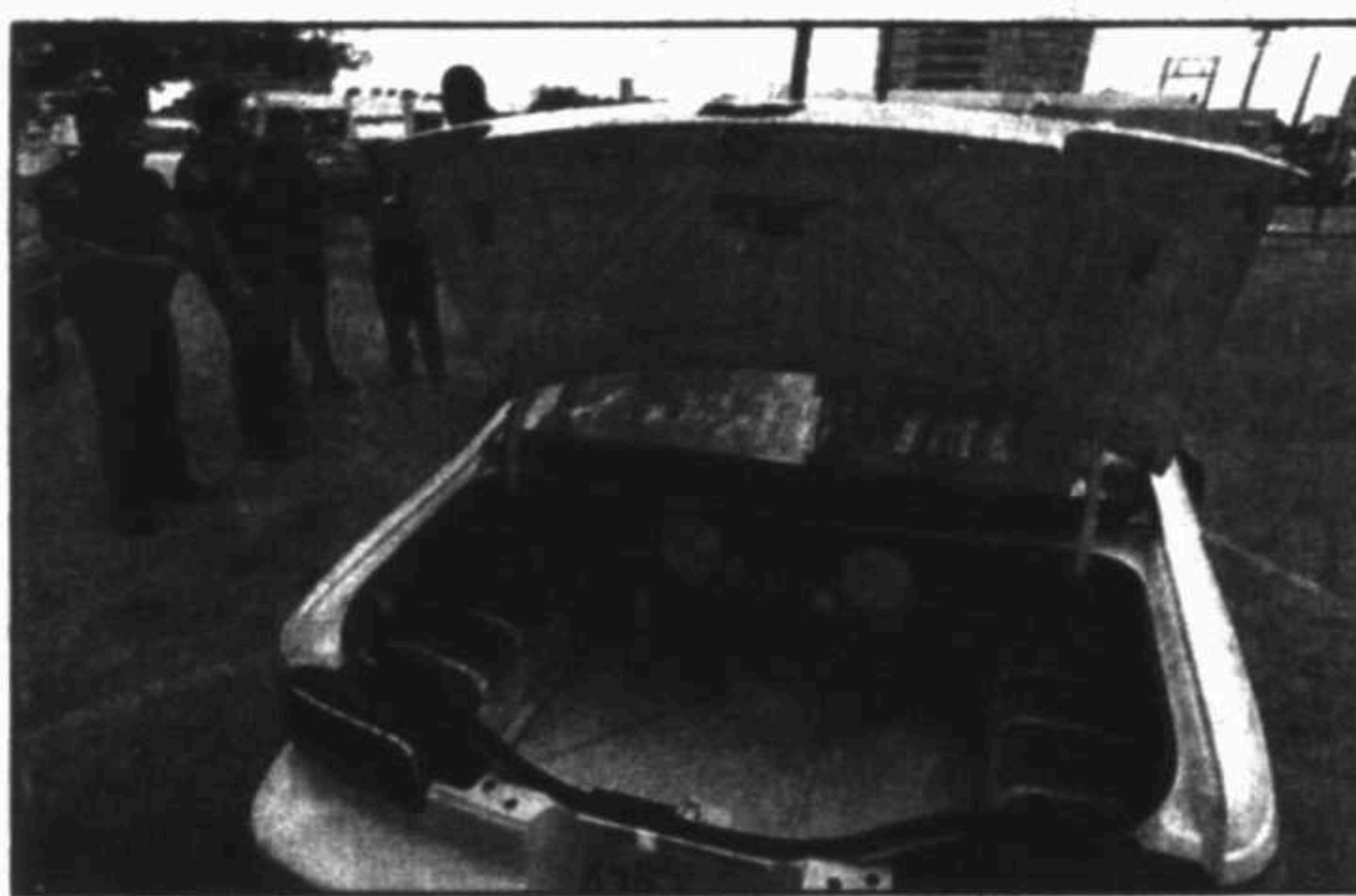
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LOW PATROL Debut

Above, Midland Police Officer Chuck Sims, using a wrecked police car and help from the community, built a lowrider in order to reach out to gang members. The car was unveiled Tuesday for city officials. At right, the Police Department's lowrider comes complete with hydraulics and lots of batteries.

Photos by Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram



Sheriff dismisses jailer arrested for drunken driving

■ Rubio is second jailer to be fired in month.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Ector County officials are awaiting paperwork from the Texas Department of Public Safety before determining if a Midland County Central Detention Facility worker will be prosecuted for alleged drunken driving.

Pablo A. Rubio III, 28, a jailer with the Midland County Sheriff's Department, has been fired following a July 4 arrest on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Although Rubio has not been convicted on the DWI charge, he has been terminated from his employment as a jailer, according to Midland Sheriff Gary Painter.

Ector County Attorney Tracey Bright could not say for certain that the former jailer would be prosecuted, since she had not yet received the case from DPS troopers who arrested Rubio for allegedly driving the wrong direction on Loop 338 in Ector County.

Rubio is reported to have refused breath or blood tests for alcohol and, under state law, faces a 90-day driver's license suspension for that refusal.

Painter said Rubio was not fired just for the arrest, but rather for a history of problems during his tenure with the department.

"He's had prior incidents... it's a situation where he had been warned, he had been counseled..." Painter said.

Rubio knew that his behavior "was not to be tolerated any further," Painter said.

Rubio is the second jailer within a month to be fired from the department. David Earl Babcock, 44, was fired for allegedly hitting his daughter in the face in his front yard, prompting neighbors to call the police.

Although Babcock has not been convicted of assault charges, he was fired in late June because of the charges and evidence against him and the close

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West of the Pecos Museum to honor mythical Texas folk hero

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

PECOS — On the heels of a rodeo — which dates back to America's romanticized Old West — Pecos citizens are shaking out the welcome mat and setting it back out for fans of the legendary cowpuncher, Pecos Bill.

The West of the Pecos Museum, located about 100 miles west of Midland on U.S. Highway 285, will host "Pecos Bill Day" on Friday to honor the folk hero that legend claims was raised by coyotes.

A prototype model of the city's commissioned 25-foot Pecos Bill statue, along with a new postage stamp depicting the western folk hero, will be unveiled at 9:15

a.m. National children's book author, Steven Kellogg, will autograph copies of his books on the folk hero from 2-4 p.m.

According to folk tales, a young Pecos Bill fell out of a wagon train into the Pecos River, where a coyote rescued him. Tall tales feature Pecos Bill squeezing the poison from a rattlesnake and using the snake for a lasso, riding a mountain lion bareback, drinking boiling coffee and wiping his mouth with a cactus, and riding the back of a tornado.

In the Kipling Press Library of American Folktales, author Patrick McGrath wrote, "Even as a little fellow, Bill was considerable strong, for he took after his mama, who'd once kilt forty-five buffalo, usin' just a broom handle."

James Cloyd Bowman, author of the book "Pecos Bill," described the legendary figure as "a gentleman at heart, who directs his course by the common sense and homely virtues of the frontier. He represents the best and most characteristic broad humor of America."

Sandra Dolby Stahl, associate professor of Folklore and American Studies at Indiana University, said — in the book "Pecos Bill" by McGrath — "So, what does Pecos Bill tell us about America? He tells us that we are a nation of fearless and resourceful people who are always ready to tame the wilderness."

It seems only fitting that the site of the first rodeo would take on the task of honoring a folk hero, also the town's name-

sake. Pecos, the county seat for Reeves County, has a population of about 12,000. It is located 100 miles west of Midland. The city recently had its annual West of the Pecos Rodeo July 1-4.

Marilyn Oden, with the museum, said Friday's events will include a mayoral proclamation. The West of the Pecos Museum will be open from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday.

Ms. Oden said Kellogg of Connecticut, who has six children and raises Great Danes, "is well known by area teachers for his imaginative children's books."

For more information on Pecos Bill Day call the West of the Pecos Museum at (915) 445-5076.

Republican congressional candidate critical of Stenholm's record, tactics

By Tonie Miller-Uzzell
Staff Writer

A Republican challenger for the 17th U.S. Congressional District seat campaigned locally Tuesday touting the need for a balanced federal budget without tax increases.

Rudy Izzard of San Angelo also criticized Democratic incumbent Charlie Stenholm's campaign tactics and budgetary skills.

"This is a major difference between myself and my opponent. I believe we should balance the federal budget by responsibly reducing federal spending and changing the way government does business. My opponent's answer to the federal deficit is to raise taxes as well as cut important programs like defense and Social Security," Izzard said.

"I believe to reconcile the federal deficit we should begin by cutting congressional pensions. Among other proposals I favor are consolidating and block-granting welfare programs. Congress could also reduce or eliminate completely the departments of Energy and Education. Serious review of other enti-

tlement programs should also occur," Izzard said.

The candidate is a city councilman and former mayor pro-tem for the city of San Angelo. He is married and has two children.

Izzard is a dentist with a private practice in Ballinger and has served with a number of volunteer agencies.

He is also a cattle rancher and runs a cow-calf operation in Tom Green County.

Izzard said he wants to challenge Stenholm to a series of six debates.

Stenholm's press secretary, John Haugen, said the congressman will not campaign until Congress adjourns in October.

Stenholm campaign manager Russell Middleton said that he thinks the congressman would participate in debates and political forums, but not until adjournment.

"He generally works to accomplish more in Congress and will then campaign in the fall. He is proud of his legislative record and proud to run on his record," Haugen said.

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Parker Place ceremony

Participants at Tuesday's groundbreaking examined plans for Parker Place, a planned apartment complex for low-income elderly Midlanders. The 41-unit complex will be located at 508 E. Parker St.

Brian Adamec/Reporter-Telegram

POLICE REPORTS

Firefighters arrested

Two Midland firefighters were arrested Saturday night after a fight at the Yucca Theatre.

Two off-duty Midland police officers were providing security for "Summer Mommies" when they noticed a disturbance involving two firefighters, police reported.

Police said the officers confronted the two men and told them to leave. Stephen Carl McAdams, 25, who police said was intoxicated, refused and pushed another individual.

McAdams was with James Semore Martin, 33, who threatened the individual in the presence of the police officers.

Both men were arrested and taken to Midland County Detention Center.

McAdams was charged with assault, public intoxication and resisting arrest and was released Sunday on \$820 bond. Martin was charged with assault by threat and released Sunday on \$300 bond.

Neither the officers, nor the individual were injured, police said.

Midland Fire Chief James Roberts said he had no comment on the incident and would not say if any disciplinary action would be taken. Midland Mayor, Bobby Burns, was unavailable for comment.

In the past two weeks, two other Midland public servants have been arrested and charged by police. On June 27, David E. Babcock, 44, a jailer at Midland County Detention Center was arrested and charged with assault of a family member and on July 4, Pablo A. Rubio III, 28, another jailer at Midland County Detention Center, was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated. Both have been

fired by Sheriff Gary Painter.

Midland Police Department Monday

Robbery: A man reported that two people took his wallet at Lamesa Road and Front Avenue. One of the people is described as a black woman, 18-20 years old, 5 foot, 4 inches, 110 pounds and was last seen wearing a polka-dot dress. The other person is described as a black man with curly, shoulder-length hair and wearing a blue or black shirt and jeans. They were reported to be armed with a knife. It was reported at 10:20 p.m.

Tuesday

Burglary of a residence: Two VCRs and jewelry were taken at 4325 Storey Ave., reported Adella Holguin at 12:03 a.m.

Vandalism: Windows of a vehicle were reported broken at 1505 Community Lane at 5:26 a.m.

Burglary of a vehicle: An AM/FM stereo was taken at 509 S. Carver St., reported Morris Lynn Conner at 6:37 a.m.

Burglary of a residence: Tools were taken at 5613 Greenridge Drive, reported Duane Poitevin at 10:53 a.m.

Theft: A pistol was taken at 3200 N. Big Spring St., reported Doc Holliday's Alamo Pawn Shop at 11:47 a.m.

Vandalism: A vehicle was damaged by fireworks at 1504 W. Kentucky Ave., reported Nancy Plunk at 12:17 p.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office Monday

Theft: A long distance calling card was taken at 5311 E. Interstate 20, reported Reba Beam at 10:17 a.m.

Burglary: A report was made at 1402 S. County Road 1140, reported Eddie Olgin at 12:32 p.m.

Assault: Police were called to 1014 W. County Road by India Highpine at 7:59 p.m. about a dispute over a stolen purse.

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

DEATHS

Melvin Ellis

Memorial services for Melvin Edwin "Pete" Ellis, 65, are to be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 11, at



Ellis

Midland Lutheran Church with the Rev. Glenn Kramer officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Ellis died Monday, July 8, at a local hospital.

He was born April 11, 1931, in Westbrook, where he was raised and educated.

He attended Tarleton State University.

He married Beulah Fern Coker on Aug. 6, 1950, in Colorado City. He worked for Reese Air Force Base, Shell Oil Co. and New York Life Insurance Co. He retired in the late 1980s.

He was a member of Midland Lutheran Church and was active with the Boy Scouts Executive Council, American Legion, Order of Eagles and Midland Association of Retarded Citizens.

Survivors include his wife of Midland; two sons, John Ellis and Matt Ellis, both of Midland; a sister, Pat Donnell (no hometown); two granddaughters and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials can be made to the American Lung Association, P.O. Box 26460, Austin 78755.

Jean Keisling

LUBBOCK — Funeral Mass for former Midlander Jean Keisling, 64, is to be 10 a.m. Thursday, July 11, at Christ the King Cathedral in Lubbock with Monsignor James A. Comiskey and the Rev. Ron Krimman officiating. Burial will be 3 p.m. Thursday, July 11, at St.

Joseph's Cemetery in Stanton under the direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home in Lubbock. Rosary will be recited at 5:30 p.m. today, July 10, at the funeral home. Visitation will follow the rosary.

Ms. Keisling died Tuesday, July 9, at a Lubbock hospital.

She was born July 8, 1932, in Big Spring.

She graduated from North Texas State University.

She married A.F. Keisling on July 17, 1954, in Stanton.

She moved to Lubbock in 1963 from Midland.

She was a homemaker. She was a member of Christ the King Cathedral, Order of Martha, St. Mary Hospital Auxiliary, Merry Go Round Dance Club and BOB's.

Survivors include her husband of Lubbock; two sons, Tom Keisling of Lubbock and Mike Keisling of North Richland Hills; a daughter, Diane Perkins of Plano; a brother, Rufus Tom of Stanton; and five grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Jessie Fortson

Services for Jessie Lee Fortson, 73, are to be at Donald Tremble Chapel in Decatur, Ga. Burial will follow at Decatur Cemetery.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Ms. Fortson died Monday, July 8, at a local nursing home.

She was born May 28, 1923, in Elberton, Ga., where she was raised and educated.

Before moving to Midland-Odessa three years ago she lived in Roswell, N.M., and Colorado.

Survivors include two sons, James Fortson of Antarctica and Steven Miller of Ellenwood, Ga.; two daughters, Pat Wafer of Odessa and JoAnna Miller of Aurora, Colo.; four sisters, Mary Arnold and Roxie Ann Leverette, both of Elberton, Ga.; Marsha Barrows of Boston and Elsie Mizell of Cincinnati; nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

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Rev. C.L. Wallis officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Richard W. Box Funeral Home in Crane.

Lynch died Monday, July 8, in Greenwood.

He was born Nov. 4, 1916, in Gouldbusk.

Lynch was a retired pumper for Tenneco Oil.

He was a Baptist.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He was a member of the VFW.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Lynch of Big Lake; three daughters, Barbara Wallis of San Angelo, Peggy Bowersox of Greenwood, and Cydney Short of Midland; four sons, Coy Lynch of McCamey, Bobby Lynch of New Mexico, Billy Lynch of McCamey, and Mike Lynch of New Mexico; a brother, Roy "Turk" Lynch of Coleman; and 24 grandchildren.

Ted Rahm

Services for Ted W. Rahm, 83, are to be at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 11, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Jerry Carter officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Rahm died Monday, July 8, at his Odessa residence.

He was born Oct. 4, 1912, in Lane City.

He was a pipe fitter and had retired from the corps of engineers. He was a member of Bible Center Fellowship.

Survivors include two daughters, Wanda Bell of Abilene and Vanita Moffitt of Odessa; a brother, John P. Rahm of Roundup, Mont.; 12 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials can be made to Arthritis Foundation-Research, 3145 McCart Ave., Fort Worth 76110.

Police chief asks for longer curfew hours

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Midland's police chief advised the City Council Tuesday to expand weekday hours of the juvenile curfew and abandon the idea of a daytime curfew.

As a result, the council — during their next meeting in two weeks — will likely vote on moving the 1 a.m. curfew to 11:30 p.m. on weekdays.

Chief Richard Czech said his recommendations were based on a study of curfew violations and juvenile delinquency.

"Our problem is the 11-12, 13-year-olds on the street until 1 a.m.," he said. Preventing those youngsters from being out may help prevent them from eventually becoming involved in gangs, he said.

Although Czech advised that the curfew be changed on weekdays to 11:30 p.m. or midnight, he did not make a case for any revision on weekends. The council appeared to be in general agreement.

In addition to studying the existing curfew, the Police Department looked at restricting youngsters during daylight hours while school is in session.

"There's just not enough number of juveniles involved in crime to warrant us to have a daytime curfew," he said.

If the council revises the juvenile ordinance — requiring two readings — the new hours will

probably go in effect in about a month.

Midland's curfew was implemented in December 1994 in response to the growing delinquency problem. Youngsters 16 and younger are prohibited from being out between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. unless they meet specific exceptions such as being with a guardian, traveling to and from work or school, or being out on an emergency.

In other City Council activity Tuesday:

■ The council authorized payment of \$33,000 to Roberto Urias, who was injured in an accident with a city vehicle in March 1992.

The council also authorized payment of \$22,780 to Samuel Gibbs for property damage and injuries sustained in a June car accident. A Midland police officer failed to yield the right-of-way and hit Gibbs' truck.

■ The council approved a request for a march against drug dealers made by Rev. Roy Smith and True Lite Christian Fellowship. The council waived the required \$1 million liability insurance requirement for such events in lieu of \$300,000 coverage.

The "silent march" is scheduled for noon Saturday beginning on Oak Avenue at Lamesa Road, going east on Oak Avenue to Fairgrounds Road. An estimated 175 to 250 people will participate.

JAILER: Sheriff says man was warned

(From 1B)

scrutiny of the department by the community, Painter said at the time.

An Ector County Sheriff's deputy, Richard Harris, 42, was arrested in Midland on charges of driving while intoxicated on April 20.

Harris also refused to take a breath or blood alcohol test and had his license suspended, but was later given a conditional license for occupational driving after appealing the suspension before a Midland judge.

Harris was not convicted; Mid-

land County Attorney Mark Dettman declined to prosecute the case due to insufficient evidence against Harris.

"There were conflicts in testimony of some of the law enforcement (witnesses)," Dettman said. Although some believed Harris to be driving under the influence of alcohol, other officers did not believe the deputy was intoxicated, Dettman said.

Harris has reportedly received an official reprimand for the incident and remains on active duty with the Ector County Sheriff's Department.

DOWNTOWN: City to revitalize area

(From 1B)

together on several other projects. Those include moving the Farmers Market, pushing for an elderly housing project using public and

Judge grants injunction as state of Texas takes Republic to court

AUSTIN (AP) — The state of Texas took the Republic of Texas to court Tuesday. The Republic of Texas, which believes the state was illegally annexed in 1845, didn't show up.

Nevertheless, state District Judge Joseph Hart of Austin granted a temporary injunction to prevent the Republic of Texas from filing bogus property liens or other purported governmental orders.

Several former members of the group who were among those sued by state Attorney General Dan Morales' lawsuit appeared in court. They didn't object to an injunction and said they split with the Republic of Texas over issues including the filing of liens.

"I consider them lawbreakers," John C. Van Kirk, former president of the Republic of Texas, said

of some current group leaders. He said of other members, "A lot of people are being duped and don't understand the law."

Of the four defendants who appeared in court, Van Kirk and William Johnston said they're no longer Republic members. Lawyer John Fahle said his client, Tim McMahan, also is no longer a

member. Michele Faucett wouldn't speak to the press, but Johnston said she is no longer a group member.

Republic members have staged demonstrations, convened their own courts and filed lawsuits and liens against officials and private citizens. Such liens have been filed with county and district clerks.

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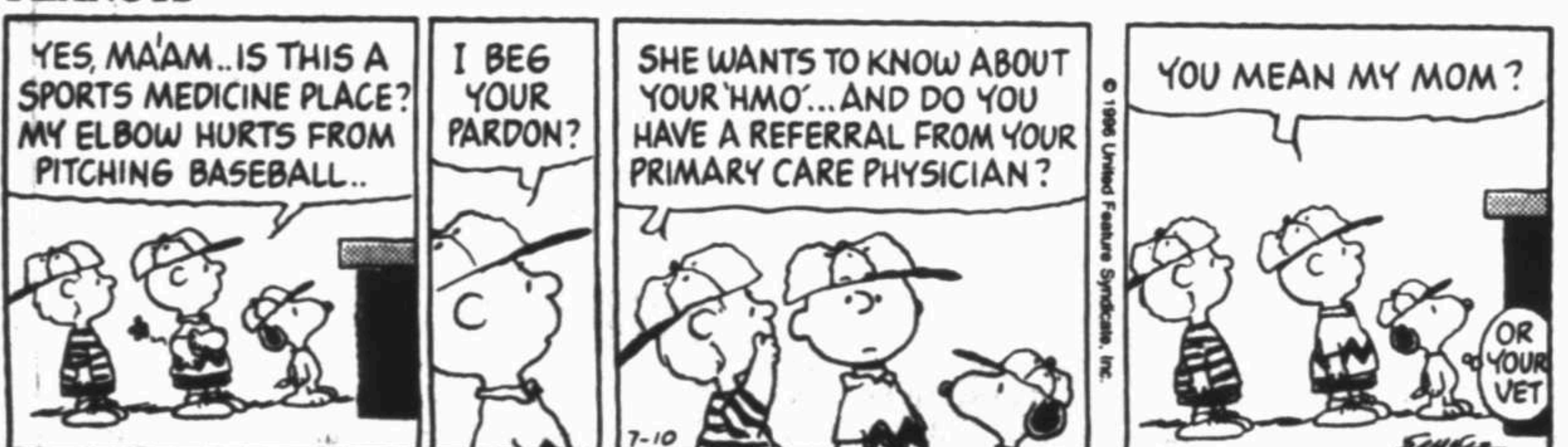
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Career advancement or a business expansion will make this a magnificent year. Evaluate your financial position before investing in real estate. Personnel changes in the fall could bring you additional responsibilities and more income. Confidential matters are highlighted as Christmas approaches. Early in 1997, social connections will play a major role in your professional success. Put your best foot forward at all times. Your love life moves into high gear!

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: veteran TV newscaster David Brinkley, tennis legend Arthur Ashe, folk singer Arlo Guthrie, boxer Jake LaMotta.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Remain tight-lipped about financial matters. Getting everything in writing will protect your rights. Making too many demands on your mate or partner will backfire.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be strong without being domineering. Others will recognize and reward your leadership abilities. Your willingness to work side-by-side with subordinates helps you gain their respect and loyalty.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Unexpected events link you to new colleagues or a special group. Rewards for past deeds will fatten your bank account. Keep track of your snacks if your waistline is expanding.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Postpone making a commitment if you still have doubts. Going for counseling could bring welcome solutions. A child offers surprisingly sensible advice; follow it!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Deal with the difficult emotions aroused by a family member or friend's comments. You will feel much better if you clear the air. Attending a local event will put you in touch with fascinating newcomers.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A neighbor plans a surprise party with an unusual theme. Learn more about a new friend or associate's culture. Meeting people from other countries will broaden your horizons.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Household activities can be a challenge or a way to relax. An inspiration regarding a professional problem comes to you at an odd moment. Write down your ideas for future reference.

(For your personalized daily Jeanne Dixon horoscope, based on your own date of birth, call 1-900-988-7788. Your phone company will bill you 99 cents a minute.)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Go to bat for a worthwhile cause. A shy co-worker needs guidance. Be helpful. An interesting invitation may be too expensive. Make your excuses gracefully, pleading a busy schedule.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Juggle your budget to see if you can afford a splurge. When dividing up household chores, be sure to include the children. Spend quality time with loved ones tonight. A board game keeps you laughing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Higher-ups are evaluating your work. Be prepared to put in some overtime without remuneration. Your dedication to your job will win you new perks or a promotion!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your romantic partner wants to be a larger part of your life and may try to include you in family activities. Are you ready to make this type of commitment?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): An upcoming business trip may be cancelled. Stay close to home and tend to routine tasks. Neighbors want you to participate in a charity drive. An old friend makes a major lifestyle change.

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 ♥ J62
 ♦ A Q65
 ♣ Q63

EAST
 ♠ 74
 ♥ A87
 ♦ J987
 ♣ 10987

SOUTH
 ♠ A1098
 ♥ Q10
 ♦ K32
 ♣ A K42

The bidding:
 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
 INT Pass 3NT Pass

Opening lead: Four of ♠

One way for the defenders' to retain communication in a suit is to refrain from winning a trick at the first opportunity. But be sure the hold-up is necessary.

The auction was a simple matter of mathematics. North added 12 to South's maximum of 18, and the total fell short of what was required for slam. Little did North think that game might be beyond the reach of the combined North-South assets.

West led a low heart, East rose with the ace and returned the eight. To keep a link with the East hand, West allowed declarer's queen to hold the second trick. It was a decision the defender soon regretted.

With eight tricks in sight, declarer cashed three rounds of clubs, hoping for an even break. When that did not materialize, declarer tried the diamonds, ending in dummy. But again the most likely suit division existed.

With West marked with nothing but major-suit cards, declarer elected to spurn the spade finesse in favor of an endplay. West was thrown on lead with a heart and

could score three heart tricks to complete the defensive book. But then West was forced to lead away from the king of spades into declarer's major tenace. Three no trump bid and made.

Let us go back to the second trick. West should know that East cannot have anything of value that could produce a quick trick — almost all the high-card points were accounted for. West should simply have taken the king of hearts and cleared declarer's stopper. With only eight tricks available, declarer will have to take the spade finesse, and the defense will come to four heart tricks and the king of spades.

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PEOPLE

Arnold Palmer doesn't want to disappoint autograph-seekers

COLONIE, N.Y. — Arnie's Army is on the march, undaunted by age.



Forty years after starting his career, Arnold Palmer is still signing autographs.

Forty years after starting his career, Palmer said he doesn't want to disappoint the autograph-seekers and other fans.

"I'll sign everything," he said. "But please don't shove stuff at me, especially pens. I ruin about 365 shirts a year from pens."

PARIS — The black cowboy hat, red boots, pistol and holster that Yul Brynner wore as a hired gun in "The Magnificent Seven" are going on the block.

The props will be auctioned in September along with furniture, art and other movie and stage memorabilia from the actor's Normandy estate, it was announced Tuesday. Brynner died in 1985 at age 70.

The sale will include a dozen drawings and a ceramic plate designed by surrealist artist Jean Cocteau, with whom Brynner enjoyed a close friendship.

"My Yul, once again I am quite sick and a little note from you would give me strength," Cocteau wrote in 1963, shortly before his own death.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Jim Reeves' country music museum is being spiffed up for a reopening this fall.

The new owner didn't give specifics. But contractors have been asked to submit bids, said Don Gregory, president of United Shows of America Inc., which bought the 25-year-old museum from Reeves' widow, Mary Reeves Davis.

Memorabilia of other Nashville stars might be added to the Jim Reeves Museum, he said.

The museum was closed for remodeling about a year ago, but Davis apparently decided instead to sell it because of ill health, said Tom Perryman, who handled marketing and promotions.

Reeves' hits included "Four Walls," "He'll Have to Go" and "Am I Losing You." A member of the Grand Ole Opry from 1955 to 1963, he was killed in a plane crash in 1964.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Christopher Martin, who lived a life of excess as the latter half of the rap duo Kid 'N Play, is trying to exorcise his demons.

The 33-year-old rapper wrote, directed and stars in "Radio Live: The House Party With a Purpose," a play that draws on his own bumpy ride as a celebrity. "Radio Live," is being performed at the Fairfield Civic Center.

It's the story of a disc jockey who takes music too far and makes "a fantasy world into reality," Martin said.

He said he was unprepared for the changes in his life after he shot to stardom in the late '80s and early '90s.

He said he let his riches slip through his fingers with excessive spending and bad investments; his marriage to "Coming to America" actress Shari Headley ended in divorce after one year; and two years ago he contemplated suicide.

Martin said he hopes to reunite someday with "Kid" Christopher Reid.

"But right now," he said, "there are some things I need to express alone."

Dan Rather, who was in Cuba recently taping a documentary for broadcast July 18, told Entertainment Weekly that Fidel Castro wanted to talk about George, John F. Kennedy Jr.'s magazine.

"He was filled with questions about it," said Rather. "He wanted to know, 'Is Kennedy serious? Is he actually involved, or just lending his name to it? Is it going to make it?'"

Castro didn't seem to be bothered at all to know that young Kennedy's father had once OK'd the invasion of his country.

The Cuban president told Rather he was reading the White House roman a clef "Primary Colors," which had been translated to Spanish for him by his personal translator.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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Drug czar tours Mexico border smuggling spots

EAGLE PASS, Texas (AP) — Plastic garbage bags, discarded clothes and deflated inner tubes litter a stretch of river bank beside the Rio Grande. Drug smugglers have nonchalantly left the stuff behind.

Twelve miles away, a sturdy wooden cross marks the spot where Border Patrol agent Jefferson Barr was gunned down in January. The alleged killer was a suspected drug trafficker.

Increasingly, smugglers crossing the U.S.-Mexico border are getting more blatant and more violent, federal agents say. And the frightened voices of border residents are grabbing the attention of top anti-drug officers.

"There is an enormous explosion of drug smuggling in the last five years along this common frontier. It has gotten immeasurably worse in the last year, and we are determined to play hard ball with international drug criminals," said Barry McCaffrey, the retired general who serves as President Clinton's so-called drug czar.

McCaffrey, head of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, and Drug Enforcement Administration chief Thomas Constantine on Tuesday visited a smuggling hot spot — Eagle Pass — before heading to the Southwest Border Counterdrug Conference in El Paso.

Attorney General Janet Reno, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and other top administration officials

are scheduled to attend the El Paso summit.

McCaffrey and Constantine met privately with Maverick County ranchers whose land abuts the Rio Grande and who have spotted drug smuggling on their property or had unfriendly encounters with traffickers.

One unidentified 62-year-old rancher reportedly told the federal officials the drug trafficking problem has heightened in the past five years and has become "outrageously dangerous," McCaffrey said.

"It's an intimidating environment with gangs of 20 to 40 people crossing this river ... at night, carrying automatic weapons with massive drug smuggling — heroin, cocaine, marijuana. It is approaching out of control. So they want protection," McCaffrey said.

Some ranchers, many of whom have not wanted to be publicly identified, fear for their lives and are considering selling their property, McCaffrey said, noting that smugglers are interested in purchasing the land.

"I think drug smuggling organizations are buying property on both sides of this border to facilitate erasing national sovereign frontiers," the drug czar said during a news conference.

Jim Collier, the agent in charge of the DEA office in San Antonio,

which covers Eagle Pass, said this and other places on the U.S.-Mexico border have become popular with smugglers.

The DEA estimates 70 percent of illegal drugs now come through Mexico since crackdowns have succeeded in the Caribbean and Florida.

Collier estimated so far this year drug seizures in Eagle Pass are at least one-third higher than for the same period last year.

He did not provide exact figures. Marijuana constitutes the majority of drug seizures in this area, he said.

The smugglers' increasing propensity for violence, agents say, was demonstrated in Eagle Pass on Jan. 19 when Border Patrol agent Jefferson Barr was shot to death during nighttime duty on the eighth anniversary of his joining the federal agency.

"There was no moon that night. It was pretty dark. We saw guys coming right at us," said agent Ned Thomas, who was with Barr on patrol near the Rio Grande.

Barr got into a struggle with one of the men, and it escalated into gunfire. Barr was fatally shot just above his badge.

Barr had managed to fire back, and the gunman left a trail of blood as he scurried back to Mexico, Thomas said.

A man was arrested and jailed

in Mexico and has been charged with the crime in a warrant in the United States, authorities said.

"Jeff was a good agent. He enjoyed arresting drug smugglers. He was good at it. He is missed," said Thomas.

Part of the solution to the smuggling problem, McCaffrey said, is continuing to work with Mexican officials while increasing technology and manpower along the border in the United States.

He noted that the administration's proposed fiscal 1997 federal budget includes a 9.3 percent increase for anti-drug activities, including funding for about 1,500 additional agents for the Southwest border.

Reese AFB prepares for April 1 closing

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — As Joe Ramirez puts some of the finishing paint and decal touches on a T-37 training jet at Reese Air Force Base here, the irony of his labor isn't lost on him.

"It's kind of sad to do all this good work for someone else," he said Tuesday as another of his birds prepared to migrate south to Laughlin AFB in Del Rio.

Reese's fleet of T-37s, the elder statesmen of jet trainer aircraft in the U.S. Air Force, will be disbanded entirely next week as the base throttles down its operations under the looming April 1 closure date.

Lockheed Martin, which maintains aircraft at all five pilot-training bases, already has cut its payroll here by more than 100 jobs, nearly a third of its former work force.

Now that the last class has graduated from flying T-37s, or "Tweets," some workers' final tasks will involve removing Reese's "LB" tail markings and

replacing them with the codes of their destinations.

The Tweets, jet training standbys for 40 years, will be split primarily between Laughlin AFB and Columbus AFB in Mississippi. Vance AFB in Oklahoma also took a few of the blue and white Cessnas.

"It's disappointing to put your airplanes in someone else's uniform," said Lockheed Martin Contract Manager David Dietsch, chatting effortlessly on a tarmac that once spent summer mornings overcome by the deafening roar of jet engines.

Dietsch, a retired Air Force lieutenant colonel, oversaw the 1991 shutdown of the volcano-damaged Clark Air Base in the Philippines, once America's largest foreign airfield.

"There's a certain amount of pride you take in shipping out a high-quality product," said Dietsch, 51, a Lockheed Martin manager for 2 1/2 years after nearly 27 years in the Air Force.

Some of the planes are headed to the "boneyard," where they'll sit and wait to be recommissioned or simply used for parts. Reese spokesman Bill Tynan joked that the only T-37 whose fate hasn't been decided is the one mounted on a pedestal near the front gate.

"That's up to the city of Lubbock," Tynan said.

Splitting a military aircraft fleet among three other bases is a feat of organization. Each Tweet undergoes a two-week, nose-to-tail inspection every 450 hours of flight, meaning the planes must be kept on a rigid schedule.

Since Reese went on the base closure chopping block last year, Dietsch's staff has painstakingly coordinated the exported fleets to mesh with the receiving bases' schedules. Many of his workers will move on with the planes.

"I got permission to hold a job fair," Dietsch said, adding that he's been able to place about 60 workers so far.

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By Bill Muller
N.Y. Times News

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Militias seek to fill otherwise-dull lives with drama, experts say

By Bill Muller
N.Y. Times News Service

PHOENIX — During bygone summers, all-American youths fought mock battles across shady lawns and quiet streets. Treehouses were transformed into mock machine-gun nests, and pine cones became deadly hand grenades.

With a shrill "I gotcha!" a child would go sprawling to the ground, only to pop up and dust himself off seconds later.

The children have grown up, but some haven't stopped playing war. They've traded their shiny plastic rifles for a lethal variety and exchanged water balloons for real explosives.

Some of them are playing for keeps.

With the arrest of 12 members of the so-called Viper Militia last week, people are left to wonder what motivates someone to join such a group. Anger and hate? Paranoia and fear? Or a sense of duty that they must save a society bound to crumble?

For many, the belief that they are fighting for a higher purpose fills otherwise-dull lives with drama, mystique and meaning.

"Regardless of how boring your everyday life is, if you're fighting absolute evil, you're on the cutting edge of history," said James William Gibson, author of "Warrior Dreams: Paramilitary Culture in Post-Vietnam America."

Gibson said the Viper Militia has all the telltale signs of a group looking for adventure: insignia patches, camouflage, code names, loyalty oaths and an array of weapons.

"I'm trying to paint a picture of people who are playing at the edge of violence," he said. "Maybe they'll transgress that line and maybe not, but basically, they're involved in a drama that makes their lives meaningful."

According to a federal affidavit, the Vipers spent their weekends blowing up cactuses and rocks, firing a machine gun named "Shirley" and painting hand grenades in the back yard.

The affidavit also alleges that they made a videotape showing how Phoenix federal buildings and a television station could be captured, burned or blown apart.

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It's not surprising that federal buildings are on the hit list. After the Cold War ended, Gibson said, the federal government replaced communism as Public Enemy No. 1 among militia members.

In militia lexicon, the feds are defined in much the same terms as communists: tyrannical, all-powerful and inherently evil.

Invasion scenarios, popularized by pulp World War III novels and the movie "Red Dawn," are mostly the same. The militia mentality also feeds off the approaching millennium and fears of Armageddon.

Never slow to jump on a bandwagon, Hollywood released an end-of-the-world movie last week (week of July 1). In "Independence Day," a ragtag band of soldiers join forces to battle a powerful alien armada out to annihilate humans and take over Earth.

Ted Goertzel, professor of sociology at Rutgers University-Camden, says many militia members see themselves as warriors fighting against an overwhelming evil force.

Believing that they can justify any hostile action as being necessary to combat the malevolent force controlling their lives.

"The conspiracy theory provides an answer to everything," Goertzel said. "By attributing everything to a conspiracy, whatever happens that is wrong, it's because somebody made it happen."

Mike Spezio, a Verde Valley militia

member who works as a maintenance man for a Cottonwood trussmaker, says intellectuals' theories about who joins a militia are nothing but bunk.

"It's people from all walks of life who are just fed up and at the end of the rope," Spezio said. "People are sick of being lied to. They get their check on Friday, and they have no idea where that 150 bucks in taxes is going."

Spezio has gone full circle, from Vietnam War protester and supporter of presidential candidate George McGovern to a full-fledged militiaman.

It started, he says, when he was in a plane crash in 1984 and couldn't get federal assistance, while "all the dope dealers in Atlantic City were riding high on welfare checks."

He was angered further after someone began using his Social Security number 10 years ago.

Spezio joined the militia movement shortly after moving to Las Vegas in 1988. That's when he became a regular listener of politically charged talk-radio programs.

"I quit paying taxes in 1990," he said. "I just said that I'm tired of hassling with you guys. The government has no control over what I do with my brain and my hands. Those things are from God."

Dr. Mark Welles, a Phoenix psychiatrist who has treated patients with "militia mentality," said the urge to join springs from feelings of alienation, helplessness and inadequacy. Those who join often come from broken homes dominated by alcoholism and abuse, he said.

"They're unable to cope with other people and life's problems... so the mind compensates by inflating their sense of importance, ability and power, and blames others for their problems."

But the Viper Militia members weren't exactly helpless when it came to technical expertise. One of them mastered the computer Internet, downloading locations of military installations and federal facilities.

According to a federal indictment, another member built a mortar rocket and fired it 400 yards, though it carried no explosive. Another member used her

position at AT&T to conduct background checks on prospective militia members, the indictment says.

In Welles' scenario, the federal government becomes the devil, and militia members are the saviors.

"It's real dangerous," Welles said. "These people really believe in what they're doing. They're fanatics... they are delusional about the government's power. They see the FBI around every corner."

A paid informer who penetrated militia and white-supremacy groups for federal law-enforcement agencies said the militia groups have a survivalist mentality.

"There is a tendency to see the world in black and white terms. People are clearly enemies or friends. Actions are good or bad. The unrelenting commitment and conviction of the members of the movement is eventually the element that makes them so dangerous for the rest of society."

— William Beeman
anthropology professor

"They believe the government's going to cease to function," said the informer, who asked that his name not be revealed. They believe there "will be anarchy and racial divisions in society. Many feel there will be a race war," he said.

They also feel victimized, he said. Larry Moore, former publisher of "SWAT" magazine and president of TacStar, a company that manufactures laser gun sights and shotgun accessories, describes militia members as "closet commandos" who were never in the military or had dull careers. "Most of these

groups have some diehards and some guys just looking for weekend excitement, just going out and shooting and playing soldier," he said.

Fears of hostile takeovers and other threats are just excuses to go out and play, Moore said. He doubts that the militias are very organized, or have nearly the numbers they boast.

Others look at the movement more scientifically.

William O. Beeman, an anthropology professor at Brown University, says America's militias are the embodiment of societal-revitalization movements that have occurred all over the world.

Members of such movements see themselves as powerless and blame the decadence of society for their plight. Invariably, Beeman said, the groups create mental and physical training programs to strengthen their character, so they can lead the charge to restore society to its ideal state.

They also create a myth of a golden age when members of the movement were "strong, vital and in control of the world," Beeman said.

"There is a tendency to see the world in black and white terms," he said. "People are clearly enemies or friends. Actions are good or bad. The unrelenting commitment and conviction of the members of the movement is eventually the element that makes them so dangerous for the rest of society."

Arizona historian Marshall Trimble, an ex-Marine who has written a dozen books on Arizona, chuckles when he hears about the militia taking on the federal government.

"They are kidding themselves," Trimble said. "You send the real troops in there, and it's not even going to be a fight. It'll be like going up against an M-16 with a peashooter."

And he has a theory about the most radical militia members.

"Hell," Trimble said, "they just want to beat somebody's head in or blow up a building."

Recovered documents give glimpse of 17th-century Colonial witch trials

By Richard Lrant
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON — Sarah Wardwell "wickedly, maliciously, and feloniously" made a covenant with "the Devil" and was convicted of being a witch in 1693.

Hannah Newell, found guilty of adultery, faced 15 stripes of the lash unless she could come up with the then-considerable sum of 10 pounds.

The original reports on those cases, and many others, were rediscovered last week when a student found two volumes of 300-year-old court documents while cleaning out file cabinets on the 14th floor of a county courthouse.

Although the Salem witch trials that ended with 20 executions in 1692 are more widely known, the regular courts handled many similar cases in the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

In addition to charges of witchcraft, adultery and bearing illegitimate children, the two courts handled everything from murder and rape to appeals by sailors looking for back pay.

"This is ordinary people caught up in all kinds of situations," said John Demos, a history professor at Yale University. "Sometimes they even allow you to hear people speak, when they are quoted. That's unique in 17th-century court material."

The two books containing summaries of legal proceedings from 1673 to 1695 had been copied over nearly a century ago, and the transcriptions were available to historians. But the originals apparently had not been seen since then.

"No one has read completely through them," said Christopher Mathias, head of conservation for the Supreme Judicial Court's Archives and Record Preservation department.

The brown leather bindings are broken at the spine. The handwriting ranges from elegant calligraphy to hasty scratches. The iron gall ink, handmade cotton-

and-linen paper and vellum bindings are typical of the period.

Students working as summer interns for Supreme Judicial Court Clerk Richard Rouse found the books on Wednesday. The books had been misfiled with records from 1901, the year one of them was transcribed.

The records were from the Court of Assistants and the Superior Court of Judicature, precursors of the Supreme Judicial Court, the state's highest tribunal.

Archivists plan to compare the originals against the copies. Some Victorian-era transcribers paraphrased passages they found too racy.

"I'd be extremely surprised if these newly discovered documents changed our views of the courts," said Demos, author of "Entertaining Satan: Witchcraft and the Culture of Early New England." "But it still remains true if there are some gaps from what was previously known about the day-to-day and year-to-year workings of the court, that would be a big gain."

The courts reflected the Puritan sensibilities of the day, in which Scripture weighed heavily on the law. The courts were beginning to change, however. In 1710, the state legislature ordered compensation for some of those accused in the Salem witch trials. The biblical influence would wane for the rest of the century.

Among the hundreds of cases detailed in the documents:

— Wardwell, a widow from Andover, was found guilty of being baptized by the devil and "becoming a detestable witch," she was accused of practicing sorcery against Martha Sprague in Salem.

— Newell, who lived in Roxbury in 1693, was accused of committing adultery with Lambert Despar, and sentenced "to receive fifteen stripes savorally to be laid on upon her naked back at the Common Whipping post," plus pay court costs, unless she paid a fine of 10 pounds.

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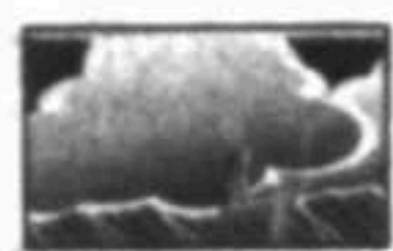
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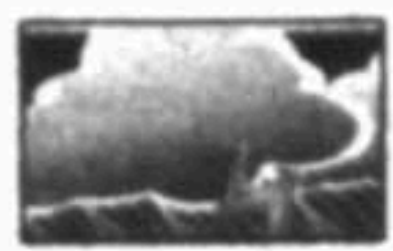
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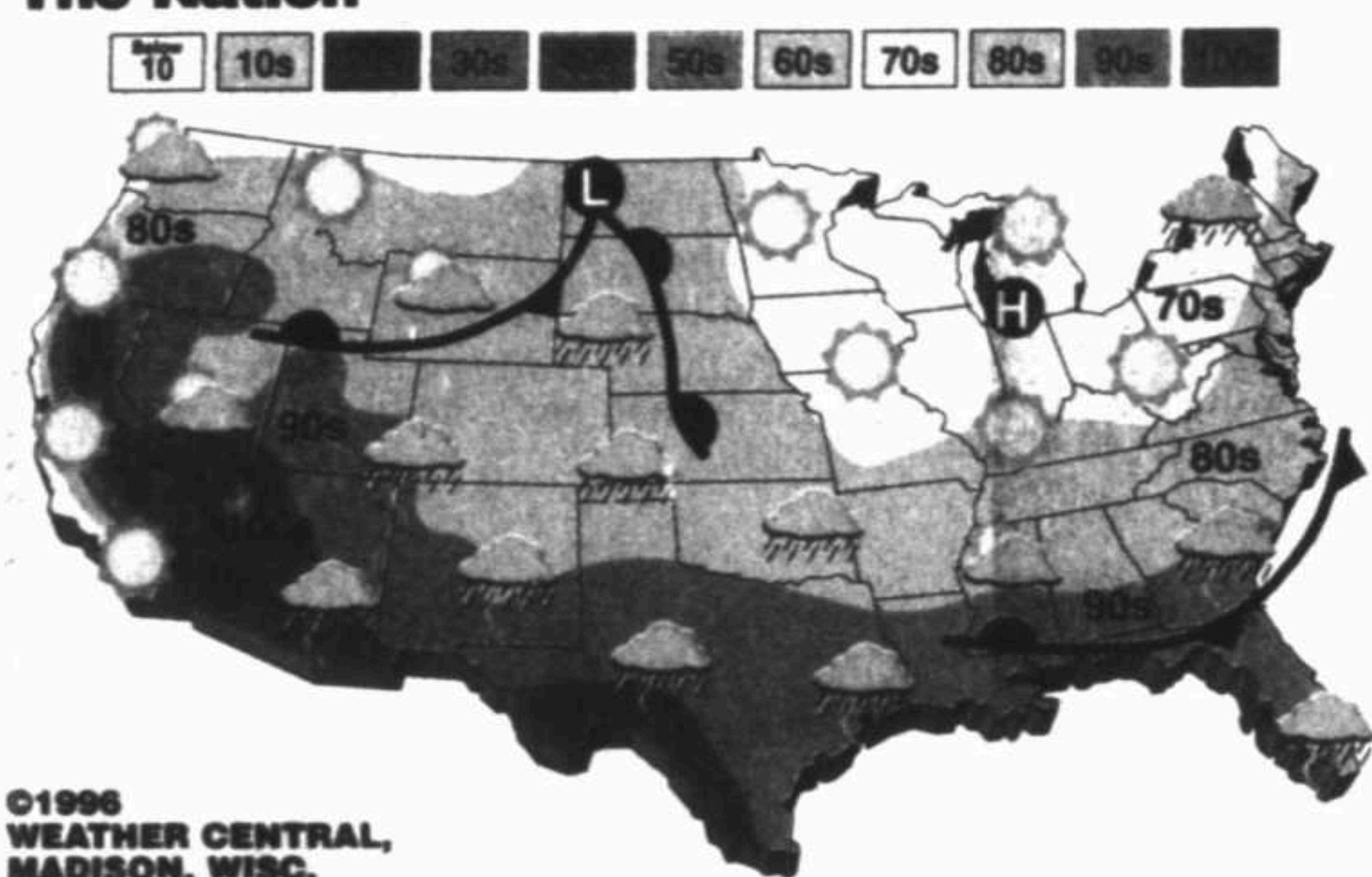
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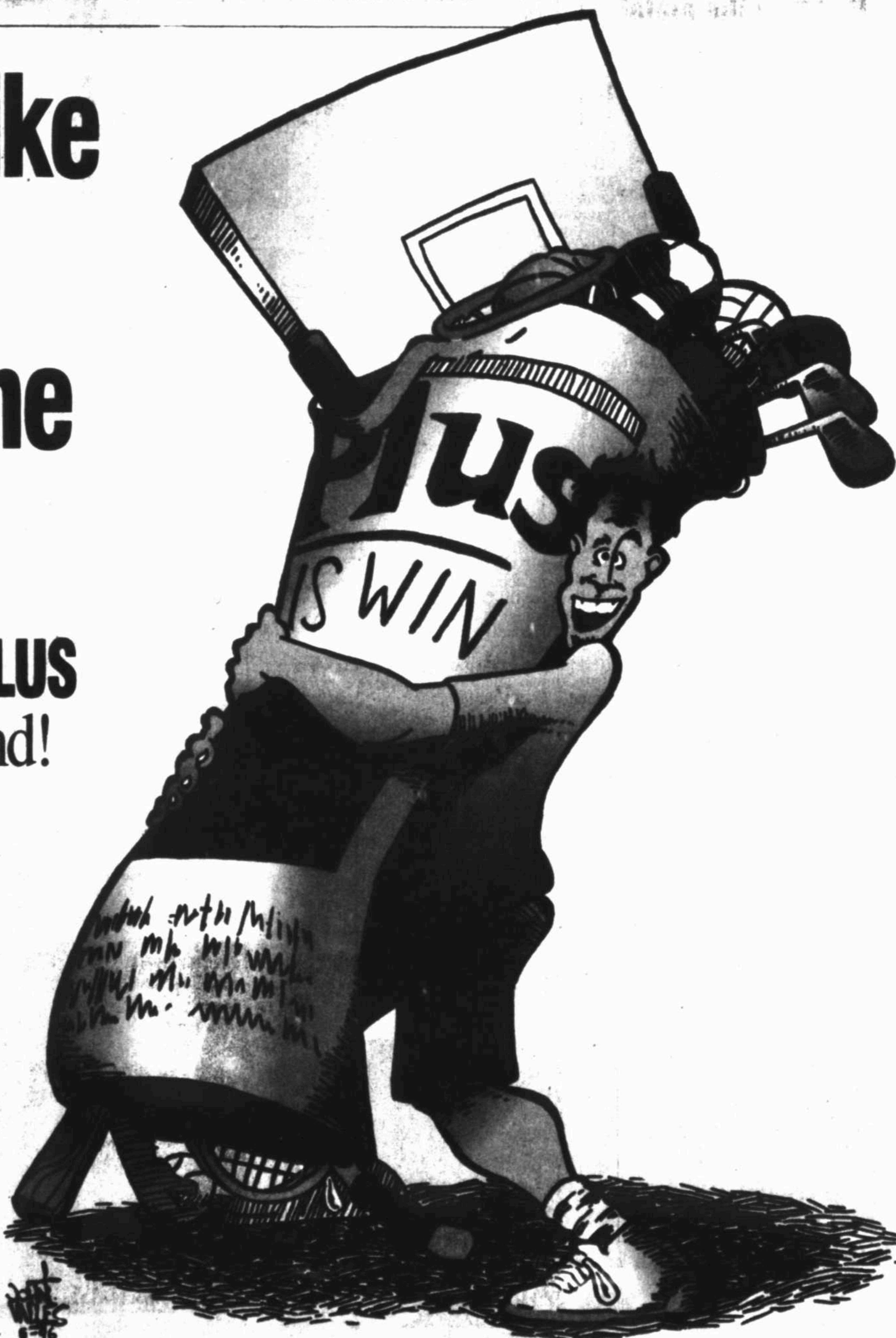
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SPORTS BRIEFING



TV Sports

BASKETBALL — Chinese Olympic Team vs. U.S. Olympic Team, 7 p.m., TNT.
MLS SOCCER — Dallas Burn at New York-New Jersey MetroStars, 6:30 p.m., PRIME.

Texas Scores

TEXAS LEAGUE — Midland Angels at Jackson Generals, ppd., rain.

Sports Today

TEXAS LEAGUE — Midland Angels at Jackson Generals, double-header, 6 p.m., Smith-Willis Stadium. Radio: KCRS-AM (550).



Pedal to the metal

Lue LeBlanc of France (left) rides along side defending champion Miguel Indurain of Spain during Tuesday's 10th stage of the Tour de France. Story, Page 3C.

Angels rained out

JACKSON, Miss. — The Midland Angels scheduled game with the Jackson Generals was postponed because of rain.

It will be made up today as part of a two-night double-header beginning at 6.

The Angels are 9-12 in the second half of the Texas League's Western Division season and have won two straight.

Jackson, 6-14 in the second half, won the Eastern Division's first-half championship.

So. Miss gets Ags

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — The University of Southern Mississippi has scheduled a 1996 home football game against Texas A&M, which will mark the first time the Aggies have played in Hattiesburg.

Texas A&M will travel to Roberts Stadium on Sept. 19, 1996. Southern Miss will play at College Station, Texas, in 1999.

Texas A&M, which moves into the Big 12 next season after a storied run in the Southwest Conference, has won the previous five games between the two schools, including a 41-17 victory at College Station in 1994.

Bowman Back

DETROIT — Detroit Red Wings coach Scotty Bowman will be back next season and have his staff intact, with a contract that calls for him to remain director of player personnel for the two following seasons.

Bowman, 62, led Detroit to an NHL-record 62 victories last season, but the Red Wings lost to eventual Stanley Cup champion Colorado in the Western Conference final. Bowman won the Jack Adams Award as coach of the year.

Terms of the contract were not disclosed Tuesday.



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Officer surprised by alleged cocaine

By Stefani G. Kopenc
Associated Press



DALLAS — A police officer expressed surprise today during Michael Irvin's drug trial at the size of a rock of crack cocaine allegedly found in a topless dancer's gym bag at a motel.

Officer Brian Crum, one of four Irving policemen who went to the Residence Inn on a disturbance call, testified that he discovered marijuana underneath some bed covers and then was given permission to search a purse and gym

bag that he found upstairs in the two-story suite.

Crum testified that after Angela Beck gave him permission to search her green gym bag the officer found a baggie with a yellowish substance the size of a golf ball.

After asking another officer what it was, Crum said he was told it was crack.

"I said 'It can't be crack. It's way too big,'" Crum testified. "I've seen crack, but never that big."

Crum's testimony followed that of officer Les Mothermal, who testified Monday that he also had never seen a crack rock that large.

Crum was the fourth officer to

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Michael Irvin (left) looks at some papers while his attorney Royce West argues during Irvin's drug trial.

NBA lifts shortlived lockout

By Chris Sheridan
AP Basketball Writer



A disagreement over television revenue led the NBA to impose a shortlived lockout Tuesday, further delaying the start of free agent signings.

After a topsy-turvy morning of legal wrangling, the moratorium on trades, signings and negotiations, which was supposed to expire at noon Tuesday, was extended to 4 p.m. CDT Thursday after the league and its players' association failed again to finalize a labor agreement.

The latest stumbling block was the dispersal of \$50 million in profit sharing from the NBA's television deals. But barring further legal snags, Michael Jordan, Shaquille O'Neal, Reggie Miller, Alonzo Mourning and about 150 other free agents will be able to consider offers from other teams on Thursday.

The signing period had already been put on hold for eight days because of complications finalizing the collective bargaining agreement.

"We've waited nine days. A couple more won't hurt," said Seattle's Gary Payton, another in the bumper crop of free agents.

Charles Barkley said he and other members of the U.S. Olympic basketball team would have refused to play an exhibition against China in Phoenix on Wednesday night if the labor dispute wasn't settled.

"I don't trust the owners as far as I can throw them, and they got very fortunate," said the Suns star, who is expected to be traded to Houston after the moratorium expires. "It wouldn't be fair for us to play and make them money on

Please see NBA /2C

McDermott attempting Spurs' sale

By Charlotte Anne Lucas, Leslie Hicks and Glenn Rogers
San Antonio Express-News



SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio Spurs Chairman Robert McDermott is trying to sell the NBA franchise for \$120 million to an Albuquerque, N.M.-based family, despite mounting opposition to the deal and to his leadership within the 21-member Spurs ownership group.

The ownership group is to meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday to hear details of the deal with the Maloof family that sources say includes a \$30 million penalty fee to be paid if the buyer moves the team out of San Antonio, the Express-News reported Tuesday.

Critics say the ready market for an NBA franchise in any number of cities with arenas and the cash to buy a team means the franchise would almost certainly leave San Antonio if sold to investors with no local connections.

McDermott, however, insists the deal is good for investors and the city and will keep the Spurs in San Antonio. He also said at least two of the new owners would move to San Antonio to be close to the team if the deal is approved.

Other owners disagree with McDermott's assessment.

"I didn't buy into this team to sell it, but to be a part of the present ownership. That's my statement," said Peter Holt, a member of the team's nine-member governing board. He bought a 13 percent interest in the Spurs in June.

"Nobody can understand why (McDermott) is pursuing a deal that surely would lead to the Spurs leaving for Nashville or some other city with an empty arena," one source said.

McDermott met with two of the brothers, Gavin and Joe Maloof, for dinner Monday night, Gavin Maloof said late

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1996 MAJOR LEAGUE ALL-STAR GAME

Piazza delivery

■ Hometown hero and MVP Mike Piazza slammed a home run and had two RBIs as the Nationals beat the Americans 6-0 in Philadelphia to win its third straight All-Star Game.

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Mike Piazza and his National League teammates were the ones who really hit it on the nose.

Piazza launched an upper-deck home run in his first at-bat and lined an RBI double his next time up, leading the Nationals to a 6-0 victory in their first three-game winning streak since 1982.

The biggest blow for the American League, meanwhile, did not even come with a bat. Two hours before the game, Baltimore iron man Cal Ripken sustained a broken nose when he caught a forearm in the face from Chicago White Sox reliever Roberto Hernandez, who lost his balance on a platform during a team picture.

The bloodied Ripken was treated, and returned to play his 14th All-Star game. His streak of 2,239 consecutive games is expected to continue.

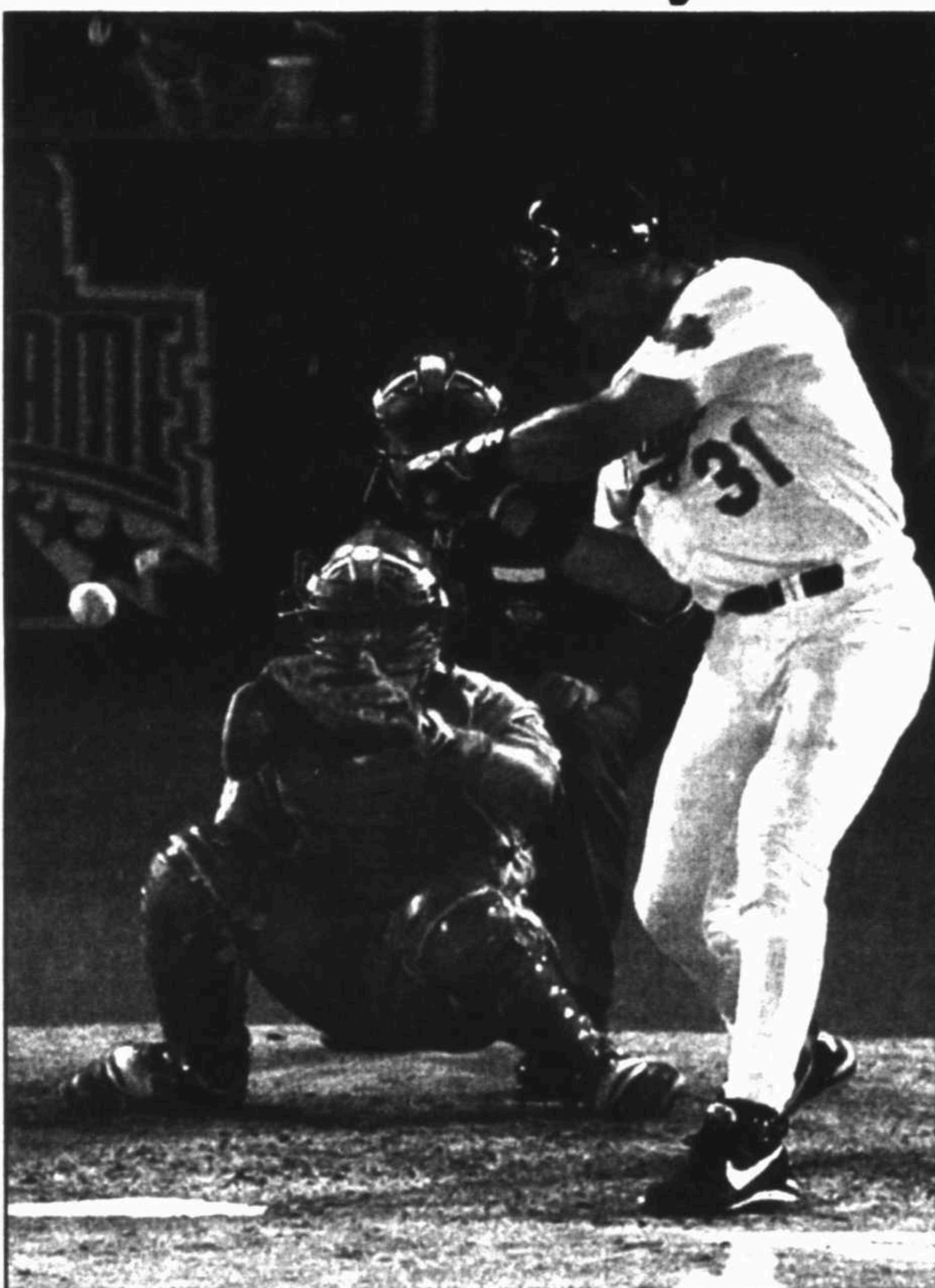
But the power-packed AL lineup did little at the plate, managing just seven hits against winning pitcher John Smoltz and eight relievers. Albert Belle became the first AL player to strike out three times since Mickey Mantle in 1956.

While the AL was handed its first shutout since 1987 — when it lost 2-0 in 13 innings in the last supposed year of a lively ball — the NL increased its overall lead to 40-26-1.

The Nationals hadn't done so well since they won 11 in a row from 1972-82. Who knows if their streak will continue next year when the All-Star game comes a few weeks after interleague play is scheduled to start?

Ken Caminiti, Lance Johnson and

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Catcher Mike Piazza of the Los Angeles Dodgers launches a second-inning home run off Cleveland Indians' pitcher Charles Nagy in the National League's 6-0 win over the American League in the All-Star Game Tuesday. Piazza was the MVP.

Broken nose can't stop Ripken

By David Ginsburg
AP Sports Writer



PHILADELPHIA — Cal Ripken, who played 2,239 straight games without so much as a serious sprain, broke his nose during a team photo session before Tuesday night's All-Star game.

His nose was quickly reset, and Ripken started in his 13th straight All-Star game.

"I don't think it was ever that straight, but it's straighter than it was a half hour ago," Ripken said.

"I play basketball during the off-season and it's normal to get hit in the nose," he continued. "This is the first time I broke it, though. Hopefully, it won't swell up — I reserve the right to use it as a crutch if I have a bad game."

The Baltimore Orioles' shortstop was posing for the photo when reliever Roberto Hernandez of the Chicago

White Sox slipped on the platform and struck Ripken.

"I was standing between Joe Carter and Ripken in the back row," Hernandez said. "It started moving forward — I tried to brace myself. I threw my arms up and unfortunately I caught him in the nose with my forearm. I'm glad it was my forearm and not my elbow. It could have been worse."

Hernandez quickly realized the significance of his mistake.

"I saw it bleeding, then I started to get panicky, started to get paranoid," Hernandez said.

After his nose was treated, Ripken proceeded to take batting practice and field grounders without apparent difficulty.

"I was praying he'd come out there," Hernandez said. "Once he did, I said, 'All right, the streak is still alive.'"

Ripken has not missed a regular-season game since May 30, 1982. Last sea-

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Barkley holds court in Phoenix, but for how long is the question

By Mel Reisner
AP Sports Writer



PHOENIX — Charles Barkley is always ready to knock down a brew or an opponent.

Small wonder that he's been involved in another bar fight.

What fans of the Phoenix superstar aren't used to is his willingness to move on. Barkley played eight seasons in Philadelphia before demanding a trade. In half that time with the Suns, he's pushing for another.

"They've got great golf courses in Houston,"

he said Monday. "I played there many times. But I don't care about the golf as long as I've got Hakeem Olajuwon and Clyde Drexler. That's more important to me, because all you really want is a chance to win."

After practice with the Dream Team, which plays China on Wednesday night in the America West Arena, Barkley suggested that a three-way trade was all but locked up. The deal he foresees would send him to the Rockets, Houston's Sam Cassell and Robert Horry to Denver and Dikembe Mutombo of the Nuggets to the Suns.

John Stockton, Gary Payton, Shaquille

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Gas prices dive

Natural gas futures prices plunged Tuesday after the first hurricane of the Atlantic season moved away from the Gulf of Mexico and alleviated fears that platforms would be slammed and supplies choked off. The gulf provides a quarter of the nation's natural gas supplies. Forecasts for cooler temperatures through next week in the Midwest and Northeast further pressured natural gas, which is used to generate electricity to run air conditioners. The weather predictions are good news because natural gas stockpiles are 30 percent below last year, thanks to a brutal winter that kept furnaces burning. The unusually hot and cold spring prevented the normal build in reserves because air conditioners and furnaces were kept on high in many areas of the country. Natural gas prices have gained more than \$1 since the beginning of the year because of the low stockpiles, and prices remain high — despite this week's slide. Natural gas for August delivery fell 8.8 cents to \$2.739 per 1,000 cubic feet on the New York Mercantile Exchange. West Texas Intermediate for August delivery rose 14 cents to \$21.41 a barrel. Local crude purchasers raised their posted price 25 cents to \$20.

Dollar mixed

NEW YORK — The dollar fell against the Japanese yen Tuesday as another U.S. business executive suggested the greenback had risen so much that it was threatening the new competitiveness of American autos. The yen also strengthened against the German mark, helping the dollar remain stable against the German currency. The dollar was mixed against leading currencies while ending just slightly higher against the mark. In New York, the dollar stood at 110.30 yen, down from 110.80 late Monday. The greenback nosed higher against the German mark, rising to 1.5263 marks from 1.5261. Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Monday: 1.2639 Swiss francs, up from 1.2633; 5.1630 French francs, down from 5.1670; 1.533 Italian lire, unchanged; and 1.3680 Canadian dollars, down from 1.3700. The British pound cost \$1.5490, down from \$1.5540.

Markets climb

NEW YORK — Heartened by falling bond market interest rates, stock investors resumed buying Tuesday, looking for bargains among shares that had been beaten down by four straight days of losses. Some encouraging second-quarter earnings reports helped support the market, analysts said. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 31.03 to 5,581.86. In the four previous sessions, Wall Street's best-known indicator tumbled 179.15 points, or 3 percent. Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by about 4 to 3 on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 379.19 million shares, up from 366.10 million on Monday. Broader market indexes weren't as strong as the blue chips. The NYSE's composite index gained 1.24 to 351.57. The Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 2.21 to 654.75 while the Nasdaq composite index rose 4.76 to 1,153.59. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was 2.24 points lower at 566.67. Tuesday, the bond market rallied, sending its rates downward, and that helped spur stock buying, analysts said.

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Prudential agrees to \$35 million fine

■ Insurance giant will also pay up to \$1 billion in restitution for misleading sales practices.

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. — The Prudential Insurance Co. of America will pay up to \$1 billion in restitution to as many as 10.7 million policyholders as punishment for misleading sales practices, a multistate task force said Tuesday. The company also will pay a record \$35 million fine if all 50 states sign on to the plan, said New Jersey's banking and insurance commissioner, Elizabeth Randall.

"Consumers put their confidence, and their money, into Prudential, and some of the company's agents misled them,"

said Randall, whose department led the 30-state probe of the Newark-based corporation.

She said the restitution plan, including refunds and opportunities for new coverage, could cost Prudential as little as \$100 million, but the task force report estimated the cost at up to \$1 billion.

Prudential chairman Arthur F. Ryan, who came to the company in a management shakeup after investment scandals surfaced, said the insurer would move swiftly to prevent these problems from occurring again.

"The improper practices cited by the task force are intolerable to Prudential," said Ryan. "We apologize to our policy owners who may have been misled. We pledge to satisfy all legitimate policy owner claims."

The review focused on accusations of

"churning," in which agents persuade customers to use the built-up cash value of older life insurance policies to finance more expensive ones. The report said agents took advantage of customers who were ill-informed or deceived about the cost of the transaction.

The task force also said the company knew of the abuses and routinely failed to investigate or impose any effective discipline.

Ryan said the company has fired 900 agents and managers since learning of the sales practices.

The policy holders to be offered restitution are those who purchased permanent individual life insurance contracts from 1982 through 1995.

Officials said these people will be able to apply for preferred-rate loans or buy more life insurance or annuities. The plan

also allows them to seek greater compensation, which could include repayment of premiums, depending on an agent's complaint history or a policy holder's proof of misrepresentations.

The largest previous fine against an insurance company was the \$20 million penalty paid in 1994 by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for improperly selling life insurance as retirement plans, officials said.

Randall said 30 states and the District of Columbia had signed the consent agreement with Prudential and nine other states have said they plan to sign.

The 11 states that have not yet agreed to the plan are California, Florida, Michigan, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Washington, West Virginia, Rhode Island, Nebraska, New Mexico and Alaska.

NASD investigates exam fraud

N.Y. Times News Service

New York — The National Association of Securities Dealers said Tuesday that it is investigating whether dozens of New York-area brokers passed their licensing exams by paying other people to take the test for them.

"We definitely plan to file some administrative charges, possibly as soon as the next few weeks," said Martin Kuperberg, head of the NASD's New York office. "Some people may be fined and barred from the securities industry."

In one case, a person who worked as a broker admitted paying \$2,500 to have someone take the exam, he said. All the brokers under investigation work for small- and medium-sized firms, said Kuperberg, who declined to identify any of the brokers or firms.

"None of them work at firms that are among the 10 biggest on Wall Street," he said. The securities firms that hired the unlicensed brokers are likely to be exposed to investor lawsuits as a result of the NASD investigation, securities attorneys said.

The expanding investigation, the largest of its kind in at least several decades, has turned up evidence that some people who never took the exam have been working as brokers for more than a year, Kuperberg said.

Another NASD official said that those who accepted money to take the tests — and then passed them — apparently weren't brokers themselves.

"We don't have reason to believe they were brokers," said Gary Liebowitz, chief counsel for NASD's New York office. They were able to pass the exams because "there are various courses available that prepare you for the exam, and study materials that anyone could purchase," he added.

The NASD is a self-regulatory industry body that polices all 520,000 U.S. brokers and the securities firms where they work. It also owns and runs the Nasdaq Stock Market. Any enforcement action the NASD takes can be appealed to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The NASD's Series 7 test for full-service brokers are designed to make sure that brokers have detailed knowledge of all rules and regulations governing securities transactions. That's why it provides one of the foundations of U.S. investor protection — and why allegations that some brokers are evading the test are troubling for regulators.

Problems with testing came to light earlier this year when the NASD found a pattern where people who had failed the licensing exam in New York were passing follow-up tests that they took outside New York, Kuperberg said.

Kuperberg, who joined the NASD in February after working as an enforcement official with the SEC, wouldn't say whether the alleged test-taking fraud is the work of an organized ring. He also declined to discuss who is suspected of accepting pay to take the exams.



The founders of WebTV Networks Inc., from left, Steve Perlman, Phil Goldman and Bruce Leak, are shown in this undated hand-out photo. Blasting from a pack of companies that have promised low-cost Internet access, WebTV has created a device for people to browse the World Wide Web from a TV. Sony and Phillips will become the first companies to license the idea and put the devices on sale in September.

TV makers to offer Internet-through-TV device

N.Y. Times News Service

Palo Alto, Calif. — Sony Electronics Inc. and Philips Consumer Electronics Co. licensed new technology from WebTV Networks that will let people hook up to the Internet through their television.

WebTV Networks, which was started by three former Apple Computer Inc. engineers, said that Sony and Philips have licensed their hardware standards and will begin selling the systems this fall.

Several other companies, including Colorcros Information Technologies Inc., Philips, Zenith Electronics Corp. and Thompson Consumer Electronics, are working on similar systems that are expected out later this year.

The systems allow consumers to link up the global network of computers through the WebTV service and look up information, play games and send electronic mail without buying a personal computer.

WebTV's system will cost less than \$500 and the monthly service will be comparably priced with existing services, which cost about \$20 a month, the company said. The company didn't provide specific prices.

The system is designed to be easier to use than those currently available, which can be complicated to set up because of complex hardware.

"We call it one-thumb browsing," said WebTV co-founder Steve Perlman, who developed the method for displaying computer data on a television screen, which isn't designed for that use. "You hold the remote in one hand and a beer in the other."

The WebTV system includes a box that

a phone line is hooked to and then another cable is attached to the television. Once hooked together and turned on, the system automatically configures itself, calls the service and establishes a connection with no instruction from the user.

Perlman, who is also president and chief executive of WebTV, said it takes about 15 minutes from the time that the box is open until users are browsing the Net. The company has been testing the service for three months, he said. The service will be up and running worldwide by fall when the hardware systems are in stores.

Perlman said WebTV has been working with Sony for nearly a year. The company also said it expects to announce a third licensee in the next several weeks.

Pac Bell, SBC agree on long distance carrier

■ Sprint will be named carrier if merger of two baby bells is approved.

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Pacific Bell and SBC Communications Inc., which hope to merge later this year, announced Tuesday that each will name Sprint Corp. as their long-distance carrier.

The companies have signed a memorandum of understanding and plan to sign a four-year, exclusive contract by mid-summer that could throw millions of dol-

lars of business Sprint's way.

The decision also clears the way for PacBell and SBC to get into the long distance market next year and will allow them to compete with AT&T and other telecommunications giants.

The deal is not related to the proposed merger. Both PacBell and SBC will continue to operate as independent entities, including their long-distance operations, until the merger gets final shareholder and regulatory approval.

By combining their buying requirements, San Francisco-based PacBell and San Antonio-based SBC said they were able to secure a good wholesale

rate. BellSouth Corp. took part in the bidding process, but dropped out after its representatives decided to independently purchase long-distance services.

Pacific Bell's parent company, the Pacific Telesis Group, and SBC announced their \$16.7 billion merger in April.

Pacific Telesis provides telecommunications service in California and Nevada with 15.8 million access lines.

SBC serves Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas and Arkansas with 14.2 million access lines and wireless services in 62 markets.

BUSINESS SCENE

Construction begins on city's fourth Sonic Drive-In

By Mella McEwen

Construction has begun on Midland's fourth Sonic Drive-In, to be located at 4201 N. Midland Drive, next to Rosa's Tortilla Factory and just north of Target.

Completion is expected in August.

The new drive-in will have 33 parking stalls and offer the standard food and ice cream menu and decor seen at Midland's three existing Sonics. The new Sonic will offer a playground for children that has a ball pit and slides and is adjacent to a covered picnic area that includes a menu order-taking system. Handicapped facilities will also be available. Approximately 60 people will be employed.

The Sonic will be accessible off Midland Drive and Navarro, a new street to be constructed between the drive-in and Rosa's.

The other three locations are at 2310 N. Big Spring St., 1109 N. Midkiff Road and Rankin Highway and Interstate 20.

Partners in the venture are Bill Mann, Greg Damon, Keith Moore and David Medina from San Angelo, MHJ Enterprises from Oklahoma City and Gordon Damon.

Ron-Bar Inc. of Abilene has purchased substantially all assets of West-King Restaurant Corp. of San Antonio.

This includes the four Burger King restaurants in Midland and Odessa, located at 710 Andrews Highway and 4805 N. Midkiff Road in Midland and 1920 E. 42nd and 1625 West County Road in Odessa.

A group of physicians has opened MIDLAND PARK MEDICAL SPECIALTIES in the Courtyard at Midland Park shopping center, 4410 N. Midkiff Road, Suite D-6.

Specialties include obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, internal medicine, cardiology, gastroenterology, psychiatry and pulmonary medicine, with other specialties to follow.

Among the partners in the venture are Drs. John R. Molland, Ravikumar Vemuru, Jose D. Bueno, Ravi Medi, David B. Morehead, Madhava Agusala, A. Kodityal and Beverly Couch, women's health-care nurse practitioner.

Midland Park Mall will host the Midland Soccer Association's fall registration Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

Also at the mall, UNDER THE RAINBOW featuring personalized books for children will be located in front of Athletic Supply Thursday, Friday and Saturday during mall hours. And LARRY BRIDGES' ADS AND ARTS featuring pen and pencil arts and watercolor paintings will be in center court Friday, Saturday and Sunday during mall hours.

D-FYIT (Drug-Free Youth In Texas) will have a display at the mall's Community Booth.

APOLLO SOFTWARE, a Midland-born company with offices in Midland

and Austin, has been awarded contracts and integrated various modules of its PC-based software applications in local governments in Karnes, Live Oak, Martin, Kimball, Chambers, Guadalupe and San Patricio counties and in the cities of Jefferson and Cleveland.

Installed applications include child support, document indexing, financial management systems, court management systems for county-district-JP and municipal courts, hot check management systems and law enforcement systems for police and sheriff offices.

Apollo has more than 30 specialized applications for county government entities in Texas that are used by over 275 customers. The company also has customers in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming.

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

How To Read The Market In Review

Here are the 1,875 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold are worth at least \$5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on AMEX. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter.

Price: Price of stock was trading at when exchange closed on the day. **Chg:** Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by -. **PE:** Price-earnings ratio. Derived by dividing closing price by company's earnings per share for the most recent four quarters.

PPE: Projected price-earnings ratio. Derived by dividing closing price by company's projected earnings per share for upcoming 12 months. PPE supplied by I/B/E/S, Institutional Brokers' Estimate System, is a consensus forecast of all analysts following the company. Only companies with three or more analysts following them have a PPE.

How to use: In general, if PPE is lower than PE, analysts believe earnings will be going up. If PPE is higher, they expect earnings to fall. The numbers can be helpful in following stocks but as with all financial data are only one of many factors to judge a company by. Consult your financial advisor before making any investment decision.

Stock Footnotes: cc - PE exceeds 99. dd - Loss in last 12 months. d - New 52-wk low during trading day. g - Dividend in Canadian \$ stock price in U.S. \$. n - New issue in past 52 weeks. g - Closed and mutual funds not calculated. S - Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u - New 52-wk high during trading day. v - Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual distributions based on last declaration. pf - Preferred. sh - Holder owned installment of purchase price. f - Rights. un - Units. wd - When distributed. wt - When issued. wt - Warrants. ww - With warrants. ww - Without warrants.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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EXAMPLES:

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DATA General	DGN	31 41 62
Wynn-Gordon	WYMN	91 93 61

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Daily market roundup



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829.63	691.23	600.00	Nasdaq Composite	824.83	+3.57	+0.43	+9.69	+9.69
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Is baseball going to be Emmitt Zone, too?

By Tom Withers
AP Sports Writer



PHILADELPHIA — Cal Ripken, his glove nowhere in sight, took the field with a football tucked tightly under his arm.

Baseball's iron man was soon joined by Emmitt Smith before Tuesday night's All-Star game. The Dallas Cowboys running back was in town to film a commercial Wednesday and decided to take in his first All-Star game.

"I'm just like any other baseball fan, I wanted to see the game," Smith said.

Asked about his knowledge of baseball, Smith said: "I know it's three strikes and you're out, and there's three outs in an inning. ... If you ask me about the history of baseball, I'm illiterate."

Surely, Smith knew something. So he was asked, "Who is the greatest baseball player of all time?"

"Some would say Babe Ruth," Smith said before a long pause. Before Smith could offer another choice, someone said, "Emmitt, you'd be all right if you stopped right there."

"I guess I would," Smith said. Smith rushed for 1,773 yards and a record 25 touchdowns during last year in leading the Cowboys to their third Super Bowl title in the last four years.

After his visit with Ripken, Smith greeted some other AL stars in the clubhouse. He talked fishing with Frank Thomas and Kenny Lofton before saying hello to Mo Vaughn and Mark McGwire.

Smith said he's not looking forward to training camp, which opens this month.

"It's so hot right now, man," he said.

Ripken, who gave Smith an Orioles jersey, said he never played football.

"I found out later that my mother didn't want me to play," he said. "Too many injuries, I guess."

Less than an hour later, Ripken's nose was broken by Chicago's Roberto Hernandez during, of all things, a photo shoot. Hernandez slipped off a platform after the American League team picture was taken and accidentally elbowed Ripken.

Ripken says he marvels at the condition of football players.

"When I get a chance to meet some of these guys, I mean look at Emmitt, he's a rock," Ripken said. "He's not that big but he sure is strong. And then you see those 300-pound guys. They are amazing athletes."

As Smith was being interviewed a few feet away, Ripken said he wished his visit had been longer.

"I'd love to sit down and talk football with him," Ripken said. "But this is a baseball-only event."

Ripken was playing his first game at Veterans Stadium since he caught a line drive by Garry Maddox to end Game 5 of the 1983 World Series, giving the Orioles the title.

WHO'S GOT TWO?: The Phillies' mascot is named The Phanatic for good reason. This town is baseball crazy.

In playing host to its fourth All-Star game and first since 1976, the city dressed up its downtown with banners, posters and balloons. Even William Penn's statue perched atop City Hall received an All-Star touch. Topping Penn's tri-corner hat was a red All-Star baseball cap.

RIPKEN: 14th All-Star Game for Cal

(From 1C)

son he set the major league record by playing his 2,131st consecutive game, breaking the longtime mark held by Lou Gehrig.

This season, Ripken broke the world record of 2,215 games held by Sachio Kinugasa of Japan.

During his streak, Ripken has sprained his ankle and twisted his knee, yet never missed a start.

The streak is important enough that Ripken was the subject of an impromptu news conference once word leaked about the accident.

"It was a little embarrassing," he said, "and I'm up here increasing the embarrassment."

The Orioles' next game is Thursday night against New York. Ripken has played in all 86 of Baltimore's games this season, batting .287 with 17 homers and 65 RBIs.

"I think I'll have it checked out tomorrow," Ripken said.

Ripken absolved Hernandez of all responsibility.

"It was just a freak accident," he said. "There's no way you can blame anyone. I wouldn't give it a second thought."

That's good news for Hernandez, who looked to Ripken's teammates Roberto Alomar and Brady Anderson for help.

"They said they would get me a bodyguard when I get to Baltimore," Hernandez said. "I said you'd better get me the best — I'll need it."

All-Star Notebook

More than 60,000 fans came out for Monday's workouts, the celebrity softball game and home run derby. And tickets for Tuesday night's game were scarce.

Lobbies were filled with fans searching for a precious \$65 ticket. However, buyers considerably outnumbered sellers. And an All-Star game ticket might not have even been the toughest ticket in town.

The Philadelphia Museum of Art is presenting an exhibit by the Paul Cezanne. With tickets at a premium for the impressionist show there were actually scalpers outside the museum Tuesday.

The museum accommodated baseball officials wishing to see the exhibit with a special hours showing. Acting commissioner Bud Selig was among those to attend.

The city's convention and visitor bureau estimated that about \$40 million in business would be generated by the All-Star game. And officials were hoping out-of-town visitors would come back for a visit.

ON TO CLEVELAND: Jacobs Field will stage next year's All-Star game. In fact, Cleveland will pull off a rare double by also playing host to the NBA's All-Star weekend.

Denver's Coors Field will be the site of the 1998 game, and Milwaukee, providing it builds Miller Park, will be the host in 1999. The 2000 game is scheduled for Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami.

JUNIOR JETTED: A doctor's visit prevented Ken Griffey Jr., the top vote getter for this year's game, from attending the game.

Griffey, sidelined with a broken hand, flew to Seattle on Monday night to see his surgeon. Griffey was also unable to play in last year's game in Texas but did get to take a bow during player introductions.

On Monday, Griffey was asked about the home run record. If this is the year that Roger Maris' mark falls, who would be the one to do it?

"Hmmm," Griffey said. "Albert (Belle) and ..."

Then following a long pause, he added, "and Matt (Williams) or Barry (Bonds) ... Frank (Thomas)."

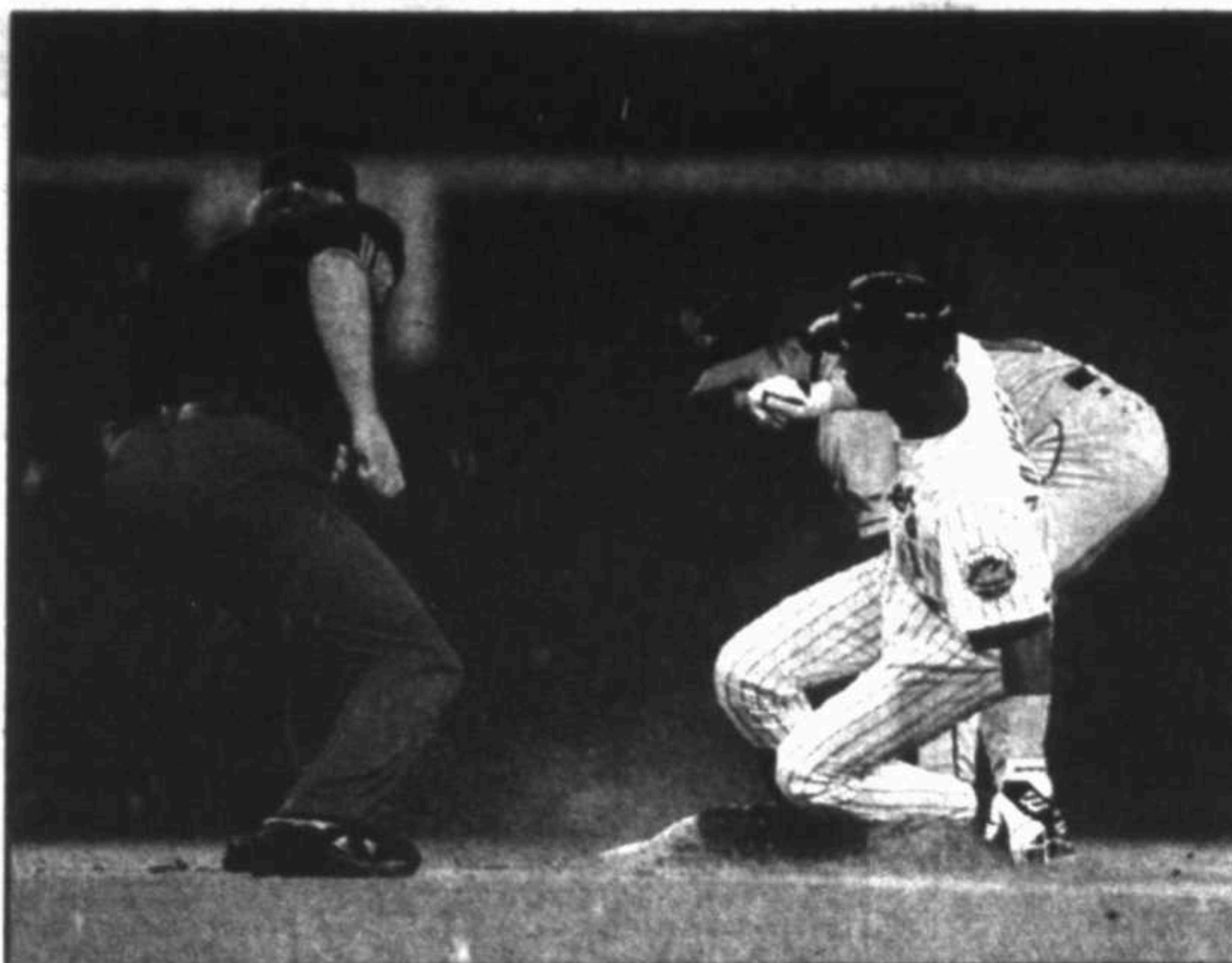
OH, SAY: O CANADA: Kelsey Grammer, star of NBC's hit series "Frasier," sang "The Star-Spangled Banner." NBC, which is televising the game, said major league chose Grammer. Canada's singer/songwriter Sarah McLachlan performed the Canadian anthem.

HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES: New York Yankees reliever John Wetteland might just as well have been at the NHL All-Star game.

Wetteland, wearing hockey gloves and carrying a hockey stick, skated the tunnels of Veterans Stadium before Monday's workouts on rollerblades. He practiced his stick-handling and shooting skills with a ball. Baseball's saves leader at the break says it helps him relieve tension.

AND THE PITCH: Hall of Famers Richie Ashburn, Jim Bunning, Steve Carlton, Robin Roberts and Mike Schmidt — representing 40 years of Philadelphia Phillies baseball — threw out the ceremonial first pitches for the game.

Bunning is the Phillies' most recent Hall of Famer. He will be inducted in Cooperstown on Aug. 4.



Lance Johnson of the New York Mets slides into second in front of the tag by Baltimore second baseman Roberto Alomar after turning a single into a double in the first inning of the All-Star Game.

NL: Piazza delivers in third straight win

(From 1C)

Chipper Jones, all playing in place of injured stars, each delivered key hits for the NL. Ozzie Smith, in his 15th and final All-Star game, drew the biggest cheer of the evening, a 45-second standing ovation that also included a handshake from opposing catcher Sandy Alomar Jr.

Johnson, in his first All-Star game at age 33, took Tony Gwynn's spot and doubled on loser Charles Nagy's first pitch. He later scored on Barry Bonds' ground-out.

Jones, playing third base for injured Matt Williams, singled and scored in the second. Caminiti, added to the team when Williams was dropped from the roster, hit a leadoff home run in the sixth that made it 5-0.

Piazza, meanwhile, added to his fond memories of Veterans Stadium.

Having homered in his last All-Star at-bat last summer in Texas, he picked up where he left off with a long drive leading off the second inning. That made him the first player to homer in consecutive at-bats since Gary Carter in 1981, and the last to do it in two straight games since Fred Lynn in 1979-80.

Piazza's two-out double off Chuck Finley in the third put the Nationals ahead 4-0.

That 4-0 score was exactly what it was after three innings the last time the All-Star game was played at Veterans Stadium, back in 1976 when early home runs by George Foster and Cesar Cedeño off Mark Fidrych and Catfish Hunter led the Nationals to a 7-1 win.

Piazza, born and raised in nearby Norristown, Pa., attended that game with his father, Vince, who was in the stands Tuesday night to see his son, a four-time All-Star catcher for Los Angeles at age 27.

The AL, minus injured Ken Griffey Jr. and Frank Thomas, only had a couple of threats, and each time Belle made key outs. Booped in pregame introductions and again every time he came to the plate, Belle struck out swinging against Smoltz, Atlanta teammate Tom Glavine and Montreal's Pedro Martinez, the last time with runners on first and third in the sixth.

Belle came up again with two on in the eighth and hit a hard line drive to center field that Johnson caught on the run.

The shutout was the first in All-Star play since 1990, when the AL won 2-0 at Wrigley Field. It was the first for the NL since 1968.

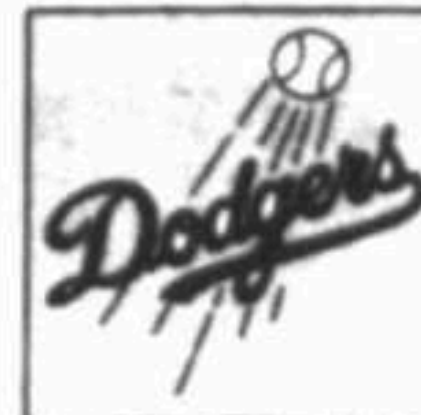
Smoltz, leading the majors with 14 wins despite losing his last three starts, and Nagy formed a rematch from Game 3 of last October's World Series.

While Smoltz was an easy choice for NL manager Bobby Cox of Atlanta, Nagy (11-2) was picked by AL manager Mike Hargrove of

L.A. Story

Piazza goes from overlooked to MVP

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer



PHILADELPHIA — Eight years ago, Mike Piazza was a 62nd-round draft pick. On Tuesday night, he shot to the top of

the baseball world.

The local kid made good, and his family and friends were looking on to watch one of the greatest nights of his life.

Piazza hit a 445-foot home run into the upper deck in the second inning, then added an RBI double in the third. The National League beat the American League 6-0 and Piazza was picked as the game's most valuable player.

"I'm really emotional right now," Piazza said when he came out of the game. "I'm all choked up."

Twenty years ago, 7-year old Mike Piazza sat in Veterans Stadium and watched the All-Star

game. When the All-Stars returned to the Vet, the fans were focused on him.

"It's hard to believe," said Vincent Piazza, the catcher's father. "It's amazing. It's something that's hard to explain. I still can't accept it. It's like a dream."

Piazza, the godson of Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda, starred at Phoenixville Area High School, about 30 miles outside Philadelphia. After 1,389 other players were taken, Lasorda's Dodgers drafted Piazza.

At age 27, he's already a four-time All-Star. And he was the NL's leading vote-getter this year in fan balloting. He's started three straight All-Star games and is 4-for-12 with two homers and four RBIs.

For Piazza, the night was thrilling from start to finish. Before the game, he caught Mike Schmidt's ceremonial first pitch.

"He said, 'You're the best,'" Piazza remembered. "He wrote that on the ball."

Rangers come to terms with second-round pick

Associated Press



Notes

The 21-year-old Lee is scheduled to report Thursday to the Gulf Coast Rangers and is expected to join Hudson Valley in the New York-Penn League within the next two weeks.

Lee was 10-3 with a 2.62 ERA in 18 games, including 17 starts, last season. He had three complete games and struck out 99 in 103 innings. He won his last four starts in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Hudek continues rehab — The Houston Astros say relief pitcher John Hudek will remain with the club's Triple A affiliate in Tucson through the end of this week and might return to the big-league club next week.

Hudek, 29, has not pitched in a

major-league game since June 22, 1995. He underwent surgery last year to remove the top right rib and some muscle tissue to relieve pressure which was constricting a vein in his right arm.

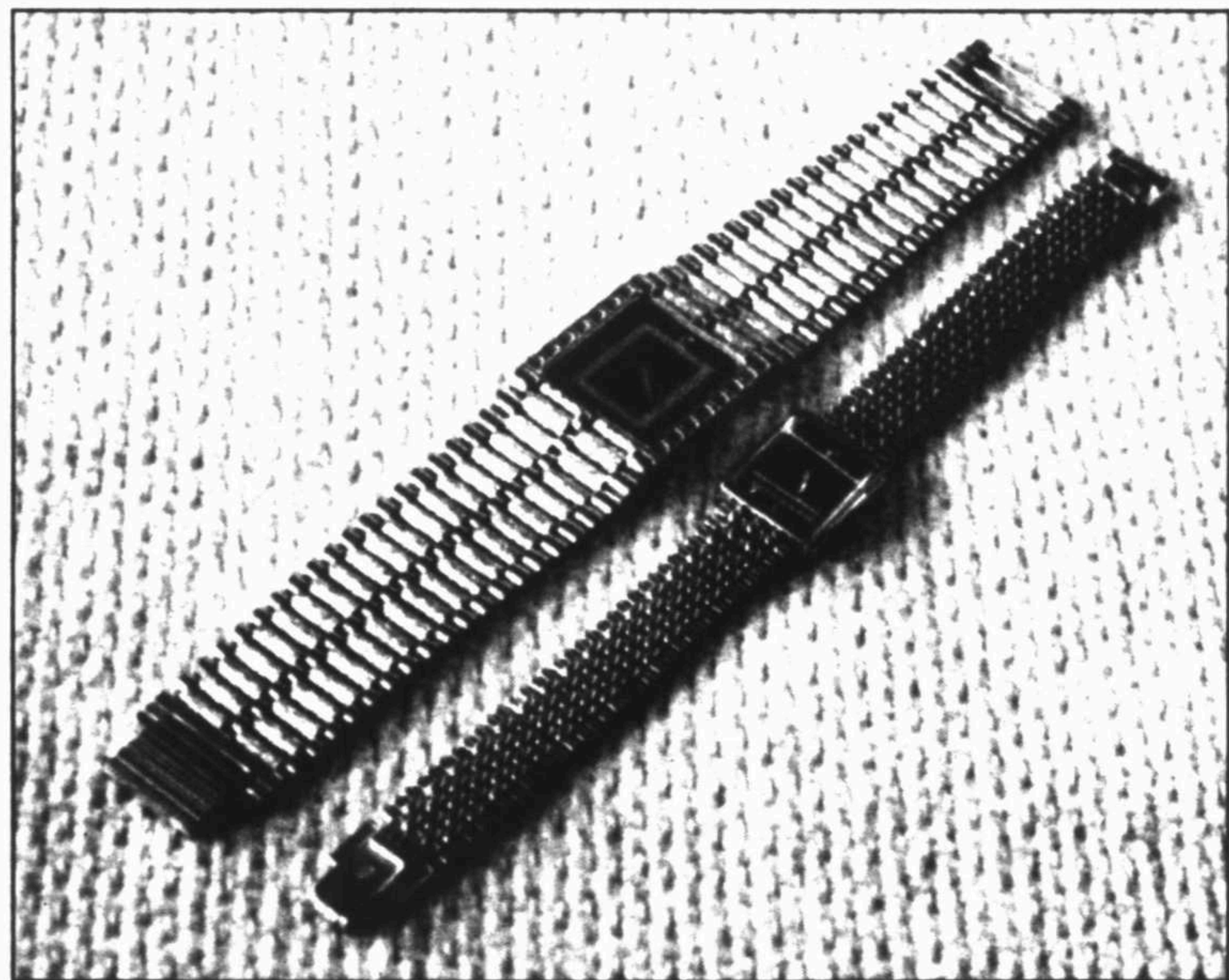
Puckett Surgery — Kirby Puckett could be getting closer to a verdict on whether he will return to the Minnesota Twins.

The Star Tribune reported that the star outfielder is scheduled to undergo invasive surgery on his right eye Friday in Baltimore. Dr. Bert Glaser of the Retina Institute of Maryland has attempted several times to improve Puckett's vision with laser surgery.

Lasorda recovery progresses — Los Angeles Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda continues his recovery from a heart attack, although it's not yet known when he might return.

Lasorda entered the hospital on June 24 complaining of stomach pain. Doctors discovered he has an ulcer and sustained a heart attack. They don't know when the attack occurred. Two days later, he underwent an angioplasty in which a coronary blockage was opened.

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Float into coolness with a Tropical Fruit Canoe

Associated Press

Cool off on hot summer days with a cold, refreshing frozen dessert. Ice-Capped Tropical Fruit Canoe uses a combination of fruit-flavored sorbet and fresh pineapple. The dessert is both eye-appealing and refreshing. And each serving contains only 2 percent calories from fat.

ICE-CAPPED TROPICAL FRUIT CANOE

1 lengthwise wedge (1/4 of a whole) pineapple
1 tablespoon pineapple, passion fruit or mango ice cream sauce
1 scoop each of 3 of the following sorbet flavors: mango, pineapple, lime, orange,

passion fruit, tropical mix and pina colada

1 slice peeled mango or papaya, halved
2 slices peeled kiwifruit
2 slices star fruit
2 red maraschino cherries, drained and halved

3 red maraschino cherries with stems

Remove edible part of pineapple from wedge, leaving 1/2 inch on the skin portion to form a "canoe." Cut

fruit into spears.

Spoon sauce in bottom of canoe. Place pineapple spears on

sauce.

Scoop 3 flavors of sorbet on sauce. Garnish with remaining fruits and maraschino halves.

Top each scoop with maraschino cherry with stem. Makes 1 serving.

Nutrition facts per serving:
472 cal., 1.8 g pro., 0.9 g fat (2 percent calories from fat), 118.1 g carbo., 0.0 mg chol., 6 g fiber, 52.7 mg sodium.

Recipe from: National Cherry Foundation



For a low-fat summer dessert, serve Ice-Capped Tropical Fruit Canoe. This refreshing dessert is made with frozen sorbet and fresh fruit.

Add a Mediterranean flair with Pork Kebabs

Associated Press

Skewer cubes of lean pork, artichoke hearts and sweet pepper to create low-fat pork kebabs. Each serving has 9 grams of fat. Serve with low-fat green beans and greens, a recipe that combines cooked greens with olive oil, garlic and white beans. Each serving of the salad contains 3 fat grams. A citrus salad and hot bread are also good accompaniments.

MEDITERRANEAN PORK KEBABS

1 pound boneless pork loin or 4 boneless pork chops
6-ounce jar marinated artichoke hearts
1 sweet red pepper, seeded and cut into 1-inch squares
1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
1 teaspoon oregano
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 teaspoons black pepper
Garlicky Green Beans & Greens (recipe below)
Cut pork loin or chops into 1-inch

cubes. Place in a self-sealing bag. Drain artichoke hearts, reserving marinade; set artichoke hearts and bell pepper squares aside.

Add reserved marinade with remaining ingredients to bag; mix well and seal bag. Let stand for 30 minutes, turning bag occasionally.

Prepare medium-hot coals in covered grill. Skewer pork, artichoke hearts and pepper squares. Grill for 15 to 20 minutes, just until done and nicely browned. Serve with Garlicky Beans & Greens. Makes 4 servings.

NOTE: If using bamboo skewers, soak in water for one hour before serving.

Nutrition facts per serving: 212 cal., 9 g fat, 66 mg chol., 286 mg sodium, 25 g pro.

GARLICKY GREEN BEANS & GREENS

1 1/2 pounds kale, chard or mustard greens, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces

Please see PORK/2D



Beef Fajitas On A Stick make easy grilling for a hot summer day.

Grill up something a little different

Associated Press

Summer is in full swing and you're busy — not much time for cooking. But you have a hankering for something a little different; not just the usual hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill.

For tempting beef fajitas, weave strips of sirloin steak onto skewers. Brush with a mixture of Italian dressing and fresh lime juice, then grill alongside thick slices of onion and quartered bell peppers that are also brushed with the lime mixture.

Start the vegetables first since they require longer cooking time. To serve, remove the beef from the skewers and serve with the

vegetables in warm flour tortillas with salsa. Serve an orange-avocado salad as an accompaniment.

BEEF FAJITAS ON A STICK

Total preparation and cooking time: 30 minutes

1 pound boneless beef tip sirloin steak, cut 1-inch thick
1/2 cup prepared Italian dressing
3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
2 green or red bell peppers, each cut into quarters
2 medium onions, cut crosswise into 1/2-inch thick slices
1/2 teaspoon salt
8 medium flour tortillas, warmed
Prepared salsa

Please see GRILL/2D

WHAT'S COOKING?

Rhythms, fare of Middle East enticing

By Linda Anderson
Staff Writer

Karen Sharma isn't from the Middle East, but the rhythms of the region have called to her for more than 20 years. She took up the ancient Middle Eastern art of belly dancing in 1972.

"I went with my husband to a seminar in Houston, and we went out to a Greek restaurant, and I saw a lady named Helena dance. And she could roll quarters" up and down her stomach.

"It was very impressive," Mrs. Sharma continued. "Shortly after we got back, a belly dancing class was offered through the Midland Parks and Recreation Department."

Not only did Mrs. Sharma successfully complete the class, but in early 1973, she took over teaching it.

And although she has learned a lot about belly dancing, she still can't roll quarters, she laughed, "but I can roll a rounded glass over on top of a lighted candle."

This week she and other area belly dancers will perform at Summer in the City, which is presented 7:30-9 p.m. each Thursday through Aug. 1 at Centennial Plaza

in downtown Midland. The event is free.

"The first number we will do is called Amayaguena. It is the Spanish-Moroccan style of dance," Mrs. Sharma said. "The second number is a drum routine typical of night club Egyptian dancing."

Mrs. Sharma also has learned a lot about Middle Eastern recipes. "My husband is from Nepal," she said. "That's not the Middle East but Middle Eastern food uses a lot of the same spices."

And her belly dancing group "gets together frequently to cook," she added. "We have a Hafila — that's Middle Eastern for 'blowout.' We all bring something and eat, then put our belly dancing music on and get up and dance for each other." Currently the group has 10 dancers, Mrs. Sharma said, one from Lamesa, one from Monahans, one from Andrews and the rest from Midland and Odessa.

She also has a favorite cookbook — "Arabian Cuisine" by Anne Marie Weiss-Armush, whom the Sharmas know — that many of her frequently-used recipes come from. Here are some of them:

Please see COOK/2D

Karen Sharma poses with some of her favorite cookbooks with recipes from the Middle East, as well as with her costume she wears when belly dancing. Ms. Sharma and other area belly dancers will perform during Summer in the City, 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday at Centennial Plaza.

Brian Adams/Reporter-Telegram



Skewer cubes of lean pork, artichoke hearts and sweet pepper to create Mediterranean Pork Kebabs. Serve with Garlicky Beans and Greens.



AROUND TOWN

Summer Sundays Lawn Concerts will present musical performance by Midnight Stampede at 7:45 p.m. July 14 on the grounds of the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri in Midland. The event will be Membership Night.

Water Wonderland, concert sponsor, will provide free admission tickets to the water park with memberships signed up at the concert. In addition, current museum members may participate in drawings for tickets; members must be present to win.

Midnight Stampede, originally formed for the annual City of Midland employees' picnic, now entertains at conferences, conventions and special events. The band specializes in music for dancing, so during the concert, the audience is welcome to dance on the driveway area at the museum. Members of the group are Gary Saunders, lead guitar and vocals; Coy Willis, rhythm guitar and vocals; Freddy Cates, bass guitar; Kevin Slaton, drummer and vocals; and Shura Lindgren, vocals.

Other groups scheduled for performances are The Male Chorus, July 21; Joseph and Theresa, July 28; Two Muses, Aug. 4; and The Shades, Aug. 11.

The annual series of lawn concerts is sponsored by the museum and the Reporter-Telegram. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

BONE MARROW Transplant Support Group will meet 7 p.m. July 11 at Allison Cancer Center. Angela Peterson, LMSW, former director of social services for Hospice of Abilene and now social worker with Texas Oncology and Allison Center, will give a presentation. For more information call 685-6606.

MIDLAND COUNTY Public Library's Children's Department will sponsor its Summer Reading Program through Aug. 10. Participants will receive prizes for reading or listening to 10 or 25 books by the end of summer. The top 15 readers will win two free medium pizzas from Little Caesar's.

In addition, the library will host free programs throughout the summer. Next week's programs will be "Animal Mask Craft" for children aged 6-12 at 10 a.m. July 16; storytime for children aged 3-5 at 2:30 p.m. July 17; and a video presentation of "Adventures of Milo and Otis" for children of all ages at 10 a.m. July 20.

All programs will be at the main library.

KIDS COURSES at Museum of the Southwest will feature "Painting with Tempera" 1-3 p.m. July 15-18 in the Freda Turner Durham Children's Museum. Children ages 6-9 are invited to attend. Cost is \$35 for museum members and \$40 for non-members. Nancy Klingler will be instructor. For more information or to register call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

MIDLAND LEAGAL Secretaries Association will meet noon July 11 at the Arco Permian Building, 600 Marienfeld, conference room 245. W. Ralph Petty Jr., first assistant district attorney in Midland, will present "Felon Criminal Cases." For information, call 688-5700.

PERMIAN BASIN Computer User Group will meet 9 a.m.-noon July 13 in the White Buffalo Room at Lincoln Tower Retirement Residence, 311 W. 4th St. in Odessa. Jane McCrary, vice president and banking center manager of NationsBank will speak on "Use Your PC to Do Your Banking," and members will demonstrate Internet telephone software. For information call 530-0705.

LOS NINOS International Adoption Center will host an International Adoption Seminar noon-3 p.m. July 27 at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2901 N. Garfield in Midland. Topics will include home studies, the immigration process and the legal process abroad. Speakers will be Heino and Jean Erichsen, founders and directors of Los Ninos; Ann Petrov, social worker based in Midland; and local adoptive parents. For more information or to register call 520-9110 or (713) 363-2892.

APPLICATIONS ARE now available for the 1997 Arts Assembly of Midland grants to art organizations. Funds are from the City of Midland and Celebration of the Arts. To be eligible, an organization must be a non-profit, tax exempt 501(c)(3) or under the umbrella of one; provide arts and humanities services to the Midland area; request assistance for a particular project, program or performance; and a member of the Arts Assembly of Midland. For more information or an application packet, call 687-1149.

Chef also is a teacher

By Linda Beaulieu

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — When chef Paul O'Connell teaches a cooking class, he dazzles his students with a menu from his popular restaurant, Providence, located in Brookline, Mass.

It was here, in Providence, at Johnson & Wales University, that O'Connell learned his trade. "It was all meant to be," he says.

After graduating from Johnson & Wales in 1983, O'Connell honed his skills at some of Boston's finest restaurants including the Parker House, Jasper's, East Coast Grill and Olives. He opened Providence in 1993 and a second restaurant, Chez Henri, last year.

When O'Connell teaches home cooks, the classes are quickly filled. His recipes are especially appealing to those who love to entertain with at-home dinner parties.

One of his more popular dishes is spaghetti with clams, chorizo and roasted tomatoes. The chef tosses the spaghetti with little-neck clams and garlicky sausage. Roasting the tomatoes gives them an intensified flavor. If vine-ripened tomatoes are not available, you can use plum tomatoes.

SPAGHETTI WITH CLAMS, CHORIZO AND ROASTED TOMATOES

1 cup basil leaves
1 cup olive oil
1 pound chorizo sausage
2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
3 pounds littleneck clams, soaked for 20 minutes in water, then scrubbed with a brush
2 Anaheim or other hot chili pepper, cored, seeded and chopped
1 cup white wine
6 ripe tomatoes, cored and roasted (recipe below)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
1 pound spaghetti

In the workbowl of a food processor fitted with the steel blade, chop the basil leaves. With the machine running, add 2 tablespoons of the oil and whirl until the basil is pureed. Remove the puree from the food processor and transfer it to a bowl.

In a large, deep skillet without fat, brown the sausage on all sides. Remove it from the pan and set aside until it is cool enough to handle. Wipe out the skillet.

To the same pan, add the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil. When it is hot, add the garlic and clams and cook for 1 minute, shaking the pan constantly.

Cut the sausage on a diagonal into thin slices. Add them to the clams with the chili pepper, white wine and roasted tomatoes.

Cover the pan and cook over low heat until the clams open, shaking the pan several times. Taste the sauce for seasoning and add salt and pepper if needed.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil, add the spaghetti and cook for 8 minutes or until it is tender but still has some bite.

Drain the spaghetti into a colander and transfer it to a bowl. Add the sauce, drizzle the basil puree on top, toss thoroughly and serve. Makes 4 servings.

ROASTED TOMATOES

6 ripe tomatoes, cored



Chef Paul O'Connell has two restaurants in Brookline, Mass., but still finds time to teach home cooks.

2 tablespoons olive oil
3 tablespoons fresh rosemary
Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

Set the oven at 250 degrees. Place the tomatoes in a roasting pan and sprinkle with the oil, rosemary, salt and pepper. Transfer the pan to the oven and bake the tomatoes for 60 to 70 minutes or until they are very tender.

Remove the tomatoes from the oven. When they are cool enough to handle, set the tomatoes on a large, deep plate and pull off all the skins.

Chop the flesh coarsely. This is messy, and the juices will run. Set the tomatoes and their juices aside. Use as directed in the main recipe.

COOK: Middle East calls to woman

(From 1D)

HUMMOS BI TAHEENI

(Chick Pea Dip)

2 cups (or 1 can) cooked chick peas
1 cup liquid in which peas were canned
1 to 2 cloves garlic
1 cup tahini (recipe follows)
1 cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon salt

GARNISHES: Olive oil, paprika or cumin, black olives, pimiento peppers, parsley, whole chick peas

Puree all ingredients in blender, reserving some whole peas for garnish. Add additional tahini and/or lemon juice until flavor and consistency is to taste. Spread in oval serving platter, drizzle lightly with olive oil and garnish lavishly. Serve at room temperature with pieces of Arabic bread for dipping.

TAHINI SESAME PASTE:

2 cups sesame seeds
1 cup good quality vegetable oil
1 teaspoon salt

Toast sesame seeds in shallow pan for 10 minutes at 350 degrees. Remove center section of blender lid and toss seeds in by spoonfuls. When blender glass is too full to pulverize well, empty into bowl and continue with remaining seeds. Return ground seeds to blender with oil and salt. Mix well. Store in sterile glass jar.

NOTE: Mrs. Sharma said tahini also can usually be found in health food stores.

FETTOUSH SALAD

2 cups lettuce, washed, dried and torn into small pieces

2 medium tomatoes, cut into small

pieces

2 small cucumbers, peeled and cut into small pieces

1/2 cup onion or green onion, coarsely chopped

1/2 cup fresh mint leaves, torn into pieces

1/2 cup fresh parsley, chopped

2 tablespoons purslane or chickweed (optional)

1 cup dry or toasted Arabic bread, torn into pieces

Lemon dressing (recipe follows)

Toss all ingredients in salad bowl, making sure vegetables and bread pieces are of similar size. Prepare lemon dressing and pour over salad. Toss to coat thoroughly.

NOTE: The author advises that if lettuce is not available, increase the amounts of the other vegetables since lettuce is not essential in the salad.

LEMON DRESSING:

1 clove garlic, crushed with 1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup lemon juice

1/2 cup olive oil, to taste

Combine all ingredients and blend thoroughly. Add 1 teaspoon ground sumac for a different taste.

FARINA HALVA

1 cup sugar

2 cups water

1/2 cup powdered milk

1/2 cup butter

1 cup farina, semolina or cream of wheat (not the quick-cooking kind)

1/2 cup pine nuts

GARNISH: Cinnamon, pine nuts

Combine sugar, water and powdered milk in saucepan. Bring to boil, stirring to dissolve sugar. Remove from heat and set aside.

ash-covered goals. Grill vegetables 12 to 15 minutes or until tender, turning once. About 10 minutes before vegetables are done, place beef kebabs on grid with vegetables. Grill kebabs 7 to 9 minutes for medium-rare to medium done, turning once.

Season beef with salt. Remove beef from skewers; serve with vegetables in tortillas and top with salsa. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 532 cal., 34 g pro., 52 g carbo., 21 g fat,

In coated frying pan, melt butter over low flame. Add farina and nuts and cook, stirring constantly, until toasted. Do not brown. Pour sugar and milk liquid over farina mixture and stir to prevent lumps.

When smooth, lower flame as much as possible and cook, covered, until all the syrup is absorbed, about 10 minutes.

Remove from heat. Place dish towel across pan to absorb steam and replace cover. Set aside for 15 to 20 minutes.

Fluff with fork to break up any lumps. Sprinkle lightly with cinnamon and garnish with pine nuts. Serve warm. Or spoon into bowl or mold rinsed with cold water and let stand 20 minutes; remove from mold and garnish. Or spread in tray, then reverse onto serving dish and cut into diamond-shaped pieces.

AUTHOR'S NOTES: (1) When pouring basic syrup over halva (farina mixture), remember the rule: Pour cool syrup over hot halva or hot syrup over cool halva.

(2) Syrup may be flavored with cloves, lemon peel and/or cinnamon stick. Strain before serving.

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GRILL: Beef fajitas are great grilling alternative

(From 1D)

Soak eight 8- or 9-inch bamboo skewers in enough water to cover for 10 minutes; drain.

Trim fat from beef steak. Cut steak lengthwise in half and then crosswise into 1/2-inch strips. Thread an equal amount of beef, weaving back and forth, onto each skewer.

In a small bowl, combine dressing and lime juice; brush onto beef, onions and beef. Place vegetables on grid over medium

ash-covered goals. Grill vegetables 12 to 15 minutes or until tender, turning once. About 10 minutes before vegetables are done, place beef kebabs on grid with vegetables. Grill kebabs 7 to 9 minutes for medium-rare to medium done, turning once.

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PORK: Garlicky Beans and Greens great side dish

(From 1D)

2 teaspoons olive oil

2 cloves garlic, crushed

15-ounce can white kidney beans, undrained

6 dried tomato halves, rehydrated if dried, chopped

1/2 cup chicken broth

1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed

Dash dried red pepper flakes

Salt and black pepper, to taste

In a large saucepan, bring 2 quarts water to a boil. Add 1 table-

spoon salt to boiling water. Toss the greens into the boiling water; cook until they are almost tender but still bright green, 5 to 8 minutes. Cooking time will depend on the type of green. Drain and rinse with cold water. Set aside. (Greens can be cooked one day ahead; keep refrigerated until continuing with recipe.)

Heat olive oil in large skillet. Sauté garlic until tender but not browned. Stir in beans; cook and stir for 8 minutes, heating beans through (some beans may break

up; this helps thicken the dish).

Gently stir in reserved greens and remaining ingredients. Cook and stir gently until heated through. Makes 4 servings. If desired, top each serving with a dusting of freshly grated Parmesan cheese.

Nutrition facts per serving: 157 cal., 3 g fat, 0 mg chol., 137 mg sodium, 24 g carbo., 9 g fiber.

Recipes from: National Pork Producers Council

CONSUMING INTERESTS

New drink mix lacks strawberry and lemon

By Linda Anderson

Summer is the season for lemonade — at least that's what all the commercials seem to tell us — and that's probably why Country Time (a Kraft company), a brand of lemonade drink and mix, has recently introduced its line of "New!" Lem'n Berry Sippers, lemonade mix that also has a berry flavor to it.

I bought a container of Lem'n Berry Strawberry Lemonade Flavor Drink Mix and brought it to the office, where my co-workers are always ready to try some new food or drink (journalists are always hungry — and thirsty).

An 18-ounce package of the dry mix cost \$2.79 and makes six quarts of lemonade-strawberry drink.

Label advertising says we should "Enjoy the Good, Old-Fashioned Refreshment of Country Time Lemonade with a Splash of Sweet, Juicy Berries in New Lem'n Berry Sippers!" (By the way, the company is the one who left the "o" out of lemon, not me. I don't know why companies can't spell right — it's not that cute.)

Then it goes on: "There's only one way to make Country Time Lemonade even more delicious — add the luscious, sweet taste of berries. Not too tart, not too sweet...so it's wonderfully refresh-



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ing any time of day! And Lem'n Berry Sippers Drink Mix is made from the finest, all natural ingredients and no preservatives.

"One sip and you're sure to agree, there's never been a more delightful way to quench your thirst. Try all three delicious and refreshing varieties...Strawberry, Raspberry, and Wildberry."

Excuse me, but if you're going to claim "all natural ingredients," you're going to have to explain what a "wildberry" is.

And it gets even more confusing: The ingredients label lists, in order, sugar, fructose, citric acid (provides tartness), magnesium oxide (prevents caking), xanthan gum (provides body), elderberry juice concentrate (added for color), natural flavor, beet juice solids (added for color) — but nowhere on there are either lemons or strawberries listed.

The taste test turned out to be a disappointment. Lemonade may be the drink of summer, but this isn't it. It didn't really taste like lemonade — with or without strawberry — it tasted like the powdered drink mix it is.

I have a problem with something labeled to be a strawberry-flavored lemonade that doesn't list either, don't you? I mean, "natural flavor" may mean strawberry and lemon, but why don't they say so?

We won't be buying this again.

Price listed is from a local supermarket. Prices at other locations may vary.

Linda Anderson is a Reporter-Telegram staff writer.

DEAR ABBY

Trial judge calls criticism of jury system out of order

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I recently read your column in which you quoted disgruntled jurors. I believe you have given the wrong impression to your readers.

I have been a trial judge for 25 years and have presided over literally thousands of jury trials. For many years I even gave jurors forms on which they could anonymously give me their complaints. With rare exception, nobody disparaged jury service as did your readers. Most thought it was not only their duty, but a privilege to serve.

Some of our correspondents suggest we abolish juries and have professional jurors and judges as fact finders. They might be interested to know that this was the system used in Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia, resulting in millions dying in concentration camps.

The reason for the Magna Carta and the Sixth and Seventh Amendments in the Bill of Rights was to curtail the absolute power of the sovereign and allow judgments to be made by one's peers.

The jury system rightly has been called the "cornerstone of democracy." Americans should be proud to serve as jurors. They should be paid a very substantial fee for their services — and parenthetically, those employers who refuse to continue to pay their employees' wages while they are serving as jurors should be jailed.

— ROBERT E. DAUER, PRESIDENT JUDGE, ALLEGHENY COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, PITTSBURGH

DEAR ABBY: Our dad was married to his second wife for 20 years. He recently died.

Our stepmom is a nice lady, but she seldom invited us to their home when Dad was living, and now that he is gone, we never see her.

We're not interested in Dad's money; we just wish that we could each have a memento of his. We asked her once, but nothing happened. She has already given away (or sold) most of Dad's things.

Should we ask her if there is anything left that we could buy? — HURT IN RENTON, WASH.

DEAR HURT: Yes. And I suggest you hurry.

DEAR ABBY: I am one of a group of ladies who meet once a week for Bible study. We are all very congenial and I enjoy the meetings.

Now, my problem: Every week we take turns preparing a nice lunch, but one lady (I'll call her Sally) always brings her own lunch — a large salad. She claims she is on a diet and the food prepared by the hostess would sabo-



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tage her diet.

I think this is extremely rude and an insult to the hostess. I voiced my opinion to a friend, and she said she saw no harm in Sally's behavior. I must add that Sally is far from discreet about eating her "lunch."

I think it would be more polite to eat a small portion of the prepared meal provided by the hostess.

What do you think, Abby? We will abide by your opinion. — STEAMED

DEAR STEAMED: Sorry, I vote for Sally's right to stick with her diet. (What's eating YOU?)

DEAR ABBY: I dated "James" for 18 months before he proposed. Our wedding is set for the fall of next year. James is loving, considerate and honest. However, we're completely opposite in our tastes and interests. I am romantic, artistic and impulsive. He is practical, predictable and stable.

I was happy with this relationship until a couple of months ago, when I went out to lunch several times with a single man I'll call "John." (We work together.) What began as a casual friendship seems to be developing into more.

The attraction is mutual. We share the same values, the same likes and dislikes, and we often think alike. When I look at him, I see myself, so we're very compatible.

John, however, has a less-than-perfect past. He's been in some bad relationships and is twice divorced. He has a troubled family history and two teen-agers in therapy with numerous unresolved problems.

Abby, we both realize we won't remain "just friends" if we continue going out to lunch, etc. John hasn't mentioned marriage, but he has told me that he wants me in his life.

I think I love them both. James is safe. John is exciting. John knows about my fiancé, but James doesn't have a clue. Should I go through with the wedding because I'm certain that James would be a good husband, or should I take my chances that John and I will find happiness together? — BEWITCHED, BOTHERED AND BEWILDERED

DEAR BEWITCHED: If you are attracted to John, it's obvious that you are not in love with James. You would be doing James an enormous favor if you broke the engagement and freed him to find a woman who would love and appreciate him. And the sooner the better.

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know."

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Women and AIDS

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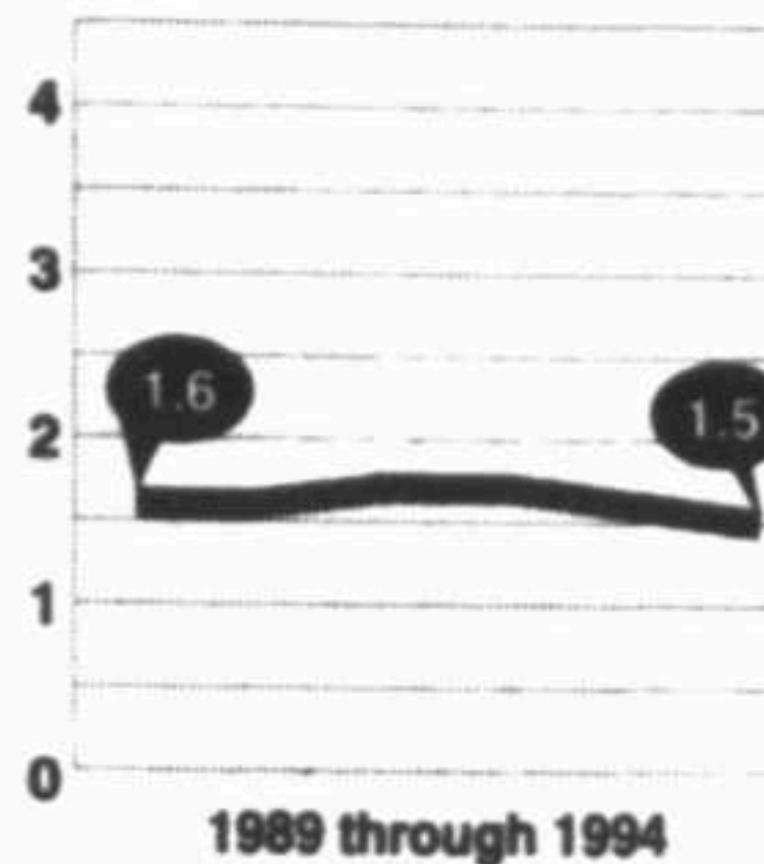
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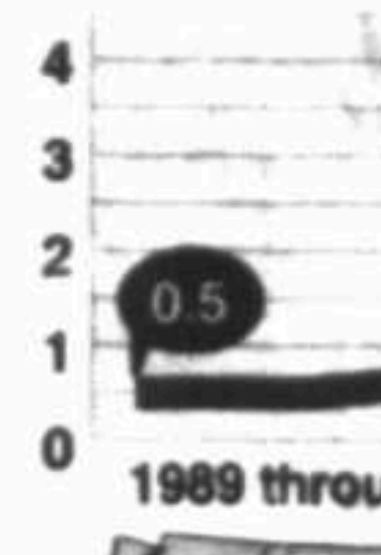
Fewer than two of every 1,000 new mothers in the United States are infected with the AIDS virus, and the numbers are falling fastest in the Northeast, where HIV is most common.

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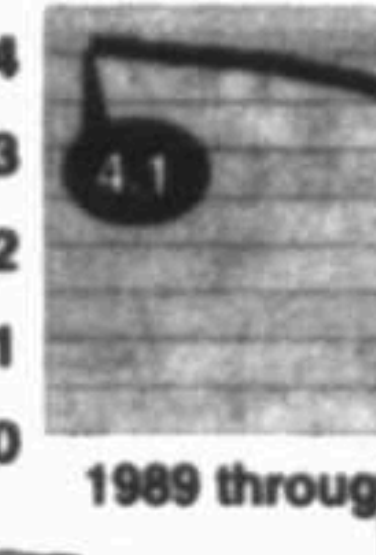


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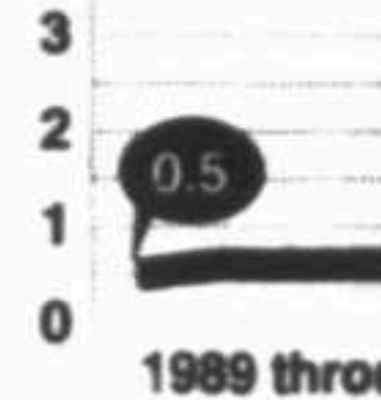
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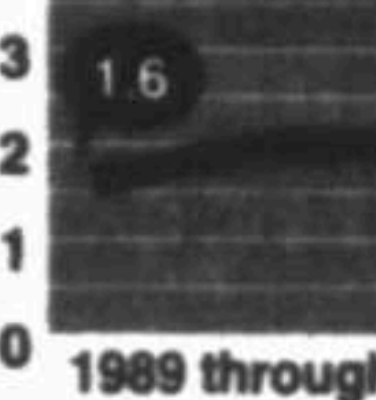
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A group of AIDS activists from the group ACT UP, march behind a section of fence to protest the U.S. immigration ban on HIV-infected people in Vancouver, Canada.

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AIDS specialists pin hopes on creams, gels

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (NYT) — Because condoms have not halted the spread of sexually transmitted AIDS to women worldwide, specialists are now pinning their hopes on protective creams or gels that would give women more control over preventing infection.

The project, currently the hottest topic in AIDS prevention, got a boost Tuesday from the Clinton administration, which promised at an international AIDS conference here to spend \$100 million over the next four years to develop "topical microbicides" for use prior to sexual intercourse.

"We're stepping up our efforts to develop topical microbicides for women," US Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna E. Shalala said at the 11th Interna-

tional AIDS Conference. "Today, too often, women must rely solely on their male partners for protection. ... And, in too many cases, that means no protection at all."

Sexual intercourse accounts for up to 85 percent of all HIV infection in adults worldwide, according to the United Nations AIDS agency. Forty-two percent of the 21 million infected adults worldwide are women, and the ratio is growing.

In the United States, women now comprise nearly one in every 20 reported AIDS cases, more than ever before, according to the most recent data from the US Centers for Disease Control.

The \$100 million for microbicide research represents continuation of current funding levels, administration officials said, but it is twice the funding level of just two years ago.

Researchers said two important tests of new preparations will soon be under way in Africa and the United States. A number of promising leads suggest it should be possible to develop vaginally applied agents that would not only kill the human immunodeficiency virus that causes AIDS, but also microbes that cause other sexually transmitted diseases.

The same approach — perhaps with different ingredients — might also prevent transmission of HIV and other diseases during anal intercourse between heterosexual or homosexual partners.

The goal is not to find a substitute for condom use, said Dr. Christopher Elias of The Population Council, an international nonprofit agency devoted to reproductive health research.

"Negotiating consistent condom use, however, is not always feasible," he said. "Women often have too little power within their sexu-

al relationships to insist on condom use, and they often have too little power outside of these relationships to abandon partnerships that put them at risk."

One advantage of a female-controlled microbicide, researchers noted, is that it might be used without telling a sex partner.

Designing a vaginal microbicide is complex, however. Paul D. Crouse of the Contraceptive Research and Development Program, funded by the US Agency for International Development, said it would have to be nonirritating, effective against HIV, very inexpensive and long-lasting — about eight hours, or through one act of intercourse. It must also be water-soluble, pleasant to use, harmless to the normal vaginal environment and have no adverse effects on reproduction or a developing fetus.

Researchers said some microbicides might act as contraceptives as well, but many said it is also important to develop agents that stop infection without preventing pregnancy.

"In African cultures, children are regarded as a blessing and a sign of prestige," said Muriel Harris, of an organization called Women's Health Advocates on Microbicides.

Researchers presented encouraging evidence that microbicides can prevent AIDS and other sexually acquired diseases, and that women would be willing to use them. About two dozen vaginal preparations are in early stages of development, Elias said.

One promising approach capitalizes on a harmless, naturally occurring vaginal infection by an organism called lactobacillus. Female prostitutes in Kenya who were naturally infected with a

strain of the bacterium — which makes hydrogen peroxide — had half the risk of HIV infection and 30 percent lower risk of gonorrhea, American and Kenyan researchers reported.

This fall, Pittsburgh teen-agers at high risk of sexually transmitted diseases will be enrolled in a study to test newly developed suppositories containing a lactobacillus strain that has been effective in preliminary studies.

This "good bacterium" has "no known toxicity, and it does not impact on fertility," said Sharon Hillier of the University of Pittsburgh, who will conduct the study. She warned that formulations of lactobacillus being marketed as a "natural" way to improve the health of female reproductive organs are not effective against infection and may even be harmful.

Another approach, being tested in 1,300 women in the African nation of Cameroon, relies on a thin film inserted into the vagina prior to intercourse. Ronald E. Roddy of Family Health International, a nonprofit agency conducting the tests, said a film impregnated with the spermicide Nonoxonyl-9 is being compared with a placebo that has no such coating.

Nonoxonyl-9 and a similar spermicide are thought to have antimicrobial effects as well, although their germ-killing effectiveness has not yet been thoroughly tested.

Other approaches would rely on blocking HIV's ability to infect cells or to reproduce in the vagina, but researchers said simpler approaches with available medications would clear regulatory and development hurdles much faster.

Schools, parents, politicians seek to gauge School-to-Work success

By Mary Tabor

N.Y. Times News Service

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — When she first began working as a hospital apprentice two years ago, Lillybeth Serrano said, she had little enthusiasm for school, not to mention college, and her grades showed it.

"I guess I was just never really into school," the 17-year-old Miss Serrano said.

But while working in the birthing center at Strong Memorial Hospital, a light went on. Her hopes and grades began to rise.

"Watching those deliveries made me realize I'm really interested in midwifery," she said brightly. "So that's my career goal."

This fall, Miss Serrano plans to attend the State University of New York at Morrisville to begin a pre-nursing program, her second step toward a career as a midwife. She already has two college credits earned through the apprenticeship, which was created under the federal government's new school-to-work initiative.

Two years after Congress passed the ambitious School-to-Work Opportunities Act, which is intended to blend the real-world skills offered by vocational schools with the academic rigors of college preparatory tracks, schools, parents, business executives and politicians are trying to gauge the initiative's success as the first full crop of graduates move from high school hallways to college campuses and corporations.

Since 1994, the federal government has handed out \$320 million in school-to-work grants to 27 states and dozens of communities. The idea is to produce a more competitive workforce by creating and supporting career-oriented programs.

"School-to-work has the potential to make an enormous impact on our schools," said Don Davies, founder of the Institute for Responsive Education at Northeastern University in Boston.

"It presses schools to improve weak academic programs. And, if taken seriously, it will be a program that for the first time helps all students, not just vocational students, think about what they want to do with their lives."

Still, even with increased enthusiasm from businesses and schools for the school-to-work partnerships, there is no conclusive evidence or consensus that the involvement of corporations benefits students.

In some cases, the partnerships seem to be ploys by businesses to get good publicity. Some businesses have also been criticized for using the school connections to push their own products, like computer software and fast food, into classrooms.

Past studies of partnerships between schools and businesses have found that, in some cases, corporate involvement produced better attendance and lower dropout rates but held little long-term promise for change, since companies typically ended partnerships during restructuring or layoffs. Even in the newer, more rigorous school-to-work youth apprenticeships, as many as half of the students quit or were dropped from programs because of poor grades or attendance.

Still, companies say the sagging skills of many job applicants have pushed them to get involved.

"There is no question it enhances the labor market for Xerox," said John Rasor, a spokesman for the Xerox Corp., which employs about 14,000 people in the Rochester area and has been active in the local schools.

Many schools say the companies have made significant contributions by helping to improve the performance and morale of students.

In a recent poll by the Council of Great City Schools, a Washington group representing the nation's 50 largest school systems, school board members, superintendents and administrators, ranked local businesses as the outside body that is most helpful to urban schools.

In New Jersey, which began school-to-work programs two years ago, the number of businesses involved in schools has grown to 110 this year, from 25 four years ago. State officials, meanwhile, have seen a dramatic increase in the number of students passing professional licensing exams, a jump they say results in part from the school-to-work programs.

The statewide passing rate in cosmetology, for example, jumped to 84 percent from 54 percent from 1992 to 1996. In nursing, the number rose to 87 percent from 70 percent. And in Rochester, a city whose industrial backbone is made up of companies like Kodak, Bausch & Lomb and Xerox, few have disagreed about the need to forge a stronger link between education and business.

Though school and business partnerships picked up steam here in the late 1980's, it has only been recently with the growth of school-to-work initiatives that the partnerships have taken formal shape. Four years ago, about 500 Rochester students participated in work-related programs. This past school year, more than half of the city's 36,000 public school students were involved.

In Rochester's elementary schools, a new curriculum that is part of a school-to-work partnership lets second graders decide what kind of store to set up and run in a make-believe town. Middle school students are regularly introduced to tradespeople, doctors and accountants.

Under the youth apprenticeship program, students who finish the 10th grade with a 2.0 grade point average and pass a series of interviews can begin a two-year training program in the afternoons and holidays for which they are paid.

Unlike previous programs, in which high school seniors got short-term jobs that ended at graduation, the school-to-work apprenticeships require long-term relationships between students and businesses as well as better grades, strict attendance and a final project.

Students must also take college-track courses and are encouraged to pursue post-secondary degrees, though some companies offer jobs to students right out of high school.

"The longer relationships provide the kind of encouragement, motivation and support that most young people need," said Davies, of Northeastern.



Climbin' high

Blake Kiefner, 9, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., reaches for another rock while climbing a 30-foot wall during the Cape Girardeau Parks and Recreation's youth rock climbing class Tuesday at Southeast Missouri State University.

Netanyahu talks tough after 2½ hour meeting with Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taking an unyielding stance, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told President Clinton on Tuesday he will give no ground in Middle East peacemaking unless terrorism is halted and Israel's security is bolstered.

"Those who are on the side of peace must show complete dedication to the fight against terrorism," Netanyahu said after 2½ hours of talks with Clinton. "Anything less will simply not do. Israel is eager to make peace but we cannot do so alone."

Netanyahu made clear he is not ready to meet with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. He showed no interest in pursuing the "land for peace" maxim that has guided Middle East peacemaking. And he would not commit to withdrawing Israeli troops from Hebron, where 450 Israelis live among 94,000 Arabs. "I'm looking into the problem," he said.

On another sensitive point, Netanyahu refused to lift restrictions that have prevented thousands of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip from working in Israel. "As soon as I deem the security conditions will allow it, I will ease the closure," Netanyahu said at a joint news conference with Clinton.

On Syria, Netanyahu said he would reopen negotiations only if Damascus stopped supporting terrorists. "I think that it's peculiar to have peace talks that are progressing while you have a terror campaign parallel to it."

For his part, Clinton declared there is no alternative to the peace process, saying, "We need to keep the tide of history going."

Yet, recognizing the sea change in the Middle East after Netanyahu's May 29 election, Clinton said, "I think we're going to have, necessarily, a period of adjustment, and those of us who care about it need to try to minimize the negative and maximize the positive and get through it as well as possible."

The trip to Washington was Netanyahu's first visit abroad as prime minister and was viewed as crucial in setting the tone for relations between Clinton and the new prime minister. Despite Netanyahu's generally tough

words in public, he privately assured Clinton he wants to move ahead in negotiations with Palestinians and find a formula soon for a Hebron solution, said a senior U.S. official who insisted on anonymity.

Peacemaking in the Middle East and in other global hot spots has been a cornerstone of Clinton's foreign policy and a central theme in his re-election campaign. Clinton — as well as Arab leaders — worry that Netanyahu's hard-line views put a cloud over peacemaking efforts.

Netanyahu's tough stance was the chief reason Clinton had supported his rival, then Prime Minister Shimon Peres. The president glossed over that fact at the news conference, saying, "I don't think it needed that much explaining." Netanyahu interrupted to come to Clinton's rescue, saying they didn't discuss the election results.

The two leaders began their talks in the Oval Office and then adjourned to the residence for what Netanyahu said was a quick but good lunch. The Israeli leader promised his relationship with Clinton would be based on "chemistry, not combustion — good chemistry."

There was a clear disagreement on the issue of the land-for-peace principle.

Netanyahu stressed that Israel should make territorial concessions only for secure borders. But White House spokesman Mike McCurry said, "Our views on land-for-peace remain unchanged, and the president conveyed that to the prime minister today."

Netanyahu said Israel "has made substantial concessions on all fronts" and Arab neighbors have not reciprocated by guaranteeing secure and recognized boundaries. "Does fairness require that Israel yield 100 percent and the Arab sides yield zero percent?" he asked. "Well, obviously, we think differently."

News reports from Israel had suggested Netanyahu would tell Clinton he planned to meet with Arafat. However, the prime minister said merely he wouldn't rule out the possibility of a one-on-one session "if I deem it necessary for peace or for the interest of Israel."

Investigator: Crew got insufficient data before crash

WASHINGTON (AP) — The crew of the American Eagle airliner that crashed near Roselawn, Ind., in 1994 didn't receive the information it needed to cope with dangerous icing conditions, the National Transportation Safety Board was told Tuesday.

The ATR-72 plunged to earth on Oct. 31, 1994, killing 68 people, after circling for 39 minutes in icy weather. Weather experts said Tuesday such icing could occur on almost any cloudy wintry day in the Great Lakes area.

Ice accumulation on the wings is believed to have caused the plane to suddenly roll out of control from about 10,000 feet.

Investigator Charles Pereira told the board that five previous incidents had been discovered in which ice accumulations had caused ATR aircraft to suddenly roll, but pilots in those cases had been able to recover.

He said that the manufacturer in 1992 issued an all-weather operations brochure that included a reference to control problems in freezing rain, but did not provide enough detail for the crew to recognize the danger or know how to cope with it.

"With what we know now, we do not consider it adequate," Pereira said. Pereira told the

board that ATR, the plane's manufacturer, had provided information to the French version of the Federal Aviation Administration as well as to the FAA in this country about icing problems, but he said the FAA had testified that it did not receive the material.

The board saw a video tape simulation of the accident in which the plane suddenly rolled to the side, turning a complete 360 degrees and plunged to the ground. Investigators said this occurred when ice accumulation on the wings disrupted the air flow, causing a sudden, unexpected movement of the control surfaces at the back of the wings.

The water droplets that hit and froze to the French-built plane that day were several times larger than those considered in regulations for aircraft certification, the National Transportation Safety Board was told at a hearing called to assess the accident.

The certification standards for aircraft flying in icy conditions were developed in the 1940s and 1950s by the predecessor to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, chief investigator Greg Feith said.

In addition, he said, planes can't always be tested in every icing condition, simply because

of the difficulty of finding a full range of weather when planes are being certified.

The ATR was designed in France, and board chairman Jim Hall noted that while the Federal Aviation Administration took part in the original certification of the plane, budget problems limited the number of trips to France that federal officials were able to make.

At the time of the crash, the plane was in a holding pattern over northwest Indiana, waiting to land at O'Hare Airport. Radar showed the flight was operating in light to moderate icing, but the pilots did not report any problems to air traffic control.

Icing occurs when liquid water freezes on contact with an airplane. Normally, an inflatable rubber boot on the front edge of a wing can break off the ice.

Because conditions that day formed much larger droplets than anticipated, the water flowed back beyond the rubber boot before freezing on the wing. That ice build-up disrupted the flow of air over the wings and caused the control surfaces at the back end of the wing to suddenly move, throwing the plane into a spin, the board was told.

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ELEANOR M. POITEVINT

The residence of such independent Executor is Mrs. Eleanor Poitevint, 1110 WCR 149, Midland, Texas 79706. Claims may be addressed in care of the representative of the estate:

C/O Boldrick, Clifton, Nelson & Holland, P.C.
1801 West Wall
Midland, Texas 79701.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 3rd day of July, 1996.

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State Bar No. 00788771

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LOST small tabby kitten, female. Approximately 1 year old. If found please call 689-6435.

FOUND puppy. Black and tan, male, 3 months old. Whitney & Goff Course. 697-0221.

If your pet is lost - even if you live in the country, please check with MIDLAND ANIMAL CONTROL (on Fairgrounds Road) every three days.

LOST Schnauzer, apricot neutered male wearing purple collar, no tags. Call 689-2427.

FOUND small gray female, miniature Schnauzer type dog. About 10 years old. Tag reads "Cissy" Call Dalton, SPCA 684-7582.

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LOST: Friday, July 5th, large gray Tabby, neutered male cat. Lost at Chapel Hill & Blue Bird. Call 699-6049. Leave message.

FOUND: Gray male Schnauzer, vicinity Goodard Junior High. Call to identify, 694-4534, 699-2451.

LOST: Gray short haired female cat, no collar, Sunnyside area. July 1st. 683-9941.

FOUND: puppy, vicinity Jane Long area. Call to identify, 520-8795.

REWARD: Lost Blue knee brace. 683-6725.

LOST: Black & white long haired, neutered male cat. Vicinity Mathis/Blairwood area. 689-5989.

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EO/DFW

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OILFIELD: Pumping Unit Repair Company currently has openings for a Welder and Machinist with at least 3 years experience. Apply in person Leamco-Ruthco, Midland Air Terminal.

PAINTERS needed. Must have 5 years experience. Must have experience in spray, brush, roll. Must have own brushes. Apply in person SCB Contracting, 3009 Garden City Hwy., Suite C, 570-8558.

SKILLED: Catholic Protection Company seeking full time employees. Must be willing to work out of town. Driving background experience helpful. CDL required. Drug screening mandatory. Salary based on experience. Call (806) 383-5047, Amarillo.

SLICKLINE OPERATOR wanted, with two years B. H. P. and plug experience. Call Pressure Data Inc. 570-6767.

WELDER needed. General shop welding, entry level position. Must be dependable. 1403 Garden City Hwy.

336 Adult Care Providers

HOME HEALTH Aides available to assist residence living for the elderly. Also providing daycare on an hourly basis. 683-6292.

COUNTRY Living! 24 hour assisted residence living for the elderly. Also providing daycare on an hourly basis. 683-6292.

340 Child Care Needed

NANNY. Full time live in position to help with 3 boys and my home. Non smoker, non drinker. References, vehicle and insurance, in exchange for small salary, room and board. 570-7841, 570-0166.

CHILD care needed in our home. Auto and references required. Call 520-8436.

341 Child Care Providers

JUNIOR HIGH Student wishes to babysit. My house - your house. Short hours this summer. 687-5837.

MOTHER OF 2 would like to keep children in her home. Rates reasonable. Hours negotiable. Call 520-7702.

2 FULL TIME daytime openings in our home. 20 years experience. Snacks & noon meals provided. 687-6414.

JACKIE'S Child Care, Monday thru Friday. Christian environment, preschool program. Breakfast, Lunch and snacks. 689-5637.

WILL babysit in my home. References. Meals & snacks provided. Call for rates. 520-0155.

NIGHT TIME child care in my home. 689-4637.

QUALITY home day care provided by mother of 3. Nutritious snacks and meals. Reasonable rates. 687-1909.

350 Business Opportunities

RETAIL FRANCHISE OPPORTUNITY Inside Wal-Mart 1-800-277-3278

SECURE HOME BUSINESS. Minnesota based company, nine years old. Call (915) 683-9253.

YELLOW Spiral Vending machine. Excellent location. Grossed over \$2,200 last 18 months. Move forces sale. \$995. 570-6754.

EARN \$200-\$1,000 WEEKLY Assembling products at home. Call Toll Free 1-800-574-9635, Ext. 33

NO EXPERIENCE necessary! \$500 to \$900 weekly / potential processing mortgage refunds. Own hours. Call 1-800-348-7185 Ext. 634.

VENDING/VISA/MC. Fantastic new program. 40% Profit. \$2,000 weekly potential. Free info. 1-800-316-6660.

ADVERTISING MARQUEE located in lobby of prominent Midland hotel with over 40 ads left to generate income. \$5,000 or best offer. Must sacrifice! Call 684-3852.

GET REAL Estate License quickly. Short state course. Day, weekend or evening. Southwest College, 697-7277.

ENTREPRENEUR: Ultimate home based business opportunity. Rapidly expanding company processing mortgage refunds. No deliveries. No collections. No experience necessary. We train. (915)689-8802, mobile 528-5216.

\$1000'S POSSIBLE TYPING! Part time at home. Toll free, 1-800-898-9778 Ext. T-1523 for listings.

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Attention Readers

Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant shops and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.

AREA AT T/MCI Payphone For sale. 51 Prime! H-Traffic: Possible. Net \$75,000/ yearly 1-800-930-1333 24 hours

400 Auctions

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SKREENS EXCEPTIONAL AUCTION

Sunday, July 21st, 1996 1PM-Preview 12:00 Midland Center Midland TX

Estate of Mrs. Salsbury, Mrs. Lovette & other owners. Joe Skeen Sr. Auctioneer Texas Lic. 6576 10% Buyers Premium 687-6228

STEREO AUTOMATIC Turntable. Direct drive technique. Model SL-1950. Like new. \$50. 687-4682.

WICKER dinette set, tropical design, with glass table, excellent condition. \$300. Browning B2000 20 gauge semi automatic shotgun. Can shoot 3" magnum shells. Good for dove, quail, duck and goose! \$400. Coffee table, wrought iron base, make offer. 689-2638.

CHROME headcase rack and tool box for wide bed Chevy pickup truck. Day bed and queen size bed. Large parrot cage. All in excellent condition. 687-4145.

SEWING MACHINE. New Home Janome My Lock 208 Serger. Used twice. \$325. 694-5974

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EXCEPTIONAL AUCTION
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1:00 p.m. - Preview 12:00-Midland Center, Midland, TX.
Estate of Mrs. Salsbury, Mrs. Lovette & other Owners.
LOTS OF FINE FURNITURE - Beautiful ball and claw foot chippendale style settee with heavily carved back. French inlaid half moon wall table, with bronze ammalu, round oriental table with rose marble top, carved on sides, beautiful window sitting bench with heavily carved legs, french blanket chest with bombay front & sides, carved balloon back chair. Chippendale style drop front secretary with book shelf on top with heavily carved crown. Bronze crane table with marble top. Golden oak stacking book case with leaded glass top window. ONLY PARTIAL LISTING. **MAGNIFICENT BROWZES TO INCLUDE:** art deco lady with two whippets on both sides 14" tall & 20" wide, buffalo horse by Frederic Remington (27" tall & 20" wide, two magnificent bronzes beautiful detail of two musician cupids, dancing lady with basket maize color 24" tall lady in waiting art deco, bronze pair of cupids holding basket of plenty fine details eastern bronze rider 20" tall & 21" wide indian bronze call chrym 22" tall & 20" wide. ONLY PARTIAL LISTING. **CRISTAL GLASSWARE AND CHINA:** Kimmen chinese caucasion Kellim persian belouch heriz and sarouk. **CRYSTAL GLASSWARE AND CHINA:** Over 25 pieces outstanding leaded cut crystal, early 10" tall signed waterford cut glass ships decanter, 10 baccarat, aperitif cordials, collection of early perfume bottles, stasfahier style figurines, brides basket with fluted edge, four peace chocolate set, frog water pitcher, flow blue double handle urn, flow blue ice bucket, flow blue tables, green glass salt and pepper shaker, marble egg on bronze stands with leaded glass top window. ONLY PARTIAL LISTING. **DIVORCE FORCES SALE OF PERSONAL TOYS:** Jaguar XJS Coupe, Chevrolet V-8, Full Body custom by T.W.R.-Jaguar Sport, Custom paint, wheels & ground effect. Georgious. 1981 Deleoran, Been-in storage, ready to go, 1979 Mercedes 280 S.E. white/blue weather, 1 owner, non-smoker, exceptional condition, 1952 M.G. Replica car, new with only 1600 miles maroon & cream. Lots of fun, 1969 Harley Sportster, Fat Bob tanks. Everything chrome, show quality, custom paint, 171/2" Hydra Sport Bass Boat with 150 HP Marlines. Trolling motor & Depth finder, Ready to go. ONLY PARTIAL LISTING.

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Texas License Number 6476
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 687-6228

410 Miscellaneous Sales

GARDEN OF Hope, 6 spaces together. \$950 each. Call 682-8227, leave message.

DINING TABLE & chairs, stair stepper, waterbed, lanning bed. Call 687-4181, after 5 pm 520-7608.

11 HP 36" Murray Riding Lawn-mower. \$450. Call Robert Davis, 682-0258. Evenings. 520-4972.

SAND rail, bright red, excellent shape. \$1,500. 689-6667.

BASEBOARD electric heaters, \$10 each, including thermostats. 682-8667 evenings.

EVAPORATIVE COOLERS, mowers, golf clubs, refrigerators, appliances, washers, dryers, bar stools, antique furniture, Encyclopedias, Schnauzer, etc. 570-4851.

COMMERCIAL, 4 x 8", Pool Table, \$500. 689-5922.

REDUCED- 16 HP Sears 44" cut lawn tractor. 683-1957.

'86 DODGE Colt- needs engine \$375; Gottleib's Sinbad pinball machine \$250; Flex Cross Trainer- all bands \$250. 683-4737.

A WONDERFUL MAGICIAN for all kinds of parties. Great Fun! 697-0033.

FIVE PERSON Morgan Hot Tub, Heater, Cover and Chemicals will deliver anywhere. \$2,995. Call 563-1807.

PRECISION Drafting Table- base with drawer and board. 37" 1/2" x 48" wide. \$200. 697-2178.

BARGAINS on vacuum cleaners. New and rebuilt. All makes. Rainbow, Kirby, Hoover, Eureka, Panasonic, Royal, Sharp- you name it. Repair all makes. 520-6464.

FOR SALE- 6 tickets. Womens Olympic basketball game on July 25. 684-5680, 689-4307 evenings.

IBM ELECTRIC Typewriter, sturdy, good condition. Includes 3 changeable print heads. \$40. Call 694-2748.

CRAFTSMAN 10" Deluxe Electronic Radial Arm Saw, 9" Table Saw, Belt/ Disk Sander, Electric Sanders, 7" Portable Saw, Jointer, Planer, Delta 10" Band Saw, Ryobi 10" Planer, Rockwell Lathe, Work Benches, Clamps, Etc. 683-4110 for appointment. Cash sales only.

CRAFTSMAN 18" reel mower with catcher, new condition. \$85. 699-0154.

413 Jewelry & Furs

MUST sacrifice 1.0 CWT Cluster Interlocking Wedding Ring Set. Original price \$2,300. Make reasonable offer. 694-3041.

MEN'S and ladies steel and gold Rolex watches. Both in very good condition. \$1,800 each. Call 520-8763 after 6 pm.

MEN'S FINGER 14K bracelet. Approximately 8" length and 24 grams in weight. Call 520-8763 after 6 pm.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

SCHWINN Air Dyne exercise bicycle for sale. 682-0817.

SWIMMING Pool (Sears above ground complete package). 30' x 15', still in box. \$585. 694-7365.

OKRA 85¢ per pound. Call 683-8677 and leave message.

430 Household Goods

PAIR of burnt orange cloth and walnut chairs. \$50. Call Sharon. 687-4551.

FUTON/ BUNK Bed, complete, heavy duty. \$450. 689-5405.

FORMAL CHERRY Dining room table and 2 piece lighted china cabinet, 2 extension leaves, 6 chairs by American Walnut. Includes custom made protective pad. \$2,000. 699-6722.

ENTIRE CONTENTS of storage! Washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove, freezer. 550-7170.

BILL'S ETC Now buying furniture. Monday- Thursday, 683-4960 or 697-3349. Friday- Sunday, 570-4408.

DINING ROOM SET- Fruitwood, formal. Table- inlaid top, 44" x 68", extends to 108" with two 20" leaves. 2 arm chairs, 6 side chairs. Good condition. MUST SEE! \$1,000. 520-3228.

LITTON- AIRE microwave, exhaust fan, light. New magnetron. \$200. 689-3951.

★ FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. Fast pickup. 567-5221.

AMERICAN Drew Pier unit bedroom set with armoire. Call 697-1306.

CULLIGAN water conditioner, Mark 412, 1982 model, used approximately 6 years. Asking \$300. 684-8311.

LARGE display shelves/ bookcase \$75. black & white TV \$20. Curtis Mathes 19" color TV \$60. Stove top, hood \$35, redwood picnic set \$20. 686-8919.

DINETTE Set with 4 brown chairs on rollers. Brown table with extra leaf. 570-686-7126.

RECEIVED SHIPMENT of New Model Spas. will make good deals on remaining tubs. Call for best selection! 563-1807.

ROCKING chair \$75. 8" antique rug \$200. 19" Zenith color TV with remote \$100, recliner \$50. 684-9804.

79701

Bargain Barn

JULY CLEARANCE SALE

1/2 Off Clothing, Selected Housewares and sofas.

2420 W. Front Ave. 682-0227

75% OFF clothing... 50% off everything else! WHAT A DEAL! 105 N. Fort Worth.

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(Enter thru back of house.)

Thursday thru Sat. 8-6

Sunday 1-5

Mahogany wing chairs, carved mahogany sofa, mahogany shelf and tables, mahogany king size bed and 4 drawer chest, banquet sized Duncan Phyfe table, 6 shield back chairs, Italian inlaid small tables and music boxes, wicker furniture, cane furniture, cedar chests, oak desks, smoking stand, sewing chest, original Robert Wood, Victorian light fixtures, mirrors, studio piano, hand painted china, cut and saucer collection, 108 pieces Imperial Candlewick, Limoges, Depression glass, perfume bottles, sterling silver plate, Victorian clothing, linens, vintage cook stove, cookbooks, 40's & 50's kitchen misc., black memorabilia, early Mickey Mouse pitcher, Mexican pottery, holiday decorations, Midland history. Too much more to mention!

Services provided by THE CAT'S MEOW 408 Andrews Hwy

Visa - Mastercard accepted

79706

5 FAMILY YARD Sale in the shade! Thursday-Sunday. Cross stitch & sewing needs, hunting & fishing equipment, metal detector, what-nots, baby crib & clothes, big mens clothes, ladies clothes, other items- too many to list! 3110 South County Road 1224, (off South Service Rd I-20 between Midkiff and Loop 250).

79703

RAINBOW FLEA MARKET, 1500 W. Florida Avenue & 1503 W. Industrial Avenue. 570-4408.

79705

WOMEN/ GIRLS Clothes Sale!!! All under \$3! 303 Holly, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 6 pm- 9 pm.

2 FAMILY Garage Sale- 1311 Godfrey. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 8-7. All size clothing, odds and ends, sports equipment, household goods.

79707

ESTATE SALE by Joseph 4603 ASPEN (turn south on Mark, off of Wadley, to Aspen)

Complete household, furniture, appliances, antique oak library table, designer shoes size 8, fine clothing, latch-hook and needlecraft, lots of miscellaneous. Thursday & Friday 9 to 6

BEST SALE EVER. 2209 Boyd. Thursday only. Truck

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WINNING SPECIAL
Sign a 6mo. Lease & Receive 25 Lottery Scratch Off Tickets. With 12mo. Lease pay NO RENT 9th month.

- Lighted Covered Parking
- Children's Playground
- 2 Swimming Pools & Lighted Tennis Court
- Washer/Dryer Connections
- Gazebo with Barbecue & Picnic Area
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THE park at CALDERA
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699-2173

490 Computers & Accessories

COMPUTERS- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl computers, etc. 8am to 10pm 686-8835.

INTERNET ACCESS.
Call 687-9014 for details.

EPSON Laser printer, good condition, includes font card, good condition. \$80. 689-4045.

WORDPERFECT 7 Suite, for Windows 95 has everything. \$110. 689-0154.

495 For Free

7 WEEK old male, cream point Himalayan kitten. To a good inside home. 520-0371.

COLLIE/ Australian Shepherd mix, medium sized female dog needs great home. 694-0149.

GOOD Watchdog, Good pet. 3 1/2 years old male. Healthy, all shots to good home. 682-1575.

FREE KITTENS. Weaned and litter trained. Ready to go now. 697-6403.

FREE to good home. Serious caters only. From 8 am - 2. 586-1814.

CUTE Border Collie mix puppy, 6 months, shots. Very affectionate. 686-3921.

KITTENS- 2 females. 1 with great personality, 1 with great looks. 694-1031.

CUTE puppies, male and female, approximately 5 weeks old. Call 694-0010.

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RABBIT and hutch. \$50. Call 699-0927.

DOBERMAN Pinschers, 6 weeks old. 4 females. 1 male. AKC Registered. 683-4808.

SHELTIE puppies AKC. 6 weeks old. Shots. Home raised. 689-0180, Midland.

BEAUTIFUL AKC German Shepherd puppies. Long haired black & black & tan. Ready to go \$200. Parents on premises. 697-8412.

AKC Boston Terrier puppies. Both parents OFA Certified. Field Champion bloodlines. Rated exceptional with children. Deposit will hold. \$175. 570-4401.

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505 Livestock & Poultry

AQHA 15 month old stud colt for sale. Top side Sizaran, Bottom Azure. \$1,250. Mornings 685-3409, afternoons 699-7820.

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