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First bale of cotton

After more than 20 years of farming, the Schumann brothers, Andy (left) and Jody, finally brought in the year's first bale of cotton./**1B**



SPORTS

Cowboys win

Troy Aikman threw a 14-yard touchdown pass to Anthony Miller with 51 seconds left for a 21-20 victory over the Eagles./**1C**

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Weld calls it quits on nomination



AP Photo

William Weld talks with the media Monday.

■ Former Massachusetts governor blasts Washington politics, saying he won't 'go on bended knee' or 'kiss anything.'

By Wendy Koch and Stewart Powell
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — William Weld gave up his quest Monday to become the U.S. ambassador to Mexico, fueling speculation about whom President Clinton might nominate next for the post.

Weld's decision was a victory for Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., the conservative Republican chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who single-handedly blocked his nomination.

Names of new possible nominees floated around the nation's capital in the wake of Weld's announcement.

Sen. Paul Coverdell, who chairs the Senate Foreign Relations Committee's panel on Latin America, is urging the White House to pick a senior foreign service officer — not a political appointee.

Among those being mentioned are Jeffrey Davidow, assistant secretary of state for Inter-American affairs; Melvyn Levitsky, ambassador to Brazil; and Sally Shelton, a Houston native, former ambassador and now assistant administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

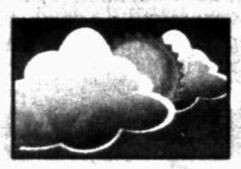
Another name getting attention was Nevada Gov. Bob Miller, a Democrat who joined Clinton on his trip to Mexico in May. Miller spokesman Richard Urey noted the governor's interest in Mexico and his long-standing friendship with Clinton but said there had been no overture from the administration.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said it would be some time before the president settles on another nominee. "Our review process is back at the starting point

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A.M. BRIEFING

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





AP Photo

Egypt trial

A female Muslim, suspected of subversion, threatens a photographer as she arrives at a military court in Cairo Monday. An Egyptian military court convicted 72 Islamic militants of subversion, sentencing four of them to death and eight to life imprisonment.

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Diana tribute

Elton John's moving tribute to Princess Diana, "Candle in the Wind 1997," will have a Sept. 23 release date in the United States. Earlier wire reports said the single would be released today, however that date has been pushed back to next Tuesday. Judging from phone calls to local retail outlets, the single, originally written in the early 70s by Bernie Taupin and Elton John, will be a big seller in Midland.

Jones lawsuit

WASHINGTON — The White House denied Monday that it had Paula Jones singled out for an IRS audit. "It's inconceivable to me," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said in response to a question on whether the White House pushed for the IRS investigation after Mrs. Jones rejected a settlement of her sexual harassment suit against President Clinton. "We do dumb things from time to time, but we are not certifiably crazy," McCurry said.

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SIGNS of the TIMES

Collector banks on oil-related memorabilia

By Johnnye Montgomery

BIG SPRING — The enameled sign bears a single word: "Beechnut", and it's about six inches square. If it's an antique, it's never left the warehouse, or at least it's never been nailed to a fencepost or the side of a building, where the hot wind could throw sand at it, or kids could use it for pellet gun target practice and the rain could reach under the enamel through chips and scrapes and rust it.

If it's a fake — a reproduction, then it's a good one, and Ralph Osborne has been fooled again.

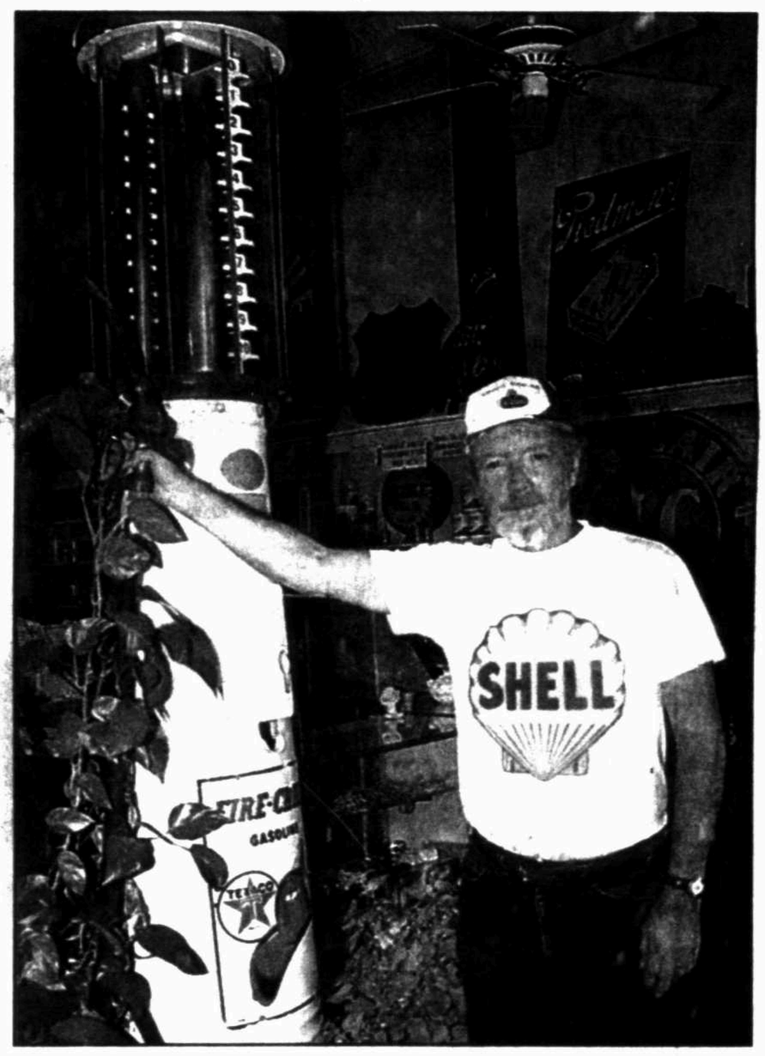
Osborne, who runs The Emporium in Big Spring, says when he began picking up enameled signs and old oil cans, he had no agenda. He certainly didn't intend to become a collector.

"I was just interested in memorabilia that came from this area. Mostly, my collection was — and still is — oilfield-related. I thought for a long time I was the only nut doing this, then I began to hear other people talk about their collections."

Osborne's case of collecting fever was already full-blown by 1984, when Texaco service stations began to sell scale model Texaco gasoline truck banks as promotional items around Christmas time, but at that time he was still concentrating on enameled sheet-iron signs. He probably realized the little banks were around, but just didn't pick one up for their going price of $9.95.

The next year, Texaco service stations came out with another model, and once again, Osborne let the opportunity slip by. But when the 1986 models came out, he bought one, liked the sturdiness and style of the little truck, the elegance of construction, the way it looked among his signs and other promotional oilfield stuff, and decided to investigate. Yes, Texaco planned to continue the series, and no, the local Texaco station had no previous year models stashed

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Ralph Osborne of Big Spring has turned his love of old signs, among other collectibles, into a business.

Photos by Johnnye Montgomery

Commissioners hire counsel for Gipson lawsuit

■ County judge calls lawsuit by ROT sympathizer 'frivolous.' Man stopped with ROT license plates claims 'neglect of due process of law.'

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Midland County Commissioners' Court unanimously voted on Monday to hire Midland lawyer Michael "Mike" Morgan of the Morgan, Leeton & Meyers law firm to defend Midland County judges, the Midland County attorney and others in a multi-million-dollar lawsuit filed last week in Midland federal court by Republic of Texas sympathizer Thomas David Gipson of Midland.

"We believe this is a completely frivolous lawsuit," Midland County Judge Jeff Norwood said following the court's 5-0 vote. "We fully expect it to be dismissed. However, you still have to defend yourself."

The lawsuit stems from a July 1997 Midland County Court-at-Law case in which Gipson, 45, was granted probation by Judge Alvin "Al" Walvoord after Gipson had been found guilty by a jury for "evading detention" after a Midland policeman spied Gipson driving a vehicle with Republic of Texas license plates and not with valid Texas license plates.

Gipson said he expected to be "railroaded into jail" and fined the maximum fine allowed by law for the misdemeanor offense.

Earlier this year, he had been convicted in Midland Municipal Court for driving with "fictitious" license plates.

In his federal case, Gipson, who claims to be "sovereign member of the Texas Republic," is alleging "neglect of due process of the law" and is demanding $1 million in federal money, which he termed "united States currency" in his petition, for "each" the multi-damages" which he alleges.

Named as defendants in the lawsuit are Midland Police Officer Kenneth Callahan, Midland County Court-at-Law Judges Marvin Moore and Walvoord,

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Crashes tarnish Air Force anniversary

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Air Force, celebrating its 50th anniversary, was bruised by the spectacular loss of an F-117A stealth fighter at a Maryland air show and the mysterious disappearance of one of its long-haul C-141 transports.

The crash of a Navy jet in the Persian Gulf brought to 10 the number of servicemen presumed lost in U.S. military air accidents in a two-day span.

Aviation experts noted say there was no apparent connection between the three weekend incidents given the disparate type of aircraft and geographic separation.

■ Search for C-141 finds airplane seats, papers off African coast/**Page 5A**

■ Military seals off F-117 crash site/**Page 8A**

But the coincidence of timing came as the Air Force sought to herald its successes in the kickoff of its 50th anniversary celebration Monday.

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The commanding officer of a South African Air Force C-130 scans the waters off the northern Namibian coast Monday, where U. S. and German military planes are believed to have collided. Searchers on Monday found airplane seats and a few papers, but no survivors or bodies.

AP Photo



A weight loss clinic advertises the popular diet drugs fen-phen and Redux Monday in Huntington Park, Calif. Fenfluramine, one half of fen-phen, and Redux were pulled off the market Monday after being linked to serious heart damage by the Food and Drug Administration.

AP Photo

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Officials at UT 'distressed' by racial comments of law school professor

AUSTIN (AP) — The comments of a University of Texas law school professor about black and Hispanic students, which ignited a firestorm of controversy at a school struggling to boost minority enrollment, were denounced Monday by the university's top officials.

"Personally, we find his comment abhorrent," three top officials said. "We reaffirm today that the University of Texas belongs to all the people of this state."

The response came in a written statement distributed to newspaper editorial pages across the state. It was signed by Donald Evans, chairman of the UT Board of Regents; William Cunningham, chancellor of the UT system; and Peter Flawn, the interim president of the flagship campus, UT-Austin.

Their reaction followed remarks made by UT law professor Lino Graglia last week at the announcement of a new student organization that supports a federal court ruling outlawing race-based admissions policies in Texas. Graglia is a faculty advisor for the group.

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Albright urges renewed talks; finds 'willingness' in Mideast

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — On a visit to Beirut under tight security, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said Monday that she found "a willingness and desire" to resume Mideast peace talks in Syria, Lebanon and Israel.

She urged Lebanese leaders to resume negotiations with Israel but said she recognized that those talks should be in line with Israel's talks with Syria, which dominates Lebanon's politics.

Albright's unannounced trip to Beirut came during an escalation in fighting between the Israeli army and Shiite Muslims in south Lebanon, and she said the violence showed the desperate need for peace.

"The recent tragic violence in the south of your country has underlined for all concerned that the status quo is not acceptable," she said in a speech to academics, business leaders and others in Beirut.

Albright's visit to Lebanon ended a weeklong tour of the Middle East — her first to the region as secretary of state — that also took her to Israel, the Palestinian territories, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

She earlier conceded she made only small steps toward restarting talks between Israelis and Palestinians. Regarding Israeli negotiations with Syria and Lebanon, she said there was a need "to talk further about further talks."

'I have found in each of the three governments a willingness and desire to resume negotiations.'
— Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, on a visit to Beirut

But Albright added that in Jerusalem, Damascus and Beirut, "I have found in each of the three governments a willingness and desire to resume negotiations."



AP Photo

U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright with Lebanese Foreign Minister Faris Bweiz, speaks during a press conference at the Presidential Palace in Baabda, 3 miles southeast of Beirut, Monday. Albright arrived on an unannounced visit at the end of a regional tour aimed at getting Arab-Israeli peace negotiations back on track.

Expressing American determination to push for peace, she added: "In the absence of a peace elevator, we are methodically taking the stairs."

Albright noted that U.S. officials will meet with Lebanese, Syrian and Israeli officials in New York later this month.

"We will see whether the ... mutual interest in progress is matched by a mutual willingness to consider seriously each others' views," she said.

Albright talked about a possible trip to Lebanon throughout her tour, but no decision was made final until her plane landed Monday on the eastern Mediterranean island of Cyprus after a flight from Jordan.

She flew aboard a U.S. helicopter to the fortified U.S. Embassy compound in the Beirut suburb of Aukar, and then went in a heavily guarded motorcade to the presidential palace in Baabda, another suburb.

In an hour-long meeting with President Elias Hrawi, Prime Minister Rafik Hariri and Foreign Minister Faris Bweiz, the secretary urged renewing peace talks with Israel.

"The Lebanese-Israeli track is absolutely essential for a comprehensive Middle East peace settlement," she said. "We must go forward on all tracks."

But she added the various talks "should be at approximately the same pace," assuring Syria that Washington would not divert Lebanon into a separate deal with Israel as it did in the 1980s — only to have Damascus torpedo the accord.

She also said the United States respects Lebanon's yearning for sovereignty, a reference to Israel's occupation of part of southern Lebanon and to the 30,000 troops Syria keeps in the country with Beirut's acceptance.

"We respect your vision of a Lebanon ... not beholden to any foreign power, but rather a Lebanon by and for you, the Lebanese," she said.

Bweiz said he hoped Albright's visit "will be the beginning of an effective and practical resumption ... for the peace process."

On July 30, Albright lifted a decade-long ban on Americans traveling to Lebanon. The travel ban was imposed during Lebanon's civil war and came during a spate of kidnappings of Americans and other Westerners.

Albright said the United States wants to help Lebanon recover from its 1975-90 civil war.

But she also said Lebanon remains dangerous and asked the government "to do absolutely everything it can to bring to justice" those who carried out past attacks on Americans.

Former Cold War foes participate in first joint military exercise

SHYMKENT, Kazakstan (AP) — Moments after becoming the first American to parachute into this former Soviet republic, Gen. John Sheehan looked skyward and watched Russian MiGs fly overhead in support of the peacekeeping exercise.

"I said to myself, 'It really is a different world," Sheehan recalled a short time later, speaking with reporters about the first joint training exercise to bring together former Cold War enemies.

Under a fair sky and against the backdrop of the 6,000-foot Tien Shen mountains, 620 airborne troops from the United States and five other nations parachuted in wave after wave onto a barren, dusty plateau in south-central Kazakstan.

The paratroopers, most from the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., floated down after a 19-hour, 7,700-mile flight from the United States.

The airborne deployment, the longest distance ever attempted by the U.S. military, required three in-flight refuelings.

One message of the mission is "that there is no nation on the face of the Earth that we cannot get to," said Sheehan, commander of U.S. Atlantic Forces, who is retiring this week.

The jump was the kickoff for a six-day training mission involving 1,400 troops from a dozen nations aimed at creating a new peacekeeping and humanitarian force in Central Asia.

Three former Soviet republics — Kazakstan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan — form the 500-member Central Asian Battalion; 40 members of that unit jumped with the Americans.

The exercise was observed by the defense ministers of the three countries, together with U.S. ambassador to Kazakstan, Elizabeth Jones, and other dignitaries who sat on a stage atop an earthen mound decked with the flags of the United States, Turkey, Russia and the three Central Asian countries.

A region once traversed by silk traders and Ghengis Kahn, Central Asia is struggling to create economic prosperity and recover from decades of Soviet domination.

Today's training mission was a strong show of interest by the United States in the region, which is rich with oil, natural gas and mineral deposits but also surrounded by potential hot spots, including China, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Kashmir.

"It's a dramatic demonstration of U.S. interests in the region," said Catherine Kelleher, deputy assistant secretary of defense for the region.

For the three Central Asian nations, the exercise was aimed at creating a home-grown capability for dealing with potential ethnic conflict. Col. Alexey Riskin of the Kazak military cited separatist strife in other former Soviet republics since the breakup of the Soviet Union six years ago.

"Similar situations and conflicts can arise in every region," he told reporters, speaking through an interpreter.

The battalion, he said, is an effort to create a "ready force ... against aggressors. It will allow us to liquidate any conflict situation in its very beginning, and not allow it to grow into a major conflict."

He said the force also could be used in any part of the world where the United Nations seeks peacekeeping help from its members.

For the United States and Russia, their joint participation in Centrazbat '97 was a rare example of direct military cooperation, which U.S. officials said arose from a common interest in regional stability.

The exercise had a personal side, as well, breaking down Cold War mistrust in face-to-face work between former adversaries.

When U.S. Special Forces trainers came a year ago for their first sessions with the Central Asians, "it was kind of tense," said Capt. Bill Medina of the First Special Forces Group from Fort Lewis, Wash.

"For many of them, it was their first contact with the other side," Medina said. "But the tension was broken by soldiers talking about things soldiers talk about: shooting guns, what they've done in the field. That's common everywhere."

Soon they were swapping addresses and showing off family pictures, he said.

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Settlers take over building in Arab neighborhood of Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (AP) — Jewish extremists hooked up rooftop surveillance cameras Monday in an Arab neighborhood they moved into under the cover of darkness, staking a claim on a part of Jerusalem the Palestinians want for a future capital.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu awaited word Monday from Israel's attorney general on whether he can evict the settlers, who occupied two buildings on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives. But he warned it would be difficult to take any action against them.

Less than 24 hours after entering the Ras al-Amud neighborhood, home to 11,000 Palestinians, the 11 settlers prepared for a long stay, bringing in pots of steaming food and covering floors with mattresses. Dozens of troops were posted nearby to protect them.

Outside the compound, Israeli peace activists and Palestinian residents set up a tent covered with placards that read: "Kick the settlers out of Ras al-Amud."

The settler action threatened to trigger new confrontations between Israelis and Palestinians at a time when both sides are trying to restore trust following last week's visit by Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

"It comes at a time when the last thing we need is another crisis," Palestinian spokeswoman Hanan Ashrawi said. "We feel that the extremists once again are trying not just to put obstacles in the path of peace, but to ignite a powder keg."

Ras al-Amud is located in an area of east Jerusalem claimed by the Palestinians as the capital of a future state. The settlers' supporters, including Cabinet hawk Ariel Sharon, said a Jewish bridgehead there would break up the continuity of Arab neighborhoods.

Located just outside the walls of the Old City, Ras al-Amud offers a panoramic view of the gold-topped Dome of the Rock Mosque, one of Islam's holiest shrines.

The settlers leased the buildings from Irving Moskowitz, a Miami bingo millionaire who owns 3 1/2 acres in Ras al-Amud and hopes eventually to build a Jewish neighborhood of 50 apartments there.

Moskowitz, who came to Jerusalem for the settlers' move, strolled the lobby of the King David Hotel on Monday, but refused to speak to reporters.

Instead, he issued a statement calling the settlers' move historic. "This is the first time in millennia that Jews come to the Mount of Olives, not to be buried, but to live there," the statement said, referring to a Jewish cemetery that covers a large part of the Mount of Olives.

Last year, Moskowitz donated money for the renovation of a Jerusalem tourist tunnel that runs along Muslim holy sites. The renovation sparked Palestinian riots and drew Israeli troops into gun battles with Palestinian police that left 80 people dead.

Apparently concerned about new Palestinian riots, Netanyahu said Monday the settlers' actions in Ras al-Amud are "not good for Jerusalem and not good for the state of Israel." The critical comment was a departure from his past unconditional support of Jewish settlers.

But, although Netanyahu said he was awaiting a ruling from the attorney general on whether he could evict the settlers by invoking national security, he suggested such an order was unlikely.

"We are limited by private property rights," Netanyahu told reporters. "Once people enter an existing home, the government — under the advice we've been given — apparently cannot interfere."

Netanyahu said he did not know of the settlers' plans ahead of time. However, Israeli radio reports, opposition leaders and even the police chief said the government had advance notice.

Police Commissioner Assaf Hefetz said police had recommended that the government prevent the settlers from moving in. "It's not the proper place and time. I'm sure that the Prime Minister's Office was in the picture," he said.

Yossi Sarid, leader of the left-wing Meretz Party, called on Netanyahu to evict the settlers immediately. "This is a very dangerous provocation," he said.

Netanyahu may be reluctant to move against the settlers, who are part of his right-wing constituency. On Monday, they were joined by three lawmakers from Netanyahu's ruling coalition in a show of support.

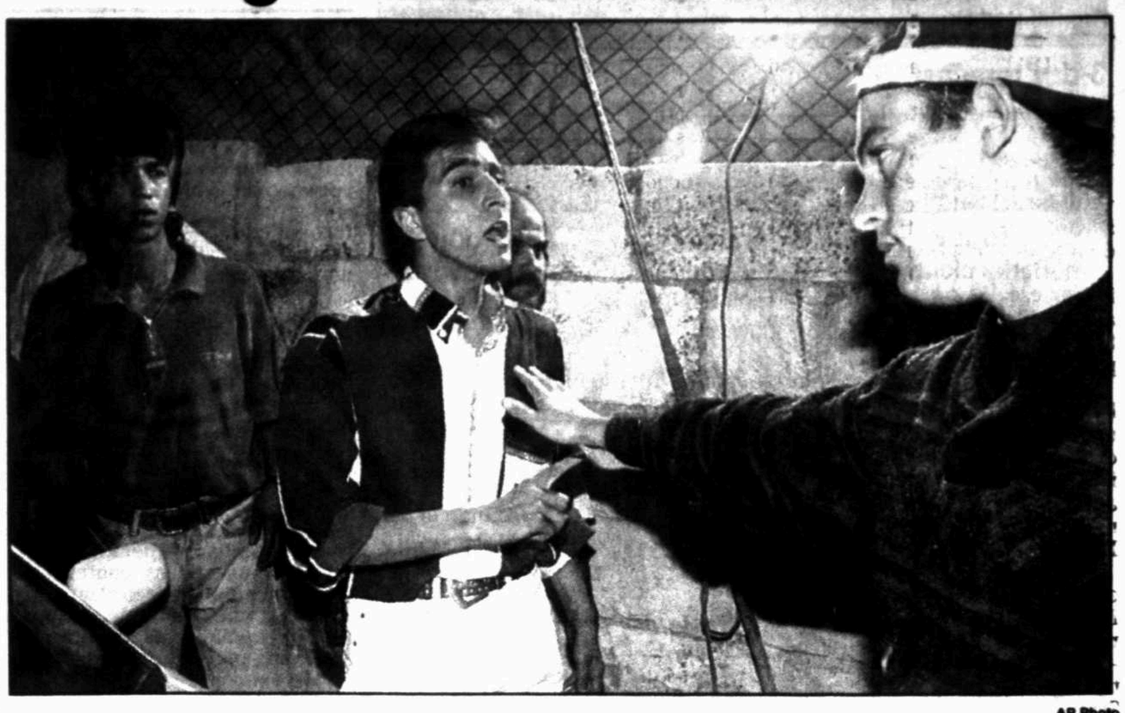
"This is a Jewish place. We have returned home," said Moriah Haikan, 17, who moved into one of the two buildings with her parents and 15-year-old brother.

Meanwhile, a Palestinian official said explosives discovered in a bag on a Tel Aviv beach in June were smuggled in from Europe and were identical to devices later used in two Jerusalem suicide bombings.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said this makes it likely the explosives used in the July 30 and Sept. 4 bombings also had been smuggled into Israel from abroad.

The Palestinians repeatedly have claimed the assailants in the two bombings entered Israel from abroad and not from areas under Palestinian control.

Israel has blamed the Palestinian Authority for not preventing the latest bombings, saying a lax attitude toward Islamic militants encouraged the Hamas and Islamic Jihad groups to carry out attacks.



AP Photo

A right-wing Israeli, right, is confronted by Palestinian residents of the Ras al-Amud neighborhood in East Jerusalem Sunday after several Israelis invaded a two-room house in the neighborhood. Israeli police quickly moved in to evict the Jewish settlers.

Islamic militants convicted

■ 72 of 97 defendants were convicted on charges of subversion in Egypt for waging a war on the government.

Associated Press

HAEKSTEP, Egypt — An Egyptian military court convicted 72 Islamic militants of subversion today and sentenced four of them to death and eight to life imprisonment.

In his verdict, the chief judge took pains to draw a distinction between Islam and the cause of the accused.

"What (the accused) have done in their campaign of violence is to provide ample fuel to the enemies of Islam," he said.

"Islam is innocent of the actions of these people," said the judge, whose name may not be made public under a government order for fear of reprisals.

The three-member tribunal at this military base outside Cairo convicted 72 of the 97 defendants of waging war on the government. It convicted some defendants of the 1994 assassination of a state security chief, and many more of belonging to the outlawed al-Gamaa al-Islamiya, or the Islamic Group.

The al-Gamaa has been the most active of the insurgent groups that has fought to replace the government with strict Islamic rule. More than 1,100 people, including officials, tourists and Coptic Christians, have been killed since the insurrection began in 1992.

The judges sentenced four of the defendants to death and eight to life imprisonment with hard labor.

The tribunal sentenced 23 other defendants to 15 years in prison. Others received sentences ranging from one to 10 years.

The court acquitted 25 people. Four defendants were tried in absentia.

As soon as the judges had left the bench, the darkened court resounded to shouts of "Allahu Akbar" (God is great) from the defendants, who were kept locked in a steel cage.

"A ruler, (we want) a ruler who follows the Koran. Egypt will be ruled according to Islam as it was before," they yelled.

The defendants also shouted support for Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, the blind Egyptian cleric imprisoned in the United States for his role in the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center.

"Omar, Omar Abdel-Rahman, oh, you, who shakes the throne of the sultan," they chanted, drawing a parallel between the image of a sultan and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Air pollution climbs to new, dangerous levels in Malysia

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Pedestrians are donning surgical masks, skyscrapers have faded into the dark sky, and the first airplane to land at Malaysia's new international airport Monday could be heard, but not seen until moments before it touched down.

Kuala Lumpur, indeed all of Malaysia, is experiencing some of its worst smog ever.

"The haze," the choking smoke that causes sore throats and foul moods, is just about all anyone talks about these days. Although official readings rate the air as "very unhealthy," Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad refused Monday to declare an environmental emergency.

"Not yet ... if the haze is critical, we will declare," he told reporters visiting Kuala Lumpur International Airport, which held its first test flight and will open officially next year.

Mahathir said a cloud-seeding program that began last week, in which aircraft spray a salt solution into clouds to provoke rain and help clear the skies, would continue.

Environmentalists and opposition leaders have demanded greater action.

"There should be a total revamp of the National Haze Committee which has proved to be ineffective, inefficient and not serious in fighting the worst air pollution in Malaysian history," said Lim Kit Siang, leader of the opposition in Parliament.

The Department of Environment said Monday that air pollution in and around the capital had reached "very unhealthy" levels.

Dozens of international and domestic flights have been canceled due to poor visibility.

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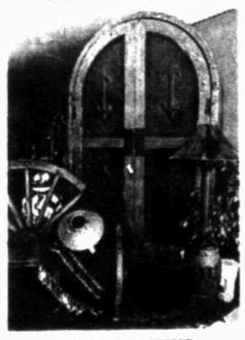
After receiving his Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Brigham Young University, Dr. Smith went on to earn his Medical Degree in Orthopaedic Surgery from UCLA. He served his residency at the UCLA Medical Center where he also received a fellowship in spinal care. His focus on neck and back problems was the result of "the tremendous need for the care and treatment of these very critical areas.," says Smith. "Back surgical techniques have advanced dramatically, allowing the successful elimination of pain in many cases. It is very satisfying to see patients who thought that they had to live with back pain smile with pleasure when they experience the results of successful back surgery," he adds. A member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery, Dr. Smith is excited with his recent move to Midland. "The people in West Texas are great – so different from Southern California. There's a down-home, value-oriented family feel to Midland that you don't find in many other areas. My family and I are looking forward to becoming involved in community activities and enjoying life in West Texas," he adds. Dr. Smith and his wife, Sheila, have four children – Jeffrey Jr., Karlene, Zachary, and Noah – and enjoy outdoor activities such as snow skiing, fishing, and water skiing.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Wednesday	Thursday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 96	High 94	High 94
Low 67	Low 66	Low 65

Today is expected to be mostly sunny with the high in the mid-90s, according to the National Weather Service. Winds should be from the south to southwest at 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight will be fair with lows between 65 and 70 degrees.

Wednesday's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high the mid-90s.

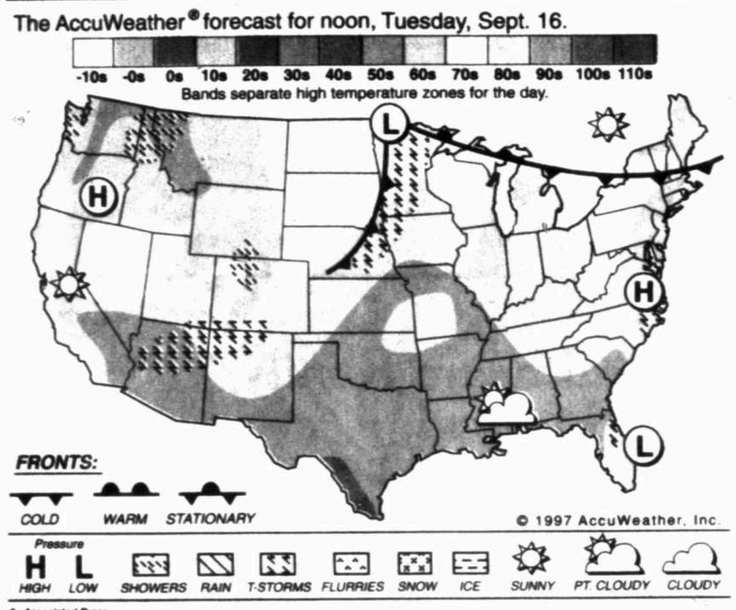
Monday's high was 96 degrees, compared with a record high of 100 degrees set in 1965. The low was 67 degrees, compared with a record low of 47 set in 1993.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Monday	.00 in.	High	96
Rainfall Tuesday	.00 in.	low	67
Total for month	.55 in.	Normal high	85
Total for year	13.42 in.	Normal low	62

Sunrise 7:33 a.m. Sunset 7:53 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Sept. 16.



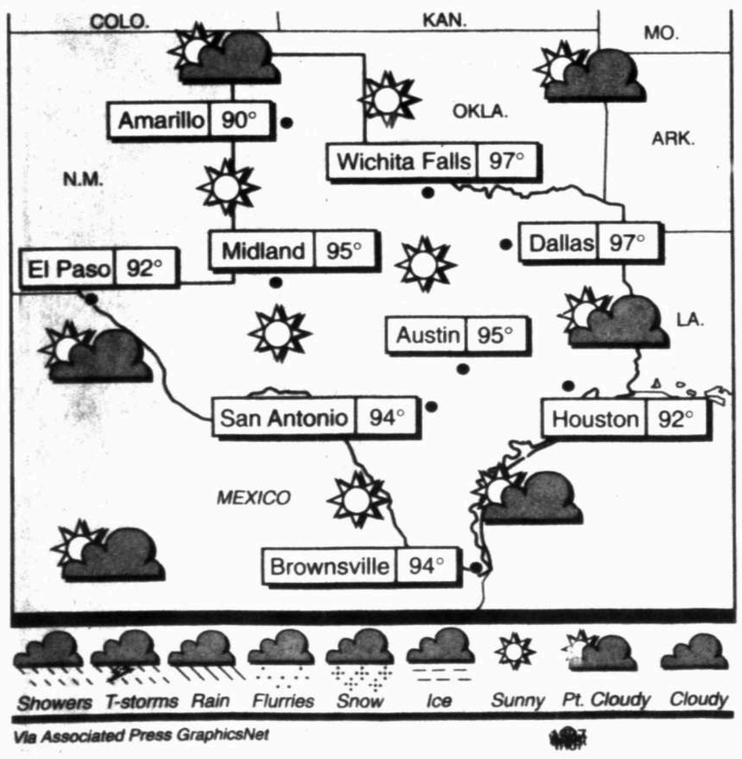
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United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:33 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	75	53	clr	
Albuquerque	86	65	.34	cdy
Amarillo	95	65	cdy	
Anchorage	61	42	cdy	
Asheville	80	58	clr	
Atlanta	88	61	clr	
Atlantic City	80	57	cdy	
Baltimore	82	62	cdy	
Billings	80	50	cdy	
Birmingham	92	58	cdy	
Bismarck	80	51	clr	
Boise	67	51	.02	cdy
Boston	80	62	clr	
Brownsville	95	74	cdy	
Buffalo	71	56	clr	
Burlington,Vt.	77	52	clr	
Casper	85	57	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	88	74	.01	cdy
Charleston,W.Va.	79	56	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	85	69	clr	
Cheyenne	81	51	cdy	
Chicago	82	57	cdy	
Cincinnati	82	59	cdy	
Cleveland	76	55	cdy	
Columbia,S.C.	89	71	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	79	65	cdy	
Concord,N.H.	79	50	clr	
Dayton	80	61	cdy	
Denver	88	58	cdy	
Des Moines	81	60	m	
Detroit	81	59	cdy	
Duluth	59	58	.12	m
Evansville	81	64	cdy	
Fairbanks	63	36	cdy	
Fargo	79	55	clr	
Flagstaff	69	56	cdy	
Grand Rapids	80	54	cdy	
Great Falls	68	43	.25	cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	78	66	clr	
Hartford Spgfld	79	55	clr	
Helena	70	41	.14	cdy
Honolulu	90	78	.03	clr
Indianapolis	81	63	cdy	
Jackson,Miss.	92	61	clr	
Jacksonville	88	70	cdy	
Juneau	66	43	clr	
Kansas City	87	64	cdy	
Las Vegas	91	75	.02	clr
Little Rock	96	71	cdy	
Los Angeles	90	74	clr	
Louisville	83	65	clr	
Memphis	90	65	clr	
Miami Beach	82	74	.63	m
Milwaukee	74	56	cdy	
Mpls-St Paul	74	65	m	
Nashville	86	60	clr	
New Orleans	93	74	cdy	
New York City	79	67	cdy	
Norfolk,Va.	80	64	cdy	
North Platte	91	54	cdy	
Oklahoma City	96	69	clr	
Omaha	85	63	cdy	
Orlando	92	70	cdy	
Philadelphia	79	62	cdy	
Phoenix	99	85	cdy	
Pittsburgh	72	55	cdy	
Portland,Maine	78	54	clr	
Portland,Ore	62	58	.10	m
Providence	77	60	clr	
Raleigh-Durham	80	66	cdy	
Rapid City	92	55	cdy	
Reno	75	47	clr	
Richmond	79	63	cdy	
Sacramento	79	54	.10	clr
St Louis	86	70	cdy	
Salt Lake City	86	71	.16	clr
San Diego	83	74	.02	cdy
San Francisco	75	57	clr	
San Juan,P.R.	87	78	.01	cdy
Santa Fe	86	54	cdy	
St Ste Marie	69	56	cdy	
Seattle	62	56	.37	m
Shreveport	94	71	clr	
Sioux Falls	83	61	.09	m
Spokane	64	51	.22	cdy
Syracuse	77	53	clr	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	90	74	.05	cdy
Topeka	89	60	m	
Tucson	94	76	cdy	
Tulsa	91	70	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	83	67	cdy	

State forecast



Via Associated Press GraphicsNet

Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	97	74	
Alice	101	75	
Amarillo	95	65	
Arlington	99	74	
Austin	95	73	
Beaumont	94	72	0.01
Brownsville	95	74	
Burnet	95	73	
Childress	95	67	
College Station	96	70	
Conroe	96	69	
Corpus Christi	97	74	
Corsicana	97	74	
Cotulla	102	73	
Dalhart	96	61	
Dallas	100	81	
Del Rio	99	74	
Denton	98	74	
El Paso	92	68	0.42
Fort Stockton	98	69	
Fort Worth	96	76	
Galveston	88	78	
Harlingen	95	73	
Hondo	98	71	
Houston Hobby	93	74	
Houston Intrctnl	94	70	
Huntsville	95	73	
Junction	97	69	
Kingsville	99	76	
Laredo	104	75	
Lubbock	93	66	
Lufkin	96	68	
Marfa	90	57	
McAllen	99	73	
Midland	96	67	
Mineral Wells	100	72	
Navy Corpus	92	78	
New Braunfels	97	71	0.01
Palacios	91	76	
Paris	88	73	
Rockport	92	77	
San Angelo	96	72	
San Antonio	96	75	
Shreveport, La.	94	71	
Terrell	96	75	
Texarkana, Ark.	94	72	
Victoria	95	71	
Waco	99	75	
Wichita Falls	100	69	
Wink	98	70	

WELD: Conservatives rally around Helms

(From 1A)

now," McCurry said.

Weld, a moderate Republican and former governor of Massachusetts, said he decided to withdraw his nomination because he feared that continuing his fight might undermine cooperation between the White House and conservative Republicans on other foreign policy issues, including Clinton's push to begin negotiating new free-trade deals.

Helms had refused to give Weld a committee hearing — the necessary first step toward confirmation, despite the request of many committee members. Helms said he objected to Weld's record on drugs, citing his support for the medicinal use of marijuana and needle-exchange programs.

Weld favors abortion rights and gay rights. He claimed that Helms simply dislikes his brand of Republicanism. Speaking at a White House press conference, Weld defended his record on drugs and said the Republican Party should "reclaim its tradition of defending individual rights."

"We cannot afford to have a litmus test applied even for leadership in the Republican Party, or we're not going to be competitive at the national level," said Weld, noting he intends to remain "active and vocal" in party politics.

Clinton, who met briefly with Weld earlier in the day, did not appear with Weld at the press conference. McCurry said the president does not typically make joint appearances with nominees who are withdrawing. He said Weld made his own decision.

In a statement, Clinton said he accepted Weld's decision with "great disappointment." He added: "The American people have not been well served during this process....The treatment my nominee received reflects a divisiveness that does not well serve the American people."

Weld said he believed he would have been confirmed if he had been given a hearing. He called Washington a "funny town," a place where people told him "you have to go on bended knee and you have to kiss a lot of rings" to get confirmed. Weld said he wouldn't "go on bended knee" or "kiss anything."

The former governor of Massachusetts said he was returning to private-sector life New England, "where no one has to approach the government on bended knee to ask it to do its duty."

Weld praised the White House for fighting for his nomination. "The president stood tree-tops tall in this entire matter," he said, citing the "three or four" phone calls and "four to five" personal meetings he had with Clinton on the topic.

Weld said he doesn't regret resigning from his governorship in July to pursue the nomination. "I feel good about my own personal future — I'm not addicted to public office," he said.

The divisiveness of his nomination for Republicans was evident from the statements that followed his announced withdrawal.

Conservative pundits rallied around Helms, saying they were glad to see Weld withdraw.

"Parents across America should thank Jesse Helms for his courageous stand," said Oliver North, founder of the conservative Freedom Alliance. "Given Gov. Weld's record on drugs, his appointment would have only exacerbated what amounts to a national crisis along our southern border."

Michael Reagan, a political commentator and son of former President Ronald Reagan, agreed.

"It's nice to see some Republican still have a backbone. Jesse Helms showed himself to be the leader that he is," Reagan said.

Helms, who held a committee meeting Friday but refused to let Weld speak — as several members of his panel requested, could not be reached for comment.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., who led a failed bi-partisan push to force Helms to give Weld a hearing, said he was "disappointed" that Weld never received such a forum.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he had hoped Weld would become "one of America's most successful diplomats." Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore. who helped Lugar push for a hearing, said he hoped Weld will "soon offer his leadership in another important way."

LAWSUIT: Gipson wants rights validated, he says

(From 1A)

Midland County Attorney Russell Malm, Assistant Midland County Attorney Robert Stevens, Walvoord's bailiff Jake Ussery and 142nd Texas District Court Judge George D. "Jody" Gilles.

Malm, who represents the county and, especially, the Commissioners' Court in civil litigation, recused himself as counsel in the case since he is a defendant and, noted Norwood, since there would be a "conflict" for him to serve as defendant and counsel.

"Therefore, we really had no choice but to retain outside counsel," Norwood noted. "So, the court, in a unanimous vote, voted to hire outside counsel in order to represent those county officials."

Morgan, who has an extensive background in Republic of Texas-related litigation, has represented a title company in federal cases involving the now-jailed Republic of Texas "ambassador" Richard McLaren prior to the notorious Fort Davis standoff' last May.

However, Gipson apparently does not align himself with McLaren.

Gipson, who claims to be seeking "due process of law" and validation of his civil rights, also has filed a multi-million-dollar suit against the city of Midland for alleged violation of his civil rights after he was stopped for driving an unregistered vehicle.

In his July 28 trial in Walvoord's court, Gipson claimed that he was "kidnapped" from his private property by a Midland police officer after he was spotted driving a vehicle without valid registration.

COLLECTOR: Man's love is models of big boys' toys

(From 1A)

away. Neither did any other Texaco station that Osborne could find.

"By the time I found Nos. 1 and 2, I had to pay $250 for the first truck and $175 for the second," he recalls. "My wife thought I was totally insane to pay that kind of money for a $9.95 bank."

When Osborne's promotional collection began to overflow the available space in the house, he and his wife decided that this addiction was obviously more serious than it had first appeared. Their solution was to go into the antique business. They opened an antique shop across the street from Big Spring's Railroad Plaza where they stock the requisite turn-of-the-century furnishings and glassware, dolls and fragile clothing and linens as well as the promotional memorabilia.

But Osborne's love is still the big boys' toys put out as advertising by marketers such as Texaco. He now displays his enamel signs, oil cans, and of course, the promotional signs, in the store. He also buys and sells the memorabilia of early days in the industry.

"I'm constantly buying and selling, upgrading some of my early items to models in better condition," he explained. He says he's learned a lot since those early days of wiping sand off an old Pure Oil sign and calling it treasure.

"Initially, I would buy anything in any condition, but it didn't take too long to learn that condition of a piece is of primary importance.

"A piece of junk will always be a piece of junk, but something in excellent condition will appreciate in value."

Since the advent of the Texaco truck bank series, the company has come out with airplane models — the same high quality heavy-metal die-cast toys with the same attention to detail, which are also bought up quickly by both collectors and dealers every year in November when they appear at gas stations.

But Texaco wasn't the first to sell promotional toys, says Osborne.

"John Deere has made die-cast toys for many years, starting with tractors and farm implements and such, and they've always been highly collectible. Recently they came out with die-cast trucks and airplanes."

And perhaps buoyed by the popularity of the Texaco models, collectors have pushed up the prices of many of the older ones.

Osborne said although Texaco toys are probably likely to retain their lead in the market there are any number of favorite banks that collectors like.

"Cosden and Fina are sentimental favorites in Big Spring, because of the refinery that was once Cosden and is now Fina," he said. "Coca-Cola memorabilia has held its value, and there are collectors who collect anything with the Coca-Cola emblem on it."

He said although the earlier banks are pricey, that collecting them certainly isn't a hobby for the well heeled. "When Texaco started the bank series, they issued 6,000 to 10,000 banks. Now they make them in numbers of 100,000 or more, and the price isn't likely to go up much."

Never mind that the value won't skyrocket, Osborne says he's never collected anything for the investment.

"I've heard this all my life, and I say it too: If you want to make money, buy stock or bonds. It's hard to guess about what's going to hold its value, and besides that, reproductions abound now. There aren't too many people smart enough to know the difference in every field. With technology improving year by year, it's almost impossible not to get fooled every now and then."

"I've been fooled several times. I do a lot of research, and talk to friends who are also collectors, but still, there are times..." He reaches behind the counter and brings out the "Beechnut" enameled sign. "This is an example. Someone brought this in, and I thought it might be authentic, but I wasn't sure. I bought it in a box of other things that were really old and not in very good condition. This sign looks new, that was what first made me suspicious. I asked several of my friends, and two said they thought it was a reproduction, but one said he thought it was authentic. Then I looked up the Beechnut Tobacco enameled signs in several antique books, and the pictures and descriptions show different layouts and different dimensions than this is, so I may very well have a reproduction here.

"I'm lucky that this time I didn't pay very much for it."

CRASHES: Defense secretary praises F-117 pilot's actions

(From 1A)

Defense Secretary William Cohen paid tribute to the pilot of the F-117 but did not mention the other incidents as he addressed the Air Force Association, a booster club.

He said Maj. Bryan Knight displayed "courage and competence" and "helped divert a much larger disaster" Sunday by steering his fighter jet away from heavily populated areas outside Baltimore, Md.

The secretary said video replays show Knight waited "until the final moment" to eject, something Cohen called "a compliment to the kind of courage and dedication that is exhibited day in and day out by men and women in the Air Force all over the world."

The 53 remaining F-117 stealth fighters were grounded as officials investigated the mishap. Meanwhile, the Pentagon was probing the mysterious Saturday disappearance — and possible midair collision — of an Air Force C-141 cargo plane with a German air force plane off the coast of Africa. Nine Americans and 24 Germans were feared dead.

In the third incident, a Navy F/A-18 Hornet fighter crashed Sunday in Oman, killing the pilot.

The F-117 garnered fame with its night-time bombing runs on Baghdad during the Persian Gulf War.

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., said Monday that he was introducing legislation that would prohibit the use of F-117 fighters and B-2 bombers at air shows.

Cohen responded that it would be best to await the formal outcome of the Air Force investigation.

"I don't think we should ever rule out any aircraft participating in shows. It could happen to any other type of aircraft that we have as well. Let's wait and see what the facts show," Cohen said.

Pentagon officials argue that taxpayers are the beneficiaries of such shows, because they allow the military to display how the defense dollar is being spent. As well, the shows are major recruiting tools for the all-volunteer force.

Warner, a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the cost is just too high, asserting the taxpayer pays $100 million a copy for the F-117.

"We only have 53 left and they are needed for special missions in the national security interests of this country, and I just do not believe that type of asset can be put at this type of risk," the senator said on the Senate floor.

The B-2, which was built to use nuclear wapons and evade the radar of the former Soviet Union, cost $2 billion a plane, making it the most expensive aircraft ever built. It recently has been outfitted to conduct long-range conventional bombing runs.

"I feel it is a matter of principle that this nation cannot subject that costly an aircraft, one that is essential to the performance of a very specialized mission, in this type of circumstance," Warner said.

Dr. Daniel Kuehl, a professor of military strategy and history at the National Defense University, said he believes it is "very important" for citizens to be able to talk to the military men and women who work on such aircraft, as well as have the chance to see the planes perform.

"I'm reminded of the phrase 'No bucks, no Buck Rogers,'" said Kuehl. "The American people need to put their hands on it, to see what it does, to see what they are paying for. Otherwise, you lose the connection" between the citizenry and the military.

Air Force officials said an investigation had already begun into the F-117 crash, and the Navy was investigating the cause of the F/A-18 mishap. Because the search and rescue mission was still underway for the crew of the C-141, no formal investigation had begun of that incident, Air Force officials said.

UT: Professor says he regrets stir over comments

(From 1A)

"Blacks and Mexican-Americans are not academically competitive with whites in selective institutions," Graglia said then. "It is the result primarily of cultural effects. They have a culture that seems not to encourage achievement. Failure is not looked upon with disgrace."

Graglia said it was unfortunate that he and his remarks would be labeled racist. But he said he believes the facts regarding most minority students' study habits and their educational background are clear and called affirmative action programs attempts to ignore those facts.

The university chancellor and president met privately with Graglia on Monday. Cunningham declined to comment; Flawn issued a statement saying they had "an open and frank discussion of the issues" but declined to say more.

In a phone interview after the meeting, Graglia said he planned to issue a statement later this week on the controversy.

"The concern was that my remarks could lead to the impression, it's thought, that blacks and Mexican Americans are somehow unwelcome at the university. That is certainly not my intent," he said.

Graglia said the university officials indicated that "anything I could say to remove such feeling would be welcome. I'm certainly willing to cooperate with that."

Since his initial comments, students, state lawmakers and others have called for Graglia's ouster. University officials have said they can't remove Graglia, a tenured professor, simply for expressing his opinion.

The American Civil Liberties Union came to the professor's defense.

"The efforts to silence Graglia threaten academic freedom and free speech. All positions should be available in the 'marketplace of ideas,' but particularly at a university," said Jay Jacobson, Texas ACLU executive director.

In their written statement, the university's top officials said Graglia's comments were "an insult to thousands of University of Texas minority students and alumni."

Pick 3 Texas

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

7-4-0

Cash 5 Texas

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

5-16-20-23-34

Correction

The seminar titled "The Education Session: Legal and Financial Issues" will take place at the Midland Hilton tonight at 6:30 p.m. In Sunday's edition, the incorrect day was listed.

The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

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Sinn Fein enters Ireland's peace talks

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BELFAST, Northern Ireland — The IRA-allied Sinn Fein party entered Northern Ireland's peace talks for the first time Monday, frightening off all five pro-British Protestant parties.

Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams, surrounded by party comrades, passed through gates that had been locked to them when the talks on Northern Ireland's political future began in June 1996.

"We do think that this could be the beginning of the end of conflict on this island, if the political will is there to build agreement," Adams said. Sinn Fein was admitted after the outlawed IRA stopped its violent campaign against British rule of Northern Ireland eight weeks ago.

Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble, whose party represents a critical third of Northern Ireland opinion, boycotted the talks at Castle Buildings, a drab office block within the British administrative center in east Belfast.

As expected, the two most hard-line Protestant parties, Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionists and Bob McCartney's United Kingdom Unionists, failed to show up Monday. Two small but influential parties linked to pro-British paramilitary gangs also refused to participate.

Paisley, however, submitted a motion in absentia calling for Sinn Fein's expulsion. The chairman of the talks, former U.S. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, dismissed it because the plaintiffs weren't there.

Three miles away, Trimble invited the British government's political development minister, Paul Murphy, to his party's downtown headquarters. The two discussed what Trimble called "the precise procedural arrangements for our involvement in the multi-party talks."

Trimble said he would lead the Ulster Unionists into negotiations involving Sinn Fein "as soon as possible," but is looking for assurances that his party's views won't be overruled or ignored.



AP Photo

A young republican supporter places an Irish tricolor into the hands of the Queen Victoria statue in the grounds of Belfast City Hall, Northern Ireland, Sunday during a rally organized by Sinn Fein calling for freedom of Irish Republican Prisoners. The IRA-allied Sinn Fein party has committed to taking its place around a huge square table Monday when on-again, off-again negotiations on the future of Northern Ireland resume.

Before that meeting, British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern already had offered Trimble various assurances.

Their joint statement emphasized that the disarmament of the IRA and pro-British paramilitary groups was "an indispensable part" of negotiations, and any proposed settlement must win majority public approval within Northern Ireland.

That is critical to the Ulster Unionists, who were instrumental in founding the predominantly Protestant state in 1920.

Inside the negotiating room, moderate politicians from four parties grilled Adams about the true worth of his formal renunciation of violence. Adams made the pledge last Tuesday — a requirement for all negotiators — but the IRA speedily said it wouldn't agree to the terms.

Adams, reputed to be a former IRA commander, insisted Sinn Fein has no "organic" connection to IRA policies. Other politicians in the room were skeptical.

"The process would have been greatly strengthened if Sinn Fein would admit that it did represent the IRA, and so could deliver on peace," said John Alderdice, leader of Alliance, the only party to attract support from Protestants and Catholics.

Trimble met Monday evening with Mitchell at the chairman's hotel across the street from Ulster Unionist headquarters.

Mitchell's shuttle diplomacy is intended to eventually bring Trimble and Adams to the same table. The most likely next stage, however, would have the Ulster Unionists return to Castle Buildings and share the same roof — but not the same room — as Sinn Fein.

"It's all a lot of play-acting, actually. The talks clearly are going to proceed over the next week or two," Alderdice predicted.

"I suppose we have to go through this charade at the start. It's not very surprising, a bit frustrating — like the weather here," Alderdice said during a downpour outside Castle Buildings.

The British and Irish governments, which cosponsor the talks, envisage a Belfast assembly in which Protestants and Catholics would share power. In addition, Belfast and Dublin lawmakers would run joint committees aimed at promoting common policy-making in both parts of Ireland.

Such a scenario goes too far for most Protestant politicians, and doesn't go nearly far enough for IRA supporters.

Search of sea turns up airplane seats, paper

WINDHOEK, Namibia (AP) — Searchers found airplane seats and a few papers Monday, but no bodies or survivors of the apparent collision between a U.S. military transport and a German plane believed to have been flying in the same air route.

Air corridors often are shared, although planes traveling in opposite directions are supposed to fly at different altitudes. Namibian officials said the probable collision site was off their radar and they didn't know the German plane was coming because they had not received a flight plan.

The Atlantic is 3,000 feet deep in the area of Namibia's Skeleton Coast where the U.S. C-141 Starlifter and the German air force plane apparently collided and crashed Saturday, and some officials doubted much wreckage ever would be found. Nine Americans and 24 Germans were missing.

Military officials from Germany, the United States and South Africa —which is responsible for sea rescue operations in the area — converged on Windhoek to coordinate the search. They also want to determine why it took 24 hours before rescue officials were told the planes were missing.

"We are about to hire some divers," German air force Maj. Gen. Gerhard Buck said in Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, which is northwest of South Africa on the continent's south Atlantic coast.

Searchers found seats from the German plane and papers in German in two areas of the sea Monday near where the planes may have collided, about 115 miles west of Cape Fria on the Namibian coast.

American officials said they could not say why it took so long to initiate a search or what steps were taken when the U.S. plane did not arrive at Ascension Island from Namibia as scheduled.

"I cannot reconstruct that for you. We simply do not have that information. I'm not sure what the time line would be, but they would obviously inform people in the United States," said U.S. Army Col. Michael Mensch.

The German plane vanished en route from Germany to Cape Town, South Africa, and Namibian officials said they never received its flight plan.

"No departure signal, no flight plan. That's why we were not aware that the airplane was coming," said Jochen Sell, Namibia's chief air traffic officer.

He told reporters such critical procedures are often absent in Africa.

"It is normal in Africa," Sell said. "We have a big problem, a major problem."

Buck said a flight plan for the German plane had been filed before takeoff from Germany. But Sell said it was never passed on, as required, by controllers in the central African nation of Niger.

Louie Lourens, Namibia's deputy director of aviation security, said the site of the apparent collision was out of range of Namibian air traffic control radar.

The two planes were traveling on the same air route in different directions, "although they should have been height-separated," South Africa's Brig. Hap Potgieter said Pretoria, South Africa.

A French aircraft flying over the apparent crash site Sunday night picked up a faint distress signal which may have come from an automatic emergency beacon. U.S. Air Force monitors in the European command also picked up the distress signal at about the same time, South African officials said.



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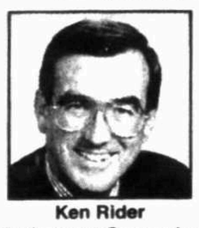
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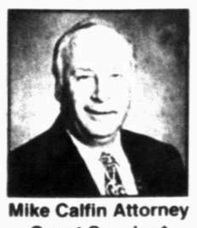
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Document crucial to nation, lives

School students are taught the history of the founding of this nation and learn the names of at least some of the principal players in the national drama known as the Constitutional Convention. That is important because the residents of this land need to be aware of the struggle and hardship our forefathers endured to leave behind this wonderful document known as the United States Constitution.

The Constitution is a truly remarkable and extremely important document and worthy of a week during which all Americans should reflect on its importance to their lives.

Wednesday marks the start of Constitution Week, which continues through Sept. 23, and it is being observed by the Col. Theunis Dey and Lt. William Brewer chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). The role of the DAR in drawing attention to the importance of the U.S. Constitution cannot be overemphasized. Without that wonderful document much of the life that we know and enjoy would be impossible.

George Washington, James Madison Jr., Alexander Hamilton, Robert Morris, Charles Pinckney and all the others at the Constitutional Convention crafted a living document that gave us all the rights and privileges we enjoy today. It also made all men equal before the law, and defends all the rights we are given even against the government itself.

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William E. Gladstone, a British statesman, put the impact of the Constitution into perspective when he described it as "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man."

All Americans should revel in that truth this week.

ANOTHER VIEW

Government only proper imprisoner

Many services are better provided by businesses than by government — but running prisons is not one of them.

Missouri found this out recently when it sent 415 nonviolent prisoners to a private correctional institution in Texas because of overcrowding in its own prisons.

A videotape has surfaced of guards beating prisoners at the Brazoria County Detention Center and letting guard dogs attack the inmates. The company that runs the private prison is Capital Correctional Resources Inc.

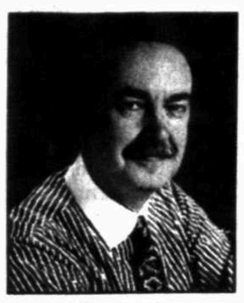
Imprisoning our citizens in not the job of a private business. Only the government is empowered to accuse and try people for crimes. Only the government should be in charge of their incarceration.

— Chillicothe Gazette
Chillicothe, Ohio

CAL THOMAS

University choices should be based on merit

The skin-pigmentation monitors are upset that fewer "minorities" have been admitted to California and Texas universities this fall because of the curtailment of affirmative action in those states. Among the freshmen at the University of Texas are 150 black students, half last year's number. At the University of California at Berkeley School of Law, one black is entering the first-year class. Last year there were 20 black first-year students.



Thomas

But instead of lowering admissions standards and counting non-white noses, let's devise ways to boost the qualifications of applicants.

President Clinton is pushing for a national standards test developed in Washington. Sen. Paul Coverdell (R-Ga.) has a better way: school choice.

Coverdell's proposal was pulled from the budget agreement following a threat by the president to veto the entire measure unless school choice was removed. Such is the power the National Education Association (NEA) has over this administration. The Clintons and Gores chose to send their children to elite private schools because they are rich and can afford it. They don't want poor and middle-class children to have the same opportunity.

Coverdell notes that 40 percent of all 10-year-olds can't meet basic literacy standards; that across the United States 2,000 acts of violence occur in schools daily; that American eighth-graders recently placed 28th in the world in math and science skills; that 88 percent of children entering Los Angeles public schools won't be able to read at eighth-grade level when they graduate, and only 40 percent of all students will graduate; that almost one-third of college freshmen require remedial instruction. Despite this poor performance, the NEA, for political reasons, wants to maintain the nation's largest monopoly and doom many children to an inferior education.

For this, the federal government spends $97 billion per year of our money on more than 760 education programs spread over 40 government agencies. "This is a system that is failing morally as well as practically," Coverdell says.

He proposes "A-plus Accounts," which would allow parents to establish a savings account designated for their child's (or any child's) education at any school public, private, religious or even home school — from kindergarten through college.

The plan would involve after-tax dollars, so it would take no money from government school budgets. Interest on the savings account would be tax-free so long as the money is used for tuition or other education — related purposes, such as buying a computer. Grandparents, businesses or wealthy individuals would be free to start or add to the account of a family or non-family member, making it a perfect vehicle for charitable and scholarship efforts.

This could be a hot issue for Republicans, hotter perhaps than tax — cutting. The current system has trapped students and good teachers in a failed system with little opportunity for improvement. Money is not, and never has been, the solution to our education problems. Opening the system up to competition would improve not only the quality of education but the quality of the educated.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich says the president has agreed to meet with him, Coverdell and a group of parents who want the same opportunity the Clintons had in preparing their daughter for Stanford by sending her to the elite Sidwell Friends school. Surely if the "fairness" issue was paramount for the president when it came to tax cuts, then fairness in education ought to be just as important.

The NEA opposes anything that would break its intellectual, political and moral stranglehold on America's children. It knows that the only way to maintain its influence is to keep most students and teachers locked in a failing system.

Coverdell says if $2,000 a year goes into a child's A-plus account starting at birth, assuming a 7.5 percent interest rate, that child would accumulate $14,488 by first grade, $36,847 by junior high, $46,732 by high school and $71,355 by college.

Politics is the only reason President Clinton would oppose such a plan. He's always telling us he cares for children. The Coverdell proposal gives him a chance to demonstrate how much.

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RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

Ten books that shaped my life views

Oprah Winfrey recently gave Life magazine a list of 10 books that early on changed her life, which needed changing. It is to her everlasting credit that she understands books can do that.



Johnson

After reading Oprah's list, I made my own. It was a difficult exercise, winnowing to 10 the books that helped shape me. It was hard to be honest, not just list a few obvious classics someone would see and then say, "Oh, yes, that one, of course. Excellent choice."

Here they are, the 10 books that, growing up, for better or worse, most influenced me:

1. "Heidi." It's the story of a little girl almost torn in two by guilt. Her old grandfather on the mountain is lonely. But so is her crippled, rich friend ensconced in a mansion in the city.

Where should Heidi live and invest her energies? How can she possibly be in two places at once?

I learned from the character Heidi that there are more sad people in life who need you than it's possible to attend to. You must follow your heart and just do the best you can. Nobody who is unhappy can make others happy.

2. "The Bobbsey Twins." I learned from the popular series that I definitely didn't want a twin.

3. "An Old-Fashioned Girl." Most girls loved Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women," but I preferred the girl to her little women.

In the book an innocent girl moves to the city to live with her hip cousin. The old-fashioned girl finds her values challenged on a daily basis. She sticks to her guns and, of course, is rewarded.

I'm pretty sure this book is the one reason I never tried drugs.

4. "Gone With the Wind." I learned from the antiheroine Scarlett that people never know what they want in life until it's too late. And that unanswered love does eventually die.

I forgot it a few times, but the lesson was there.

"GWTW" also taught me you could make a party dress from the draperies if you absolutely had to. I've never bought curtains without considering how they'd look as a frock.

Here's the rest of the short list and an abbreviated version of the lesson each book taught:

5. "Of Mice and Men." People treat one another like dogs. The meek don't inherit anything.

6. "The Little Prince." Always try to concentrate on matters of consequence.

7. "To Kill a Mockingbird." Racism is the scar on this land's pretty face. The majority may rule but it's rarely right. Single-parent families are not always bad.

8. "The Great Gatsby." Your funeral will be the smallest party you'll ever throw.

9. "All the King's Men." No human is either all evil or all good. Good and bad come in the same package.

10. "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn." Everything else worth knowing.

I made high school the arbitrary cutoff point for my valuable book list. I've read hundreds of great books since then, of course, but by the time you reach college you're pretty much what you're going to be.

Books after high school reflect your interests; they rarely change your life.

Next week I plan to work on a list of life-altering songs. Bob Dylan once said of Woody Guthrie: "You could listen to his songs and learn how to live."

Books and music may have more to do with our final personalities than anything else, except genetics.

Oprah is one of my favorite native Mississippians, and that's a long list. She never fails to teach me something.

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CHARLEY REESE

Modern society still has ties to religion, despite sterile ideals

The sterility of today's depraved culture has a religious basis. As much as agnostics and atheists would like to deny it, all cultures, good or evil, are derived from religion.



Reese

That's because religious beliefs produce political and social consequences. America's culture has always been based on Christianity. Europe, from which we came, was known as Christendom. But early in the 19th century, American Christianity developed a split. This split caused, and still causes, political conflicts.

Two of the basic premises of orthodox Christianity are that God is sovereign and cannot be manipulated and that humans are innately depraved. That was the prevailing view at the time of the American Revolution. Because humans are depraved, they cannot be trusted with power – hence, limited government and constitutional restraints on power.

Because man's evil is inside him, changing his physical or social circumstances will not make him good. Only God's grace and obedience to God can do that. Hence, little or no concern is shown for social reform, either in the American Revolution or in the Bible. You may, if you like, describe this as the conservative position.

This view remained dominant in the South, but in the North a new view took root. Its basic premises were that man was inherently good and that God could be manipulated. The modern version is, if you need a new car, pray for it.

The political consequences were that if man is inherently good, and he acts badly, it must be because of outside circumstances — lack of income, bad neighborhood, poor education, racism, economic system, etc. Hence, to make men better, change their circumstances. This, as you will see, is an accurate description of modern liberalism.

This belief is clearly evident in practically every news story, editorial and political speech in America. Whatever is wrong, it is not the fault of the individual. If a kid drops out of school, or graduates but is essentially ignorant, it's the fault of the education system. If someone is a criminal, it is the fault of society. If people are poor, it is the fault of the economic system. If someone smokes, it is the fault of the tobacco industry.

The liberal has an unshakeable religious faith that given sufficient money, the right program, the right education system and sufficient power to coerce, then human ills can be eliminated and a paradise on earth can be created. By placing man first and God second, the liberal view inevitably evolved into eliminating God altogether — hence, a secular and egalitarian culture developed.

Liberalism — in all its forms, such as socialism, communism and liberal democracy — failed because its basic premise is wrong. Man isn't inherently good; he's inherently evil, and he really cannot be trusted with power. If there is anyone who cannot draw that conclusion from the nightmarish and bloody 20th century, then he is inherently uneducable.

Despite trillions of dollars, astounding technological advances and oceans of spilled blood, not one human problem has been solved. Man has not been made good. Heaven on earth has not been created. All that has been accomplished is to give man increased capacity to do evil. The ability to manipulate, control and murder has been greatly advanced. That's the progress liberalism has produced.

The conservative and liberal views, as I have defined them, are irreconcilable. Separation is the only way to avoid conflict. I personally am bored to gagging with hearing liberals make excuses for people and propose one failed social scheme after another. And people who call themselves conservatives but who just offer a different set of excuses and propose a different set of failed schemes are, in fact, liberals wearing a false face.

A wise man once observed: "If you understand, the world is as it is; if you do not understand, the world is as it is." If you're looking to politics for solutions, you're looking in the wrong place.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 16, the 259th day of 1997. There are 106 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 16, 1919, the American Legion was incorporated by an act of Congress.

On this date:

In 1638, France's King Louis XIV was born.

In 1810, Mexicans began their revolt against Spanish rule.

In 1893, hundreds of thousands of settlers swarmed onto a section of land in Oklahoma known as the "Cherokee Strip."

In 1940, President Roosevelt signed into law the Selective Training and Service Act, which set up the first peacetime military draft in U.S. history.

In 1940, Samuel T. Rayburn of Texas was elected Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1966, the Metropolitan Opera opened its new opera house at New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

In 1972, "The Bob Newhart Show" premiered on CBS.

In 1974, President Ford announced a conditional amnesty program for Vietnam War deserters and draft-evaders.

In 1977, Maria Callas, the American-born prima donna famed for her lyric soprano and fiery temperament, died in Paris at age 53.

In 1982, the massacre of hundreds of Palestinian men, women and children by Lebanese Christian militiamen began in west Beirut's Sabra and Chatilla refugee camps.

Ten years ago: Two-dozen countries signed the Montreal Protocol, a treaty designed to save the Earth's ozone layer by calling on nations to reduce emissions of harmful chemicals by the year 2000.

Five years ago: A proposed debate between President Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton was canceled after the Bush campaign's refusal to negotiate with a bipartisan commission. Former U.S. Rep. Millicent Fenwick, R-N.J., died at age 82.

One year ago: President Clinton claimed the endorsement of the nation's largest police organization, the Fraternal Order of Police.

White House denies Jones' retaliation claim

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House denied Monday that it had Paula Jones singled out for an IRS audit, calling the idea of such retaliation "certifiably crazy."

"It's inconceivable to me," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said in response to a question on whether the White House pushed for the IRS investigation after Mrs. Jones rejected a settlement of her sexual harassment suit against President Clinton.

"We do dumb things from time to time, but we are not certifiably crazy," McCurry said. "So don't imagine for a minute we did. We don't even call the IRS to find out how they do those sorts of things, literally."

Mrs. Jones, a former Arkansas state employee, filed a lawsuit claiming that Clinton, then governor, asked her for oral sex in a Little Rock hotel room in May 1991. Clinton has denied Mrs. Jones' accusation, saying he does not remember meeting her.

Mrs. Jones and her husband, Stephen, received notice last week that they would be audited for their 1995 tax return, according to Susan Carpenter-McMillan, Mrs. Jones' adviser. Carpenter-McMillan called the audit "very peculiar" because it came days after Mrs. Jones — a housewife with virtually no income — rejected a settlement plan and parted with her lawyers.

Citing taxpayer confidentiality, the Internal Revenue Service declined Monday to give details on Mrs. Jones' case. But IRS spokesman Frank Keith dispelled the notion of using audits as retaliation, saying "When we select a tax return to be examined, we make that selection for tax purposes."

Carpenter-McMillan said Monday that while she does not believe "Bill Clinton personally picked up the Oval Office phone and directed the IRS" to conduct an audit, she does not underestimate the White House's potential for officially harassing the president's critics.

As an example, she cited the case of Billy Dale, who was tried and acquitted on charges that he stole $68,000 from the White House travel office while serving as its director. The charges against Dale came after the Clinton White House asked the FBI to launch a criminal probe.

"If they would do that with a simple thing like the travel office, what would they do with a major player like Paula Jones, who is suing the president?" Carpenter-McMillan said. "The impression the American public has is that the Clinton administration can be very Nixonite toward their detractors."

She was referring to Watergate, the political scandal that led to President Nixon's 1974 resignation. One aspect of Watergate involved the attempted use of government agencies to harm Nixon's political opponents.

McCurry said the precedence of Watergate is precisely why "no one in any position of authority" in the White House would have had a hand in getting Mrs. Jones audited.

"If they did, they would be looking for work pretty quickly," McCurry said. "Everyone here knows the history of previous White Houses where that happened, and everyone knows what a tragic episode it was in our history."

The Jones' audit notice arrived after lawyers Gil Davis and Joseph Cammarata left her case, citing "fundamental differences of opinion" with Mrs. Jones. She turned down a proposed settlement that involved giving her $700,000 and a general statement of regret from Clinton for any damage to her reputation.

After two weeks, hiker is found in national forest

'Towards the end there, it was just pray, pray, pray.'

— David Vetterlein, California man who was lost in a forest for two weeks

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — During his two weeks lost in the Siskiyou National Forest, 50-year-old mathematician David Vetterlein had plenty of time to think about how he might have done things differently.

He should have taken the CB radio his father offered. He should have packed a lighter or fresh matches that wouldn't fizzle out. He should have brought a better map and food that wouldn't spoil.

Soaked from a night of rain, hungry and without the strength to even lift his hiking stick, Vetterlein just kept walking, eventually finding a logging road.

On Sunday afternoon, he spied the pickup truck of Dan Speelman, who was a little uncertain of where he was himself after a morning of bow hunting for deer with his 10-year-old son.

"He was walking along the road and saw my vehicle and started waving his arms," Speelman said Monday. "He's a real tall slender guy and he looked pretty bedraggled. When I stopped, he just said, 'Oh, thank God, thank God.'"

"He gave me sandwiches and hot coffee, exactly what I needed," Vetterlein said. "I was suffering hypothermia at that point."

Speelman drove Vetterlein to a ranger station, where he ate a big bowl of soup, called his parents, and was checked out by emergency medical technicians, who pronounced him fit.

Vetterlein said he lost the trail on the second day of what was supposed to be a three-day hike and depended solely on his compass until he found a logging road. His way was blocked by deep gorges, steep slopes and impenetrable brush.

Beans that he had stored in plastic bags spoiled. He ate huckleberries and some other food that he had brought along.

"The things that saved me were those dozen cornmeal muffins I made before the trip and my father buying me some salmon jerky," Vetterlein said. "It was too salty to eat at the beginning but saved me at the end."

About five days into his ordeal, a helicopter flew over at treetop level to pick up a searcher who had been injured, but Vetterlein couldn't get the pilot's attention through the trees. He tied his red shirt to his walking stick and waved it at three planes that flew overhead, but no one seemed to notice.

During his ordeal, he thought of how he would never be able to tell his professor he had solved the problem he had been working on, and how he would go to church every Sunday if he ever got home.

"Towards the end there, it was just pray, pray, pray," Vetterlein said.

Commercial reactor to test produce nuclear material

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission agreed for the first time Monday to allow a commercial reactor to test produce tritium, which is used in nuclear bombs.

Anti-nuclear groups have condemned the test, saying it would end a long-standing federal policy barring civilian nuclear power plants from making weapons.

Federal officials have stressed the tritium produced during the test will not be used in weapons.

The NRC amended the Tennessee Valley Authority's operating license for its Watts Bar Nuclear Plant to conduct the test, which could begin within weeks.

TVA will receive $7.5 million from the Department of Energy for the Watts Bar test, which is intended to demonstrate that a commercial light-water reactor can produce tritium, a radioactive hydrogen isotope, without affecting its operation.

There is reasonable assurance that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public," the NRC said in a statement.

Ralph Hutchison of the Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance and Michelle Neal-Conlon of the Tennessee Valley Energy Reform Coalition sent a letter to TVA Chairman Craven Crowell opposing the test.

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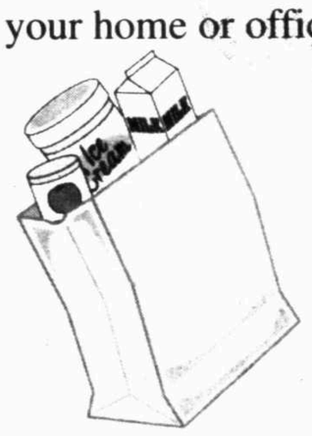
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Dr. Kendall H. Wong received his Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology at California State University in Sacramento and his Medical Degree from Loyola University in Chicago in 1994. He has recently opened his practice in Internal Medicine in Odessa in association with Dr. Scott Sanford, and is now accepting new patients. Dr. Wong will be seeing adults with problems such as hypertension, diabetes, and heart and lung diseases. In addition, he will offer preventive care services for healthy patients. Dr. Wong selected his specialty because it offers him a wide range of opportunities to serve his patients through the art and science of medicine. Dr. Wong discovered West Texas on a visit to Big Spring and was immediately impressed with the quality of its people. "When my family and I moved recently to Odessa, our neighbors were so nice that they held an ice cream party to welcome us to the neighborhood," states Wong. Dr. Wong and his wife, Marinda, reside in Odessa with their three children - Melanie, Derek and Ryan.
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Military seals off jet crash site from families

Associated Press

MIDDLE RIVER, Md. — Citing national security, military police kept nine families from returning to their homes Monday, seized photographers' film and cordoned off the site of a stealth fighter crash as they searched for pieces of an aircraft whose very existence was once a state secret.

The clamp down in this quiet waterfront neighborhood began almost immediately after the F-117A jet went down during an air show performance Sunday, crashing into a house and causing six minor injuries on the ground.

"There was military everywhere. This road was full, the sky was loaded. I tell you it was something," said Paul Canatella, standing in his driveway less than a 100 yards from the mangled canopy, which was watched by two armed military guards.

"I've never seen anything like it," Canatella said. "You name it they were here."

Three blocks of the Baltimore suburb were quickly evacuated and military troops moved in to scour the area for pieces of the $45 million, black, bat-winged plane.

"It is a secret aircraft, obviously we want to protect it the best way we can," said Capt. Drew Sullins, a Maryland National Guard spokesman.

Film was confiscated from members of the media, including Associated Press photographer Roberto Borea, who had chartered a boat to take him to the neighborhood.

"As soon as we stepped on shore, the military was there and that was it," Borea said. "Had I chosen not to surrender my equipment, I would have been taken into custody."

Sullins said pool photographers were later allowed on the scene for a few minutes Monday under tight military supervision.

The boomerang-shaped F-117A Nighthawk uses special design and materials to avoid enemy radar. During much of the 1980s, it was so secret the military didn't acknowledge its existence.

It was used in the Gulf War against heavily defended Iraqi targets because of its strange shape, tight construction and special surface paint, to evade radar and radar-guided missiles.

Amateur video of Sunday's crash showed a piece of the aircraft, apparently from the tail or a wing, flying off before the wedge-shaped jet went down in a slow spin as the pilot ejected safely.

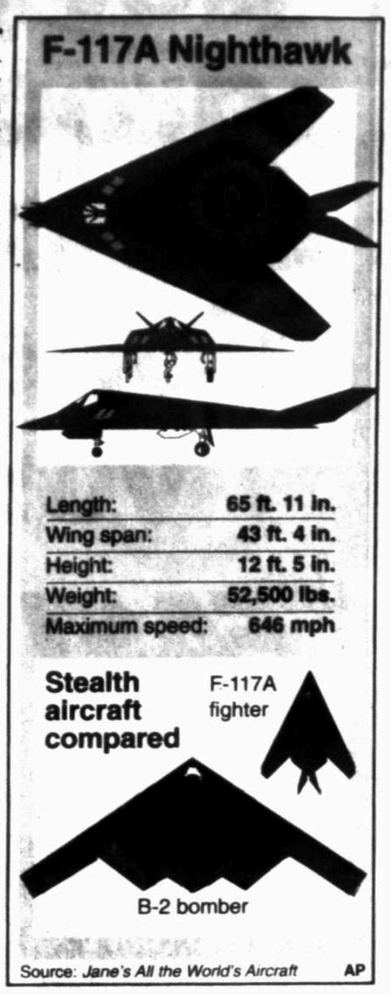
Retired bomber pilot Norman Mack said he called the military to come retrieve the first two pieces he saw fall off the plane; they landed in shallow water behind his house. Mack said several boats showed up and officials called his daughter later asking permission to retrieve a smaller piece of debris from her boat.

Emma Wetzelberger, a clerk at Wilson Point Liquors near the airport, said dozens of diners at the restaurant she was in Sunday night couldn't return in the boats they had used to get there because the military had closed down the Middle River.

"They were angry. Boaters couldn't get back because they had cordoned off the river looking for parts," she said. "I hope they don't have the air show any more. I'm tired of them buzzing my house."

At Bruno's restaurant near the crash scene, they took the crash in stride, quickly inventing a drink called the "Stealth Bomber Shooter."

"It'll knock you out of the sky," said bartender Vicki Thoms.



'There was military everywhere. This road was full, the sky was loaded. I tell you it was something. I've never seen anything like it.'
— Paul Canatella, resident of the neighborhood where the jet crashed

Emmy ratings down this year

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The ratings for this year's Emmy Awards took a hit because some rival networks aimed big guns like Arnold Schwarzenegger's "True Lies" at the ceremony, preliminary figures showed Monday.

Broadcasters have tended to observe an Emmy gentleman's agreement to keep their programming to a boring minimum and avoid undercutting the awards.

An estimated 40 million viewers Sunday watched all or part of the 49th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards on CBS, according to the network.

The three-hour ceremony got an estimated 13.5 rating and 21 share, CBS said — lower than last year's show but higher than in 1995.

The 1996 broadcast on ABC posted a 14.4 rating and 23 share. When the Emmys aired on Fox in 1995, the show received a 12.4 rating and 20 share.

A rating point represents just under 1 million households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated TV homes. The share is the percentage of in-use TV sets tuned to a particular program.

"True Lies," aired by Fox, proved tough competition in a number of cities. In Los Angeles itself, heart of the entertainment industry, the movie tied the Emmys at one point in the evening.

The film wasn't intended as a slap at the ceremony, which rotates among the networks, Fox said.

Heart patients can cut down on antibiotic doses

■ Heart patients who require antibiotics before dental work can now reduce the dose by more than half.

New York Times Service

'The new guidelines are more logical than the previous ones. It makes sense to give the dose that we know achieves an adequate blood level.'
— Dr. Marian Limacher, professor of medicine at the University of Florida at Gainesville

Millions of people with heart conditions who have been advised to take antibiotics before dental work can now reduce the dose by more than half, according to new recommendations issued by the American Heart Association. The revised guidelines also clarify which patients and procedures require medication, and offer more alternative drugs than in the past for people who are allergic to certain antibiotics.

Patients who need the antibiotic treatment are now advised to take two grams of amoxicillin, usually in the form of four capsules, an hour before their dental work. No further medication is needed after the dental work. (Previously, patients were told to take three grams before the work and 1.5 grams six hours later).

For people who cannot take amoxicillin, the guidelines recommend several other medications, doses of which vary. Erythromycin, formerly listed as the alternative, is no longer recommended, largely because it tends to cause stomach upset.

The guidelines were published in the August issue of The Journal of the American Dental Association, and in earlier issues of the journal Circulation and The Journal of the American Medical Association.

The drug treatment is intended to prevent bacterial endocarditis, a dangerous infection of the heart valves and lining. Although the disease is rare, prevention is considered essential because endocarditis can be fatal or cause devastating complications, including destruction of the heart valves and stroke.

The antibiotics are recommended because people with certain heart conditions have an increased risk of endocarditis after any dental procedure, like extraction or cleaning, that causes enough bleeding to allow large numbers of the bacteria that normally inhabit the mouth to invade the bloodstream. "Bacteria floating in the blood can lodge in the heart and establish housekeeping, and you get endocarditis," said Dr. Adnan S. Dajani, an author of the guidelines and director of infectious diseases at Children's Hospital of Michigan, in Detroit.

In addition to dental work, some surgical procedures also let bacteria into the blood and increase the risk of endocarditis: they include operations on the respiratory, gastrointestinal and genitourinary tracts.

The people at risk for endocarditis include those who have had it in the past and those who have had surgery to replace heart valves or correct certain other defects. Some congenital heart problems also increase the risk, as does valve damage resulting from rheumatic fever.

Many people are also thought to be at risk because of a condition called mitral valve prolapse, in which a valve on the left side of the heart is slightly deformed. Mitral valve prolapse is a common diagnosis, affecting about 5 percent of the population, particularly women. It is also a controversial diagnosis, because some doctors think that many patients are told they have it when they really do not. But not even all the patients who do have mitral valve prolapse also have an increased risk of endocarditis, according to the guidelines: only patients whose valves actually leak, allowing blood to flow backwards, need to take antibiotics.

The new guidelines recommend lower doses of antibiotics because studies have shown that the lesser amounts still produce levels in the bloodstream high enough to kill off any bacteria that might invade after medical or dental procedures.

Asked to comment on the new guidelines, Dr. Marian Limacher, a professor of medicine in the cardiology division at the University of Florida in Gainesville, said she was pleased that they were based on data on blood levels of the antibiotics. "The new guidelines are more logical than the previous ones," she said. "It makes sense to give the dose that we know achieves an adequate blood level."

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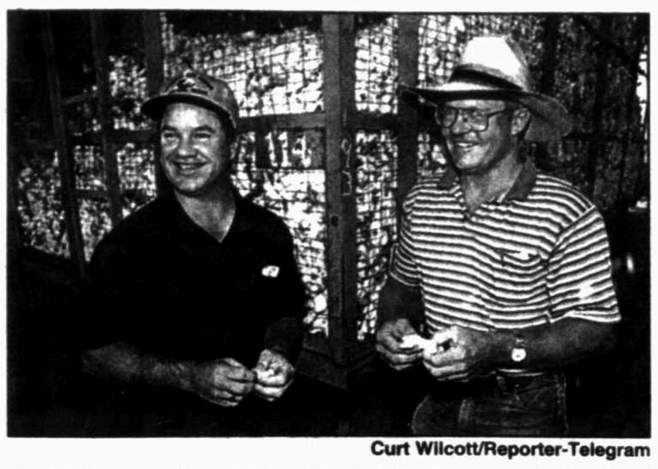
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Brothers bring in first bale of cotton



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Andy Schumann, left, and his brother Jody Schumann check out the year's first load of cotton in Midland County.

■ Farming brothers narrowly beat out fellow farmer by bringing in first bale, which will be ginned free.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

After more than 20 years of farming, the Schumann brothers, Andy and Jody, finally hit pay dirt by bringing in the year's first bale of cotton, rather its equivalent in bolls, sticks, burrs, and leaves, in Midland County.

"We were truly fortunate," said the older brother, Jody Schumann, 43, "because we got a lot of early rain" before and after their May planting on acreage about 10 to 15 miles southeast of Midland near the Midland-Glasscock County line. "In August, when it rained so much here (in Midland), we didn't get anything, not much. It showered a little."

In addition to getting the accolades and joshing from fellow farmers, the brothers will get their first bale of cotton ginned free at the Midland Farmers Cooperative cotton gin and, noted Co-0p manager Mike Denny, they will receive $1,000 from the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

Over the weekend, the Schumann brothers pulled into the Co-Op a trailer-load of cotton bolls and field "trash," about 3,800 pounds all told, after harvesting more than an acre of their Acala 90 cotton variety with a cotton-stripper. They are figuring on a 15 percent yield of lint, or about 570 pounds, after the green bolls, seed, sticks, burrs, leaves, and dirt are removed from the load.

The standard bale weighs 480 pounds.

Somewhere between 20 percent to 30 percent, which is on the high end using high-dollar burr extractors in the field, is the usual yield from a mechanized harvest. In the main, hand-pickers have faded into the past.

The brothers beat out fellow farmer Kermit Lewis, who was hustling to get his load of cotton to the Co-Op first. But Lewis, who lives closer to town

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BASIN BRIEFING

Endangered cats

A Border Patrol operation fortifying the Rio Grande with agents and floodlights has impeded illegal immigration but also is obstructing the movement of endangered animals, wildlife officials say. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service contends Operation Rio Grande, and in particular more than two dozen lights installed along the banks of the river, is threatening the endangered, nocturnal ocelot and jaguarundi cats.

Story on 3B

Smiling John Doe

When Wilford Hall Medical Center received an unidentified traffic accident victim seven months ago, he was unresponsive and gave no hint of ever changing. But the man listed as John Doe has surprised them, reaching out his hand to caregivers and complying with their requests to smile. Even so, he either doesn't remember who he is or doesn't want anyone to know.

Story on 3B

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

Sack Lunch/Parent Education Mtg, for answers and information, Alamo library, 12-1 p.m.

Midland Chess Club, 7 p.m., Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital.

Batterers Anonymous Support Group, 6:30-8 p.m., 689-8428.

Battered Women's support group, 6:45 p.m., 683-1300 or 1-800-967-8928.

Tx TOPS Morning Chapter, 8:30 a.m., Grace Presbyterian Church.

Morning Lions Club, 6:45 a.m., Carrows Restaurant, 2201 W. Wall St.

Pop-Up Toasters, 6:30 a.m., Kay Sutton Realtors, 702 Andrews Highway, 694-4271 or 694-3716.

Midland West Rotary Club, noon, Furrs Cafeteria.

Midland Chapter No. 253, OES, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, 8 p.m., at the Aerie Home, behind Rogers Ford, 697-3131.

Licensed Vocational Nurses Assoc., 7:30 a.m., Trinity Towers.

Ranchland Hills Ladies Association, 7 p.m., Couples Bridge, RHCC.

Toastmistress Club 7:30 p.m., Memorial Christian Church.

55-Plus Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., Downtown Lions building, 694-3422.

Golden Park Independent Retirement Community, 3100 W. Kansas Ave., 699-0914; Senior Citizens Brunch, 10:30 a.m.

Midland County Young Democrats, 5:30-6:30 p.m., 3802 Avondale Dr., 684-5548 or 694-4152.

Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Guadalupe, #9215, 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall, Cherry Lane & Tyler St.

welfare meeting, 4th tues. only

Midland County Child Welfare Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., Department of Human Services, 2301 N. Big Spring St., 683-5411.

ACOA non-smoking, 8 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish Hall.

AlphaOmega Group, 8 a.m., 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite C-41.

Bellydancing classes 7-8 p.m., Hawaiian/Tahitian classes 8-9 p.m., 520-4852 or 694-2250

Study Club, 7:30 p.m., Unity Church of West Texas, 210 E. 12th St., Odessa, 332-5890.

Schizophrenics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Glenwood Hospital.

Healthy Alternatives: ADD, 7 p.m., 711 W. Indiana Ave., 570-0272.

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Crockett students accept national reading challenge

■ Elementary school accepts national challenge to read 21,000 books by mid-April.

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

Crockett Elementary students are enthusiastically tackling a national reading challenge.

The elementary school's first-graders recently kicked off their membership of the national "Running Start" reading program.

The program is part of the Washington, D.C.-based Reading is Fundamental organization, which is a non-profit advocate for reading.

Crockett staff have challenged its students to read a collective 21,000 books by mid-April. Or about 250 books per child.

The program normally asks students to read 21 books in a ten week period in honor of the upcoming 21st century. But Linda Hall, program coordinator at Crockett, said the children already are doing that.

So the staff decided to make things a little tougher.

"We started multiplying out and said 'Gosh, we could read 21,000 books'" Ms. Hall said.

Carolyn Gilbert, Travis school counselor, said the challenge is designed to make children become voracious readers.

"We want to motivate them to have a love for reading, to get a running start," Ms. Gilbert said. "What better way to motivate them, than to challenge them?"

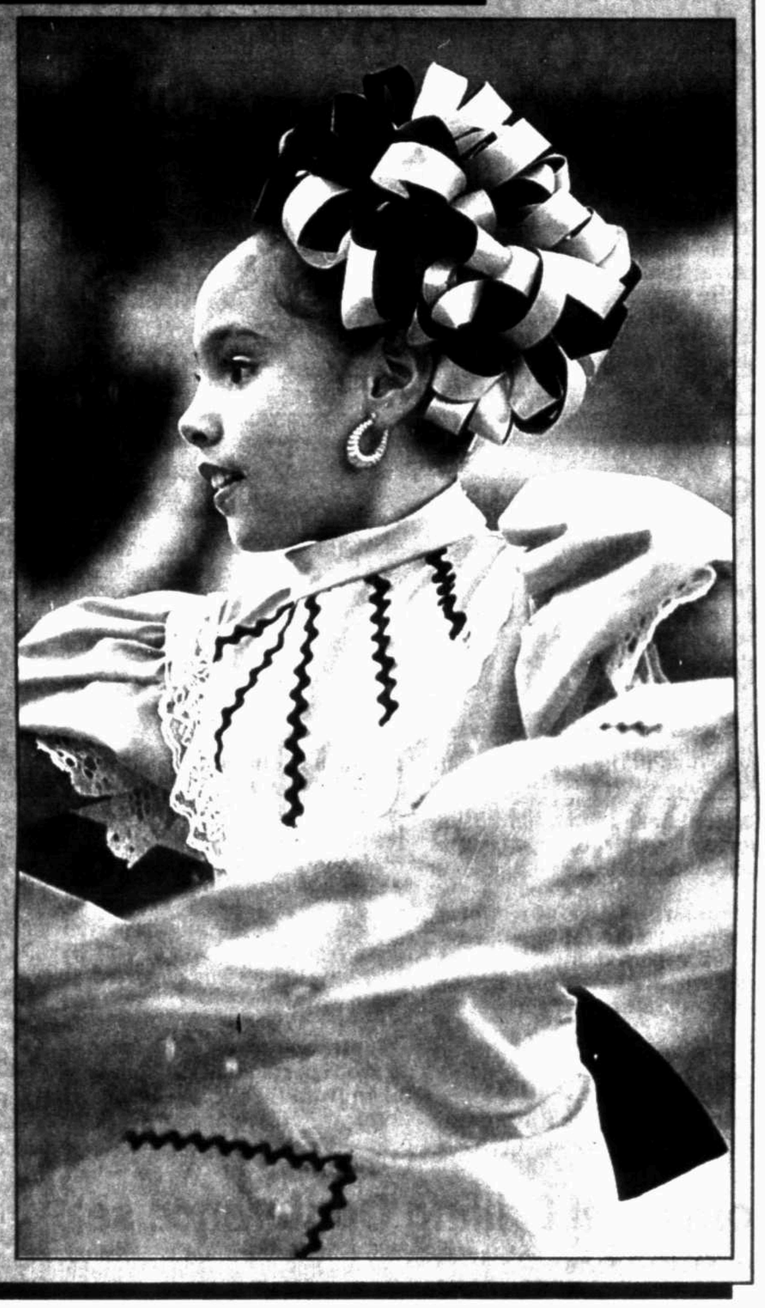
The program galvanizes community and corporate support for reading, Ms. Gilbert said. Mobil Foundation of Virginia is providing books for the students and funded a Friday kick-off party. Mobil's local office is sending weekly volunteers to read to the children.

The teachers and children will keep a log of books read until April and chart their progress.

Please see READ/2B

Deiz y Seis de Septiembre





Independence celebration

Above: Robert Grimaldo perfoms trick roping at a special celebration held Monday in Midland at Centennial Plaza. The event was held in celebration of *Deiz y Seis de Septiembre*, Mexico's Independence Day. This year marks the 187th anniversary of the historic event.
Right: Eight-year-old Kristen Chavez dances enthusiastically.

Photos by Brian Adamcik

City fire department begins hydrant testing

■ Annual tests ensure not only proper function, but improve taste and smell of drinking water.

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

Time is of the essence to firefighters. Every second is important to those who save families from a house blaze or prevent buildings from irreparable damage.

"Arriving at a fire scene and attaching a hose to a non-functioning hydrant could steal time from a life-threatening emergency," Assistant Fire Chief Eddie Klatt said.

"If we are going to protect the community, we have to be sure that the hydrants are going to work," Klatt said Monday as the city fire department began to test the fire hydrants throughout the city. "This is our method of prevention maintenance."

A total of 2,050 hydrants are located inside the city limits, officials said.

The hydrants, Klatt said, are tested once a year to ensure that they are in good working condition. The project will continue until the end of October.

Klatt explained that the testing process involves running water from the hydrants until they release a clear stream.

Running the hydrants not only ensures that they function properly, but also improves the smell and taste of drinking water. Both hydrant water and tap water come from the same source, Klatt said.

Hydrants that are not used for a long time sometimes have a build-up of matter that resembles rust. The sediment, he said, are minerals that settle at the bottom of a main and turn into solid matter. Sometimes, the city receives complaints of smelly water with a rusty but harmless tint.

"It looks like barnacles," he said. "You can't believe what is in there. If you let if flush, you're getting a great deal of it out. We flow (the water) long enough so that the water clears completely."

After running the hydrants, firefighters replace worn seals where needed and lubricate the stems and caps with oil and graphite.

All hydrants are connected to a grid of water mains. The city water department assists the fire department in this operation. The water

Please see HYDRANT/2B



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Midland firefighter Steve Gillett opens a valve of a fire hydrant on K Street to empty it for maintenance purposes.

GARY OTT

People can endure adversity better than they think they can

More rambling thoughts ...

— Has anyone ever really compared apples to oranges?

— Overheard: "Week days are the thinking man's weekend."



Ott

— Regardless if you agree or disagree with his politics, U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms does not come across as the most likeable guy in the world.

— Being able to solve a mathematical problem in your head, even a simple one that only requires adding two or three numbers, can be strangely rewarding.

— Shirley Maclaine, who has said some awfully goofy things in the past, was right on target when she uttered these words, "The person who knows how to laugh at himself will never cease to be amused."

— I hope my life never becomes so empty that I actually call the telephone number on the back of a truck that asks me to rate the driving ability of the individual behind the wheel.

— The person who likes to make wisecracks needs to know when enough is enough.

— It has become an overused cliche in recent years, of course, but the old country-western line — "The girls all get prettier at closing time" — was pretty darn accurate.

— Few things are as frustrating as attempting to carry on a conversation with a person, male or female, who speaks so softly you can only hear every third word or so.

— I'm sure it has been said many times before, but the penny really has become a basically worthless piece of change.

— I mean, you don't even want it in your pocket because all it does is get in the way of real money.

— Mark Russell once said, "The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage."

— All of us, it seems, have a unique, and often strange, way of referring to our grandparents, whether it be "Me-Maw" or "Pe-Paw" or "Granny Jo" or what have you.

— People, as a general rule, can, and usually do, endure adversity better than they think they can.

— When leafing through a stack of paintings in an art gallery, I invariably find myself disliking more of them than I like.

— When was the last time you saw a group of small children play hopscotch?

— I wish I liked to fish.

— It always causes me to do a doubletake when an athlete is interviwed after a big game on TV and he actually speaks proper English and uses the correct tense of his verbs.

— And today's final quote comes from William Lyon Phelps, who once said, "This is the final test of a gentleman: his respect for those who can be of no possible service to him."

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Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

DEATH NOTICES

Charles Leggott Jr.

Charles Robert Leggott Jr., died Sunday, Sept. 14, in a local hospital.

Memorial services will be held Friday afternoon, time pending, at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church with Fr. Jon S. Stasney officiating and Fr. Nicholas Marziann assisting. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 5, 1930, in Waco.

He served in the U.S. Naval Reserve for four years. He moved to Midland in 1972, and had worked for ARCO until his retirement in 1985. After retirement, he did contract work for ARCO and Hondo Oil and Gas until 1989.

Survivors include his wife, Catherine of Midland; a son, Robert A. Leggott of Dallas; a daughter, Ellen L. Orr of Coppell; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be directed to St. Nicholas Episcopal Church.

William Spence

William Oral Spence died Monday, Sept. 15, at his Midland residence.

Services have been set for 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at Christian Life Center with Steven Spence officiating and the Rev. Billy Raies, assisting. Arrangements are under the direction Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born May 4, 1934, in Alva, Texas.

He worked for A.J. Smith Oil Co. in Midland and McElvoy Oil Co. for several years. He has lived in Midland for the past nine years.

His survived by two sons, Bill Spence, Jr., of Hawaii and Steven Spence of Houston; two daughters, Karen Pridgen of Midland and Krisi Perea of Albuquerque, N.M.; his mother, Tessa Faye Spence of Midland; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family requests donations to American Diabetes Assn., 10 Desta Dr., Ste. 220E, Midland 79705 or American Heart Assn., 3525 Andrews Hwy., Ste. 111, Midland 79703.

Margarette Ridley

Margarette Stevens Ridley died early Sunday morning, Sept. 14, in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 11 a.m. in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bob Porterfield of West Kentucky Street Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Snyder. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born October 21, 1912 in Abilene, Texas and married Gaylord B. Ridley on May 9, 1934. She worked as a Licensed Vocational Nurse at Midland Memorial Hospital until her retirement.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a son, Raymond Ridley.

Survivors include her son, Gaylord Michael Ridley, of Midland, two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Sam C. Cox Jr.

Services for Sam C. Cox Jr., 65, are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Monday, Sept. 15 in Austin.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Sunday

Criminal Mischief: Susie Martinez reported at 3:20 a.m. that windows had been broken and a seat pulled out of a vehicle at 521 W. Hicks.

Criminal Mischief: Was reported by Stephanie Vela at 1109 W. Indiana.

Theft: Jose Juan Morales reported at theft at 1500 Tradewinds.

Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle: A vehicle at 906 W. Taylor was reported taken by two subjects by Richard Chamness at 10:15 a.m. Saturday.

Midland County Sheriff's Office
Sunday

Criminal Mischief: Kay Smith, 1505 S. County Road 1130, reported at 8:19 p.m. that her mailbox was knocked down while she was out of town.

Monday

Burglary of a Residence: Artemio Atayde reported a burglary at the residence at 2824 S. County Road 1196 at 12:57 p.m.

Criminal Mischief: Several mailboxes were reported damaged and a "dead end" sign stolen, it was reported Charlie Garrett, 5706 E. County Road 65 at 9:20 a.m.

Theft: Gasoline was reported taken from Kent Kwik at 4101 E. Highway 158, it was reported at 3:13 a.m.

Theft: Southwest Convenience Stores reported that gasoline was taken from the 7-Eleven store at 13920 W. Highway 80 at 12:26 p.m.

OBITUARIES



Mark S. Lynch

Mark S. Lynch. In loving memory. Mark died suddenly September 12, 1997. He was hit by a sleeping motorist while changing a tire on the interstate on the way home from vacationing in Disney World in Florida.

Born on April 26, 1970. He was raised in Big Spring, Texas, where he graduated from Big Spring High School. He received a scholarship to Dade College in Florida. He moved to Phoenix and worked for the Arizona State Prison. He moved back to Big Spring and worked for the Federal Correctional Institute of Big Spring, Texas. He married on April 21, 1994, to Sandra Vanderhaeghe of Victoria, Canada. They resided in Greenwood, Texas. They had two children, Garrett Bryce Dalton Lynch, age 3, and Gamble Patrick Dylan Lynch, age 6 months. Mark was a loving husband and devoted father. He was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan and sports enthusiast and has created the ritual in his own son, Garrett, who loves sports. He will be sadly missed by so many. He was one of a kind.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra; sons, Garrett and Gamble; his brother, Terry Lynch and wife, Deann of Odessa, Texas; two sisters, Alesson and Betsy Lynch of Phoenix, Arizona; his father, Albert Lynch of Phoenix, Arizona; a niece, Jaycie Lynch and nephew, Chase Lynch of Odessa; and several aunts and uncles in Big Spring, Texas, and the U.S.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Donna Sue Lynch of Big Spring, Texas, December 9, 1987.

The family requests no flowers be sent. In lieu of flowers, a trust fund, the Mark Lynch Childrens Memorial Fund has been set up for Mark's two young sons at the Big Spring Government Employees Federal Credit Union, 2204 Gregg St., Big Spring, Texas, 79720.

Pallbearers will be Tony Wingo, Kelly Garrett, Cade Loftin, Monty Gamble, Mike Slayter and Jeff Keller.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Dayemo and Dell Padilla.

Funeral services have been set for Wednesday, September 17, 1997, at 4 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will be at Greenwood Cemetery in Midland County.



Rosa Lujan

Rosary service for Rosa Lujan, 70, of Midland, has been set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 16, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass is scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday, September 17, 1997, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Father Tom Kelly of St. John's Catholic Church will officiate. Pipkin Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Lujan passed away Saturday, September 13, 1997. She was in a one car accident near Van Horn, Texas. Her son, Arturo Lujan was also killed in the accident. She was born November 15, 1920, in Coyamae, Chihuahua, Mexico.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Josefina Garcia.

She is survived by three sons, Ruben Lujan and Ismael Lujan of Midland, Texas and Isabell Lujan, Jr., of Mexico; four daughters, Angela Baeza of Balmorhea, Texas, Maria Belia Carrasco and Herlinda Velez, both of Midland, and Araselia Sanchez of Van Horn, Texas; two brothers, Lucio Quintana of Balmorhea, Texas, and Guillermo Quintana of Van Horn, Texas; two sisters, Ester Rangel of Balmorhea, Texas, and Ermosinda Tarango of Mexico; 33 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

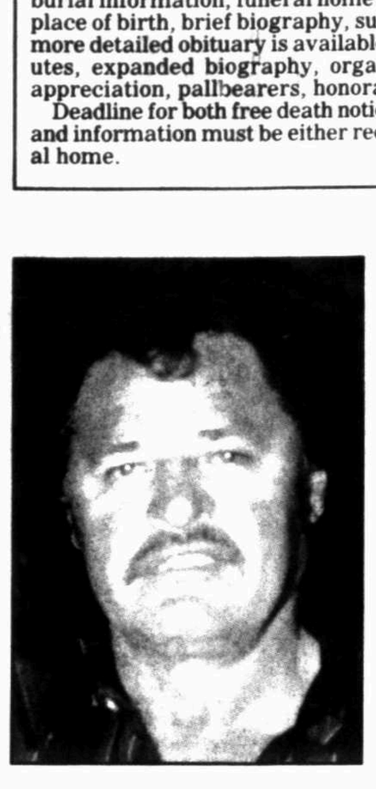
Pallbearers will be Ruben, Rene, Ralph, Erby, Efrain and Vector.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

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Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 4:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.



Arturo Lujan

Rosary service for Arturo Q. Lujan, 47, of Midland have been set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 16, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass is set for 3 p.m. Wednesday, September 17, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Father Tom Kelly from San Juan Catholic Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. Pipkin Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Mr. Lujan passed away Saturday, September 13, near Van Horn, Texas. He was in a one car accident in which his mother was also killed. He was born August 12, 1950, in Los Fresnos, Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his father, Isabell Lujan.

He is survived by his wife, Elsia Lujan of Midland; two sons, Arturo Lujan, Jr., and Artemio Lujan, both of Midland, Texas; three daughters, Sorina Lujan, Diana Lujan and Lorena Lujan, all of Midland; three brothers, Ruban Lujan and Ismael Lujan of Midland and Isabell Lujan, Jr., of Mexico; four sisters, Angela Baeza of Balmorhea, Texas, Maria Belia Carrasco and Herlinda Velez of Midland, Texas, and Araselia Sanchez of Van Horn, Texas; and several nieces, nephews and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Rudy, Tony, Larry, Efrain, Erby and Ed.

Tressye Burrell

On the morning of September 14, 1997, Tressye Ellis Burrell passed away in her sleep, peacefully, following a long period of illness. She was 89 years old and had lived a busy, active life. She has now found her reward and is with our Lord in heaven.

Tressye was a native of Fort Worth and was the youngest of six children born to W.G. Ellis, Sr. and Mary Shattuck Ellis. She was predeceased by all of her siblings, W. Garland Ellis, Charles "Choc" Ellis of Dallas, Mary Elizabeth Perkins, Muriel Harter of San Antonio and Elizabeth Ellis Wilson. Her beloved husband of 52 years, Joseph W. Burrell, passed away in 1986, and they both are missed by surviving family descendants.

Surviving are her nephews, Clovis Harter of San Antonio, Charles C. Wilson of Fort Worth and Lejeune "Rabbit" Wilson of Dallas as well as niece, Mary Perkins Slawson of Fort Worth. She is survived by a number of grandnieces and nephews as well.

For the last approximately 40 years, Tressye lived in Big Spring, Pecos and Midland, Texas; she lived for the last 25 years in Midland and has many dear friends there.

Tressye was active until recent years in the Methodist churches in Midland and Fort Worth. She and her husband were very active in the Shrine and enjoyed many rich friendships in the organizations around the country. Perhaps the most important part of Tressye's life was her devotion and love of family. All will miss the glorious Christmases that we shared with Tressye and Joc through the years and have wonderful memories of these celebrations.

Tressye will be buried in the family plot in Greenwood Cemetery in Fort Worth with graveside services for friends and family on Wednesday, September 17, at 10 a.m.

Horizontal Drilling Conference set

From Staff Reports

Preregistration for the second annual Horizontal Drilling Conference and Exposition has reached 400 per day, doubling last year's attendance, to make it one of the largest oil and gas conferences held in the Permian Basin, said David Nordt, conference chairman.

Sponsored by the Permian Basin Chapter of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), Nordt said the two-day horizontal conference, which gets under way Wednesday, would be very similar in size to the tremendously successful CO2 Conference and Exposition which is held in December.

Nordt said a radical increase in horizontal drilling in the Permian Basin had come as the result of operators developing a number of horizontal drilling applications for finding more oil and gas. "We know it can be done in the Basin, now we are trying to find out how to make it less costly and to make money."

The focus of the conference, which will be horizontal drilling applications in the Permian Basin, gets under way Wednesday morning with a variety of case histories in the Permian Basin. Texas Railroad Commissioner Carole Rylander will be the noon speaker and a panel discussion will conclude the day. More case technological histories and panel discussions are slated for Thursday, with William F. Madison, Marathon, vice president of technology speaking.

More than 41 exhibitors will also be in attendance at the conference, offering a variety of horizontal drilling tools, supplies and services. Conferences and exhibitions will be at Midland Center. The cost for all conferences is $125.

COTTON: Farmer speculates county may yield 38,000 bales

(From 1B)

than the Schumann farmers, got rained on in Friday's downpour, which put a damper on his harvesting. The Schumann brothers just got a sprinkle then.

"That little old storm that came through Friday worried me," Jody Schumann allowed, although farmers, it seems, always are hankering for more rain. "Kermit got messed around with the rain," Jody Schumann said. "He could have had it (the first bale). That's the luck of the draw."

The Schumann brothers, who started farming in 1976, farm about 1,800 acres in Midland County.

"I'll put it like this," said Denny, an ex-farmer. "It's too many to work and not enough to make a living on."

Largely due to the 1997 rains, Denny figured that dryland cotton will be producing an average of three-quarters of a bale per acre, though some dryland cotton may yield up to a bale. Irrigated cotton ought to be netting "a good two bales" per acre.

The Schumann brothers farm both dryland and irrigated cotton.

"If they (farmers) got a steady 70 cents a pound year end and year out, they could make it," surmised Andy Schumann, 38, if the cotton had timely rainfall and if the cotton were not plagued by drought, hailstorms, boll weevils, windstorms, and worms.

While the Midland Farmers Cooperative operates the only cotton gin in Midland County, the gin processes about half of the cotton produced countywide. Midland-area farmers, who often are prone to take their cotton to gins closest to their fields, may haul their cotton to gins in Midland, Midkiff, Stanton, and Saint Lawrence.

Andy Schumann said that Midland farmers in 1997 might produce cotton equivalent to 38,000 bales. Denny guessed that the Midland Co-Op's share would be 16,000 bales, Jody Schumann zeroed in on 15,000 bales, and his brother took a shot at 17,800 bales.

Denny's said that the Midland Co-Op's "best" year was 1979 when 22,000 bales were ginned, and the "worst" to his recollection was 1983 when 2,757 bales were processed.

"That was the worse year I ever had as a farmer," Denny said of 1983. "It never rained ... from January to October."

Denny, who had driven a tractor in his youth on the farm, was just about cured of farming then. But, contrary to his youthful druthers, he got into farming in his adulthood and was then cured of farming by going broke in a virtually no-cotton, drought-laden year.

"I'm a living example that God has a sense of humor," Denny mused. "I quit a good-paying job to starting farming." Now, he's ginning cotton for a living.

"I always enjoyed it," Andy Schumann said of farming.

Jody Schumann, who majored in ranch management at Texas A&M University, said that "I figured I ought to do something to pay the bills," so he and his brother opted to labor in the cotton fields and to run livestock in their ranching operation.

Pretty soon, Denny said that he would be ginning the brothers' first harvest of cotton.

"We may crank it (the gin) up and gin their cotton," Denny said, "just to see if everything works" before firing up the gin full-force for processing the year's harvest.

READ: Program intended to improve reading skills

(From 1B)

The school held a rally on Friday to kick off its reading program. Gov. George Bush was unable to attend as originally planned. The governor has made it a statewide goal to have all children reading on grade level by third grade.

Midland Police Chief Richard Czech was on hand, however, and read "Clifford's Sports Day" to first graders, as their first book under the program.

The chief detailed the zany efforts of the red dog, as an actor in dog suit portrayed the energetic pooch.

"I want to thank Clifford for helping me along," Czech said as children laughed. "Reading is very important."

Ms. Hall said that hopefully the program will improve reading skills in children from all economic backgrounds. Upper and middle class parents tend to read more to their children at home.

"Because (children) spend so much time in front of the TV, it's hard to find quality time," she said. "We really want to encourage reading at home."

That's one of the benefits of Running Start.

"It also builds their background knowledge," Ms. Hall said. "A lot of our kids look at a book and they don't know the difference between a zebra and a giraffe."

At least some of the first-graders are catching on, including Jonathon Laing.

"(Reading) is fun because you can learn, and its fun learning," Jonathon said. "I've read almost all of Clifford's books, one was 'Clifford Saves Christmas.'"

Alex Leyva is also a Clifford fan. Reading is cool to him too.

"You'll be smart, because you'll learn a lot," he said.

Adrian Pertile said he's learned how to read road signs. And that's important.

"Because if you don't read a sign that says 'don't cross the street' you can get run over," Adrian said.

Ashley Robledo is also learning a lot of words, like 'lollipop.' She just recently read a book called "My Dog."

"It's (about) a dog, if you whistle he'll come running to you," she said.

Ruben Hernandez said he's having a lot of fun reading.

"Dogs or cats save people," Ruben said. "They're fun. You learn letters, you can learn some kind of foods."

Crockett first-graders are already reading more at school and at home. The question is whether the school can reach its goal by April.

Ms. Hall is a believer.

"We're very confident because our teachers are dedicated to being involved in it," Ms. Hall said. "We have contacted 40 people from the (area) who are interested in coming here to read to the children."

HYDRANT: Water expelled used for irrigation

(From 1B)

department runs a printout indicating what hydrants are in each district. Each fire district takes turns running the hydrants in their jurisdiction, Klatt said.

Klatt added that the city and fire department receive calls concerning the flooding or runoff left after each test.

"Yes, we do use a lot of water in this testing, but we have to make sure we have a water source to save the city," Klatt said.

An "L"-shaped attachment will be used so that firefighters can direct water away from lawns, traffic or other areas.

"We can also make good use of the water to irrigate parks or other property that is nearby," he said.

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Wildlife officials fear Operation Rio Grande may be harming endangered, nocturnal cats

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A Border Patrol operation fortifying the Rio Grande with agents and floodlights has impeded illegal immigration but also is obstructing the movement of endangered animals, wildlife officials say.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service contends Operation Rio Grande, and in particular more than two dozen lights installed along the banks of the river, is threatening the endangered, nocturnal ocelot and jaguarundi cats.

"Because the cats are nocturnal, the lights may in fact impose a significant obstacle in their ability to move," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Chris Perez.

Last week, the wildlife agency submitted a compliance review to the Border Patrol's regional headquarters in McAllen, asking the agency to consider removing the lights, The McAllen Monitor reported.

The Border Patrol said it would hire an independent expert to determine what sort of lighting may be used without disturbing the endangered animals.

In the meantime, Border Patrol and Immigration and Naturalization Service officials began a three-day, closed-door meeting Monday to evaluate Operation Rio Grande, which started Aug. 25.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife is responsible for ensuring that every federal project complies with various environmental regulations such as the Endangered Species Act.

Operation Rio Grande, the wildlife agency says, operates along a 31-mile "conservation corridor" that serves as a refuge for countless species and a link between east and west Brownsville for ocelot populations.

"It is the only way these cats can conceivably move from east to west," said Perez.

All of the approximate 100 ocelots and jaguarundis left in the U.S. wild live in South Texas, where just 5 percent of their original native habitat remains intact.

The shrubs and grass along the Rio Grande, where the cats hunt rodents and other prey under the cover of night, are part of that important habitat, said Perez.

Ideally, Border Patrol agents would remove the temporary and permanent lights they have installed along the river and rely strictly upon night vision and infrared cameras to spot illegal aliens, Perez said.

But Ernesto Castillo, chief of the Border Patrol's Brownsville office, said the lights are a "major part of the strategy" of Operation Rio Grande.

"That's why we don't have much crossing a night anymore," he said. "What would happen if turned off the lights? We give the night back to all the aliens and the smugglers. That's the tradeoff."



AP Photo

Wildlife technican Jody Mays uses telemetric equipment to search for a female ocelot at the Laguna Atascosa Wildlife Refuge near Harlingen. Environmentalists say Operation Rio Grande poses a threat to the cats.

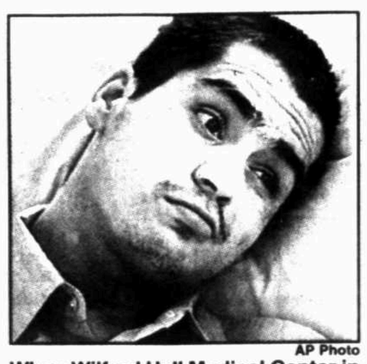
Unidentified accident victim reaches out to caregivers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — When Wilford Hall Medical Center received an unidentified traffic accident victim seven months ago, he was unresponsive and gave no hint of ever changing. But the man listed as John Doe has surprised them, reaching out his hand to caregivers and complying with their requests to smile.

Even so, he either doesn't remember who he is or doesn't want anyone to know. A Fort Worth woman claiming to be an ex-girlfriend has identified him as Mexican Juan Adriano, but that's just one of the names he signals is his.

"He likes the name Jesus now," said Sherri Demmer, a trauma case manager who has been trying for more than six months to put a name with the face.

Without positive identification, Wilford Hall has full responsibility for the young patient. Doctors said despite his improvement, Doe probably will be a lifetime resident of the military facility or some other place that offers appropriate care.



AP Photo

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"It's encouraging that he has made such a recovery based on the injuries he had," Dr. Mick Perez-Cruet said. If Doe improves to the point he could leave Wilford Hall, he'll still need costly care. And at the moment, no one is coming forward to assume responsibility for the unidentified "man without a country."

Meanwhile, Doe has amassed hospital bills nearing $300,000 and is taking up a bed that is sorely needed for other patients — a situation that could continue for the rest of the teen-ager's life. "He's costing taxpayers a lot of money," Demmer said. "Unless we can place him, he will always be at Wilford Hall."

Although Doe for some time has not needed acute medical attention available at Wilford Hall, efforts to find funding sources to place him elsewhere or to get the Mexican consulate to claim him have been fruitless.

"He's the type of patient who falls between the cracks," Perez-Cruet said. An ex-girlfriend who signed an affidavit saying Doe was Adriano, a Mexican citizen from Guanajuato, is married now and does not want to be part of his life.

Doe was semicomatose when he was brought to the hospital in February after a one-car crash in Frio County while fleeing the U.S. Border Patrol. Seven passengers, all Mexican citizens who were deported, claimed not to know him.

For a long time, Doe offered no feedback. He was fully dependent on hospital staff for everything. Then Doe surprised them.

"He's made leaps and bounds," Demmer said. "He can raise his fingers to respond to yes and no questions.

"If you ask him to turn his head, he'll turn and look at you. He will give you his hand to shake."

Doe is able to drink thick fluids. He'll probably never walk and has yet to talk. Doctors speculate that the swelling of Doe's brain after he hit his head in the car accident may have diffused over the months, allowing his progress.

"Head injuries are so unpredictable," said Demmer, a registered nurse. "Now we're seeing the effects of what's actually there to work with."

But Demmer said the best medicine for Doe would be a reunion with his family. "Nothing beats a loving family," Demmer said. "If he could see a loving face, his motivation would shoot straight up."

Staff have taken a shine to their young patient — who claims to be 19 — bringing him flowers and balloons and just stopping by to visit. "The staff has adopted him," Demmer said. "He even has a little personality. They like him a lot."

Doe and Airman Jason Daus have a special rapport. "He loves applesauce, tacos and pudding, and he likes the shower," Daus said. "But he doesn't like that we have to wash and feed him."

At first, doctors weren't even sure if Doe could see or hear. "He's come a long way from where he was," Daus said. "Now he can bring a spoon up to his mouth. That's really progress."

Although Daus provides companionship as well as care, he realizes Wilford Hall is not the best place for his "amigo."

Report says Texas will need more prison space soon

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's one-two punch of getting tougher on criminals and making it harder to win parole is filling up Texas prisons faster than expected, the governor and state lawmakers were told Monday.

However, plans are in the works to accommodate the extra inmates, said the report by the Criminal Justice Policy Council.

"Parole has practically been abolished in Texas for violent offenders, with these offenders expected to serve up to 90 percent of their sentences under present release practices," said Tony Fabelo, the council's executive director.

"The toughening of parole practices means that offenders are staying longer in prison and more are being revoked from parole, consuming faster the available prison space," Fabelo added.

In the last year, the number of convicts released on parole dropped 13 percent. And from September 1996 to June 1997, the number of paroles that were revoked jumped by 261 percent.

Gov. George W. Bush's office said there is good news in the report, despite the need for additional space.

"First of all, criminals are serving longer sentences. And the parole rate is the lowest it has been in 20 years, which is very good news," said Karen Hughes, the governor's press secretary.

"It will require that we plan effectively and that we have adequate prison space available to continue those tough policies. Gov. Bush is talking with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and other state leaders about the most cost-effective way to provide the additional prison capacity we will need," she said.

According to Fabelo's report, without action there would be 3,714 convicted criminals in county jails awaiting transfer to state prisons by August 1998. That number would rise to 4,421 by August 2002.

However, the report says, plans are being considered to increase prison space so the state can accept convicts within 45 days of sentencing.

The plans includes the options of contracting with counties or private prisons for space, and of using up to $125.7 million in available bond money to build more prisons.

Ms. Hughes said the bond money would go toward construction of more maximum security cells — a real need as more violent offenders are locked up longer.

"As criminals serve longer sentences, you have more violent people in prison and you need more maximum security space," she said.

Police sorting out triple stabbing

FORT WORTH (AP) — A 4-year-old girl who was killed Monday may have had her throat slashed by her grandmother, police said.

Police suspect Jessie May Ivy, 38, slashed granddaughter Shawn Ivy before Amy Ivy, her 18-year-old daughter, could reach and stab her mother in Shawn's defense, police Lt. Mark Krey said.

"She (Amy) went to the defense of her children and attempted to stop the assault," Krey said.

The stabbings took place before 6:30 a.m. Monday in a house on the city's east side. No motive was immediately known.

Jessie Ivy was listed in critical condition.

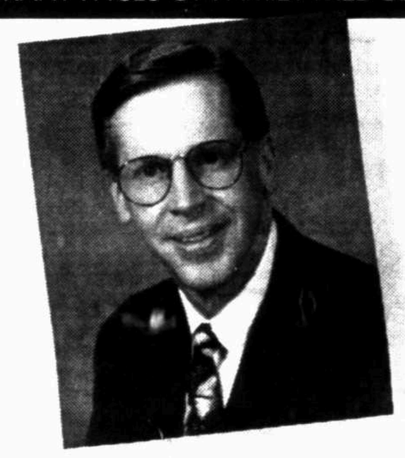
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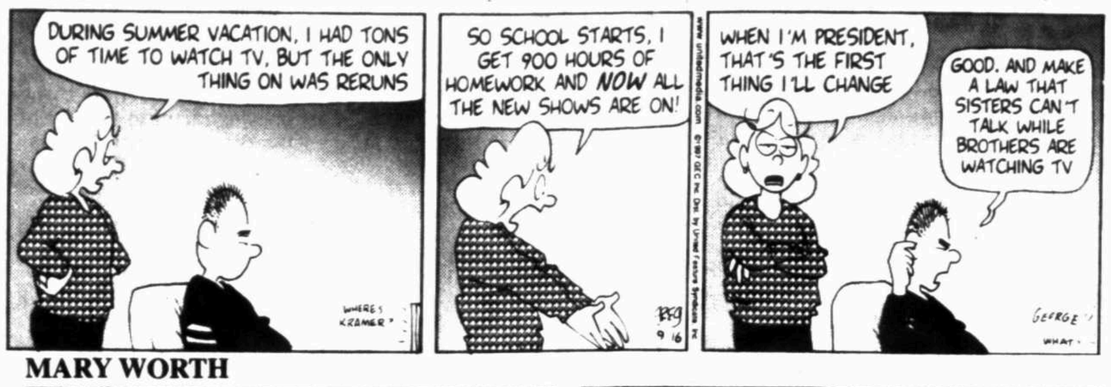
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Take an unassuming stance. Tempers flare, and confusion causes unnecessary complications. Think before you do anything you regret. Creativity soars; let your imagination roam freely. An easy pace is more to your liking. Tonight: Have it as you wish.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ A partner perturbs you, however unintentional. You're in no mood for irritation, and in no position to win a battle. Realign your head, rather than forcing a confrontation. There are more reasons to preserve this relationship than trash it. Tonight: Soak away stress.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Someone you care about disregards your feelings, doing something that you take as a personal slight. It might not be as bad as you think. Logic and a cool head are the best way to smooth things out. Calmly express your feelings; another will listen. Tonight: Go to bed early.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ The full moon brings out the wildness in you; use this energy to create a masterpiece. The same emotional abandon can be a powerful aphrodisiac, if you choose. A partner or mate is smitten! Make plans for a trip or long-term change. Tonight: Tango for two.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Carefully evaluate a financial plan. Don't be impulsive; those actions can cause disastrous results. Allow inspiration to come naturally and gradually. Mull over ideas until you find your bottom line. Tonight: Have sweet dreams.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ A discussion heats up to the point of tears, but you and a partner finally reach an accord. Almost simultaneously, you both see the other's point of view; it all becomes crystal clear. Celebrate together, and make plans for the future. Tonight: Make it cozy!
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You astound another with your shocking behavior. This isn't like you! But the world might as well get used to the new you. Still, remember the charm and dignity that have always endeared you to others. Some things can't be improved upon! Tonight: Enjoy a long drive.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ This full moon thrusts you into the spotlight. Your loyalty and creativity place you in the highest regard of your social circle; seek to expand it. With this group, you can make a lofty project real. Tonight: Work late, on something special.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ It's one thing to stand up for what you believe in, but you mustn't bulldoze another into doing things your way. You will have more success biding your time; your shot at the brass ring will come soon enough! Your easy laughter draws others to you. Tonight: Hit a favorite nightspot.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Express what you feel. Think of it as your responsibility to enlighten and inspire those who might not have a clear path. Your wit and sense of the ridiculous are a beacon of hope to a sibling or neighbor who needs grounding. Tonight: Have coffee and pie with a chum.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Join forces with a loved one. Brainstorming is what you do best, and together you come up with a wonderful moneymaking idea that could have long-term ramifications. Reach out for others, and tell a joke or two. You are full of energy. Tonight: Stay out late.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ This could be a memorable day, but only you can make it happen. Look at your desires, eyeing the future. Take stock of your abundant talents. Allow dreams free rein. A partner will support you, to the extent that you believe in yourself. Tonight: Grin like a Cheshire cat!

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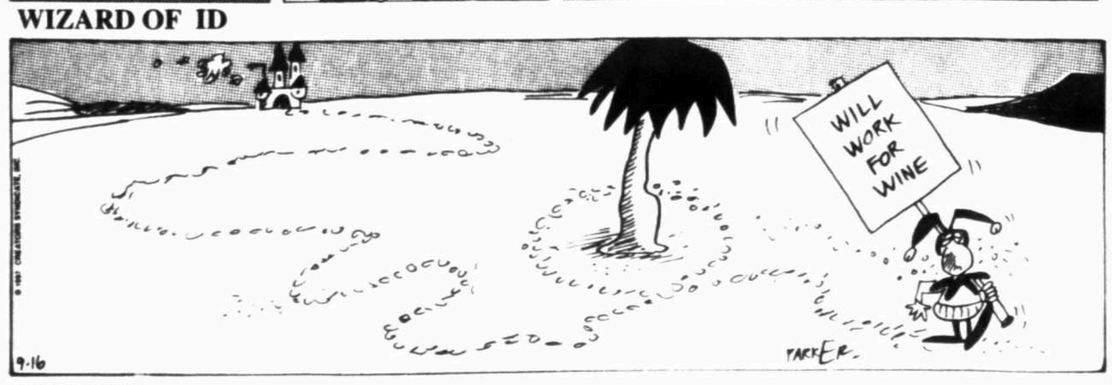
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◇ 10 7 2
♣ J 10 7

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♡ A 9 6 5
◇ K J 8 5 3
♣ A 5

EAST
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♡ Q 10 4 3 2
◇ Q 9 6 4
♣ K 6 3

SOUTH
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♡ K J
◇ A
♣ Q 9 8 4 2

The bidding

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	1♠	2◇	2♠
3◇	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Ace of ♣

Surely those simple deceptive plays you write about won't fool an expert declarer, complains a reader. Sitting West on this deal was a member of the Italian Blue Team at the height of the Squadra Azzura's long reign of world domination.

The auction was routine. At both tables the contract was four spades. In one room North declared and East led a low heart. West won, shifted to ace of clubs and another, and scored a club ruff for the setting trick.

In the other room the defense started off in fine fashion with the ace of clubs, a club to the king and a club back for West to ruff. South followed to these three tricks with the eight, nine and queen of clubs, concealing the two low clubs from the defenders. Clearly under the impression that East had started with five clubs to the king, West saw no reason to cash the ace of hearts immediately, which could cost the defense an extra undertrick. Instead, the defender chose to exit with a diamond. Declarer won, drew trumps and discarded dummy's two hearts on the four and deuce of clubs to land the contract.

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(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	In the Line of Fire (R, '93) *** (Clint Eastwood, John Malkovich) 521061					Cops: Dallas 34603	Home Improvement	Mad About You	Vibe 75581	
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(9) KWES	9	9	News 7177	Seinfeld 8429	Mad About You: The Birth 53581		Frasier: Three Dates and a Breakup 42429		Dateline NBC 55993		News 1111968	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
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After 30 years, Stones go for a new sound with new team of producers



Mick Jagger persuaded the rest of the Rolling Stones to go along with his idea.

NEW YORK — **Mick Jagger** has dragged bandmate **Keith Richards** into the 21st century, musically speaking.

Jagger persuaded a reluctant Richards to bring in some young, hotshot producers to add some new studio tricks to the Rolling Stones' 39th album, "Bridges to Babylon."

Touches from the producers — The Dust Brothers and Danny Saber — are immediately evident. The album's first single includes a sample of rapper Biz Markie. There are drum loops and computer edits and overdubs — all decidedly un-Stonesy touches.

"I don't work that way," Richards said bluntly in a telephone interview during a break from band rehearsals in Toronto. "I'm going hands on — you're going synthesized. I don't get a buzz from that kind of recording. At the same time, I like the songs."

So does Jagger, who insisted on making this record "slant in a different way" than previous studio albums — particularly the straight-ahead rock sound of 1994's "Voodoo Lounge."

Jagger, in a separate call from Canada, facetiously recalls the band's reaction to his demand for a change after more than 30 years: "They all agreed with me: 'Gosh, Mick, brilliant! Thank God you're our singer, not Bono!'"

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NEW YORK — **Yasmine Bleeth** says she is leaving "Baywatch" because "I don't want to take money for doing something I hate."

Bleeth announced last year she was leaving the popular TV show this fall after a three-year run. She plans to concentrate on a film career.

"I'm at the point where I can't believe I have to go save another drowning victim or do another montage in a bikini," Bleeth said in the October issue of Details magazine.

Bleeth is featured in the magazine's feature "The Most Beautiful Women on Television." Joining her on the list are MTV's Carmen Electra, who joins the cast of "Baywatch" this fall; Alyssa Milano and Jamie Luner of "Melrose Place"; Peta Wilson of "Le Femme Nikita"; Garcelle Beauvais of "The Jamie Foxx Show"; Melissa Joan Hart of "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch"; and Jeri Ryan of "Star Trek: Voyager."

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CHICAGO — **Oprah Winfrey** said she is not ready to leave daytime television and will continue to use her show "to help people lead better lives."



Oprah's not leaving television any time soon, she says.

Winfrey, who said in June that she was undecided about going beyond this 12th season, announced Monday that she has committed to hosting "The Oprah Winfrey Show" through the 1999-2000 season.

"I want to use television not only to entertain, but to help people lead better lives. I realize now, more than ever, that the show is the best way to accomplish these goals," she said.

Winfrey said this summer's filming of the movie "Beloved," in which she plays a slave, gave her a fresh understanding of her life's work and the incentive for doing 400 more shows in the coming years.

"Doing 'Beloved' was a life-changing experience for me," she said during a taping of this season's premiere show. "I realized more than ever that coming from a ... legacy where you have no voice, to be able to speak to the world every day is a gift."

"The Oprah Winfrey Show" got its start in Chicago in 1984 and was nationally syndicated two years later. It is now seen in 206 U.S. markets and 132 countries.

Joining Lucille Ball and Mary Pickford as one of only three women in television and film to own their own production studios, the 43-year-old Winfrey has built an empire with an estimated net worth of close to $420 million.

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LOS ANGELES — Wisconsin **Gov. Tommy G. Thompson** wants to break a "bicoastal bias" and entice Hollywood to do more work in America's Dairyland.

Thompson hosted a bratwurst barbecue for 1,000 Hollywood types Sunday, hoping to lure movie makers — and more tourism dollars — to his state.

Those at Sunday's barbecue, including actor Ernest Borgnine, downed more than 1,200 bratwurst sausages and 500 pounds of cheese. They washed it down with more than 30 cases and eight half-kegs of beer.

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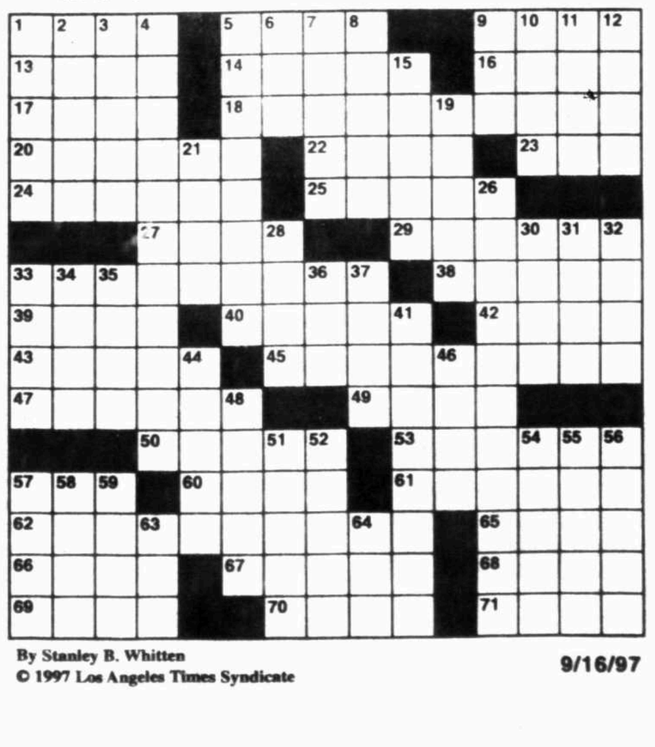
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Diet drugs removed from market

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two of the nation's most popular diet drugs were pulled off the market Monday after the government uncovered disturbing new evidence that they could seriously damage patients' hearts.

The Food and Drug Administration urged millions of dieters to immediately stop taking Redux, also known as dexfenfluramine, and Pondimin, also known as fenfluramine.

Pondimin is one-half of the wildly popular fen-phen diet combination; the other half, phentermine, appears safe when used by itself, the FDA said.

But doctors said phentermine, the sole remaining prescription diet drug, has only mixed results — and they predicted a surge of patients distraught both at the possibility their hearts were damaged and at losing their treatments.

"We are anticipating lots of very desperate patients that need help," said Dr. John Foreyt, an obesity expert at Baylor College of Medicine.

"Obesity does kill," said Dr. Richard Atkinson of the American Obesity Association, who said many Redux and Pondimin users will regain their weight.

The FDA asked Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, which sells Redux here and whose parent company makes Pondimin, to withdraw the drugs because of new evidence that they damage heart valves, and the firm agreed.

The U.S. decision prompted the French company, Servier, that sells fenfluramine and dexfenfluramine abroad to withdraw the drugs worldwide.

The FDA had been struggling to determine the drugs' risk since it and the Mayo Clinic uncovered the first cases in July. Last week, the FDA analyzed heart tests on 291 dieters and found almost a third — 92 people — had damaged heart valves, even though they had no symptoms.

That's much higher than anticipated. Less than 1 percent of the general population has such damage to their aortic or mitral valves, said Dr. Richard Bowen of Naples, Fla., who tested 200 of the patients.

Most of the valves leaked blood, a condition that over time can enlarge the heart and seriously weaken it.

Also, the FDA analyzed 25 patients who happened to have had their hearts tested before ever taking diet pills — and after taking the pills, about a third were newly diagnosed with valve damage.

Those patients are in addition to 99 other fenfluramine or Redux users whose doctors have reported to FDA actual symptoms of heart damage, such as shortness of breath, chest pain or swollen ankles. Three of them died, and 17 underwent heart surgery.

The newest findings show the drugs "present an unacceptable risk," said FDA Acting Commissioner Dr. Michael Friedman.

Wyeth-Ayerst's Dr. Marc Deitch called the withdrawal "the most prudent course of action." But he said there is still not definitive proof that the drugs are to blame, and said Wyeth-Ayerst will within a few weeks begin studying whether obese people are naturally more prone to valve disease.

Meanwhile, dieters can return unused portions of the drugs for a refund.

Dieters should see their doctors for close heart monitoring, Atkinson said. But not everyone will need an echocardiogram, a sophisticated test that shows heart function and costs between $500 and $1,000, he cautioned.

The FDA said no one knows whether patients' valve leakage will heal once they stop the drugs. But Florida's Bowen said three of his severe patients did heal, and urged dieters not to rush into heart surgery.

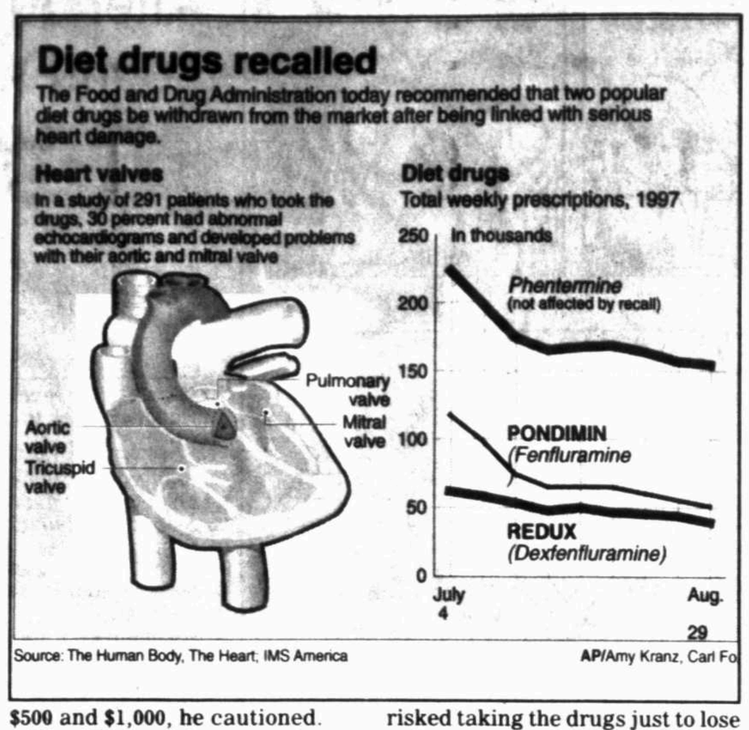
The FDA's first warnings in July caused diet prescriptions to plunge, and earlier this month, Florida banned prescriptions of the fen-phen combination, and lawsuits have been filed over the drugs.

Still, Wyeth-Ayerst says 2 million Americans have taken Redux since it hit the market in June 1996, and 4 million have taken Pondimin since 1973, most in recent years. Critics have charged that too many people risked taking the drugs just to lose a few pounds, not because they were truly obese.

Diet and exercise still are the best treatments, said FDA's Friedman. "These medications have never been by themselves ways of simply and permanently having people lose weight," he said.

But the obese now will have few medical options. Some doctors say phentermine, the other half of fen-phen, works very well on its own while other physicians disagree.

So-called "herbal fen-phen," dietary supplements that contain the chemical ephedrine, are not safe alternatives, Atkinson said — and a pending FDA proposal would ban them.



Great hype surrounds the phenomenon El Nino

New York Times Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Its name — El Nino — is pacific, but its reputation is that of an terrible infant, responsible for mischief worldwide with even worse behavior to come.

The current El Nino, a complicated and vaguely understood series of phenomena that affect weather around the globe, is either the weather event of the century or an event whose bluster can't come close to living up to the super-hype preceding it.

"It is the climate event of the century already," said Jagadish Shukla, president of the Institute of Global Environment and Society in Calverton, Md., fueling fears of a monstrous winter in California and climatic cataclysms elsewhere around the world.

Some forecasters in California predict a storm of rain more than three times normal; some see droughts, floods, mudslides and other calamitous events in the state and elsewhere similar to those visited on widespread parts of the globe during the last big El Nino event in 1982-83.

Others are more cautious.

"It is rather strong, comparable to the strongest in the last 50 years," said Dr. Vern Kousky, research meteorologist at the U.S. Climate Prediction Center in Silver Spring, Md. "But how it manifests itself in impact can only be determined as we watch it flow. Just because there is a very strong warming in the Pacific Ocean, we can't draw the conclusion that there will be a very strong impact around the world."

Kousky said the developing El Nino and last January's devastating rains in Northern California appear to be mirroring the combination of the record 1982-83 El Nino and the torrential rains that caused mudslides and widespread flooding the winter before.

Together, the 1981-82 and 1982-83 winters were the worst in California history; the current two-year period could match them.

Shukla and others note that sea surface temperatures in the mid-Pacific are at record highs and the 5,000-mile-wide ocean-within-an-ocean of warmer than normal waters has spread from the equator to the waters of the west coasts of the United States and South America.

Along with the dire predictions of weather chaos to come, the current event already has produced some remarkable fallout — intense surfing off San Francisco, blue marlin catches off Washington State, clean air in Los Angeles, eye-stinging and school-closing smog, and firestorms in the Malay Archipelago.

Already, the current El Nino, which scientists say started in late March and may run through next summer, is "a phenomenal event," said Nicholas Graham, of the Scripps Institution in La Jolla, Calif. "It's an episode to be reckoned with. It's a big daddy."

He and others suggest it could mean the coming winter could bring more rains than the winter of 1982-83, the wettest of the 20th century in California.

El Nino actually is a misnomer for the climate event currently under way.

The proper designation is ENSO, the acronym for the combined El Nino-Southern Oscillation effects that currently have people blaming El Nino for everything from sultry nights and the eccentric behavior of backyard deer.

Simply put, El Nino is the fairly regular rise in ocean temperatures — sea surface temperatures currently are as high as 10 degrees more than normal, and in some places, the highest ever recorded — that causes a number of other changes in the climate.

It was named El Nino, Spanish for The Child, by Peruvian fishermen because it typically makes its effects known to fishermen around Christmas. The primary effect to the Peruvians of old was that it screwed up their fish harvest.

The other half of the acronym came from Sir Gilbert Walker while he was working in India on ways to predict the Asian monsoon. He discovered a connection between barometer readings on either side of the Pacific Ocean — when the pressure rises in the east, it falls in the west — and called it the Southern Oscillation.

In the late 1960s, University of California professor Jacob Bierknes saw the connection between the unusually warm sea surface temperatures, the simultaneous dying or reversal of ocean trade winds, changes in sea level, and the heavy rainfalls that accompany the low pressure, or El Nino cycle, on the east side of the Pacific.

That ultimately led to the recognition that the warm waters of El Nino and the pressure seesaw of Walker's Southern Oscillation are part of the same phenomenon — ENSO.

Nobody is sure what causes it, although it seems to be recurring more often and for longer durations in recent times. The latest, mild, ENSO event persisted from 1991 to 1995 and, unlike its more boisterous siblings, actually contributed to dry conditions in California.

Some scientists, such as atmospherist Kevin Trenbert at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, think it may be attributable to global warning. So do others, but they're not sure how.

In any case, the combined effects of ENSO have been staggering in the past and many scientists say the destructive patterns of the worst previous ENSOs currently are being duplicated or accelerated.

The warm water already has convinced marlin, barracuda and other subtropical and tropical fish that the usually chilly waters off California are home waters.

Swarms of sardines, which long ago departed Northern California water, tiny red crabs and even the fabled mako shark that are foreign to these waters, also have been sighted. Tropical birds are showing up in San Francisco Bay.

Off San Francisco, the Pacific is a tepid 67, a record 10 degrees above normal.

But what has captured the media and public about the current ENSO is whether it's going to produce the extreme weather effects the 1982-83 episode — which ranged from huge storms in Northern California, to droughts in Africa and Australia, to torrential rains in South America.

In all, more than 2,000 people died worldwide, not counting the tens of thousands who later died as a result of El Nino-related drought and food shortages. There was more than $13 billion in damage, $1.3 billion of it in the United States, as mountainsides collapsed and buried communities, towering waves knocked homes off shoreline cliffs, floods drove tens of thousands to higher ground and wind knocked over buildings.

Elsewhere, El Nino is touted as a benevolent child. The Northeast can expect a mild winter and lower fuel bills, forecasters say. Even more welcome, they expect a mild hurricane season in the Atlantic-Caribbean region.

But El Nino is unpredictable.

"We're seeing a dead Atlantic at the moment; there's nothing going on out there," the climate prediction center's Kousky said recently. Hard on the heels of that statement came rambunctious Hurricane Erica, causing still another look at the hurricane season.

"You just can't tell about these things," Kousky said. "All this could mean a drought in California. We've still got an awful lot to learn."

Gore solicited funds from Democratic headquarters

WASHINGTON (AP) — A year before making fund-raising calls from the White House that landed him in controversy, Vice President Al Gore was driven across town to Democratic Party headquarters to make telephone solicitations, a 1994 memo shows.

Gore made the three-mile trek from the White House to the Democratic National Committee on Oct. 28, 1994, at a time when he apparently did not have a political credit card to charge such calls, a Democratic Party official said Monday.

"These calls are to ask for donations to the DNC. You will ask for either $50K ($50,000) or $100K ($100,000) depending on the individual," says a briefing memo for the vice president that clearly notes the 1994 calls were to be made from the DNC "chairman's office."

The memo was obtained by The Associated Press.

As the Justice Department weighs whether to seek an independent counsel to investigate Gore's fund raising, the 1994 calls stand in sharp contrast to the calls the vice president made from his White House office just 13 months later. Some of those calls were originally charged to taxpayers, and only recently reimbursed.

A legal expert said Monday the contrast could affect the deliberations about whether an independent prosecutor should be named to investigate Gore.

"This is not good news for Gore. The fact that he behaved differently two years before makes it hard to credit his claim of good faith in 1996," says Stephen Gillers, professor of legal ethics at New York University School of Law.

"A prosecutor looking into it may consider his prior activity to reveal his consciousness of his impropriety of his later activity; that is, he did it another way," Gillers said.

White House officials said Monday that while Gore made the trip and the calls, the selection of the DNC as the site was not based on any concerns about the legality of calls from the White House.

"The decision to go to the DNC was definitely not because Gore was advised that there was anything wrong about making calls from the White House," said one senior official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

But White House and Democratic Party officials said that beyond the briefing memo indicating the DNC requested the location, they do not know whether the lack of a credit card or other factors, such as the impending departure of then-DNC chairman David Wilhelm, may have influenced the selection of the site.

"To the best of our knowledge, Vice President Gore did not have a DNC credit card," Democratic Party spokeswoman Amy Weiss Tobe said. "And when he came to the DNC, it was at the end of David Wilhelm's tenure."

The briefing memo said Gore might make as many as 25 calls, but the attached call sheets indicated only 11 of the potential donors were likely to be reachable.

Gore stirred controversy earlier this year when he acknowledged making phone solicitations to 48 Democratic donors from his White House office between November 1995 and April 1996. Federal law generally bars fund raising on federal property.

Twenty of Gore's calls in 1995 and 1996 originally were charged to taxpayers and not a political credit card as Gore originally stated. Federal law prohibits the use of government resources for politics.

In the White House press conference in March at which his calls were first disclosed, the vice president made a passing reference to having once raised money from the DNC. "I went to the DNC on one occasion in, I believe October of 1994, to help raise money for the party," Gore said then.

But Gore did not specify the nature of that help or the reasons why he traveled to party headquarters to make calls.

The briefing memo indicates Gore was asked to make the calls by then-Democratic National Finance Chairman Terence McAuliffe and Laura Hartigan, a top DNC official. Gore's then deputy chief of staff, David Strauss, approved the calls.

The memo indicates the list of donors to call was attached. It states the money Gore would be raising was "soft money" or donations that can't be used directly for federal campaigns.

"Money raised might also be used to pay for holiday cards from the President, Vice President and Chairman of the DNC," the memo also states.

Gore and his supporters have steadfastly maintained that the calls he made from the White House were legal.

Epileptic blames seizure for assault of commuter

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — A man with epilepsy who grabbed a woman on a commuter train plans to fight his assault conviction, maintaining his action was part of a seizure he couldn't control.

Scott Vining was convicted July 17 after a trial in which he presented a letter from his doctor and testimony about the type of seizures he suffers. He faces up to a year behind bars when sentenced Sept. 23.

"The law requires that an assault be a voluntary action, and he didn't have the intent," said his attorney, Alan Rosenblum, who plans to appeal.

An estimated 2 million Americans have epilepsy. Like about 60 percent of adults with the disorder, there are times when Vining loses consciousness and acts strangely. Medication helps control his episodes but can't eliminate them.

"There are some risks necessary to have a free society, and one of the risks you take is that someone might have a seizure in front of you," said Michaele Battles, Vining's civil attorney and a specialist in epilepsy cases.

Vining's doctor and other medical experts said his behavior on the train was consistent with what are called complex partial seizures. Some people seem drunk during their seizures, and some disrobe. If grabbed, they may hit back.

"They can walk, they might lash out or grab people, but they're not really conscious," said Harvard University neurologist Steven Schacter. "I have had patients come to in a jail cell."

Vining was convicted of assaulting Lavita Haugabrook, 23, on a Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority train. She was not sympathetic to Vining.

"If his medication wasn't working, he shouldn't have been on the train," she said. "I don't want to have to avoid him. It's my transportation, and I shouldn't have to be inconvenienced."

Vining has had about 25 seizures this year, at least two of them while on public transportation, although in some years he has only two or three.

DEAR ABBY

Career woman happily makes home for live-in boyfriend

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I don't know how you feel about response letters to response letters. Nonetheless, the letter I read today from "Happy With a '90s Home Life," chastising your printing the letter from "Old-Fashioned and Proud of It," evoked a fiery response from me.


Van Buren

I am a 29-year-old woman with a college education, a professional career and a boyfriend I live with. Nothing gives me greater pleasure than knowing when he walks through the door, he has a meal, a neat home, and does not need to worry if his clothes are clean. I consider myself fortunate to have good looks, brains, and to have retained the values of "making a home" my mother taught me, which I will be proud to teach the daughter I may someday have. I consider myself blessed to have a great guy, and I am showing him just that every day through my quite natural efforts. I know he loves me and I do not expect him to prove it by putting the pillow under my feet as I put them up. Any woman who aspires to shirking domestic duties she should be proud to accomplish can be summed up in one word: LAZY. It is not a matter of women "serving" or men needing "survival skills." Relationships are about wanting to take care of your partner and making each day easier for him. Relationships are meant to be about "us." Too many partners in relationships these days ask the question, "What can you do for me?" as opposed to, "How can I help you?" There is something wrong with this lack of selflessness, and quite possibly people have forgotten the definition of "true love." If two people really care for each other, there should be no thought of tit-for-tat. Acts performed from the heart all equal out in the end. — HAPPY TO BE RON'S GIRL, 1997

DEAR HAPPY: I'm sorry you didn't allow me to use your name, but perhaps it's for the best. Ron might be killed in the stampede of contemporary feminists trying to do you in —and men climbing over HIM to get to YOU.

DEAR ABBY: I am 70-plus and have just lost my wife. We had a very good marriage. I want to continue living an active life and begin dating when it is appropriate. How long should one wait to start dating, and how long should one wait to marry again? — WIDOWER IN FLORIDA

DEAR WIDOWER: Grief is such a personal emotion that no one can presume to make rules that will apply to everyone.

A widow or widower may begin dating whenever he or she feels like it; the decision is yours. When you tie the knot again is up to you — and the lucky lady who will accompany you down the aisle.

DEAR ABBY: My condolences to "Janis in Capistrano Beach, Calif.," who bragged that she wore makeup and a tight T-shirt to "lure the salesclerks" so her husband could get help. She apparently is blissfully unaware that she has been insulted. It probably takes 100 well-groomed, hard-working professional women to offset the influence of each "Janis." Women will never have respect, equal opportunity and equal pay until they learn to value themselves for their abilities and their contributions to society rather than the size of their bra cups. You may print my letter if you wish, including my name and state. — LEOLA FARMER, TULSA, OKLA.

DEAR MS. FARMER: I agree. And hasten the day when "... and blessed be they whose cup runneth over" refers only to good fortune.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Baseball realignment looks iffy

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Prospects dimmed for major league realignment at this week's meetings in Atlanta, with some baseball executives predicting Monday there will not be enough support for any plan.

Acting commissioner Bud Selig had hoped to call for a vote on Thursday, the final day of the owners' three-day quarterly meeting. Selig is in favor of radical realignment, in which 15 teams would switch leagues.

Less radical plans have been formulated, with most including the shift of the AL West Coast teams to the NL. But the San Francisco Giants have threatened to sue, arguing they can't be forced to accept the Oakland Athletics in their market.

Ranking officials on two other NL teams, speaking on the condition they not be identified, said they intended to support San Francisco.

"When you buy a team, you by assets, which include exclusive monopoly rights to promoting games within your own league in your area on an exclusive basis," Giants owner Peter Magowan said Monday. "We would be asked to give that up. That's exactly why the Mets and Cubs resisted."

The radical plan that Selig and realignment committee chairman John Harrington have advocated would put all Western teams in the NL and all Eastern teams in the AL. It would put the Mets and Yankees in the same division, pair the Cubs and White Sox, the Dodgers and Angels, and the Giants and A's.

Since no team can be forced to switch leagues or divisions without their approval, the Mets threatened to veto the plan, as did the Pirates, Reds and Braves. Harrington's group then formulated a less radical plan, but it still would have the six Pacific Coast teams in the NL along with the Arizona Diamondbacks and Colorado Rockies.

"Bud Selig mollified the Mets and Cubs by allowing them to stay in their separate divisions. What is the logic behind not allowing us the same thing?" Magowan said from Atlanta, where the Giants were playing the Braves.

Baseball's lawyers have said the Giants do not have veto power because they are not being asked to change divisions. Some teams have argued that the resolution approved in January, which created the realignment committee, overrides the provision in the NL Constitution that protects a team from having its territory encroached.

"Each member shall have the exclusive right ... to play baseball games as the home club within the limits of the city in which the member's club is located and an area within 10 miles in all directions from the city limits of such city," the NL Constitution says.

San Francisco's city limits adjoin Oakland's, and the Athletics' ballpark falls within the 10-mile limit. If the A's move to the NL, the Giants say they probably would sue.

Selig did not want to respond to Magowan's threat, and wouldn't predict whether a vote would be taken this week.

"I'm trying to be sensitive to every

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Lady Luck finally smiles on Cowboys

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Barry Switzer had called it a "must-win" for the Dallas Cowboys. He couldn't have known he was going to get it with a gift from the football gods.

Anthony Miller, criticized for not playing hurt last week, made a leaping catch of a 14-yard touchdown pass from Troy Aikman with 51 seconds left Monday night and the Cowboys rallied from a two-touchdown deficit to a 21-20 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles who botched a 22-yard field goal attempt as time expired.

Punter Tom Hutton, holding for placekicker Chris Boniol, fumbled the snap, tried to run with it and was tackled by Deion Sanders in the bizarre finish.

"I couldn't believe what happened," Switzer said. "Somebody up there likes us. For the first 59 minutes I wasn't sure. That was just a chip shot field goal. I thought it was over. I'm worn out."

Ty Detmer hit Freddie Solomon with a 46-yard pass to the Dallas 5-yard line with four seconds to play. The Eagles, who had driven from their own 16 following Miller's TD, called their final timeout.

Boniol, a former Cowboy, trotted on for what seemed like a can't miss attempt considering he had made 46 consecutive field goals from the 35-yard line on in.

Aikman, hounded all night by a tough pass rush, took the Cowboys 62 yards in seven plays for the winning touchdown. A fourth-down pass interference call on Charles Dimry set Dallas up at the Philadelphia 45. Replays showed the ball was tipped by Eagles lineman Mike Mamula and that should have negated the call.

Then Aikman, who had been booed in the first half, connected with tight end Eric Bjornson on a diving 24-yard completion to the Philadelphia 17. Two plays later, Miller, who was falling down, grabbed the ball away from safety Tim Watson in the back of the end zone.

"I was lucky I came down with it," Miller said. "I saw Troy scrambling and just went to an open spot. I thought the ball was going to be intercepted. I was just fortunate."

Eagles cornerback Bobby Taylor produced 10 points with blindside blitzes of Aikman that caused fumbles. Detmer also threw a touchdown pass and Boniol kicked two field goals as the Eagles (1-2) smelled an upset.

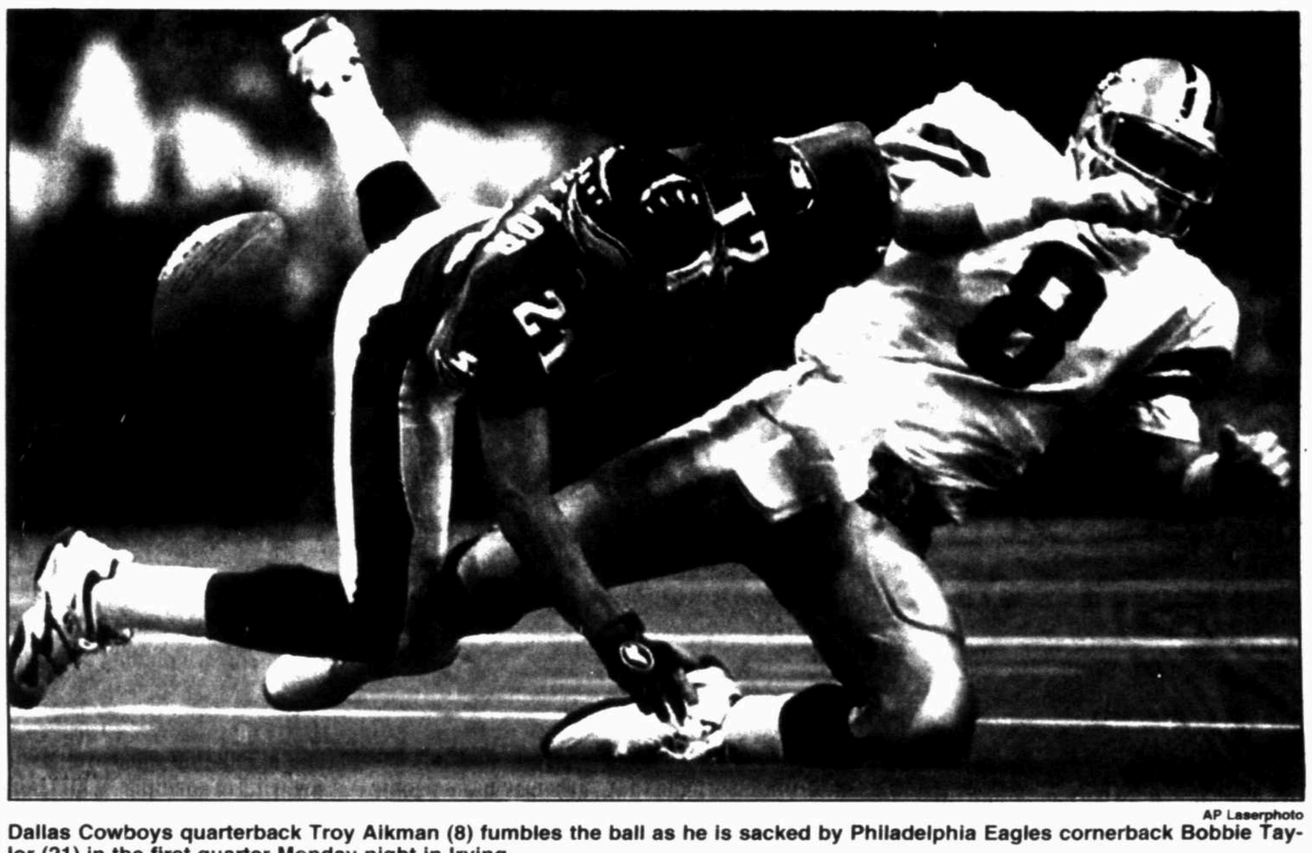
Dallas (2-1), which had rallied from a 17-3 deficit in the second quarter, drove to the Philadelphia 3 late in the fourth quarter but Emmitt Smith was stopped on a third-and-4 play. Dallas had to settle for Richie Cunningham's fifth field goal, a 22-yarder, to cut the Eagles' lead to 20-15 with 5:28 left.

The Cowboys knew they could have trouble with Taylor guarding Michael Irvin but not as a blitzer.

Ray Farmer recovered a fumble by Aikman on one of the hits at the Dallas 45, setting up Boniol's 49-yard field goal. Boniol hit a 44-yard field goal early in the fourth period for a 20-9 lead.

Taylor struck again later in the first quarter only this time the Eagles cashed

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AP Laserphoto

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman (8) fumbles the ball as he is sacked by Philadelphia Eagles cornerback Bobbie Taylor (21) in the first quarter Monday night in Irving.

Williams' accuser pleads guilty

By Stefani G. Kopenec
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — A former topless dancer pleaded guilty Monday to a perjury charge, saying she and she alone came up with the idea of falsely accusing two Dallas Cowboys players of sexual assault.

Nina Shahravan, who began the day pleading innocent, changed her mind during jury selection and by afternoon admitted to lying to police. She also changed course regarding who would decide her punishment, a jury of her peers or the judge. She settled on County Criminal Court Judge Dan L. Wyde.

The penalty phase of the trial begins Tuesday morning, and the state plans to call Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin and offensive tackle Erik Williams, who were the subject of the 24-year-old Mesquite woman's allegations.

Ms. Shahravan told police Dec. 30 that she had been raped by Williams and an unidentified man at Williams' home while Irvin held her at gunpoint and videotaped the attack.

A day later, police held a news conference after a Dallas-Fort Worth television station first reported the allegations. Ms. Shahravan conceded on Jan. 10 that Irvin was not present and that she willingly had sex with Williams and another man, according to a police affidavit. Police cleared the players later that day.

Because Ms. Shahravan pleaded guilty before the court, the judge is now allowed to consider a wider range of punishment that includes jail time or probation. Among his choices is a form of probation known as deferred adjudiction in which Ms. Shahravan legally would not be convicted of any crime if she successfully completes the terms of her pro-

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Upset could mean Broncho uprising

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

If the Odessa High Bronchos' stampede their way into November's playoffs, Sept. 13 will go down as a big day.

■ 4-5A Report

They'll talk about this past Saturday when the Bronchos claimed a 17-10 win against Lubbock Coronado, arguably the biggest victory since Randy Quisenberry took over 12 games ago. It will also be that date when the Bronchos' lope seemed ready for a District 4-5A sprint.

"You hope so," responded Quisenberry to the question of the win being a turning point for the program.

"The proof will be down the road," he added. "Not many gave us a chance to win this one. It will give us momentum and the confidence that we can play with better teams."

The mental aspect of this game had to be key. OHS faced a Lubbock Coronado that was perceived to be better. The Mustangs defeated OHS 20-7 in Ratliff Stadium in 1996, and then finished the Odessa double with a bi-district win over Odessa Permian, also in Ratliff.

Saturday, the Bronchos found themselves down 10-7 at the half, and there might have been some concern that this would soon be an 0-2 OHS team. That, however, didn't happen. For a change, OHS didn't allow it.

The Mustangs gained only 61 of their 232 total yards in the second half. On the ground, OHS pulled in the reins on the Mustangs, allowing eight yards on 22 carries. That added to the six turnovers OHS forced for the game.

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Midland High at Odessa Permian, 7:30 p.m.

Prep Top 25

DALLAS — This week's Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. Total points are based on 10 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 10th-place vote. The previous column indicates the team's ranking in last week's poll. Voting is by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

	Rec	Pts	Pv
Class 5A			
1. Tyler John Tyler (13)	2-0	187	1
2. Converse Judson (5)	2-0	173	2
3. Austin Westlake	2-0	149	3
4. Longview (1)	2-0	137	4
5. Abilene Cooper	**2-0**	**112**	**5**
6. Plano (1)	2-0	100	8
7. Fort Bend Dulles	2-0	50	9
8. Killeen Ellison	2-0	46	10
9. Humble	2-0	37	x
10. North Mesquite	2-0	17	x

FELL OUT: Richardson Lake Highlands, Duncanville

Also receiving votes: Beaumont West Brook 16, Lufkin 15, Abilene 9, Arlington Lamar 8, Garland 7, Grand Prairie 7, SA MacArthur 5, SA Churchill 4, **Waco 4**, Baytown Lee 3, Marshall 2, Pflugerville 2, Aldine Eisenhower 1, Duncanville 1, **El Paso Franklin 1**, Haltom 1, Harlingen 1, **Midland Lee 1**, Victoria 1.

Class 4A			
1. La Marque (17)	2-0	196	1
2. Denison (1)	2-0	157	2
3. Waxahachie (2)	2-0	142	3
4. Sweetwater	2-0	134	5
5. CC Calallen	2-0	115	6
6. Highland Park	2-0	97	7
7. Jacksonville	2-0	72	8
8. West Orange-Stark	2-0	52	10
9. Brownwood	1-1	49	9
10. Texas City	1-1	17	x

FELL OUT: Stephenville.

Also receiving votes: Waco Midway 15, Terrell 10, Lamar Consolidated 9, Stephenville 7, Dumas 6, Kilgore 5, Sherman 4, Schertz-Clemens 3, Everman 2, Gregory-Portland 2, McKinney 2, Andrews 1, Bastrop 1, Sulphur Springs 1.

Class 3A			
1. Sealy (14)	2-0	189	1
2. Commerce (1)	2-0	160	2
T2. Crockett (3)	2-0	160	3
4. Vernon (2)	2-0	151	4
5. Daingerfield	2-0	116	5
6. Breckenridge	2-0	91	6
7. George West	2-0	57	7
8. Cuero	1-1	42	8
9. Elgin	2-0	41	9
10. Friona	2-0	37	10

Also receiving votes: Winnsboro 11, Aledo 9, Hitchcock 6, Iowa Park 6, Hamshire-Fannet 5, Rusk 4, Crane 3, Frisco 3, Childress 2, Denver City 2, Monahans 2, Ballinger 1, Diboll 1, La Grange 1.

Class 2A			
1. Mart (13)	2-0	183	1
2. Elysian Fields (4)	2-0	172	2
3. East Bernard	2-0	159	3
4. Alto (3)	2-0	149	5
5. Iraan	2-0	70	10
6. Italy	2-0	42	x
T6. Stamford	1-1	42	4
8. Ganado	2-0	36	x
9. Rosebud-Lott	2-0	34	x
10. East Chambers	2-0	27	x

FELL OUT: Holliday, Pilot Point, Groveton, Schulenburg.

Also receiving votes: Kerens 24, Holliday 21, Garrison 18, Lexington 16, **Stanton 16**, Quanah 12, Schulenburg 12, Lockney 10, Eldorado 7, Pilot Point 7, Canadian 6, Iola 6, Celina 5, Crawford 5, Grand Saline 3, Hico 3, DeLeon 2, Franklin 2, Van Vleck 2, Comfort 1, Godley 1, Industrial 1, Salado 1.

Class A			
1. Wink (9)	2-0	183	2
2. Runge (2)	2-0	156	3
3. Tenaha (9)	2-0	148	1
4. Springlake-Earth	2-0	147	4
5. Celeste	2-0	128	5
6. Wheeler	1-1	82	6
7. Alvord	2-0	71	8
8. Dawson	2-0	40	x
9. Munday	1-1	39	10
10. Cross Plains	2-0	21	x
T10. Granger	1-1	21	x

FELL OUT: Burkeville, Menard.

Also receiving votes: Menard 12, Windthorst 9, Burkeville 8, Sabinal 7, Nazareth 6, Rising Star 6, Bartlett 4, Colmesneil 4, Frost 4, Motley County 2, Happy 1, Santa Anna 1.

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OSCAR LEROY

Big Spring's luck changing, New Mexico trailing

The luck of the Big Spring Steers could be changing.

At least after two games, with the Steers 2-0 in this young season.



LeRoy

What may be turning it around for the Steers from last year's 2-8 record, a season in which Big Spring loss seven games by eight points or less, just may be a little luck on their side and some stellar defense, which hasn't allowed a touchdown this year.

Just take a look at Friday night's game, an 11-9 win over Ballinger. The Bearcats looked like they had a chance to win the game with a 9-6 lead late in the fourth quarter when their punter ran out of the end zone for a safety, giving the Steers two freebie points. On the ensuing kickoff, John Lawdermilk made a 57-yard return to the Bearcats' 11-yard-line, setting up the game-winning field goal by Joe Haden.

Sometimes fortunate things like the above occurrence have to take place sometimes for a team to have a successful season. A win like that can also help a team's confidence throughout the rest of the season.

The Steers need that confidence with a trip to face Lubbock Estacado Thursday night. The Matadors boast two good running backs in Warren Boyd and Calvin Grant, both gained more than 1,000 yards in 1996. The Steers have a good double ground attack of their own with Antwoyne Edwards (220 yards in two games) and Tory Mitchell (196 yards).

TEXAS vs. NEW MEXICO: After spending two seasons covering New Mexico football there is no question that our friends from across the state line still lack far behind on the gridiron. The players are smaller, the talent is sparse and far between, and the hunger to play the game of football is not the same as it is in West Texas.

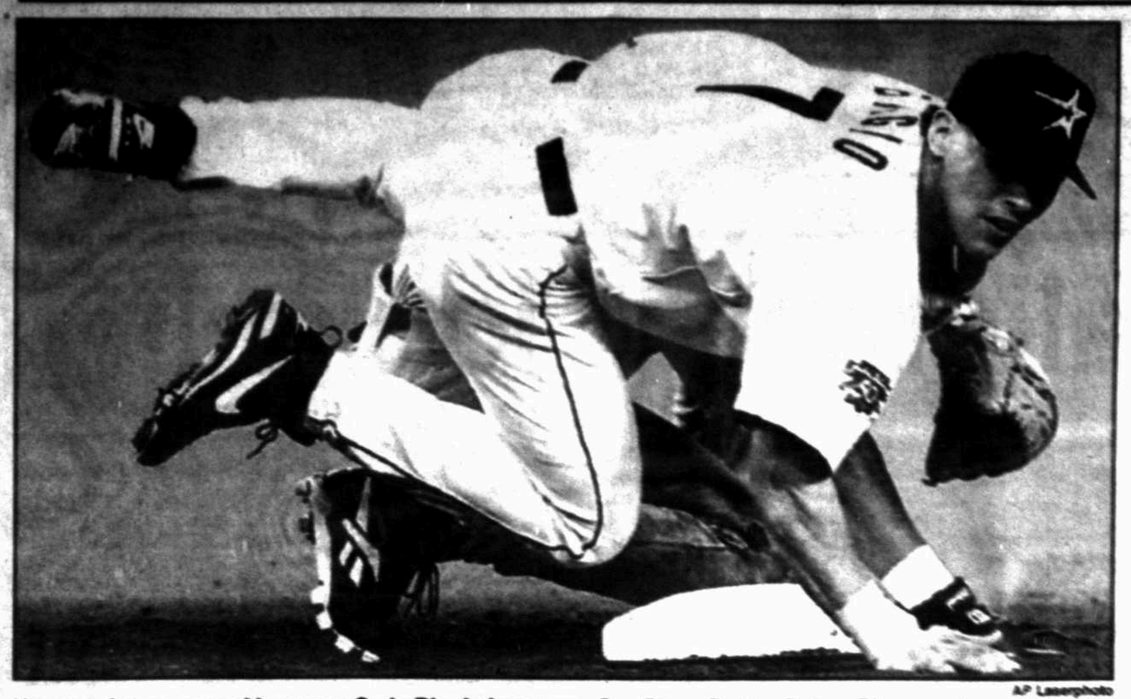
Midland Christian, which has beaten opponents a combined 83-6 in two games faces Jal, N.M. this Friday. Last year, the Mustangs bruised the Class A finalists Panthers, 35-13, in Jal. The Panthers, who are 2-1 and are ranked in the Top 5 are no pushovers but even they know that when they cross the state line, it usually means a long evening.

"Stepping across that (state) line, you know it's a big difference," said first-year Jal coach Chad Merchant, who takes over after longtime Panther coach David Fouts, who retired. "We know that playing Texas schools makes you a better team." Jal also has the top-ranked Wink Wildcats on its schedule.

In my conversation with Merchant, one player that kept popping up was Josh Miller, who is continuing to hammer opponents on the ground, as exemplified by his 194 yards rushing and three touchdowns in Midland Christian's 40-6 win over Christoval last week. By the way, the Mustang QB added a 37-yard scoring toss to give him seven touchdowns responsible for this season. My pick for this game, **Midland Christian 38, Jal 14.**

WILLIAMS WATCH: Speaking of seven touchdowns, Andrews' junior tailback Shaud Williams has that many two games into the season with three more scores against Brownfield in a 43-9 win. By our count, Williams now has 342 yards rushing on the season. A big test comes this Friday when his 2-0 Mustangs face 1-1 Midland High this Friday. It's not the Midland Lee-Andrews match-up that I was hoping for, but this will definitely do.

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AP Laserphoto

Houston Astros second baseman Craig Biggio hops over San Diego Padres Ruben Rivera as he watches the completion of the double play against the Padres' Carlos Hernandez in the second inning Monday in Houston.

Loss cuts Astro lead to 3 1/2

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Reliever Jim Bruske escaped a seventh-inning jam and the San Diego Padres held off Houston 4-3 Monday night, cutting the Astros' lead in the NL Central to 3 1/2 games.

The Astros have 13 games left, including five against second-place Pittsburgh.

Houston trailed 4-1 entering the seventh, but loaded the bases on two singles and a walk. After an infield single by pinch-hitter Tony Eusebio scored a run, Bruske relieved.

Pinch-hitter Bill Spiers hit a single that made it 4-3 and kept the bases loaded. Bruske, however, retired pinch-hitter Thomas Howard on a popup and struck out Ricky Gutierrez.

Pete Smith (6-5) was the winner, giving up three runs and five hits in 6 1/3 innings. He walked six and struck out one.

Mike Hampton (13-10) allowed four runs and nine hits in four innings.

■ NL Roundup

Braves 5, Giants 4

ATLANTA — Fred McGriff hit a two-out, two-run homer off Rod Beck, capping a four-run rally in the ninth inning that gave the Braves a dramatic victory over the Giants.

Handed a 4-1 lead, Beck (5-4) got the first out when Tommy Gregg flied to left, but three consecutive singles cut the lead to 4-2. Chipper Jones drove in a run with a ground-out before McGriff hit a 1-1 pitch into the left-center stands.

Rockies 7, Marlins 1

MIAMI — Larry Walker hit his league-leading 44th home run and Andres Galarraga followed with his 37th homer as the Rockies broke away in the seventh inning and beat the Marlins.

The Rockies won their fifth in a row and 16th in 18 games. The Marlins lead New York by five games in the wild-card race.

Pirates 5, Expos 4

PITTSBURGH — Kevin Young hit a dramatic 10th-inning home run in his first at-bat since Aug. 2, rallying the slumping Pirates past Montreal.

Young's homer came a day after he erupted in a stormy clubhouse following a ninth-inning loss to the Cubs.

Reds 4, Cubs 1

CHICAGO — Eduardo Perez hit a solo home run and an RBI single as Cincinnati beat the Cubs.

Perez hit an RBI single in the third inning and his 16th homer in the seventh as the Reds won their fourth game in their last five.

Mets 10, Phillies 5, 10 innings
Phillies 2, Mets 1

PHILADELPHIA — Darrin Winston, a 31-year-old rookie making his first major league start, allowed only one hit in seven innings as the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Mets in the nightcap for a doubleheader split.

Offerman and King help Royals past Rangers 11-9

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Jose Offerman had four hits and four RBIs and Jeff King's two-run double in the ninth inning gave the Kansas City Royals an 11-9 victory Monday night over the Texas Rangers.

Offerman led off the ninth with a single against Danny Patterson (9-6) and Jed Hansen entered as a pinch-runner. Johnny Damon popped up a bunt attempt, but Jay Bell singled and King followed with his double into the left-field corner.

Hipolito Pichardo (3-5) was the winner and Jeff Montgomery worked the ninth for his 13th save.

The Royals opened a 7-2 lead by the third inning. Texas chipped away and pulled within 8-7 in the fifth when Lee Stevens singled home Juan Gonzalez.

Offerman had an RBI grounder in the sixth. Ivan Rodriguez had a sacrifice fly in the Texas seventh, making it 9-8.

The Rangers tied it at 9 in the eighth when Fernando Tatis led off with a first-pitch homer.

Texas starter Rick Helling struggled from the start, giving up three singles to open the game and that put Kansas City ahead 1-0. Texas took a 2-1 lead in the bottom half on doubles by Tom Goodwin and Rusty Greer and a single by Gonzalez.

But Helling gave the lead back in the Royals' three-run second. Offerman had an RBI single, Bell added an RBI double and King had a sacrifice fly.

Offerman's two-run double in the third made it 6-2 and ended Helling's night after 2 1-/ innings. Reliever Wilson Heredia walked home a run in the third to make it 7-2.

Gonzalez hit a two-run homer, his 38th, in the third. Goodwin's two-run single, his third hit of the game, cut Texas' deficit to 8-6 in the fourth.

■ NL Roundup

Orioles 6, Indians 5
Indians 4, Orioles 1

BALTIMORE — The Baltimore Orioles became the first team in the majors to clinch a postseason berth with a victory over Cleveland in the first game of a day-night doubleheader. In the second game, Chad Ogea pitched six shutout innings and Marquis Grissom homered to lead the Indians to a victory.

The Orioles reduced their magic number to clinch the AL East title to nine. They lead the New York Yankees by six games with 14 remaining.

In the opener, Baltimore's Eric Davis played his first game since undergoing colon cancer surgery in June. He played five innings, went 0-for-3 and made four catches in right field.

Yankees 7, Red Sox 6

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter singled home the winning run with two outs in the ninth inning as the New York Yankees rallied to beat the Boston Red Sox, lowering their magic number for clinching a playoff berth to six.

On a night that included Tino Martinez's first homer in three weeks and a weird, game-tying play in the sixth, Jim Corsi (3-2) walked Paul O'Neill leading off the ninth. O'Neill then tagged up and just beat the throw following Bernie Williams' fly to deep left.

Martinez was intentionally walked, Chad Curtis struck out and Jeter singled just in front of a diving Michael Coleman in center, his third straight hit.

Brewers 11, White Sox 10

MILWAUKEE — Jeromy Burnitz and Darrin Jackson drove in three runs apiece as the Milwaukee Brewers snapped a five-game losing streak.

Jackson and Jack Voigt hit two-run homers for the Brewers, who moved into second place in the AL Central, a game ahead of Chicago but seven games behind first-place Cleveland.

Cal Eldred (13-13) gave up seven earned runs on nine hits in 5 1/3 innings. Doug Jones got the final four outs for his 33rd save in 34 opportunities.

Mariners 7, Blue Jays 3

SEATTLE — Ken Griffey Jr. hit his 51st and 52nd home runs, ending an eight-game homerless streak, and the Seattle Mariners beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-3 Monday night.

Griffey has 11 games left in his bid to reach Roger Maris' record of 61 homers in 1961. Griffey has homered eight times in September.

Griffey overtook Mark McGwire, who hit his 51st homer for St. Louis on Sunday, for the major league lead.

COWBOYS: Enjoy lucky victory by 1

(From 1C)

Aikman's fumble into a 37-yard touchdown return by linebacker William Thomas.

The Eagles led 17-6 at halftime with the only offensive touchdown of the first 30 minutes coming when rookie tight end Chad Lewis escaped for a 12-yard touchdown pass from Detmer with 9:31 left.

Dallas offensive lineman Larry Allen pulled a hamstring and defensive lineman Chad Hennings pulled a groin with both missing the second half. Cornerback Troy Vincent missed the second half for the Eagles with a shoulder injury.

Dallas blew a 15-point lead to Arizona last week and the Eagles upset Green Bay 10-9.

The temperature at kickoff was 95 degrees with a 105 heat humidity index.

4-5A: OHS, AHS could figure in playoffs

(From 1C)

"That was a plus. We have lost a lot of games in the third and fourth quarters," Quisenberry said. "In the first half, we looked tired. It was like we were rejuvenated (in the second half)."

But the keys to success went past a defensive surge in the second half.

OHS fullback Freddie Espinoza rushed for 130 yards and a third-quarter TD. In week one, OHS had 42 on the ground as a team. Their leading rusher that day was Kyle Willey with 34 yards.

Saturday, quarterback Rick Leach threw for over 100 yards for the second straight week, completing 12 passes for 144 yards.

"He had a solid game," Quisenberry said of Leach. "I wanted him to work on seeing the whole field. We have to be a complete team. Our offense will play many good defenses. If they get into a tendency, it is like dogs chasing after meat. We will not be able to whip people every down. We will have to use smoke and mirrors."

If OHS grabs a top three spot in District 4-5A, beating quality teams will not just be a something that happens on an occasional weekend but something that must happen everyday.

Quisenberry believes this confidence can do nothing but help the Bronchos going into district. OHS starts off its 4-5A road with Permian, which it hasn't defeated since 1964, and then must play Midland Lee in Midland. Quisenberry knows that playing into November means winning against one of the big three (Permian, Lee and Abilene Cooper) is mandatory. But that is not where the winning stops.

"I hope it is a springboard for the year," Quisenberry said. "We are hoping to beat the Big 3. To make the playoffs we have to beat those teams.

"I'm looking at the district and there are no easy ones."

But will OHS be thinking about its cross-town rivals a week early and maybe forget about El Paso Eastwood, who travels into Ratliff on Friday? Quisenberry doesn't think so.

"All I have to do is write the (El Paso) Franklin score (vs. Lee) and Permian score (vs. El Paso Irvin) on the board," Quisenberry said. "Last year, I thought I was going to get to play kids (in the Eastwood game), but it was 3-0 at halftime and we were fighting for our lives.

"I was looking for a job in Juarez," Quisenberry jokes. "I knew if we didn't win, I wasn't coming back."

AMAZING AHMAD: Abilene High's Ahmad Brooks was magnificent Friday in AHS' 44-20 win over Stephenville, then ranked fourth in Class 4A.

Brooks had 200 yards on 16 carries and dazzled the Shotwell Stadium crowd with four touchdowns, including a 78-yarder. The senior's moves received some high praise.

"He (Brooks) was like a feather in the wind," Stephenville coach Art Briles told the Abilene Reporter-News. "You don't know what direction he's going. He gives them big-play possibilities."

On the season, this "feather" has five rushing TDs, one punt return for a TD and a passing TD and Abilene High has everyone's attention with two blowout wins.

TURNED OVER: The Abilene Cooper Cougars have won two games but have had to beat more than Garland and Wichita Falls Rider along the way. The Cougars have also had to beat themselves.

Cooper, which defeated Rider 42-20 Friday, has turned the ball over nine times in the two games. Friday, the Coogs fumbled three times to bring their season total to six. That goes with three interceptions.

Not that all was bad. Cooper had 200 yards passing from Brandon Stover and 277 yards rushing. Randy Allen also had his second 200-yard rusher in two weeks. Robbie Johnson (205 yards) joined Richard Rodriquez who broke the 200-yard barrier in Game 1.

District 4-5A A List

Rushing (100-yards or multiple touchdowns)

Josh Norman	Lee	139 yards and two TDs vs. Franklin
Shemond Davis	MHS	62 yards, two TDs vs. Bel Air
Freddie Espinoza	OHS	130 yards and one TD vs. Lub. Coronado
Julio Guerrero	Central	112 yards on 16 carries vs. Killeen Ellison
Ahmad Brooks	AHS	200 yards, four TDs vs. Stephenville
Robbie Johnson	Cooper	205 yards and one TD vs. WF Rider

Passing (200 yards or multiple scores)

Brandon Stover	Cooper	15 of 27 for 200 yards and 1 TD vs. WF Rider

Special Teams

Jason Williams	MHS	blocked two punts that translated for nine points, blocked punt through end zone for safety.

Defense

Jerry Culberson	AHS	recovered fumble for a TD vs. Stephenville
Brian Bowman	AHS	Intercepted two passes against Stephenville
Kevin Courtney	AHS	Intercepted two passes against Stephenville
Peter Abrigg	Cooper	69 int. return for a TD, also had 6 PATs vs. WF Rider

ACCUSER: Shahravan might face jail

(From 1C)

bation, an official said.

She faces up to a year in jail and a $4,000 fine for the Class A misdemeanor. Prosecutors have said they seek the maximum penalty.

Neither Ms. Shahravan nor her defense attorney, G. David Smith, would comment on the day's events, citing a gag order.

In July, defense attorneys unsuccessfully argued to have Wyde removed from the case for allegedly saying that he'd have to consider how Ms. Shahravan "inconvenienced influential people in Dallas" if she were found guilty. Wyde has denied making the remark.

During Monday's proceedings, Ms. Shahravan stood behind the defense table in a double-breasted, black pinstripe dress, waived her right to a jury trial and pleaded guilty.

She also signed a court document acknowledging that she'd given police false statements regarding Irvin "when in truth and in fact Michael Irvin was not present at the location."

The statement says she wrongly said Irvin put a gun to her head, threatened her by saying "if you don't want to end up missing, do what I say or your picture will be on milk cartons," and told her to perform oral sex on another man.

Asked by prosecutor Clark Birdsall "Whose idea was it to come up with this rape allegation against Erik Williams and Michael Irvin?" Ms. Shahravan responded: "Mine."

"Yours and yours alone," Birdsall asked.

"Yes," she said.

The allegations have spawned two lawsuits and a change in Dallas police policy regarding naming suspects.

Williams and Irvin sued KXAS, the station that first reported the story, for defamation. In July, the players settled the lawsuit in a deal reportedly worth at least $2 million.

A federal lawsuit brought by the players accusing the Dallas Police Department of civil rights violations is pending. In the wake of the perjury case, police have adopted stricter rules about identifying suspects. The policy calls for police officials to wait for a charge or arrest before releasing names.

BASEBALL: Giants don't want to switch

(From 1C)

club's needs," Selig said. "I expect ongoing discussions. Everybody understands we need to do something. The schedule is our No. 1 marketing tool. We cannot live with the status quo."

Baseball's realignment debate began in January, when the 1998 expansion teams were assigned to leagues — Tampa Bay to the AL and Arizona to the NL.

While Arizona was a natural fit in the NL West, putting Tampa Bay in the AL East required shifting. The original plan was to move Detroit from the East to the Central and Kansas City from the Central to the West, but the Royals balked, claiming they didn't want additional West Coast games that would result in late television times for fans back home.

With no realignment, Tampa Bay would be forced to play in the AL West. Also, January's meeting left each league with 15 teams, necessitating an interleague game nearly every day. Plans to have 16 teams in one league and 14 in the other appear to have gained support since January.

In the only other major business at the meeting, owners are expected to approve a rules change that would allow teams to become publicly listed companies on stock exchanges.

Currently, each team is a private partnership or corporation, although four teams have parent companies that are public: Anaheim (The Walt Disney Co.), Atlanta (Time Warner Inc.), the Chicago Cubs (Tribune Co.) and Toronto (Interbrew SA).

In addition, the Los Angeles Dodgers have reached an agreement to be sold to a division of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. That deal is not expected to be approved until January.

LOCAL SPORTS

MHS wins Big Country Shootout

ABILENE — Midland High Purple went to McMurry University and won the lone division of the Big Country Shootout.

The MHS team won all six of its games, defeating teams from Eula, Lubbock High, San Angelo Central and Sonora. The team consisted of all sophomores and three freshmen.

The players are Michelle Acosta, Tarhonda Belcher, Rebecca Nobles, Lindsey Jones, Morgan Kelley, Misty Calhoun, Sonia Castillo, Shanika McAllister, Elizabeth Green, Brandy Johnson, Erin Rogers, Edna Rogers, Laura Koch, Jenny Jones.

1997 Birdie Blaster Pro-Am

Here are the following results of the 1997 Birdie Blaster Pro-Am benefitting the Bynum School held at Midland Country Club. There was a hole-in-one at the 176-yard No. 3 hole by G.W. Brock. Format for the tournament was one low net of the five-some.

1. Mike Standly/Bill Munn/Steve Harper/Roe Patterson - 54; 2. Brad Bryant/Paul Wright/Keith Moore/Joe Thomas/Nick Williams - 55; 3. Keith Fergus/Kirk Branum/Ted Collins/Mark Philpy/Robert Winkler - 55; 4. Mark Calcavecchia/Bro Hill/Wayne Merritt/John Cox/David Harrison - 55; 5. John Adams/David Sledge/Gary Shumske/Richard Campbell/Tom Brahaney - 56; 6. Mark Wiebe/Mac McGee/Jack Wood/Larry Holden/Georgia Trobaugh - 56; 7. Howard Twitty/Michael Guss/Paul Page/Van Pearcy/Craig Beeson - 56; 8. Phi Blackmar/Frank Powell/Tom Kelley/Mike Burton/G.W. Brock - 57; 9. Brian Claar/Jim Adams/David Essex/Ed Jones/Rick Warren - 57; 10. Ronnie Black/Herschel Kelley/Scott Lovett/Craig Aldridge/Jeff Jarratt - 60.

Lady Mustangs beat Jal

JAL, N.M. — The Midland Christian volleyball team beat the Jal Lady Panthers Monday night, 15-10, 15-9, 15-9.

Leading the Lady Mustangs (14-3) was Kathy McCrary with 25 assists and three aces, Kim Spradlin had 15 hits and two kills, Sarah Koss had 19 hits, 11 kills and 15 blocks, Dana Youngs had 19 hits and eight kills, and Amy Rydell had 12 hits, six kills, 13 blocks.

The Midland Christian JV also won two out of three games.

The Lady Mustangs return to action at 5 p.m. today against Kermit.

Trice wins vault title

Caitlyn Trice, a 9-year-old Alamo YMCA gymnast, was the vault champion at the Level 5 season opener which was held at Odessa Permian High School on Saturday. She placed third in the floor competition and fourth in the beam and bars rotations. Her performance earned her a third place in the all-around competition.

Youth soccer

Midland Mirage '85 girls soccer team defeated San Angelo United '85, 1-0, and the San Angelo Panthers 2-1 this past weekend. Amy Schantz scored two goals for Mirage and Abby Bergman scored one. Kristi Martin earned both victories in the net with defensive help from Staphanie Byrd, Erin Rogers, Heather Shulze and Jessica Steppe.

Midland Mirage '84 girls soccer team defeated Flames '84, 1-0, in league play Sunday afternoon. Becky Weinkauf scored on a penalty kick to earn the victory. In the second match on the afternoon, Mirage '84 shut out Flames '85, with goals coming from Megan Mitchell and Leslie Liebert. Goalkeeper Morgan Pinter was in goal for both shutouts.

The Midland Blast 81 girls competed in their first two league games in the Arlington Girls Competitive Clasic League Division 1 this past weekend. The team beat the Waco Blast 6-3 abd tied Aces from Arlington, 2-2. The team will return to Arlington this weekend for more League play.

Midland Softball Association

Here are the results from the Midland Softball Association's Fall Classic.

1st place: T. Pittman Construction - Odessa; 2nd place: TPC - Odessa; 3rd place: Hardaway Optical - Midland; 4th place: Team Softball - Odessa.

All Tournament Players: Sonny Orona - Team Softball; Jason Graham and Greg Galvan - Hardaway Optical; Marvin Lee, Craig Morgan and David Romero - TPC; Arvea Villa, Kerry Robertson, Bryan Ritter, George Solis - T. Pittman Construction. MVP: Kevin Glaspie - T. Pittman Construction.

7th grade football

The Abell seventh grade football team beat San Jacinto, 20-0. Steven Roberts, Bret Stevens and Nathan Billingsley each had a touchdown for Abell. On defense, Clint Kile led the team with five tackles, and Billingley had four tackles and recovered a fumble.

Goddard's Ryan Rowland had two touchdowns while three players, Sterling Young, Troy Barber and Aubry Chambers each had one TD for Goddard in their 36-6 win over Alamo Gray. Alamo's Kevin Hodge scored on a kickoff return of 73 yards.

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Offrmn 2b	5	2	4	TGdwin cf	5	1	3
JHansn 2b	0	1	0	Cdeno 2b	5	0	0
Damon cf	6	0	2	Greer lf	5	3	1
JBell ss	5	1	3	JuGnlz dh	5	2	3
JKing 1b	4	0	1	IRdrgz c	4	0	2
Palmer 3b	5	0	1	LStvns 1b	5	1	2
Sutton dh	6	2	2	FTatis 3b	3	2	1
YBentz lf	6	0	0	Diaz rf	4	0	1
RDMyr rf	4	3	4	Gil ss	3	0	0
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E—Offerman (8), Palmer (19), Diaz (1). DP—Kansas City 2. LOB—Kansas City 14, Texas 6. 2B—Offerman (21), JBell (27), JKing (27), TGoodwin (23), Greer 3 (38), LStevens (21). HR—JuGonzalez (38), FTatis (7). SB—RDMyers (2). CS—TGoodwin (14). SF—JKing, MiSweeney, IRodriguez.

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Rusch	3 1-3	9	6	5	1	2
Bones	3	4	2	1	0	1
Whisenant	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Pichardo W,3-5	1	2	1	1	0	1
JMtgm S,13	1	1	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Helling	2 1-3	9	7	7	2	2
WHeredia	2 2-3	3	1	1	3	2
Whiteside	2 2-3	3	1	1	0	3
Patterson L,9-6	1 1-3	4	2	2	0	3

HBP—by Helling (RDMyers). T—3:38. A—25,377 (49,166).

ORIOLES 6, INDIANS 5
First game

CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi
Vizquel ss	4	1	1	Hmnds cf	3	3	2
Giles lf	4	1	1	Ldsma 2b	2	1	0
Rmirez rf	5	1	2	Bordick ss	0	0	0
Thome 1b	3	2	0	EDavis rf	3	0	0
Justice dh	4	0	3	Surhoff lf	0	0	0
MaWm 3b	4	0	1	1 Berroa dh	4	0	1
TFrndz 2b	4	0	0	RPmro 1b	3	0	1
Brders c	2	0	0	CRipkn 3b	4	0	0
Brnson ph	1	0	0	Walton lf	3	0	0
SAlmr c	0	0	0	Trasco rf	0	0	0
Grssom cf	4	0	0	Clyburn ph	1	0	0
				Wbster c	0	0	0
				Hoiles c	2	0	1
				ByAdsn cf	0	0	0
				Rboulet ss	2	1	0
				RAlmr 2b	1	1	1
Totals	35	5	8	4 Totals	28	6	6

Cleveland	001	030	100 — 5
Baltimore	220	000	20x — 6

E—Giles (5). DP—Cleveland 1. LOB—Cleveland 9, Baltimore 4. 2B—Hammonds (19). HR—Vizquel (5), Hammonds (20). SB—Vizquel (41), Justice (3), Grissom (21). SF—Ledesma.

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
BrAnderson	6	4	4	3	3	0
Plunk L,4-5	1	2	2	2	0	1
Assenmacher	1	0	0	0	2	2
Baltimore						
Yan	4 2-3	6	4	4	3	3
Boskie	1	1	0	0	1	0
Rhodes	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
ABenitez W,4-4	1	2-3	0	0	0	1
RaMyers S,42	1	0	0	0	0	2

WP—Yan. T—3:15. A—41,602 (48,262).

INDIANS 4, ORIOLES 1
Second game

CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi
Roberts lf	4	0	1	1 RAlmr 2b	4	0	2
Vizquel ss	5	1	3	1 Surhoff lf	4	0	0
Rmirez dh	2	0	1	1 RPmro 1b	4	0	2
MaWm 3b	4	0	0	0 ByAdsn cf	4	0	0
Justice rf	4	0	0	0 Berroa rf	4	1	3
SAlmr c	4	0	1	0 CRipkn 3b	4	0	0
Thome 1b	4	0	0	0 Baines dh	3	0	0
TFrndz 2b	4	1	3	0 Wbster c	4	0	2
Grssom cf	3	2	1	1 Bordick ss	2	0	1
				Trasco ph	1	0	0
				Rboulet ss	0	0	0
Totals	34	4	10	4 Totals	34	1	10

Cleveland	000	020	101 — 4
Baltimore	000	000	100 — 1

E—CRipken (21). DP—Cleveland 2, Baltimore 1. LOB—Cleveland 7, Baltimore 7. 2B—Ramirez (35), TFernandez (21), RPalmeiro (22), Berroa (22), Webster (7). HR—Grissom (12), Berroa (26). SB—Vizquel (42). CS—Vizquel (11), Berroa (3). S—Grissom. SF—Roberts.

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Ogea W,7-9	6	6	0	0	0	5
MJackson	1	2	1	1	0	2
Assenmacher	2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Mesa S,14	1	1-3	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Krivda L,4-1	6	1-3	9	3	3	2
Mills	1	1-3	0	0	0	1
Orosco	1	3-3	0	0	0	0
TeMathews	1	1	1	1	0	0

T—2:58. A—47,110 (48,262).

YANKEES 7, RED SOX 6

BOSTON	ab	r	hbi	NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi
Grcpnr ss	5	0	2	1 Raines dh	3	2	2
JhValtn 3b	5	1	1	0 Boggs 3b	5	0	0
MVghn 1b	5	0	0	0 O'Neill rf	2	2	1
Crdero lf	5	1	2	1 BeWms cf	5	1	2
Jffrson dh	4	1	1	1 TMrtnz 1b	4	1	1
Hslman c	3	1	2	0 Curtis lf	5	0	1
O'Lry rf	4	1	2	2 Jeter ss	4	1	3
Frye 2b	4	1	2	1 Posada c	3	0	1
MClmn cf	4	0	0	0 Fox 2b	2	0	0
				ICruz ph	1	0	0
				Snchez 2b	0	0	0
Totals	39	6	12	6 Totals	34	7	11

Boston	012	003	000 — 6
New York	004	101	001 — 7

Two outs when winning run scored.
DP—Boston 1. LOB—Boston 7, New York 10. 2B—Garciaparra (38), Cordero (24), O'Leary (32), Frye (32), Raines (16). HR—Raines (3), TMartinez (42). SB—Frye (18). S—Fox. SF—Raines.

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Saberhagen	4	5	5	5	3	1
DLowe	1 2-3	3	1	1	0	0
Mahay	1	1	0	0	0	0
Brandenburg	1	1	0	0	1	0
Corsi L,3-2	1	1	1	1	2	1
New York						
DWells	5	1-3	12	6	6	0
Boehringer	2	2-3	0	0	0	1
MRivera W,5-4	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Saberhagen (Jeter). T—3:27. A—25,873 (57,545).

BREWERS 11, WHITE SOX 10

CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi
Drham 2b	5	0	1	0 Loretta 2b	4	1	1
DaMtnz cf	5	1	2	0 JsValtn ss	3	2	1
FThms dh	5	0	1	0 Mieske ph	1	0	0
Belle lf	5	1	2	1 Huson 2b	0	0	0
Vntura 3b	4	1	1	1 Voigt 3b	3	3	2
Abbott rf	5	2	2	2 JuFrco dh	4	0	2
Fbrgas c	3	0	0	0 DrJksn lf	4	2	2
Mchado c	1	1	1	0 Banks 1b	3	2	2
MVldz 1b	4	2	2	1 Burnitz rf	4	0	2
OGuiln ss	3	2	2	3 GeWms cf	4	0	1
				Stinnett c	4	1	1
Totals	40	10	14	8 Totals	34	11	10

Chicago	100	025	020 — 10
Milwaukee	420	032	00x — 11

E—Huson (1). DP—Chicago 1. LOB—Chicago 5, Milwaukee 8. 2B—Belle 2 (43), MValdez (7), Voigt (8), Burnitz (32). 3B—OGuillen (6), Burnitz (8). HR—Abbott (1), MValdez (1), OGuillen (4), Voigt (8), DrJackson (4). SB—JsValentin (16), DrJackson 2 (4). CS—Banks (1). S—Voigt. SF—OGuillen, JuFranco.

Chicago	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Eyre L,3-4	4 1-3	7	9	9	4	3
Levine	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
NCruz	1	1	1	1	2	0
TCastillo	2	3	0	0	0	3
Milwaukee						
Eldred W,13-13	5 1-3	9	7	7	1	2
Davis	2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Fetters	1 2-3	3	2	1	0	3
DoJones S,33	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	4

Levine pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. WP—NCruz, Eldred. PB—Machado. T—3:22. A—11,013 (53,192).

NL Boxes

PADRES 4, ASTROS 3

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	hbi	HOUSTON	ab	r	hbi
OVeras 2b	4	0	2	0 Biggio 2b	5	1	1
Gomez ss	2	1	0	0 DeBell rf	4	0	0
Shipley ss	2	0	0	0 Bgwell 1b	2	1	1
Cminiti 3b	4	0	1	0 LGnzlz lf	2	0	1
GVghn lf	3	1	2	1 Esebio ph	1	0	1
CrJnes rf	4	1	2	1 JMoutn pr	0	0	0
Lee 1b	2	1	2	0 TMrtn p	0	0	0
Joyner 1b	2	0	0	0 RuJhsn ph	0	0	0
BRivra cf	4	0	1	1 Berry 3b	2	0	0
Hffman p	0	0	0	0 Spiers 3b	2	0	1
CHrndz c	4	0	1	0 Carr cf	2	0	0
PSmith p	3	0	0	0 Hidalgo cf	1	0	0
Erdos p	0	0	0	0 THwrd cf	2	0	0
RMrry p	0	0	0	0 Gterrez ss	4	0	1
Bruske p	0	0	0	0 Asmus c	2	0	1
SFinley cf	1	0	0	0 Hmptn p	2	0	0
				Hudek p	0	0	0
				Abreu lf	1	1	0

San Diego	110	110	000 — 4
Houston	001	000	200 — 3

E—Berry (15). DP—Houston 3. LOB—San Diego 7, Houston 12. 2B—Lee (3), Ausmus (25). HR—CrJones (7). SB—Biggio (40), Bagwell (29). CS—GVaughn (4), LGonzalez (7). S—RuJohnson.

San Diego	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
PSmith W,6-5	6 1-3	5	3	3	6	1
Erdos	0	0	0	0	1	0
HMurray	0 1	0	0	0	0	0
Bruske	2-3	1	0	0	1	1
Hoffman S,34	2	0	0	0	1	0
Houston						
Hampton L,13-10	4	9	4	3	3	3
Hudek	3	1	0	0	0	3
TMartin	2	1	0	0	0	2

Erdos pitched to 1 batter in the 7th, HMurray pitched to 1 batter in the 7th, Bruske pitched to 1 batter in the 8th, Hampton pitched to 3 batters in the 5th. WP—Hudek. T—3:27. A—22,566 (54,370).

METS 10, PHILLIES 5, 10 innings
First game

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi	PHILA	ab	r	hbi
McRae cf	4	2	1	1 Hudler cf	3	1	1
Alfonzo 3b	5	1	1	0 MCmgs cf	1	0	0
Gilkey lf	5	3	3	3 Mrndni 2b	5	0	1
Huskey 1b	5	3	4	3 Jffenes lf	4	1	2
Ochoa rf	5	1	3	1 Amaro lf	1	0	0
LLopez 2b	5	0	1	1 Rolen 3b	3	2	1
ACstillo c	2	0	0	0 Lbrthal c	5	0	1
Gilbert ph	0	0	0	0 Brogna 1b	5	0	2
Olerud ph	1	0	0	0 Barron rf	3	1	0
Pratt c	1	0	1	1 Stocker ss	4	0	1
ROrdnz ss	3	0	0	0 Beech p	2	0	1
Baerga 2b	2	0	0	0 Sprdlin p	0	0	0
Bhanon p	1	0	0	0 KJordn ph	1	0	0
Everett ph	1	0	0	0 Bttalico p	0	0	0
Acvedo p	0	0	0	0 Karp p	0	0	0
Hrdtke ph	1	0	0	0 Ryan p	0	0	0
Lidle p	0	0	0	0			
Mndoza ph	1	0	0	0			
MFrco ph	1	0	0	0			
Rojas p	0	0	0	0			
Totals	43	10	14	10 Totals	37	5	10

New York	000	100	220	5 — 10
Philadelphia	201	011	000	0 — 5

E—Alfonzo (11). DP—New York 1, Philadelphia 1. LOB—New York 5, Philadelphia 9. 2B—Jeffenes 2 (25), Lieberthal (26). HR—McRae (9), Gilkey 2 (18), Huskey 2 (23). SB—Hudler (1). CS—Ochoa (3), Brogna (3). S—Stocker, Beech.

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Bohanon	5	7	4	4	2	2
Acevedo	2	3	1	0	0	2
Lidle W,7-1	2	0	0	0	2	0
Rojas	1	0	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Beech	7	6	3	3	0	6
Spradlin	1	2	2	2	0	1
Bottalico	1	0	0	0	1	1
Karp L,1-1	1-3	2	3	3	1	1
Ryan	2-3	4	2	2	0	1

HBP—by Rojas (Barron). T—3:32. A—N/A (62,363).

PHILLIES 2, METS 1
Second game

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi	PHILA	ab	r	hbi
Alfonzo 3b	4	0	1	0 Hudler lf	3	0	0
Olerud 1b	4	0	0	0 MCmgs cf	0	0	0
Gilkey lf	4	1	0	0 Sefcik 2b	4	0	0
Huskey rf	4	0	1	0 Mrndni 2b	0	0	0
Mndoza pr	0	0	0	0 KJordn 1b	4	0	0
Pratt c	3	0	1	1 Gomes p	0	0	0
Ptagine ph	1	0	0	0 Karp p	0	0	0
Everett cf	3	0	0	0 Bttalico p	0	0	0
McMhl p	0	0	0	0 Rolen 3b	3	0	0
Ochoa ph	1	0	0	0 Barron rf	3	1	2
Baerga 2b	3	0	0	0 Estella c	4	1	1
ROrdnz ss	1	0	0	0 Amaro cf	3	0	1
MFrco ph	1	0	0	0 Rlaford ss	2	0	1
LLopez ss	0	0	0	0 Wnston p	2	0	1
Crwfrd p	2	0	0	0 Jffenes ph	0	0	0
McRae cf	0	0	0	0 McMlln pr	0	0	0
				Brogna 1b	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	3	1 Totals	28	2	6

New York	000	100	000 — 1
Philadelphia	020	000	00x — 2

E—Amaro (1). LOB—New York 5, Philadelphia 7. 2B—Pratt (6). CS—Barron (1). S—Relaford.

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Crawford L,2-3	6	1-3	6	2	2	3
McMichael	1	2-3	0	0	2	4
Philadelphia						
Winston W,1-0	7		1	1	0	5
Gomes	2-3		1	0	0	1
Karp	1-3		0	0	0	0
Bottalico S,30	1		1	0	0	2

HBP—by Winston (ROrdonez). T—2:21. A—14,416 (62,363).

REDS 4, CUBS 1

CINCINNATI	ab	r	hbi	CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi
Reese ss	5	1	1	0 LJhnsn cf	3	0	0
Nnnally cf	4	1	2	0 Glnville lf	4	0	0
Stynes lf	5	0	1	0 MaGrc 1b	4	0	1
Shaw p	0	0	0	0 Sosa rf	4	1	3
EduPrz 1b	5	1	2	2 Orie 3b	3	0	0
WGrne 3b	3	0	0	1 Sndbrg 2b	4	0	1
RSndrs rf	3	1	1	0 MHbrd c	3	0	0
JOlver c	4	0	0	0 Alxndr ss	3	0	1
BBoone 2b	2	0	0	0 JeGnzlz p	1	0	0
Morgan p	3	0	2	1 Bttnfld p	0	0	0
Tbnsee ph	1	0	0	0 DStvns p	0	0	0
GWhite p	0	0	0	0 Cairo ph	1	0	0
Wtkins cf	0	0	0	0 Morel p	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	9	4 Totals	30	1	6

Cincinnati	002	001	100 — 4
Chicago	010	000	000 — 1

E—JeGonzalez (2). DP—Cincinnati 2. LOB—Cincinnati 9, Chicago 5. HR—EduPerez (16), Sosa (33). SB—Nunnally (6), RSanders (11), Sosa (22). S—JeGonzalez. SF—WGreene.

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Morgan W,8-11	7	5	1	1	1	2
GWhite	1	0	0	0	1	0
Shaw S,38	1	1	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
JeGnzlz L,11-8	6	8	3	3	2	6
Bottenfield	1	1	1	1	0	0
DStevens	1	0	0	0	1	2
Morel	1	0	0	0	1	0

T—2:31. A—20,352 (38,884)

BRAVES 5, GIANTS 4

SAN FRAN	ab	r	hbi	ATLANTA	ab	r	hbi
DHmtn cf	4	1	0	0 Lofton cf	4	1	1
Aurilia ss	4	0	1	0 Blauser ss	4	0	1
Bonds lf	3	2	1	0 ChJnes 3b	4	1	0
Kent 2b	4	1	1	2 McGrff 1b	3	1	2
MLewis 3b	4	0	1	0 JLopez c	3	0	1
Beck p	0	0	0	0 AJones rf	3	0	0
GHill rf	3	0	0	0 Butista lf	3	1	1
Javier rf	1	0	0	0 GMyrs ph	1	0	0
Snow 1b	3	0	0	0 Lgtnbr p	0	0	0
BJhnsn c	3	0	1	0 Grffnno 2b	3	0	2
Estes p	3	0	0	0 Gregg ph	1	0	0
RHrndz p	0	0	0	0 Glavine p	1	0	0
Mueller 3b	0	0	0	0 Clbrnn ph	1	0	0
				Embre p	0	0	0
				Tucker lf	1	1	1
Totals	32	4	5	2 Totals	32	5	8

San Francisco	200	002	000 — 4
Atlanta	000	000	104 — 5

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Bautista (1), Glavine (1). DP—San Francisco 1, Atlanta 2. LOB—San Francisco 2, Atlanta 9. 2B—Graffanino (7). HR—Kent (28), McGriff (22). S—Glavine.

San Francisco	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Estes	7 1-3	4	1	1	6	7
RHernandez	2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Beck L,5-4	2-3	4	4	4	0	0
Atlanta						
Glavine	7	5	4	2	1	7
Embree	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lgtnbr W,1-0	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:48. A—38,641 (50,528)

PIRATES 5, EXPOS 4, 10 innings

MONTREAL	ab	r	hbi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	hbi
Grdzln ss	5	1	2	1 Wmack 2b	5	0	0
Lnsing 2b	5	1	1	0 Ward cf	4	1	2
HRdrgz lf	3	0	1	1 AMartn lf	4	1	2
Cbrera pr	0	1	0	0 EWlms 1b	3	1	1
Chavez c	0	0	0	0 Alnswrt cf	1	0	1
Segui 1b	4	0	1	0 Randa 3b	5	1	2
Fltcher c	4	0	2	1 Dnston ss	5	0	0
Mulens pr	0	0	0	0 MWlks p	0	0	0
Telford p	0	0	0	0 JGilen rf	4	0	2
RWhite cf	5	0	0	0 KYng 1b	1	1	1
Strange 3b	3	1	1	0 Kendall c	4	0	2
McGire rf	5	0	2	0 Loaiza p	3	0	1
PJMtnz p	3	0	0	0 Wllace p	0	0	0
Bennett p	0	0	0	0 Sveum ph	0	0	0
Kline p	0	0	0	0 Loiselle p	0	0	0
Flimer ph	1	0	0	0 Rincon p	0	0	0
Orsulak lf	0	0	0	0 Nunez ss	0	0	0
VGrero ph	1	0	0	0			
Vidro 3b	0	0	0	0			
Totals	39	4	10	3 Totals	39	5	14

Montreal	000	100	003	0 — 4
Pittsburgh	013	000	000	1 — 5

No outs when winning run scored.
E—PJMartinez (1). Womack (19). Kendall (11). DP—Pittsburgh 2. LOB—Montreal 11, Pittsburgh 11. 2B—Grudzielanek (51), McGuire (12), EWilliams (5), Kendall (34). HR—KYoung (17). SB—Cabrera (1), AMartin 2 (21). CS—Allensworth (7). S—Sveum.

Montreal	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
PJMartinez	7	11	4	4	2	10
Bennett	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kline	1	0	0	0	1	1
Telford L,4-6	1	2	1	1	0	1
Pittsburgh						
Loaiza	6	1-3	7	1	1	3
Wallace	1	2-3	0	0	0	2
Loiselle	1		3	3	0	0
Rincon	2-3		0	0	0	0
MWilkins W,9-5	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Bennett pitched to 1 batter in the 8th, Telford pitched to 1 batter in the 10th. HBP—by Loaiza (Fletcher). WP—PJMartinez. T—3:11. A—7,736 (47,972).

ROCKIES 7, MARLINS 1

COLORADO	ab	r	hbi	FLORIDA	ab	r	hbi
Weiss ss	4	2	2	2 Floyd cf	5	0	2
Burks cf	4	0	0	0 Rntena ss	5	0	1
LWalkr rf	4	1	2	3 Shffield rf	4	1	2
Girrga 1b	4	1	1	1 Bonilla 3b	3	0	3
Bchette lf	3	0	0	0 Daulton 1b	2	0	1
MMunz p	0	0	0	0 Alou lf	4	0	0
SReed p	0	0	0	0 CJhnsn c	3	0	0
Vn Wal ph	1	0	0	0 KMiller p	0	0	0
McCrry p	0	0	0	0 Cunsell 2b	4	0	0
Lskanic p	0	0	0	0 AFrndz p	2	0	1
Castilla 3b	4	0	1	0 Cnglosi ph	1	0	0
JeReed c	4	1	0	0 Vsberg p	0	0	0
NPerez 2b	3	1	0	0 Stnfr p	0	0	0
JmWgt p	2	0	0	0 Natal c	0	0	0
McCkn cf	1	1	1	1 Esnnch ph	1	0	1
Totals	34	7	7	7 Totals	34	1	11

Colorado	000	100	240 — 7
Florida	100	000	000 — 1

E—Daulton 2 (5). DP—Colorado 4, Florida 1. LOB—Colorado 1, Florida 10. HR—Weiss (4), LWalker (44), Galarraga (37). CS—Castilla (4), Floyd (2), Rentena (15).

Colorado	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
JmWgt W,7-11	6	9	1	1	2	4
MMunoz	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
SReed	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
McCurry	1	0	0	0	2	1
Leskanic	1	1	0	0	0	0
Florida						
AFrndz L,17-11	7	4	3	3	0	4
Vosberg	0	2	4	2	1	0
Stanifer	1	1	0	0	0	0
KMiller	1	0	0	0	0	2

Vosberg pitched to 4 batters in the 8th. WP—Vosberg. Balk—Vosberg. T—3:12. A—19,148 (41,855).

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
y-Baltimore	91	57	.615	—	z-4-6	L-1	43-30	48-27	8-7
New York	85	63	.574	6	6-4	W-2	41-31	44-32	5-10
Boston	73	76	.490	18 1/2	6-4	L-1	36-40	37-36	6-9
Detroit	73	76	.490	18 1/2	z-7-3	W-1	41-34	32-42	8-7
Toronto	71	78	.477	20 1/2	z-6-4	L-1	38-37	33-41	4-11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Cleveland	79	67	.541	—	z-6-4	W-1	41-33	38-34	9-6
Milwaukee	73	75	.493	7	z-3-7	W-1	44-29	29-46	8-7
Chicago	73	77	.487	8	4-6	L-2	42-33	31-44	8-7
Kansas City	60	86	.411	19	z-4-6	L-1	30-44	30-42	6-9
Minnesota	60	87	.408	19 1/2	3-7	W-1	32-43	28



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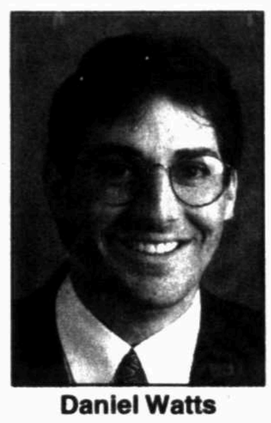
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Daniel Watts

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Traditional IRAs. These have been expanded in three important ways:

1. Current income limits for making a deductible IRA contribution would be raised, beginning at $30,000 for single individuals ($50,000 for marrieds) in 1998 and increasing to $50,000 for single for 2005 and thereafter ($80,000 for marrieds filing jointly for 2007 and thereafter).

2. The annual contribution limit to an IRA for nonworking spouses increased from $250 to $2,000 effective January 1, 1997. What's more, the new legislation states that an individual will not be considered an active participant in an employer-sponsored plan solely because his or her spouse is an active participant. However, the maximum deductible IRA contribution for an individual who is not an active participant, but whose spouse is one, is phased out for taxpayers with Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) between $150,000 and $160,000.

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3. Exceptions will be provided to the 10 percent early withdrawal tax for distributions from IRAs for first-time home buyer expenses up to $10,000 (lifetime cap), as well as higher-education expenses, effective with the tax years beginning after December 31, 1997.

Roth IRAs. The new tax law creates a "back-loaded" IRA called the Roth IRA. Contributions would not be deductible but distributions, if certain requirements are met, will be tax-free. Full contributions to a Roth IRA are permitted if the contributor's AGI is below $95,000 if single, or below $150,000 if married. Contributions to Roth IRAs are phased out for individuals with AGI beginning at $95,000 and joint filers with AGI beginning at $150,000. This is effective with tax years beginning after 12/31/97.

Education IRAs. The legislation also creates a new "Education IRA" that can be established for any child under the age of 18 to cover qualified higher education expenses. Annual contributions are nondeductible and are limited to $500 per beneficiary. However, distributions used to pay for qualified education expenses of the beneficiary (or certain family members) will be tax-free. The $500 contribution limit is phased out for individuals with AGI beginning at $95,000 and joint filers with AGI beginning at $150,000. This becomes effective for distributions after 12/31/97.

Small Business Owners. Employers with 100 or fewer employees can establish a "Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees" (SIMPLE) Plan. This new retirement plan can be set up in two ways—as a SIMPLE IRA or SIMPLE 401(k) plan. Both will be exempt from previously cumbersome nondiscrimination testing and top-heavy rules, as long as certain employer matching or non-elective contributions are made.

Smith Barney has a special report to help you understand some of the provisions of the new legislation and its effect on your current and future financial security. Please contact me for a copy of "The Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997: 12 Strategies to Consider Now."

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It was nearly closing time when Joe thought he heard music coming from a distance. "That's funny, I thought I turned off the radio," he mused.

The music persisted—a deep, honey-sounding bass voice—singing a song that gradually became clearer.

"I got a rainbow
Over my shoulder," sang the voice.

At last the voice was outside the door of Jib's. The door flew open. The entire doorway was filled by an African-American man with a Grand Canyon-size grin on his face and a glistening sledge hammer, shining like a rainbow, on his shoulder.

"I'm a steel drivin' man," he announced in deep tones that resonated through the building. "Name's John Henry."

"I'm a Texas-vittles-servin' man," Joe replied. "Name's Joe Harper."

"Pleased to meet'cha," John Henry said as he stepped up to the order window.

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Joe allowed as how he was up to the challenge. He popped those freshly-battered fillets into the fryer, cooking 'em up to a flaky, tender, golden brown. Then he added cole slaw, hush puppies, fries and pinto beans.

John Henry was setting his napkin down, his plate polished clean, when Joe next approached him. "Mister," John Henry smiled, "after a dee-lightful meal like this, I believe I could lay about 600 miles of track without stoppin'. I'm glad this here town has a railroad; I'll work this route any time I can. I can shore 'nuff see why your legend is growin'."

"It's the food, not me," Joe smiled, modestly.

As John Henry stood to his full, muscular height to be on his way, Joe asked, "Where are you headed now?"

"Pittsburgh," John Henry replied. "Meetin' two fellers named Barry and Jerry. Heard they might need help up there drivin' some steel."

"Think you missed 'em," Joe said. "That was only about a three hour job, and it was over with a couple of weeks ago."

"Too bad," John Henry allowed. "But I guess I could stay around here and enjoy a few more catfish dinners at your place here before I find my next steel-drivin' job."

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Judi Guttormsen, owner of The Crazy Stamper, shows how creative rubber stamping can adorn scrapbooks and handmade greeting cards.

The Crazy Stamper is located in the Plaza Oaks Shopping Center on the southeast corner of Wadley and Garfield.. Store hours are 10-5:30 Tuesday through Saturday. The phone number is 682-1464.

Tech not regarding North Texas lightly

Associated Press

The Texas Tech Red Raiders lost to Tennessee in their opener and then had an open week before beating Southwestern Louisiana 59-14 on Saturday. They'll enjoy their win, but not for too long.

"It's nice to win for a change," coach Spike Dykes said. "Open dates after losing to Tennessee tend to get long and I thought our guys reacted well. We made a lot of good improvement from the first game and we needed to improve."

The Raiders host North Texas this week and Dykes remembers their last encounter. He promises that his team won't take the Eagles lightly.

"The last time we played North Texas in this stadium we were favored pretty good and they beat us every way you can," Dykes said. "In college football today, if you don't play well, you get beat."

OKLAHOMA (1-1, 0-0)

Coach John Blake blamed the Big 12's rough start this season on the even distribution of talent around the nation.

"I wasn't surprised with some of the things that were done," Blake said. "Right now, there's just a lot of parity in college football. Teams have to execute to have a chance to win.

"I think Texas is still strong. There are a lot of reasons for winning and losing and it's not always the best team. It's too early to tell."

OKLAHOMA STATE (3-0, 1-0)

The defense came up with five sacks as the Cowboys blanked Fresno State 35-0 for their first 3-0 start since 1988. It's got the team thinking more seriously about goals it set before the season started. "We talked about all that at the beginning of the season," coach Bob Simmons said. "Starting 3-0 just makes it more of a reality of what our goals are and the possibilities. Now you want to stay focused and stay on track.

"We've always said we want to be seven-plus (victories) and go to a bowl game. We've just got to stay in that mode."

TEXAS A&M (1-0, 0-0)

Texas A&M was upset by Southwestern Louisiana a year ago en route to a 6-6 year for the Aggies. They haven't forgotten.

"Our team played down there last year and had eight turnovers," coach R.C. Slocum said. "They pretty much embarrassed us and we're looking forward to getting a chance to play them again."

With the Big 12 getting off to a slow start, the loss-free Aggies aren't thinking about stepping in as the league standard bearer.

"We certainly haven't thought about that at all," Slocum said. "We haven't done anything at this point to be able to stick our chest out and get out in front."

BAYLOR (1-1, 0-0)

If there's anything good about playing Miami and Michigan in the first three games, Baylor coach Dave Roberts has found it.

"It's probably not the best way to open, but down the road it will help," Roberts said. "Maybe it's not good to get pounded by Miami and then go play Michigan. But it's a good opportunity and that's not bad. It gives us a chance to see where our program needs to go."

Kansas captures Big 12 Player of the Week citations

DALLAS — Two of this week's three Big 12 football players of the week suit up for Kansas, which dumped Missouri 15-7 on Saturday.

Offensive player honors go to Kansas running back Eric Vann. The defensive winner is Jayhawks outside linebacker Ron Warner.

Vann had a career best 137 yards on 23 rushing attempts. Warner contributed four tackles, four quarterback hurries and one quarterback sack.

Same state, different school for the special-teams honor as Kansas State free safety Lamar Chapman took the citation. Chapman had 17 tackles for the Wildcats, plus he tied the Big 12 punt-return distance record with a 94-yarder.

■ Big 12 South Notes

Mackovic can't watch Longhorn horror show

By Chip Brown
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — Monday morning had rolled around, and John Mackovic still didn't know what to do.



Two days after Texas was humiliated 66-3 by UCLA, the Longhorns coach didn't know what do do with his game film.

"There are times you want to show the players and say, 'Here are your mistakes,' " Mackovic said Monday. "Other times you just want to throw the film in the wastebasket and say, 'We can't learn anything from this.' "

One thing's for sure, all the teams left on Texas' schedule will want the film of the second-worst overall loss and worst home defeat in the 105-year history of Texas football, and Mackovic said he would send it out.

What else could you do with a game that's being called "Rout 66" and the "Massacre at Royal-Memorial Stadium."

Answering critics who are blaming Mackovic for failing to motivate the team for Saturday's game, the coach said, "I try to share as much, when we win, with other people, but the bottom line is the buck stops here. That final responsibility always rests on the shoulders of the head coach.

"I think others are responsible to the head coach, the assistant coaches and players. They are responsible to carry out their part of it. But the highest responsibility is always the head coach, and I accept that. I'm very disappointed. It hurts personally."

Mackovic said he told the team all week that UCLA was much better than its 0-2 record and he had made a priority of winning all the team's games in September. The Longhorns (1-1) have been early-season disappointments in six years under Mackovic, going 10-10-3 in nonconference games.

Several players defended Mackovic.

"I don't think blame can be put on any ne person," said linebacker Dusty Renfro. "We all want the same thing, and we all blew it this time."

Texas players wouldn't say so, but there was a sense among UCLA players that the Longhorns were overconfident.

"They didn't seem to think we were any good," said Bruins linebacker Danjuan Magee.

Once UCLA (1-2) turned two Texas turnovers into touchdowns in a 20-second span and went up 24-0 early in the second quarter, the Longhorns went into shock, said senior center Ryan Fiebiger.

"All the guys on this team came from good high school programs, and no one is used to falling behind so badly in a game," he said. "I think things got out of hand, and then we couldn't turn things around because everyone was in a state of shock."

Linebacker Dwight Kirkpatrick said the team's confidence is shaken.

"How can it not be?" he said. "I think it will remain shaken until we come out and play again and show we can play better than we did."

The Longhorns now have two weeks to think about the school's worst loss since a 68-0 defeat by the University of Chicago in 1904, when touchdowns counted for only five points. Texas has an off-week, then plays at Rice on Sept. 27.

When the two last met, in Houston in 1994, Rice beat then 12th-ranked Texas 19-17. It was the Owls' first victory over the Longhorns in 29 years.

"The good news is, when you play as bad as we did, it can't get any worse," Kirkpatrick said. "It has to get better from here."

Colorado suffering from knee injuries incurred at Michigan

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Adding injury to insult, Colorado counted three knee injuries to players in last weekend's 27-3 beating at the hands of Michigan.

Free safety Ryan Sutter will undergo arthroscopic surgery Tuesday to repair torn cartilage and may be back in uniform in time for Colorado's return to action Sept. 27 against Wyoming, coach Rick Neuheisel said Monday.

Two other Buffs suffered sprained medial collateral ligament knee injuries in the Michigan game. Guard Aaron Wade is expected to be sidelined two weeks. Tackle Shane Cook will probably be out three weeks.

Backup quarterback Jeremy Weisinger, sidelined since August when a weight-room accident broke a leg bone and dislocated an ankle, will have screws removed from that injured ankle on Tuesday. Weisinger is expected back by the end of October.

As for the blowout loss to Michigan, Neuheisel said, "We have two weeks to work on getting closer to where we want to be and we're all going to try to be positive about it." Colorado isn't the only Big 12 foe paying a visit to Ann Arbor this month. Michigan will play host to Baylor this Saturday afternoon.

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The Midland High School Football Booster Club will meet every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the MHS Cafeteria. All MHS supporters are welcome...

The Midland Lee Football Booster Club meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Lee Youth Center and will continue until the end of the season. The meeting is open to Lee Booster Club members only...

The Midland High Soccer Booster Club is holding its meetings in Conference Room A at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of each month through April...

Texas Tech football luncheons will be held each week at the Outback Steakhouse at 11:30 a.m. Luncheons will be held on the following days. North Texas, Sept. 19; Baylor, Oct. 1; Kansas, Oct. 10; Nebraska, Oct. 15; Texas A&M, Oct. 24; Kansas State, Oct. 31; Texas, Nov. 5; Oklahoma State, Nov. 12; and Oklahoma, Nov. 21...

Tennis...

The upcoming schedule for the **Midland Tennis Club** is as follows: Sept. 27-28, men's doubles and women's singles club championships; Oct. 11-12, Mixed Doubles club championship...

The West Texas Seniors Tennis Circuit kicks off in Lubbock Sept. 20-21 for players in age divisions 35-49 and 50 and over. Singles and doubles will be played in both divisions. The circuit will stop in Midland Oct. 4-5 and in Abilene Nov. 1-2. Players will receive West Texas rankings at the end of the sessions from the USTA. For more information, call David Hester at (806) 744-7839...

Softball...

The Blue Diamonds girls fast pitch softball team, ages 18-under, will be conducting tryouts with a team meeting for parents on Sept. 21 at Hogan Park, field 4, at 2 p.m...

Golf...

The 34th Midland Women's City Golf Tournament is Oct. 13-16. Contestants must be a resident of Midland for a minimum of 30 days and have an established handicap. Qualifying is for placement in championship and first flights. The deadline for entry to the four-course tournament is noon, Oct. 10. Entry fee is $30 and does not include a cart. For more information, call Emily Goodfellow at 684-5042, or Karin Sanford at 697-2649...

McCamey Country Club will host the following tournaments: Ona Lee Sharp Classic (Four-Lady Select), Sept. 20, $35 per person. Three-person 18-hole select shot tournament, Oct. 18, $35 per person. Call 1-915-652-8904 for more information...

The Big Spring Country Club's WGA/MGA Tournament Schedule for 1997: Sept. 27-28 Two Man Scramble; Oct. 25-26 Two Man Scramble (combined team age of 80 & over). For more information, call (915) 627-5354...

The Martin County Country Club of Stanton will host the following tournaments: Three-Person Scramble, Sept. 20-21; Jack and Jill Scramble, Oct. 18-19. For more information call 915-756-2556 or 915-756-2314...

The 34th annual Midland Woman's City Golf Tournament is Oct. 13-16. The tournament had previously been held during the last week in July. For more information, contact Emily Goodfellow at 684-5042...

Manor Park is hosting its third annual tournament Sept. 19 at Hogan Park Golf Course. The tournament is a four-person scramble with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The entry fee is $45 per person, including a cart, green fee and lunch. Deadline for entry is Sept 12. For more information, call Tracy Lasater at 689-9898...

The Andrews County Golf Course is holding a four-man scramble Oct. 4-5. Entry is $55 per man with carts extra and free range balls. For more information, call Alan Pursley's Golf Shop at (915) 524-1462...

Hogan Park is hosting its second annual Pulling the Wagon tournament Saturday, Oct. 11 beginning at noon. Entry deadline for the tournament, which is a handicapped two-person scramble, is Oct. 3. There will be three flights with prizes awarded for each flight. The entry fee is $50 and two cans of food per player. For more information, call Michelle Patton at 520-1608 or Abby Salinas at 520-1638...

Aquatics...

Summer Diving Program is taking place at the Mabee Aquatic Center. Diving lessons for ages 11 and under and from ages 12 to 15 is available. Classes are conducted in five two-week sessions. Participants must be able to swim in deep water. Cost is $38 for ages 11 and under and $50 per person for ages 12-15. A competitive diving team for all ages is also offered. This is a year-round competitive diving team which will travel to in- and out-of-state competitions. Participants must have coaches approval and tryouts are available. Monthly coaching fees also vary depending on the group the athlete is in...

Pre-competit ve swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $35 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Julie Harvey at 684-7755...

Volleyball...

Registration for **YMCA youth volleyball** for boys and girls in grades 3-8 is underway. The fee is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

The **YMCA Adult Volleyball league** begins Oct. 14. There will be three divisions (Co-ed, Women, and Men), and the registration deadline is Oct. 4. The program fee is $125. Call the YMCA for more information at 682-2551...

The Midland Volleyball Program is holding its annual informational meeting for its upcoming season Sept. 28 at 2:30 p.m. at the HealthSouth facility at the corner of Loop 250 and 191. Information regarding coaches, tryouts and applications will be handed out. For more information, call 694-1182 or 570-6700...

Basketball...

The **Midwest September Slam** is scheduled for boys Sept. 20 at Oklahoma Christian University in Edmond, Okla. The event is open to high school and junior college players who want to be seen by college coaches around the country. For more information, call (405) 377-HOOP or 372-5109...

The **2nd Annual 5 on 5 tourney** is taking place at 8 a.m., Sept. 27 at Brownfield High School. Entry fee is $120 (men) and $100 (women). Deadline to enter is Sept. 25 by 5 p.m. For more information contact Kenneth Lawrence, M-F (806) 637-7838 between 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Bowling...

The **Midland Women's Bowling Association** is holding its fall meeting Saturday, Oct. 11 at 3 p.m. in the meeting room at AMF/Midland Park Lanes. All Midland women bowlers are invited.

Miscellaneous...

The Flatlanders Ski Club is planning the following trips: Breckenridge, Colo. Nov. 26-29; Steamboat Colo., Jan. 14-18, 1998; Telluride, Colo., Feb. 18-22, 1998; Lake Louise, Canada, March 22-29, 1998 and New Zealand, July 24-Aug. 1, 1998...

The **Midland Wrestling Club** is a non-profit group of athletes participating in Olympic freestyle and collegiate wrestling. For more information, call Larry at 685-0531...

The **Midland Friends of NRA Committee** is holding a fund-raising dinner Oct. 2 at the Petroleum Club of Midland at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost $20 apiece and are available by calling 682-2473. The dinner will be followed by an auction and drawings for door prizes...

Skater Hamilton about to return from cancer

By Barry Wilner
AP Sports Writer

During all those days of retreat, during all those weeks of pain, treatment and recovery, Scott Hamilton never doubted he would make it back to the ice. He's almost there.

Hamilton was diagnosed with testicular cancer last March. He underwent chemotherapy treatments that so weakened the perpetually energetic figure skating champion he could barely get out of bed.

But by midsummer, the tumor that was twice the size of a grapefruit had shrunk to pea-size.

After surgery to remove a testicle, Hamilton slowly began the process of full healing, which won't be complete until he is back on the ice — doing all the magical things that made him, well, Scott Hamilton.

"I knew going through this it would not help anyone or help me to be out there, so I became really reclusive," Hamilton said during a conference call Monday. "The more I withdrew myself, the less I would burden people with my situation. So I was out of sight and out of touch for a long time.

"I really wanted to consider this a very short and temporary part of my life. I never will focus on the negatives."

For an Olympic champion who has become perhaps the most popular skater ever, Hamilton, 39, has had his share of negatives.

A childhood illness prevented him from participating in sports and stunted his growth. His mother died of cancer. During the worst struggles in his treatment, Hamilton drew strength from wherever he could find it.

"I don't know if it was anything specific," he said. "It was just everything I've been through and my experiences with family and friends. My mother died of cancer and I saw what she went through and saw how brave she was and that was a major factor in facing it without crumbling. That was a great source of inspiration.

"Another is I just don't like losing. I understand if someone is better than me on a day, OK. But this is one thing doctors said is treatable, and pretty much the more I participate and the more confidence I have and the more optimistic I am, the more likely I would come through this without any residual effects.



AP Laserphoto

During all those days of retreat, during all those weeks of pain, treatment and recovery, Scott Hamilton, shown in this 1993 photo never doubted he would make it back to the ice. He's almost there.

"The doctors are a lot smarter than I am. They didn't negotiate their high school diplomas. I did."

As always, Hamilton tinges everything with humor. He does so in his performances, particularly the Discover Stars On Ice tour, which begins its 12th season in November in Lake Placid, N.Y., where he fully expects to be thrilling crowds once more.

On Tuesday, Hamilton was set to travel to Simsbury, Conn., where the Stars On Ice cast — including Kristi Yamaguchi, Kurt Browning, Paul Wylie and Ekaterina Gordeeva — was beginning rehearsals. He isn't quite ready to join them, having only recently begun doing double lutzes as he retrains himself and rebuilds his stamina.

But he definitely plans to be on the ice with them when the tour gets going.

"I want to retire on my terms," Hamilton said. "I don't want this episode to stop me from skating. When I no longer enjoy it, I will stop. I was really enjoying it last year, having a great year. I love my job and that is inspiration enough.

"I know for the last 29 years being a skater and to see people and be able to entertain them means a great deal to me and it has given me pride and pleasure, and I'm not ready to give that up. I have the opportunity to entertain and it's one I take very seriously.

"I feel more at home on the ice than I do at home. For me, heaven is on the ice."

Houston Marathon will serve as Olympic trial

HOUSTON (AP) — The women's division of the Houston Marathon will carry the added significance of hosting the USA Track and Field national championship and also serve as the first qualifier for the 2000 Olympic Trials.

The 25th Houston event is scheduled Jan. 18 over a marathon that weaves through downtown Houston.

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McGrady signs with Raptors, sets lofty goals

Associated Press

TORONTO — Having signed with the Toronto Raptors, Tracy McGrady is looking ahead to more pressing issues such as winning the NBA's slam-dunk competition and rookie of the year award.

"I really think I have a good chance of winning (slam dunk title)," the Raptors' first-round draft pick, No. 9 overall, said Monday. "Whatever you want I can give to you, that's all I can say.

"The rookie of the year award thing is for me to play my best. If I do produce on the court, I can get more minutes to showcase my skills so then I can shoot for rookie of the year."

Lofty expectations for an 18-year-old who last season was playing high school basketball. But McGrady hopes to follow in the footsteps of Kobe Bryant and Kevin Garnett, former high school stars who successfully made the jump to the NBA with the Los Angeles Lakers and Minnesota Timberwolves, respectively.

"Kobe is one of my best friends and he told me there are going to be times when I feel down because I'm not playing much," McGrady said. "He told me to stay focused because my day will come."

■ NBA Roundup

McGrady averaged 27.5 points, 8.7 rebounds and 7.7 assists in leading Mt. Zion Christian Academy in Durham, N.C., to a 26-2 record.

The 6-foot-8 swingman signed a three-year, $4.7 million contract with Toronto, the most allowed under the NBA salary cap. Prior to the draft he agreed to a $12 million endorsement deal with Adidas.

But McGrady didn't rush out to buy a car with his newfound wealth. Instead, he purchased a house for his grandmother and a home and car for his mother.

"The money is always going to be there so it's not something I'm going to worry about," McGrady said.

Judge orders search warrant of Shinn's home released

YORK, S.C. — Concerns about privacy and media exposure aren't enough to keep a search warrant of Charlotte Hornets owner George Shinn's Tega Cay home sealed following a woman's allegation of sexual misconduct, a judge decided Monday.

Circuit Judge John Hayes III, however, stayed his order until Tuesday evening to give lawyers a chance to appeal.

Lawyers for Shinn and a woman who has filed a report with Charlotte, N.C., police told Hayes the warrant information would cause irreparable harm to the privacy and reputation of the man identified in court as "John Doe" and his accuser, a woman known as "Jane Doe."

John Doe's lawyers also argued that his right to a fair trial would be hurt by media exposure. But John Doe can't argue he would be hurt because of media interest, Hayes said.

"The fact that a particular case may take on a high profile does not in and of itself create such probability," Hayes said, citing examples of O.J. Simpson found not guilty, Susan Smith spared the death penalty and William Kennedy Smith found not guilty.

John Doe also cannot say that the contents of the warrant will hurt his chances of a fair trial, Hayes said. The media already has reported the nature of the allegations and a suspect, he said.

Jane Doe has no right to privacy because she started the process, Hayes said. John Doe lost the right to privacy because he was named in the search warrant, which is a public document, the judge said.

Media lawyers argued that search warrants are public documents, and this case should not be treated differently than any other.

"It is the openness that gives the public confidence that the rules are being applied fairly and evenhandedly, no matter what the station in life of the person who is implicated in the records," said lawyer Jay Bender, who represented The Associated Press, The (Rock Hill) Herald and the South Carolina Press Association.

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The contest begins Saturday on September 20th at Cheers, call 335-8284 and Cactus Moon at 12:00, call 520-0057. Local Semi-finals will be on Saturday October 25th.
Contestants must be 18 years or older to enter, with valid proof of I.D. Contestants may enter as many local contests as they wish, but once they have been named a semi-finalist, they may not enter any other competition. There will be five weekly contests with a cash prize to be given to each of three weekly winners. No Entry Fee.
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NYS
MOST ACTIVE
Name Vol (00
SaraLee 9629
PhilMor s 8663
Corningin 8613
AT&T s 7260
CoHCA s 4747
GAINERS ($
Name Last
AsiaPR 4½
BeaconPr 42⅝
SaraLee 48⅜
MBC 107⅛
ManorCr s 34¼
LOSERS ($
Name Last
K2 Inc 23⅜
Paracels 5⅛
OSulvInd 12⅞
Alphrm rt 5
EKodak 60
DIA
Advanced
Declined
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Total issues
New Highs
New Lows
Volume
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.90a ACMIn 10¹¹
.90 ACM Sc
.57 ACMSp 6
1.35 ACMMD 14
ACNiels n
ACX Tech 26⅜
AES Cp s 41
1.48 AFLAC 54⅛
.64 AGCO 34¾
.80 AK Steel u47⅝
AMR 114⅝
.40 APL Ltd 32¾
APT Sat n
2.80 ARCOCh 43⅜
1.20 ASA Ltd 29⅝
1.32 AT&T s u44¾
.24 AVX Cp 33¾
.15 Aames s 17
1.88 AbtLab 61⅜
AberFit n 26
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1.15e AFPProv
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Aeroflex u9⅜
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Andrea u44
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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SaraLee	96293	48 9/16	+6
PhilMor s	86639	41 3/16	-1 7/16
CorningIn	86138	41	-1
AT&T s	72606	44 3/16	+1 3/8
ColHCA s	47472	28 5/16	-5/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AsiaPR	4 1/2	+1	+28.6
BeacnPr	42 5/8	+6	+16.4
SaraLee	48 9/16	+6	+14.1
MBC	10 7/8	+1	+10.1
ManorCr s	34 1/4	+3 1/8	+10.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
K2 Inc	23 13/16	-4 13/16	-16.8
Paracels	5 11/16	-5/8	-9.9
OSulvInd	12 7/8	-1 5/16	-9.3
Alphrm rt	5	-1/2	-9.1
EKodak	60	-5 1/2	-8.4

DIARY

Advanced	1,545
Declined	1,292
Unchanged	566
Total issues	3,403
New Highs	280
New Lows	13
Volume	571,103,580

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	20605	92 1/2	-5/32
TubMex	14799	23 11/16	+1 5/8
FAusPr	14744	8 7/16	-1/16
Nabors	10904	40 1/4	+1
DI Ind	9472	7 3/16	+5/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EssxBc	5 9/16	+1 1/8	+25.4
ecVIS Hld	5 7/16	+1 1/16	+24.3
Nstor n	2 1/4	+3/8	+20.0
GnAuto	2 7/16	+3/8	+18.2
GnMicr	9 1/2	+1 3/8	+16.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BSNk wt97	4 1/4	-1/2	-10.5
BethCp	2 1/8	-1/4	-10.5
SpatialT n	2 1/4	-1/4	-10.0
EXX A	3 1/8	-5/16	-9.1
AirWat	3 1/8	-5/16	-9.1

DIARY

Advanced	306
Declined	277
Unchanged	161
Total issues	744
New Highs	64
New Lows	37
Volume	32,404,910

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Ascend	337202	32 1/2	-2 3/4
Microsft s	1612551	130 1/16	-7 1/4
Cisco	87734	69 3/4	-2 1/2
Intel s	83064	92 1/16	-2 3/16
3Com	67867	48 15/16	-1 3/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Questa	15 5/8	+4 3/8	+38.9
IPL Sy	2 3/4	+1 1/16	+33.3
WhtePne n	3 3/4	+7/8	+30.4
Telesft	4 1/8	+7/8	+26.9
NAI Tc wt	2 1/8	+7/16	+25.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BellTch wt	2 11/16	-1 3/4	-39.4
ActTele wt	2 7/8	-1 1/8	-28.1
IntgSrg wt	2	-3/4	-27.3
Infosafe	2	-5/8	-23.8
CrrcS wtA	6 1/4	-1 3/4	-21.9

DIARY

Advanced	2,143
Declined	2,044
Unchanged	1,537
Total issues	5,724
New Highs	383
New Lows	37
Volume	663,570,400

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.
Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ...

Tuesday

Div	Name	Last	Chg
.44	ACE Ltd	34 7/8	-1/8
1.10	ACMin	9 1/4	+1/8
.60	ACM Op	7 1/4	
1.10	ACM Sc	9	-1/8
1/8	ACMSp	7 1/8	

Wednesday

PE	PPE	Name	Last	Chg
8	9	ACE Ltd	34 7/8	-1/8
17	19	ACMin	9 1/4	+1/8
5		ACM Op	7 1/4	
12	10	ACM Sc	9	-1/8
1	1	ACMSp	7 1/8	

Thursday

Thr	Name	Last	Chg
Air	ACE Ltd	34 7/8	-1/8
ACL	ACMin	9 1/4	+1/8
AOG	ACM Op	7 1/4	
AQF	ACM Sc	9	-1/8
1/8pr	ACMSp	7 1/8	

Friday

YTD	Name	Last	Chg
+2.3	ACE Ltd	34 7/8	-1/8
+0.2	ACMin	9 1/4	+1/8
-3.0	ACM Op	7 1/4	
-0.2	ACM Sc	9	-1/8
1/8pr	ACMSp	7 1/8	

Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S.$. n – New issue in past 52 weeks. q – Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-week high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i– Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p – Initial dividend, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

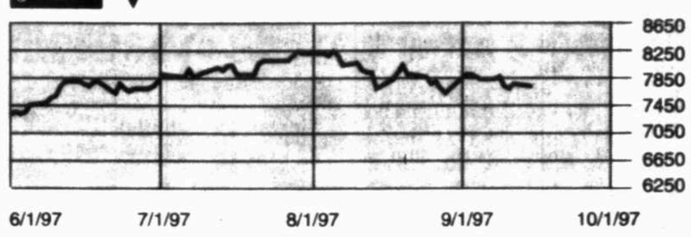
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MARKET ROUNDUP

September 15, 1997

Dow Jones ▼ 7721.14 -21.83

High	7832.86	Highest close	8,259.31
Low	7680.95	August 6, 1997	



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
8,299.49	5,659.86	Dow Jones Industrials	7,721.14	-21.83	-.28	+19.74	+31.11
3,047.21	2,015.95	Dow Jones Transportation	3,075.26	+36.28	+1.19	+36.33	+48.57
243.29	208.98	Dow Jones Utilities	240.29	+.69	+.29	+3.34	+9.18
498.81	352.67	NYSE Composite	482.60	-.70	-.14	+23.02	+32.07
672.34	541.02	Amex Index	674.66	+2.35	+.35	+17.88	+18.78
1,659.37	1,139.39	Nasdaq Composite	1,634.92	-14.41	-.87	+26.64	+36.93
964.17	655.68	S&P 500	919.77	-4.14	-.45	+24.17	+34.47
440.09	334.09	Russell 2000	440.17	+.08	+.02	+21.39	+28.60
9,110.42	6,515.51	Wilshire 5000	8,919.32	-20.79	-.23	+23.91	+33.07

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Div	Name	Last	Chg
	A-B-C		
.56e	ABN Am n	19 9/16	-1/4
.90a	ACMIn	10 11/16	...
.90	ACM Sc	10	+1/8
.57	ACMSp	6 3/8	-1/16
1.35	ACMMD	14 7/16	+1/16
...	ACNiels n	23	-1/16
...	ACX Tech	26 5/16	-1/4
...	AES Cp s	41 7/16	-9/16
.48	AFLAC	54 5/16	...
.64	AGCO	34 3/4	+3/8
.80	AK Steel	47 5/16	-5/8
...	AMR	114 15/16	+5/16
.40	APL Ltd	32 3/16	-1/16
...	APT Sat n	15	+1/4
2.80	ARCOCh	43 9/16	+3/8
1.20	ASA Ltd	29 5/16	-3/16
1.32	AT&T s	44 3/16	+1 3/8
.24	AVX Cp	33 3/16	-1/2
.43	Aames s	17 5/8	-1/8
1.88	AbtLab	61 13/16	-3/16
...	AberFit n	26 7/16	-7/16
.40	Abitibi g	16 7/8	+9/16
...	AccuSti	28 1/16	+5/8
...	Acuson	26 13/16	-13/16
1.72e	AdaEx	24	+1/16
1.15e	AFPProv	19	-1/16
...	AMD	34	-1 1/2
.80	Aetna Inc	103 1/16	+1 1/16
4.76	Aetna pfC	93 3/4	+3/4
...	AffCmpS s	27 3/4	+5/16
.11	Agnium g	12 15/16	-3/8
.88	Ahmans	54 9/16	-1/16
.32e	Ahold s	25	-1/4
1.20	AirProd	86 3/16	+13/16
.30	AirFrt	53 1/2	-7/16
...	Airgas	18 9/16	-3/16
...	AirTouch	36 3/8	+1/2
1.74	AirTch pfB	33 3/8	+3/8
...	AiskAir	30 5/8	+1/8
.42	Albnyln	26 3/4	-1/16
.36	Albemar u	26 13/16	-3/16
.20	Alberto s	29 1/2	-5/16
.64	Albertsn	33 1/2	-1/16
.60	Alcan	34 1/16	+1/2
.34e	Alcatel	27 3/4e	+1 5/16
1.72	AligPow	29 3/4	+3/8
.64	AlliegTeldy u	32 1/4	-3/16
.40	Allegnc n	30 1/16	-7/16
...	AllenTel u	26 15/16	+5/8
.52	Allergn	33 3/4	-7/16
1.53	AlltWrld	u17 1/4	+3/16
1.42a	AlltWrld2	14 11/16	+1/16
.14	AldSgnl	85 1/16	+1/16
.20	AlimrFn	41 5/16	+7/16
.96	Allstate	72 5/8e	-1 5/16
1.10	Alltel	32 1/16	+1/16
.18	Alpharma	21 7/16	-5/16
...	AlpineGr	14 9/16	-1/16
...	Alumax	39 3/4	...
1.00	Alcoa	80 1/16	+1 1/2
...	Alza	28 11/16	+5/16
...	AmaxG	6 3/16	-1/16
.36	AmbacF s	40	+7/16
1.60	AmbssApt	23 11/16	-3/16
.60	AmHes	59 5/8	-13/16
...	AmOnline	75 5/16	-4 5/8
...	AmWest	15	+1/8
...	AWest wt	5 3/4	+3/16
.44	ABankrs s	33 11/16	-1/16
2.40	AEP	45 5/8	+1/16
.90	AmExp	76 7/8	-13/16
1.40	AGenCp	49 13/16	-1 1/16
1.68	AHome	73 1/4	-
3 11/16			
.30	AmIntG s	100 3/16	+1/2
...	AmRadio	49 7/8	+1/2
...	AmStd	41 5/16	+1/2
.38	AmStor s	24 3/4	...
.44	AmSIP2	11 11/16	+1/16
.99	AmSIP3	11 5/16	...
...	AWste	1 3/4	...
.78	AmWtr	21 7/16	-3/16
...	Amercrd	u29 7/16	...
2.20	Amerigas	25 1/2	-1/16
...	AmerqTc	1/4	...
2.26	Ameritch	63 5/16	-1
2.80	Amoco	96 9/16	+1/8
1.04	AMP	52 5/16	+1/8
1.12	AmSouth su	48 7/16	+1 3/16
1.32	AmvestF	25 1/16	+5/16
.88	AmwyAs	30 7/8	-3/16
.30	Anadrk	71 9/16	+5/16
...	Analog s	33 1/2	-5/16
.96	Angelic	18 3/16	-1/16
1.04f	Anheus	44 1/2	+1/2
13p	Anixter	16 5/8	+1/16
...	AnnTayl	15 7/16	-5/16
1.04	Aon Cp s	51 5/16	-5/16
.28	Apache	40 9/16	+3/16
1.85	Aptinv	u34 1/16	...
...	ApplMg	32 3/16	-5/16
.12	ApldPw	59	-3/16
...	Apria	17 1/2	-1/4
17i	Aracruz s	20 3/4	-1/4
.70	ArborPT	8 3/8	+1/16
...	ArcadiaFn	10 5/8	-1/16
20b	ArchDan	23 3/16	-5/16
1.16e	ArdenRlt n	29 3/16	+3/16
49p	ArgPC prA	24 5/16	+1/16
33e	ArgentFd	14 7/16	...
1.81	AriP pfW	25 11/16	-7/16
...	Armco	5 7/8	+1/16
1.78	ArmWl	66 3/4	-1/16
...	ArowE	60	-1
.76	Arvin	36 3/4	-1/4
.80	Asarco	30 3/16	+3/16
1.10	Ashland	52 3/16	-5/16
94e	AsiaPc	10 13/16	+1/16
08p	AsiaPip	14	-1/4
04e	AsiaTigr	9 15/16	...
.24	AsetInv	4 1/16	+1/16
1.88	AsdEstat	23 3/16	-3/16
.40	AscFCap	62 13/16	+1/16
19e	AstraA s	17 1/2	+3/8
1.54	AtlEnrg	18 1/16	...
2.88	AtlRich s	u82 1/16	+3/16
2.23	AtlRich97	u25 1/16	+9/16
1.02f	ATMOS	26 5/16	-3/16
.13e	Austr	9 15/16	...
.05	AuthFlt	15 7/16	+5/16
.44	Autoliv n	u41 15/16	+3/16
1.55	ACES Tr n	u27 1/4	+1/16
.46	AutoDt	46 9/16	+1/16
...	AutoZone	30 1/16	...
1.52	AvalonPr	27 7/16	-1/4
.68	AveryD s	39 1/16	-1/16
...	Avnet	64	+3/16
1.26	Avon	59 13/16	-13/16
...	Aztar	7 1/16	-3/16
.08f	AztcM	u23 3/4	+1 5/16
1.24f	BB&T Cpu	53 7/16	+1/2
.36	BCE g s	29 1/16	+5/16
.72	BEA Inco	8 1/2	+1/16
...	BJS	72 1/16	+1 5/16
.06	BMC	33 1/2	+1/16
2.23e	BP Pru	17 7/16	+3/16
.46	BakrHu	43 15/16	+1 3/16
.60	Ball	34 9/16	-1/4
.10	Ballard	24 3/16	+1/16
1.64	BaltGE	27 7/16	+1/16
1.52	BancOne	52 15/16	-1/16
.60r	BncoFrn	32 1/16	+1/16
.86	BcoIndl	17 1/16	...
1.67e	BcoSantn	24 1/2	+1/16
...	Banctec	25 13/16	-1/16
1.00	Bandag	53	+1/2
.96	BkNY	46 3/16	+1/16
1.22	BankAm s	72 1/16	-
1 11/16			
2.04	BkBost	86	-13/16
4.00	BankTr	u111 1/16	-3/16
.72f	Bard	34 5/8	+1/16
...	BarrNbl	48 3/4	-3/8
1.24	Barnett	86 3/4	-61/16
...	BarrettRs	38 1/16	+7/16
.16f	BarrickG	21 3/16	-7/16
.05	BatlMt	5 3/8	-1/16
1.04	BauschL	40 1/16	-13/16
1.13	Baxter	53 1/16	-3/4
...	BayNtwk	35 7/8	+1/16
2.00f	BeacnPr	u42 5/8	+6
2.24	BeacnP pf	26	-1/16
.60b	BearSt	40 1/4	-7/16
.60	Bcklns	41 5/16	-1/2
.52	BectDk	48 1/16	+1/8
...	BejiYan n	25 7/16	+3/8
...	BellAtl	71 3/8	+1 7/16
2.96	BellSo	44 3/4	+1/4
1.44	BeloAH	46 1/4	+1/2
.80	Bemis	45 3/8	+3/8
2.28f	BenefCp	73 3/16	-1/16
...	BentonOG	14 1/16	-5/8
.48	BergBr s	43 1/2	-7/8
...	BerkHa A	42600	+600
.93	BerkRty u	11 13/16	+1/8
.40	BerryP	18 1/16	+1/16
...	BestBuy	22 3/16	-2
3.25	BestB pf	38 5/8	-1/16
...	BethSti	12 3/16	+1/8
...	Bevrly	17 1/16	+3/16
...	BgFlower	23 7/16	-1/16
.08	Bindly	26 1/16	-5/16
...	Biovail	29	-3/16
.40	BirSti	19 3/8	-9/16
.48	BlackD	37 3/16	+1/16
1.42	BlkHlCp	29 1/8	...
.50	Blk1998	9 5/8	-1/16
.40	Blk1999	9 1/16	...
.40	Blk2001	8 1/16	+1/16
.56	BlkIT	8 3/16	...
.58	BlkIQT	8 3/16	+1/16
.61	BlkMTar	10 13/16	-1/16
.84	BlkNA	10 3/16	+1/16
.48	BlkStr	8 1/4	...
.58	BlkTT	9 1/16	-1/16
.80	BlckHR	38 7/8	-1/16
1.76e	BlueChp	10 1/4	-3/16
...	Bluegreen	3 5/16	...
...	Blyth s	27 1/2	-1 1/4
.56	Boeing s	51 7/16	-1 1/2
.60	BoiseC	38 1/2	+9/16
2.35	BoisC pfF	26 7/16	+5/16
...	Bombay	8 3/8	-5/16
80e	BordCh	9 5/16	-3/16
...	Borders s	27 1/16	+9/16
60	BorgWAu	55 5/16	-1/16
...	BostPrp n	31	+7/16
...	BostSc	62 3/4	-13/16
...	BostTech	31 1/16	-1/16
17p	Bouygs n	23 1/16	+7/16
80	Bowatr	51 1/4	+1
...	BoydGm	8 3/4	+5/16
1.32	BradRE	20 1/16	-1/16
...	Brahma n	14 1/2	-1/16
1.36e	Brazil	26 5/8	-5/16
.28	BredTch	23 3/16	+1/2
1.12	BngStrat	48 1/8	+1/2
.08	BrillChA	10 5/16	+1/16
...	Brinker	17 1/8	+3/16
1.52	BrMySq s	78 9/16	-2 1/16
2.57e	BrltPet s	83 9/16	-1/16
2.06e	BrltStl	28	-1/4
11.15e	BritTel	63 1/16	+5/16
1.46	BrklyUG	31 1/16	...
1.08	BrwnFA	46 7/8	+11/16
1.08	BrwnFB	47 7/8	+9/16
...	BrwnFr	37 9/16	-5/16
50	Brnwk	32 1/8	+1/8
...	Brylane n	u46 5/8	+2 3/8
...	BuckCel	40 1/4	+15/16
...	BudgetGp	29 3/8	-1/2
15e	Buenavnt	19 1/2	+1/4
...	BurlInds	13 3/4	+3/16
1.20	BurlNSF	95 3/16	+3/8
55	BrlRsc	51 3/16	+1/4
76e	BurlRsCl	73 1/8	-5/16
19p	CANTV n	u48 5/16	-5/8
1.77	CBL Assc	25 5/16	...
35p	CCA Prns n	34 7/8	-3/16
...	CDI	35 1/16	-
2 13/16			
3.32	CIGNA	190 1/8	+1/4
81a	CIGHl	9 1/16	...
08f	CKE Rst s	u43	+1/4
...	CML Gp	3 9/16	+1/16
1.20	CMS Eng	u37 3/8	+1/4
.40	CNF Tran	u38 7/8	+13/16
1.64	CPC	91 1/8	+7/16
1.04	CSX	59 1/16	+7/8
...	CUC Intl s	u29	+5/16
.44b	CVS Corp	58 13/16	+5/16
66e	CabWire	25 7/16	-3/16
...	CabiDsgn	38	...
...	Cablitm s	33	+5/16
.40	Cabot	26 15/16	+1/16
.16	CbtOG	22 7/8	+9/16
1.30e	CadbyS	37 5/16	+1/4
...	Cadence	u53 1/4	+1 1/2
...	vjCaldor	1 3/4	-3/16
...	Calenergy	36 9/16	-5/16
.32	Calgon	13 15/16	+3/16
1.80	CaliRity	38 3/16	-1/4
.40	Caliber	u45 5/16	+1 5/16
.28	CalGolf	34 13/16	-7/16
...	Calpine	21 1/4	+1 1/8
.20	Camco	u72 1/4	+9/16
1.96	CamdnP	30 13/16	+1/16
.77	CampSp s	48 7/16	-5/8
.92	CdnRy gn	51 1/8	-1/16
.48	CdnPc g	29 3/8	+5/16
.32	CapOne	37 7/8	+1/2
...	Capstar	36 5/16	+1/4
2.44f	Capstd	27 1/16	-1/16
1.10	CardnlH s	67 3/16	-9/16
...	Carlbnr s	43	-1/2
...	Carmik	27 3/16	-1/16
.44	CarnvCp	46	+7/8
1.88	CaroPw	35 3/8	+3/8
1.75	CarrAmR	30 1/4	...
.20	CaseCp	66 7/8	-5/16
...	CatalLt	6 1/8	+1/16
...	Catelus	19 15/16	-1/16
1.00	Caterp s	53 1/2	-1/2
.80	CentEn	11 1/4	-1/16
.20	Centex	53 1/4	+1/2
1.74	CenSoWst	20 5/8	...
1.54	CenLAEl	27 5/8	+3/8
.76	CtrNws	88 9/16	+3/4
.37	CntyTl	u40 3/16	+1/2
...	Ceridian	33 3/8	-1/16
...	ChmpE	18 1/4	-7/16
.20	Chmpln	59 1/2	+1 3/16
2.48	ChaseM	112 1/2	-1/2
2.03	ChsePC pf	25 13/16	+1/8
...	Chaus	1 5/8	...
...	Checkpnt	14	-1/16
.80	Chspk	34 3/4	+1/16
.02p	ChesEng s	9 3/16	-1/16
2.32	Chevronu	82 9/16	+3/16
...	ChicBy	7	-9/16
1.26f	ChileTel s	31	-7/16
1.21e	Chilgener	28	+1/4
.08e	ChinaFd	18 3/8	+1/16
.20	ChiYuc	31 1/16	...
.20	Chiquta	14 3/4	...
...	ChkFull	u8 3/16	+1/8
...	Choicpt n	35 5/8	+1 1/4
1.60	Chrysltr	36 7/16	...
1.16	Chubb	88 1/16	+1/16
...	CIBER	39 5/8	-5/16
2.46	Cilcorp	40 7/8	+5/16
.40	CinnBell s	25 5/16	-1 3/16
.48f	CinMkt	26 3/4	-1/4
...	CineOd	1 1/2	+1/16
1.80	CINergy	34	...
...	CirCCar n	13	-1 1/16
.14	CircCtyCC	44 1/4	-1 1/4
...	Circus	25	...
2.10	Citicorp	127 1/2	+1 5/8
2.00	Citcp pfE	25 7/8	...
.75f	CitzUtil	8 7/8	+1/8
.12	ClairesStr	22	-1/8
.08	ClayTH s	18	-1/16
...	ClearC s	6 1/2	-1/4
1.30	ClrCtf	43 7/8	-5/8
...	CliffsDr s	u62 7/16	+9/16
1.28	Clorox s	67	-5/16
...	CoachUS	30 15/16	+9/16
.20	Coachmen	19 5/8	+9/16
.40	Coastal	u61	+1 5/16
...	CstlPhys	2	-1/8
...	Coastcst	15 1/2	+1/16
.56	CocaCl	57 9/16	+1/2
10	CocaCE s	27 5/16	-7/16
27e	CCFemsa	50 3/4	+5/8
...	Coeur	13 11/16	-1/16
12	Cognizntn	42 1/16	-1 9/16
...	ColeNatl	41 3/8	-1/16
1.10	ColgPal s	65 7/8	+2 3/4
2.08	ColonPT	29	...
...	Coltec	u23 9/16	+1/2
1.00	ColumGas	69 7/8	...
.08	ColHCA s	d28 5/16	-5/16
1.58	ColumRT	24 1/4	+3/8
1.72	Comeric	75 11/16	+5/16
.54	CmlTek	18 1/16	-5/8
...	ComScop n	14 1/4	-5/8
...	CmpUSA s	31 11/16	-
1 3/16			
...	Compaq s	84 5/16	-1 1/16
...	CmpMan	17 1/2	+3/16
10	CompAsc	66 1/16	-7/8
...	CompSci	70 11/16	-
1 15/16			
.04	Cmptvsn	2 1/16	...
20m	Comsat	22 3/4	-7/16
...	ComstkRs	12 5/16	-1/16
1.09	ConAgr	69 3/4	+5/8
...	ConeMl	8 3/4	...
...	Congolm	13	-1/16
1.32	ConnEn	23 1/2	...
12	Conseco s	45 5/8	-3/16
...	CnCigar	34 1/16	-3/16
2.10	ConEd	u33 3/8	+1/4
...	ConsGph s	47 5/8	...
+1 15/16			
1.94	ConsNG	59	-5/16
1.68	ConPap	57 13/16	-1/16
...	ConStor s	40 3/8	-13/16
...	Contfincl	31 3/16	+3/16
...	CtiAir B	u41 3/8	+1 5/16
20	CtiHme	u27 9/16	+1 3/16
14e	ConCMix n	21 1/4	+1/2
...	CoopCa s	u71	+2 3/8
...	CoopCo	u40 9/16	+1 3/4
1.32	Cooper	52 1/16	...
34	CooprTr	25 11/16	+3/16
...	Copel n	16 3/8	-1/4
...	CoramH	4 3/4	-5/16
1.88	CoreStF	64 1/2	+1 1/4
1.20	CorPrpt n	u18 3/4	+11/16
1.00	CornRit n	11 7/8	-1/4
3.00	CornD pf	65 3/4	-2 1/4
.72b	Corningin	41	-1
1.33	CorpHY	14 3/4	+3/16
...	CorrectCp	41 5/16	-7/16
.32	CntwCrd u	35 13/16	-1/16
...	CoxCm	27 5/16	-3/16
.50	Crane s	42 1/2	-3/8
.42e	Credicp s	19 5/16	-7/16
1.22b	CresRE s	u36 1/4	+1/8
1.16	Crestar s	45 3/4	-3/16
1.40	CrimiMa	16 7/8	...
.49e	CristChie	18 3/4	-1/16
05m	CrmpKnl	25 3/8	+1/4
.22	CrosTbr s	21 1/2	-1/8
1.89e	CrosTim	17	+7/16
.80	CrwnAm	9 13/16	+1/16
1.00	CrwnCork	46 9/16	-9/16
1.88	CrwnCrk pf	d43 13/16	-
11/16			
...	CullgnWtru	47 9/16	+1 5/16
1.10	CumEng	79 11/16	+5/16
...	CypSem	16 1/16	-5/16
.80	Cyprus	23	-1/2
...	Cytec	48 7/8	-1/16
	D-E-F		
1.36	DPL	24 1/4	+7/16
1.36	DQE	u32 11/16	+3/8
.08	DR Horton u	16 3/4	+7/16
2.06	DTE	32 1/16	+3/16
1.08f	DanaCp	47 7/16	+1 1/4
.10	Danaher	u56 3/4	+3/4
.08	Darden	10 11/16	-3/16
...	DataGn	32 1/2	-5/8
...	Datapt	2 7/8	...
.64	DaytHud u	63 15/16	-1 3/16
.80f	DeanFd	44 5/8	-1/4
.99	DebtStrt n	10 5/16	-1/16
.80	Deere	53 7/16	+1/8
.14	DekbGn s	42 1/4	+1 1/4
1.54	DelmPL	18 7/16	+1/16
.12	DeltPne s	33 5/16	-3/8
2.20	DeltaAir	u101 1/4	+1 1/2
1.48	Deluxe	32 7/8	+1/16
...	Depuy n	24 13/16	+1 3/16
...	DesignH	8 3/16	+9/16
.35p	DeutTel n	19 5/16	-5/16
2.52	DevlDv	39 1/4	+1/16
.96	Dexter	38 9/16	+3/16
.32	Dial	17 9/16	+1/16
07p	DiaOffs s	u59 1/4	+3/4
.50	Diebold s	49 3/4	+3/8
...	Digital	41 1/2	+3/16
.16	Dillards	u42 15/16	-1/16
.04e	DimeBcp	20 3/4	+1/4
.60	Dimon	25 1/2	...
.53	Disney	77 3/16	+1/16

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Div	Name	Last	Chg
	A-B-C		
	ABR Inf s	25⅛	-⅛
	ACC Cp	32½	+⅛
	ACT Net	12⅝	+⅛
	ADC Tel s	34⅝	-⅜
	APACT	13⅝	-⅜
	APS Hld	8⅜	+⅛
	ASM Intl	u18	+2⅛
	ASM Lith s	93¼	+1
	ATC Com	4⅞	+⅛
	ATL Ultsd	43¼	+⅛
	Abacan	2⅞	+⅛
	AbleTel	9⅛	+⅛
	Abraxas	13¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
	AccGrph n	6⅞	+⅛
	AccelrS n	16½	+⅛
	AccCSci n	4½	+⅛
	AccBynd n	5⅜	—
	AccuMed	2⅝	-1/32
	Actel	23⅛	-⅛
	Actrade	14⅞	-1⅛
	Acxiom s	19⅛	+½
	AdacLb	21	+⅛
	Adaptec s	47⅝	—
1⅝			
	AdeptT n	13⅛	+⅛
.20b	AdobeSy	45⅝	+⅛
	AdrianR	1⅝	-⅛
	Adtran	43	+2⅛
	AdvCoS n	u12½	—
	AdvDin n	18½	+3⅛
	AdvFCm n	70⅜	+1⅜
.44	Advanta	29⅝	+⅛
.53	AdvantB	28⅛	-⅛
	AehrTest n	24⅜	+½
	Aflymat	u36⅞	+2½
	Agoum s	u54	+⅛
	AgriBio	u9⅜	+⅜
.20	AirExp s	32⅛	+⅜
2.01e	Akzo	79⅛	+⅜
	Aldila	5½	—
	Alkerm	20¼	—
	AlaGam	4⅜	—
	AlanPh	12⅞	+⅛
	AlnSem	10⅜	-⅞
	AldWste	17⅝	-⅛
	AlphaBta	3⅝	-⅜
	Altera	53⅛	+2⅜
	Altron	20⅛	-⅛
	Amati	15⅞	+⅛
	Amazon n	37⅛	-7⅛
	AmERCO	30⅛	+3⅛
	AmTrde n	21⅜	-⅛
	AmApCT	13⅝	-⅜
	AmBiogn	3½	-⅛
	AmerCp n	19	+⅛
	AmerEco	11	+11/16
.72f	AGreet	34⅞	-⅜
	AmintPt	2⅝	+⅛
	AmS	18⅛	—
	AmMatT	5⅞	+⅛
	AmOilDv	16⅛	+⅛
	AOncol	17⅛	+⅛
	APwrCnv	27	—
	ASoft	u12⅞	+⅛
	AmSupr	9⅛	-⅛
	AUtdGlb	5⅜	+⅛
	AmesDS	17¼	+⅛
	Amgen	d47 ⅞	-3¹¹/₁₆
	Amresco	u31½	+1⅜
	Amylin	9⅜	+⅜
	Andrew s	25⅜	-⅜
	Anergen	2⅝	+⅛
	Anesta	u25½	+⅜
	Anicom s	u16½	+⅛
	ApolloG	39⅞	+1
	AppleC	21½	-⅜
.04	AppISou	17¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
.07f	Applebee	24¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
	ApiCell n	u7⅛	+⅜
	AppGrph	u51½	+2⅜
	ApldMat	89²⅞	—
25⅝			
	ApdVoice	27⅛	+1⅛
	Applix	9⅝	+⅛
	Arakis	3½	—
.24	ArbrDrg s	23⅜	+⅜
	ArborSft	49⅞	+1⅞
	ArchCm	7	+½
	AriadP	5½	+⅛
	ArielCp	8¾	-⅛
	ArkBest	12½	+⅛
	ArtVasc	41⅝	+⅞
	Arsht	2¹³/₁₆	+⅛
	Ascend	d32½	-2⅜
	AscentEnt	11⅛	+⅛
	AspctTel s	21⅜	-1⅛
	AspenTc s	32	-⅜
1.16	AsdBnc su	44⅞	+⅝
	AscdGpB	u75⅛	+2⅜
	Astea	2⅝	-⅛
	AsystTch su	41⅞	+½
	AtHome n	22⅞	+1⅞
	AtlasAir	26⅛	-⅛
	Atmel	37⅞	-1⅜
	AtrixL	u20¾	+2⅛
	Ault	7½	-⅛
	AuraSy	2¹³/₁₆	+1/32
	AuroraBio n	u13	+1⅞
	Auspex	12⅛	+⅛
.24	Autodesk	43⅛	-1
	Avanti	34½	-⅛
	AvidTch	34	-1½
	Aviron	27⅛	+1
	Avndle	u25⅜	+⅞
	Aware	13⅜	-11/16
	BDMInt s	24¾	-⅝
	BEA Sys n	17⅜	-⅝
	BMC Soft s	65⅛	-½
	BTG Inc	13⅞	-1
	Baan	61¼	-1¼
	BallyTot n	16¼	+⅛
.26r	BncGalic	28⁹/₁₆	-3/16
	BasExpl	14⅝	+⅜
.32	BayVw s	26¹⁵/₁₆	+⅞
	BedBath	32¹¹/₁₆	+1¼
	BellSpt	u10⅛	+⅜
	Bellweth	u13⅝	+⅛
	BioRef	1²⁵/₃₂	-7/32
	BioPhar su	30⅜	—
+1⅞			
	Bioctrl	⅜	—
	Biocryst	d9½	-2⅛
	Biogen s	34	-⅛
	Biomatr	u38½	-2½
11e	Biomet	23	-⅛
	Biomune	⅜	-3/64
	BioTcG	13⅝	-1/16
	Borlnd	9⅜	+⅝
	BostnBio n	8¾	—
	BostChk	14⅞	+⅝
	Boundless	2⅜	—
	Brightpt s	43⅞	—
	BrodSft	29⅝	-⅞
	BrooksF	38⅞	+1
	Brooktrt	13¾	+⅛
	BrTom	25⅛	-⅜
	BrushCrk	11½	—
	BusnObj	9⅜	-1/16
	C-CUBE	30	—
	C-Phone	7¼	-⅛
	CAI Wire	1½	—
	CFM T	36²⁹/₃₂	-3/32
	CHS El	40¼	-1/2
	CNS	8¹¹/₁₆	-5/16
	CableCo	⅜	—
	Cadeln	2⅞	-⅛
	Cadiz	7⅛	+¼
	Caere	8¾	+⅛
	Cairn	13¼	+3/16
	Caledon	13/32	—
	CalMic	20⅛	-⅛
	CambTch	38¼	-⅜
	Candies	6⅛	+⅜
	Canondle	23⅛	+⅜
	CapePhm	12	—
	Carylnti n	14⅛	—
	Carrizo nu	13¹¹/₁₆	-1/16
	CasinoD	4⅝	+⅞
	CasMagic	2	-1/32
	CatlaDnl n	14⅜	-1/16
	CatalSem	2⅝	+⅛
	Catalyt	10	—
	CatlGens	6¾	+⅜
	CatlinB	1¹¹/₁₆	+1/16
	Cellstar s	38¼	-1⅛
	CentCel	17⅝	+1/16
	Centgrm	17⅛	-¼
	Centocor	45¾	-⅛
	CenturaSft	2⅜	-1/32
	Cephin	11	-1/16
	ChancMda	44⅛	-⅜
	Chantal	3⅜	+1/16
	ChrmSh	u7	+1/32
1.00b	ChtOneF	57	+⅛
	Chattm	17½	-⅜
	Checkers	1¾	-1/32
	Chkfree	19⅜	+½
	Checkmte	8¾	+⅛
	Chiron	21⅜	-⅝
	Cholest	u9¾	-1/2
	ChromCS	14⅛	+⅞
	Cidco	21¾	+⅛
	CienaCp n	47⅞	-2⅛
30f	Cintas	71¼	-⅛
	Cirrus	16	-¾
	Cisco	69¾	-2½
	CitrixS	47⅞	-2⅛
	Clare	17⅞	—
	Clarify	17¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
	ClayEng	13¾	-1/16
	ClenCd g	1⅝	+9/32
09e	Coflexip	u53¾	+1⅛
	Cognex	36⅛	+⅜
	Cohernt	46½	+⅝
.09	Comc ap	23⅞	-⅛
	CmcstUK	10⅜	—
	ComCare	3⅜	+1/32
	CmpuMed	1²¹/₃₂	-1/4
	CmpuSrv	13⅜	+1/16
	Cmpcm	9½	+1/16
	CptConc	3¾	+1/64
	CmptHz s	34¼	-1⅛
	CompMS	21¾	+1
	CmpPr	29⅜	+1/16
	Compwr s	59	-1¾
	Comvers	48⅞	-⅜
	ConcMngd	32¼	-⅛
	CncEFS	28¼	-⅞
	ConcCm	2¹³/₃₂	—
	Connetics	d4¾	-1/2
	ConsEco	9⅜	—
60f	Coors B	31¼	+1/2
	Copytele	5¼	+1/16
	CorTher	15⅜	—
+1¹³/₁₆			
	CoreiCp g	4⅞	-1/8
	CreStaff s	31	+⅜
	CorpExp s	19¼	-1/2
	Costco	37⅝	+⅜
	CostEner n	10⅞	+⅛
	CltrPhr n	10¼	+⅛
	CtryStr	1¼	-1/64
	Coventry	19¼	+⅜
.02	CrkrBrl	32	⅞+1/16
	CreTcLtd	21¾	-⅜
	CredSys	47⅞	-2⅛
	CreeResh	19⅞	+⅝
	Crossmn su	20½	+1¼
	CrySys n	28	+2½
	CMathes	9⅜	+1/16
	CutterB n	20	-1½
	CybrOpt	u26⅝	+2½
	CyberMd nu	25¼	+2
	CyberGrd	10⅝	+⅛
	Cyberonic	u18⅝	+1½
	Cylink	14⅜	-⅛
	Cymer s	34½	+4
	Cyrix Cp	32⅛	+⅛
	Cyrk	10½	-⅜
	Cytel	2⅜	+1/32
	Cytothr	5⅛	+⅛
	Cytyc	24⅜	+4
	D-E-F		
	DSC	31½	-⅝
	DSI Ind	1²¹/₃₂	-1/32
	DSPCm	18⅝	-⅞
	DSP Gp	u35⅜	+1⅞
.08	DT Inds	31⅛	-¼
	Daleco	1⅛	+1/16
	DaouSys n	29⅜	+⅜
	DtaDimn s	33½	-⅞
	DtaDoc	19¼	+1/32
	Davox s	31¼	-¼
	Dawson	24¾	+⅜
	DawsnP	u23	+1
.27l	DelGlobalu	11¼	+⅜
	DellCpt s	87⅜	+¼
	Delphinf	1½	-1/16
	DnsePc	3⅝	+1/32
	DiamM	11⅜	+⅞
	DigiInti	14⅜	-⅜
	DigLght n	u16⅝	+⅛
	Discreet	u26¾	+1
	DitrTree s	42⅝	+1⅜
	DomBrdge	2½	—
	DresB	25½	+1/16
	Drypers	7½	—
	DualStar	1⅝	+3/32
	DuraPh	40⅜	-⅛
	Durkn	d9	-⅛
	Duramed	5⅛	-⅜
	ETrade	37⅜	+1/16
	ECCS	u7	-⅛
.10	ECI Tel	30	+1/16
	EIS Intl	8¼	-⅜
	ESCMed	33¾	+1¼
	ESSTech n	16⅜	-⅝
	EgliHrd	19⅜	-⅜
	Egghead	u7⅝	+⅛
	EinstnN	12⅞	-1/16
	ElbitMd n	7⅝	+⅞
	Elctrgls	30⅛	-1⅜
	ElcArt	33½	-1⅞
	EFII s	52⅞	+⅛
.24	ElronEl	u17⅜	+1⅝
	EmisTch	20⅛	+¾
	EmplySt	5²⁹/₃₂	+17/64
	Emulex	19⅛	—
	EnPointe	u22⅞	+2⅞
	Encad	34⅜	-⅞
	EndcrdS n	12⅛	-2
32f	Endsonc	13¾	+½
	Envrgen	2⅝	+3/32
	Envrg wt	7/32	+3/32
	Envoy	30½	+⅝
	Enzon	5	+⅛
	EqCompr	2⅜	-⅛
	EqtOil	3¹¹/₁₆	+1/16
.32e	EricTel	43½	+1/16
	Exabyte	11⅛	+1/16
	Exar	u24	+1
	Excite n	24	-1⅜
10f	Expdint s	u41+1	+3/16
	FEI Co	19⅜	-⅞
	FPA Mid	29⅝	-⅝
	FX Ener	6	-⅛
	FamGolf	24⅜	+⅞
	Farallon	6¹¹/₃₂	+19/32
	FastCm	5⅞	-⅛
	Fibchm	7/32	-1/32
	FilBasnt	9	-1/16
	FinLine s	17⅜	+⅛
	FrstAlli	29⅞	-⅛
.80	FstATn s	u45½	+⅜
1.60	FComocC	58	+2
.80	FtFnCp s	u34½	+⅞
1.20	FstTenn	56⅞	+1¼
	Firstplus	49¾	+1
	Fiserv	47⅞	+⅜
	Flextrn	40¼	+1½
	FlorshGp	12¼	-⅛
	FocusEn	5⅜	+3/32
	Fonar	3½	+1/32
.13	FdLinB	7⅝	+1/16
.13	FdLioA	7⅜	+3/32
	ForeSys	19¹¹/₁₆	-9/16
	Foreind	2⅜	+⅛
	ForestO	17⅛	+¼
	FortreSft	14⅜	-⅝
	4FrntSft n	u5	+1/16
	FrkCon	-/32	+1/32
	FGoldmn n	u54	+1¼
	Friedmn	16⅛	-⅛
.12	FrozenFd	9⅜	+⅛
	FuszT	12	+⅛
.74	FutrHB	58⅜	+1⅛
	G-H-I		
	GT Interac	11	-⅞
	Gadzooks	18	-1
	GalileoT n	34½	-⅛
	GardenBot	6	-⅛
	Gartner	27¾	-1⅝
	Gasonicsu	20	-⅞
	GeneLTc	4¹⁵/₁₆	-1/16
	GenNutr	26⅛	+⅛
	GenScan	u26	-1/2
	Gensia	u6½	—
	Genus	7⅛	-13/32
.33t	Genzym	28⅜	-1/2
	GeoTICo n	17	-⅛
	GeoTk	4	-3/32
	Geoworks	14⅛	-⅛
	GeronCp	10⅜	+⅛
	GibrStl	23¼	+17/64
	GilatSat	32½	—
	Gilead	u39¼	+¼
	Glasgal	7¼	-1/16
	Glenayre	15½	+⅝
	Globallnd	37⅞	-⅜
	GlbVilag	2	-1/32
	Globalstr s	u45	+2⅜
	Globecon n	14⅞	+⅜
	GolfTSy	2³²/₃₂	-1/32
	GvtTch	5⅛	-⅜
	GrndUn n	1⅝	+1/16
60	GrtFncl	41⅜	-1⅜
	GuilfrdP s	30⅛	+¼
	HA-LO	27½	+1/2
08	HBO s	39⅞	-⅝
	HMTTch	16¼	-¼
	HamFood	9¹⁵/₁₆	-⅛
	HarmLgt	17	—
	HarveyE	15⅝	-2¼
	Hayes	u36	—
	HithCSv	12⅞	-⅜
	HithMSys	9¹³/₁₆	+3/16
	HrtWire	2½	-1/16
	Heartport	22¹⁵/₁₆	+2⅝
	HchgÅ	2⅜	—
1.40	HelixTch	62⅞	+⅝
.60	Herblfe	22⅝	+⅜
	Hirsch	17⅝	-⅝
	HlywdE	d11¾	-3/16
	HlwdPk	u19⅜	+1⅜
	Hologic	27¾	+2⅛
	HospWwde	9⅝	-3/16
80b	HuntBnk	32¹⁵/₁₆	-5/16
	HutchT s	31½	+½
	HvideM	u34⅛	+1
	HyprSf	26⅜	-1
	I2 Tech	42⅝	-1½
.22	ICO Inc	6⅛	—
	ICOS	u13	⅞+1⅛
	IDEC	34⅞	-1⅛
	IdexxLb	14⅞	-⅝
	IDM Env	5¾	-⅜
	IDTCorp	16½	+1
	IMC Mt	16⅝	+⅜
	IMP	d1	-1/32
	INSO	13⅝	+⅛
	IPL Sy	2⅜	+1/16
	ISG Intl	12½	+1⅛
	IXC Com	32	+⅜
	Ikos	d12	-⅞
	ImageMat	2¹¹/₁₆	+3/32
	Imatrn	2¹⁵/₃₂	-3/32
	Imungn	1⅝	-1/16
	ImunRsp	u12½	+1⅛
	Imunex	57¹¹/₁₆	—
2¹⁵/₁₆			
	ImpcoTch	11½	+½
.42e	ImpCrd s	22½	+⅜
	InVision s	14⅜	-⅛
	IndigoNV	6¹⁵/₁₆	-⅞
	Individul	4¾	-⅛
	IndusMt n	21⅞	-⅛
	Inference	7⅞	+1/16
	Infinity	2⅞	—
	InfMgeR s	32½	—
	Informix	9½	-⅛
	Infoseek	8¼	-⅞
.12	Innovex s	30¾	-1½
	Innovo	9¾	+1/32
	InsAut	11½	+⅛
	IntegMed	2½	+3/32
	IntegCirc	39⅞	+⅝
	IntgDv	12⅛	-⅞
	ItgPrc	31⅜	—
	ISSI	15¾	+1⅛
.12	Intel s	92	1/16
2⅜			
	Intel wt s	71⅝	-2⅛
	Intelect	u9¾	—
	IntelEl	5½	+3/16
	Intgph	10¾	+3/16
	IntrCm	38	-⅜
	IntFibcm	3¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16
	IntMur	9½	+1/16
	IntlNtwk	22⅜	+1/16
	IntlNurs	⅜	+1/32
	IntlPrecM	5¹³/₁₆	-9/16
	Interneur	16⅞	—
1¹¹/₁₆			
	Intersiv	u17⅝	+5/16
	Intuit	25⅜	+9/16
.05	Invacare	24½	+1/16
	IndmWr n	39⅛	+⅜
	Isis	18	+2¹³/₃₂
	Isolyser	3¹⁵/₁₆	-1/16
	J-K-L		
	Jabil s	60²³/₃₂	-9/32
	JacorCm	41⅞	-⅜
	JohnstnA	u8¾	+1
10	JonesM	30¹⁵/₁₆	-3/16
	JstFeet s	14½	—
	KLA Tenc	71⅞	-3¼
	KellOG	28²³/₃₂	—
	Kelstrm n	18⅛	-⅛
	Kemet	28⅞	-⅝
	KeraVis	8¹⁵/₁₆	-9/16
.15	Kinetic	18⅞	-⅛
.62e	KnightT n	28⅛	+⅝
	Komag	17⅝	—
	Kronos	25⅛	+¼
	Kulcke	50	7/16-3⅜
	LTX	7½	+¼
	LaTeko	1	—
	LbReady	19⅞	-⅛
	LaddFurnu	18⅛	+⅛
	LamRsch	50⅝	-⅝
	LamarA	31½	+1⅛
	Landrys	u28½	+⅞
	Larscom n	10¾	+⅛
	Lasertech	⅝	—
	LarVis	8⅜	-⅛
	Lattice	66⅝	+1⅛
	Legato	32⅛	-2
	LmHaus n	39¾	+½
	Level 8	u24	+1⅜
	LevelOne s	35⅜	+⅞
	Ligand B	16½	-⅛
	Lightbrd n	u15	-1½
	LinTelev	46⅞	—
	Lincare	u52½	+11/16
	LinearT	68⅛	-1/16
24f	Liposm	7⅜	+1⅛
	Loehmann	8⅛	-⅛
	LneSStk	18⅛	-1⅛
	LngBchF n	11⅝	-⅛
	Lycos	32⅜	-⅞
	M-N-O		
	M-SysFD	8¾	+⅛
.05	MCI	27⅝	-⅞
	MDSI gn	18	-½
	MRV Cm	34¹/₁₆	+⅜
	MTI Tch	u10½	+13/16
	MacroCh	6¹¹/₁₆	-1/16
	Macrmd	11	⅜+1/16
	Madden	7⅜	+⅛
	MadgeNt	7¾	-¼
	MailBx	27¼	-⅝
	Mallon	u11⅜	+⅜
	Manugist s	35⅝	+1½
	MarDrl	u29	+⅛
	MarinerH	14⅜	-⅛
	Markerl	4¾	+1/16
	MktServ	4¾	-1/16
	Mastech n	u29½	+1½
	Mathsft	3	+¼
	MatriaH n	5⅞	+⅞
	Matritch	5	-⅞
	MatrixPh	4⅞	-⅛
	MavTube s	38¼	+⅛
	Maxim	70⅜	-2
	MaySpeh	14	+¾
60	McAfee	57	-11/16
	McCor	23½	-3/16
	Medimun	28½	+⅛
	Medaph	8¼	-1/16
	Medar	u8⅜	+1⅛
	Medarex	5⅜	+1/16
	Media100	5¼	-⅛
	MedCmp	34¼	+1/32
	MedIndA	13½	-3/32
	Medicis	42¼	-½
	MemWks n	21	-3/16
	MenWre	36⅞	+1⅛
10	Mentor	31½	+1¾
	MentGr	11¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16
	Mercint	20¼	-1⅛
	MeridDta	5⅛	+⅜
	Merisel	4¹⁵/₃₂	+7/16
	MertMd	6½	-⅜
20	MethdA	25¼	+1
04	MetrisCo n	46⅝	+3
	MtroOne	8¹⁵/₁₆	+11/16
	Metrocall	6⅞	+¼
	MtHlNt wt	25½	-3/32
20	MichIF	u24⅜	+½
	MichStr u30	9⅜	-⅜
	MicroWre	27⅞	+⅛
	MicroAge	28¼	-⅜
	Microchp s	43⅞	-⅞
	Microgfx	7¼	-3/16
	MicronEl	19⅜	—
	Microsft s	130	11/16-7¼
	Microvsn	15	-1⅛
	MiaestnSci	u14⅜	+1⅜
	MidPhar	14	+9⅛
	MindSpr	u19½	+⅞
	Misonix	u21	⅝+1⅛
	Mitcham	19⅜	-⅜
.14	MoneySt	30⅜	+⅝
	MtcPrt n	10½	-⅜
	NABI	7¹¹/₁₆	+1/32
	NBTY	21¼	+13/16
.10f	NamTai	20⅜	-⅜
	NaProBio	9¹³/₁₆	+3/16
	NatEng	4⅜	+1/16
	NatlReg	31/32	-1/32
	NTeam	13⅜	-1⅛
.06e	NTech	u9⅛	+3/32
	Nautica	27⅛	+⅜
	NeoMgic n	18¾	+⅛
	NeoMd wt	31/32	-1/32
	NeoRx	6¾	+⅜
	Netmng	3½	—
	Netscpe	38¾	-2⅛
	NtwkG	17½	+¾
	Nwkimg	1¹³/₃₂	-1/32
	Neurex	15¼	-¼
	Neurocrine	9½	+1⅛
	Neumed	3⅞	—
.04	Newpt	u15¼	+1½
	Nexstar	16½	+⅞
	NextelCm	27½	+¼
	Nimbus	11¹⁵/₁₆	-3/16
	NoiseCT	4¹³/₁₆	-1/64
	NorWest	d¼	-⅜
58f	Nordst	u64¼	-⅛
	NrthFce	25⅛	-⅞
.72	NorTrst s	56	+⅛
	NwstAirl	39⅞	—
	NwStWr	3½	—
	Novmbx	9¾	+9/16
	Novasel n	u9⅜	+⅛
	Novell	9⅞	+1/32
	Novlus	107	-1
	Nu-Tech	d⅝	-1/16
	OakTech	11¾	-½
	ObjSys	11¾	+13/16
	Octel	29½	-3/16
	OffsLog	18⅝	+⅝
	Omnipoint2	25¹⁵/₁₆	-13/32
	OnStage n	5	—
	Onocgn	11⅛	+3/16
	Onsale n	u23½	+4
	OpenMkt	14½	—
	Optimag	3¾	+1/16
	OptnCr	4⅜	—
	Oracle s	38	-11/16
	OrbitFR n	27½	+1⅛
	OrbSci	22	+½
	Orbotch	55⅞	-2⅛
	Orcad	11⅞	-1/16
	OregMt	23¹³/₁₆	-1/16
	Orthodon	18¹⁵/₁₆	-1/16
	Orthlog	6½	+3/32
	Osicom	3⅜	-1/64
	OutbkStk	27¾	-1/4
	OvrIndD n	7	+3/16
	OxfordHlt	76	—
1¹⁵/₁₆			
	Oxigene	34	-5
	P-Q-R		
	P-Com	u51	+½
	PMC Srra	26¾	+⅛
	PMT Svc	17½	+⅝
	PRI Auto s	49¼	+⅞
	PSINet	8¹³/₃₂	+9/32
60	Paccar s	52⅞	-⅛
	PacifCB	74	-¾
	PagingN	11⅛	-1⅛
	PairGTch	27¾	-⅜
	PalEx n	14½	-⅛
.12	Palfed	u21	-½
	PalmMd	3½	-⅛
	Panaco	4½	+⅛
	ParPet	6	⅛-⅛
1.46e	ParmTch	42½	-1⅛
19e	PattDrtl	u39	+⅜
	PatEng s	u45	+2½
	PhHarris	u23	-⅜
.24	Paychex s	36	-⅛
	Pegasus n	d16¼	-1
	Penlnter n	2¼	-1/16
	PenskeM	34½	+⅜
	Peopsft s	58⅜	+½
	PerSptv	12¼	-1/16
	Perrigo	u16½	+⅜
	PetDv	u10⅜	+1⅜
	PetsMart	9⅜	+⅛
	PhrmMkt	11¼	-1⅛
	PhrmPrt n	u13⅜	-⅛
	Pharmos	u2	19/32
	Photrin	56	+1⅜
	PhyCor	31¹⁵/₁₆	+1⅛
	PhyMatrix	14	⅝-⅜
	PhysRell	10⅛	-⅞
	PhysioCon	16⅛	-⅛
	PicTel	12⅝	-⅜
	PinnSyst	u29	+⅝
	Plantr g	2⅛	+⅛
	PlanarSyu	14⅜	+1⅛
	PlanHlty	19⅞	+⅜
	PlatTc	24⅛	+1⅛
	Plexus s	u35	-½
	Ponder	15/16	-1/64
	PoolEn	u38⅜	+⅝
	PositFb gn	10¹¹/₁₆	-⅝
	Praegtzr	11⅜	+⅝
	PrecResp	9¹⁵/₁₆	-31/64
	PrmosT	14	+1⅛
	PrmLasr	9¹⁵/₁₆	-1/64
	Prmisy	21⅝	-⅞
	Prestek s	40⅛	-⅞
	Prnmadn	19	+½
	PrmEgy	9⅝	+⅜
	PrmeMd	14½	+⅛
	Pronet	5⅜	+⅛
	ProcmT n	13⅞	+1⅛
	PrdEnt wt	11/32	+1/32
	ProjSft	28⅝	+1⅞
	Pjctvsn	21/32	+⅛
	ProMdCo n	9⅛	+⅜
	ProtSy	12⅜	+⅛
	Proxim	d15⅝	-2⅝
	Proxima	7⅛	+⅞
	PureTec	1²⁷/₃₂	+⅛
	Q-Entert	1¼	-3/32
	Qsound	u3¼	-3/32
	Quadrax	½	—
	Qualcom	50¾	-1⅞
	QualDin	57⅜	-3/32
	QualSemi	15⅜	-¼
	Quantum s	36⅜	-⅜
	Quartrdk	2⅝	-1/16
	Quintles	76¾	+⅞
	QuorumH	34⅝	-¼
	QwestCo n	u51	+3¼
	RF MicD n	d16⅛	-¼
	RdntSys n	19⅞	+⅜
	RadicaG	10⅝	-⅛
	Radius	21/32	—
	RainCfe	31+2⅝	—
	Rambus n	67⅜	-1⅞
	Ramtron	8⅜	-⅞
	RaptorS	17	+1⅜
	RareHosp	10⅜	-1/16
	RatnSft	19	+⅛
	ReadRt	25⅛	+1/16
	Recycling	u4	+1/2
2.40	Redwd	32¼	+1¼
	RegCm	24⅜	-1/16
	Registry	39⅝	-4
	Remedy	38¼	-1¼
	RntWay	19¼	+½
	Repap	⅝	-1/32
	Respons	3½	-⅛
	Retix	6¾	-⅛
1.46e	ReutrHd	65	+⅝
19e	Rexam	5	+⅛
.20	RigsNt	23	+1/16
	Rocksfix n	13⅝	+⅜
	RomTch	1⅝	+1/32
.18	RossStr s	34	—
	RotechM	19¼	-⅛
	S-T-U		
	S3 Inc	15½	-⅜
	SBS Tech	21	+⅛
	SCAT Intl	4¾	-⅜
1.28	Safeco	51	7/16
	Safeskin s	u38¾	+1⅜
	Samsnte	43⅝	+2⅛
.20	SandiFm	15	—
	SanDisk n	28⅝	+1⅜
	Sangstat	28½	+2
	SantCrz	6¾	-⅛
	Sapient	51	+1⅛
	Sawtek	u48⅞	+3⅞
	ScanGr	4⅝	+9/32
	ScanOp	u11	-

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Monday $19.27
Previous Close $19.32
Year Ago N/A

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Today $17.00
Previous Close $17.25
Year Ago N/A

NATURAL GAS PRICES
Monday $2.786

Prices lower

NEW YORK — Energy prices drifted lower Monday as a lack of strong trading factors left markets listless.

Contracts for crude oil remained above $19 despite news that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries posted its highest monthly output for crude oil in August since 1979.

The sharp rise of 1.01 million barrels a day to 27.45 million barrels a day coincided with the restart of Iraqi exports in the middle of the month.

Crude oil for delivery in October settled at $19.27 per barrel, down 5 cents at the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Natural gas prices were down slightly, with contracts for delivery in October settling at $2.786 per 1,000 cubic feet, down .9 cent.

Dollar falls

NEW YORK — The dollar was lower against major currencies Monday as Germany's top central banker hinted at higher interest rates and traders reconsidered the strength of Europe's planned common currency.

In late New York trading, the dollar was changing hands at 1.7629 marks, down from 1.7720 late Friday and 7 percent below an eight-year high reached Aug. 6. It also was quoted at 120.31 yen, down from 120.96.

The dollar's weakness vs. the mark also helped it tumble to a 2 1/2-month low against the Swiss franc. The dollar was at 1.4470 francs, down from 1.4635 and its lowest level since June 26.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Friday: 5.9220 French francs, down from 5.9660; 1,719.70 Italian lire, down from 1,731.00; and 1.3918 Canadian dollars, unchanged from 1.3918.

The British pound was quoted at $1.6051, down from $1.6059.

Sara Lee revamps

CHICAGO — Sara Lee Corp., under a $1.6 billion three-year restructuring plan, wants to get out of manufacturing and focus on building its brands worldwide.

The Chicago-based maker of Ball Park franks, Hanes underwear and Coach leather goods said Monday it is adopted a model similar to that of Nike, which doesn't own any of the manufacturing facilities that produce its shoes and clothing. Instead, it acts as more of a wholesaler.

Wall Street apparently approved of the idea. Sara Lee's stock rose more than 14 percent, or $6.06 a share, to $48.62 a share, on the New York Stock Exchange.

MGM finances

LOS ANGELES — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. has lost more than $1 billion since 1994, hasn't turned a profit since 1988 and probably won't for several more years, the studio said in documents filed for a stock sale.

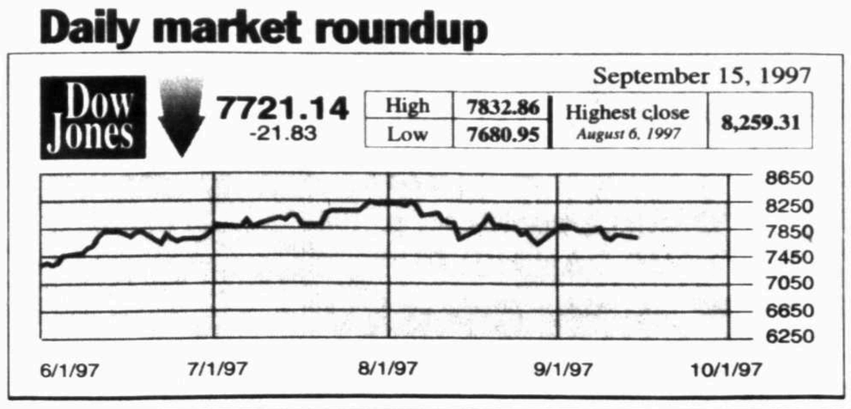
The prospectus offers the first detailed glimpse into the finances and workings of the privately held studio that produced such landmark films as "Gone with the Wind" before a series of disastrous deals in the 1980s and early 1990s.

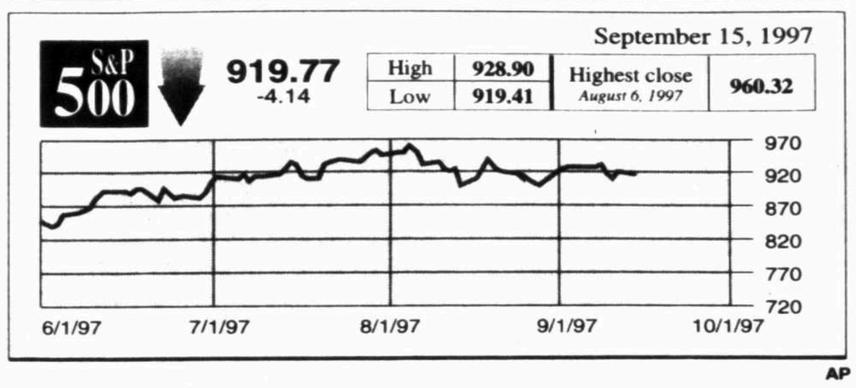
Those details include a $14 million bonus paid to MGM chairman Frank Mancuso when the French bank Credit Lyonnais sold the studio. The prospectus was filed Thursday with the Securities and Exchange Commission, where it will undergo a 20-day review period, after which the stock offering can actually be made.

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Dow erases day's gains, falls 21 points

Daily market roundup





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Fall in Microsoft shares spurs selloff

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A selloff in technology shares, triggered by an announcement of delays in the rollout of Microsoft's Windows 98 software, undermined a rising stock market Monday as sentiment turned bearish in the final hour of trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 21.83 to 7,721.14, erasing the nearly 52-point gain from earlier in the day. Broad-market indexes also weakened late in the day.

The steep fall in Microsoft shares ignited the late-day decline, and other bellwether technology stocks soon followed, including Intel, IBM and Cisco Systems.

"In the last hour or so, Microsoft fell and that had a negative impact on the entire tech sector and then on much of the market," said Brian Belski, a technical analyst at Dain Bosworth in Minneapolis.

Microsoft shares started the day lower on a Barron's report that said the software giant's stock was overvalued and that the company may have a hard time dominating the industry in the future.

But the big decline came at midafternoon, when Microsoft said its Windows 98 software will come out three months later than expected to give testers more time to root out bugs in the program.

Microsoft fell 7 1/4 to 130 11/16 on the news, a 5.2 percent drop. Other technology stocks also slumped.

Beside the Microsoft news, there was little else moving the market Monday. Most investors were cautious with their trades ahead of Tuesday's session, when the government reports on consumer prices for August and the Federal Reserve releases its monthly report on industrial production.

Investors and economists will scour the new economic data for any hints of the economy's direction. In March, the Federal Reserve raised interest rates to slow the economy and forestall inflation, and investors fear another rate hike will come in the final months of this year.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 6-to-5 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 467.48 million shares.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list fell 4.14 at 919.77, the NYSE composite index fell 0.70 at 482.60. The Nasdaq composite index fell 14.41 to 1,634.92.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose just 0.08 points to 440.17.

The American Stock Exchange composite index rose 2.35 to 674.66.

Southwestern Bell wants crack down on 'slamming'

■ Parent of Baby Bell wants FCC to implement 'three strikes' policy.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Southwestern Bell's parent is asking federal regulators to crack down on companies that switch customers' telephone carriers without permission, calling for a "three-strikes-and-you're-out" policy.

San Antonio-based SBC Communications Inc. on Monday proposed that the Federal Communications Commission levy fines of up to $10,000 per incident against telecommunications companies that engage in "slamming."

Customers learn they have been slammed only when their bill arrives and a different long-distance carrier is listed. SBC's corporate offices themselves have been slammed.

Southwestern Bell handles only local calls but fears it is associated with the problem because it is the billing and collections agent for many of the slammers.

"A few rogue companies have given the entire telecommunications industry a bad name, and consumers and businesses want a stop to the slamming madness," SBC operations president Royce Caldwell said in a statement issued Monday.

Roughly 500,000 slamming disputes have arisen this year within Southwestern Bell's five-state service region — Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma. That's a 30 percent jump from 1996. SBC also is the parent of Pacific Bell and Nevada Bell.

The FCC in July requested that telecommunications companies suggest specific rules to protect consumers and businesses from slamming. SBC was among many companies offering suggestions during a public comment period that ended Monday. New FCC rules are expected by the end of this year.

SBC wants penalties imposed on a carrier every time more than 2 percent of its new customers are disputed in any given month.

Under its three-strike proposal, offenders would be put on probation for six months after a first offense; a second strike would bring fines of $5,000 per slamming incident; and a third offense would result in fines of up to $10,000 per slam and suspension from the ability to submit orders for changes of service.

SBC also wants slammers to reimburse the victims and return the original provider's lost revenue. Local telephone providers also should be reimbursed for their costs in investigating the slamming and restoring original service, SBC said.

In Texas, the Public Utility Commission this month began enforcing a new law with fines of up to $5,000 per day per violation. If violations are repeated, the commission can revoke the slammer's right to operate in Texas.



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Roy Quintero, center, serenades Beverly Anania, right, of Geneva, N.Y. over a bottle of the new Seven Up that was introduced at the Marriott Rivercenter Monday in San Antonio. Quintero leads a mariachi group called Los Caporales.

New 7-Up to debut in 1998

■ Reformulating soft drinks can be risky business.

Associated Press

DALLAS — Coming up for the "up thing" will be a new taste.

A reformulated 7-Up will be launched next year, Dr Pepper/Seven Up Inc. told bottlers on Monday at a convention in San Antonio.

The new version will be a "better blend of lemon and lime flavors," according to Todd Stitzer, president and chief executive of the company, which is owned by Britain's Cadbury/Schweppes PLC.

Stitzer said the sweetness levels of the new 7-Up remain unchanged.

"Our aim was not to mimic Sprite, and we did not, as anyone will know after making their own comparison," Stitzer said.

But he said consumers rated the taste of new 7-Up "comparably with Sprite" in taste tests in which consumers weren't told which brand they were sampling.

Seven-Up, which once marketed its product as "the uncola" and more recently as "an up thing" will get a new advertising campaign called "refreshing moments" to go along with the new version of soft drink. Two of the ads are slated for November, while three will follow at the beginning of 1998. New packaging graphics will feature a lemon and a lime, as well as a 20-ounce proprietary bottle.

The changes to 7-Up have been propelled by the soft drink's difficulty in the beverage battle for "throat space."

In the 1940s, 7-Up was the third best-selling soft drink in the world. By last year, 7-Up had dropped to the eighth best selling soft drink with about 2.4 percent of the market, according to the trade newsletter Beverage Digest. Sprite was fourth at 5.8 percent.

Because of 7-Up's market decline, there is probably less risk in reformulating the drink, said John Sicher, editor and publisher of Beverage Digest.

"This is a classic case of without risk there is no reward. They need to do something to jump start this brand, give it a shot in the arm," he said.

Still, reformulating soft drinks can be risky. Coca-Cola altered its recipe for Coke in 1985 and quickly had to bring back the old flavor under the name Coca-Coca Classic.

Boeing delays aircraft deliveries

N.Y. Times News Service

SEATTLE — Boeing Co. said deliveries of a dozen aircraft scheduled for this month will be delayed until the fourth quarter because of production difficulties.

The delays will hurt Boeing's earnings in the third quarter and may force the world's largest maker of commercial aircraft to pay penalties to airlines for missing delivery dates.

Boeing is trying to boost jetliner output to record levels, and its suppliers are having trouble keeping up. The thousands of employees that it has hired in the last two years also are struggling to pick up the pace, Boeing said.

"They're more than doubling production in a very short time, and that's going to cause problems," said Bill Whitlow, a money manager at Safeco Corp. in Seattle, who has 55,000 Boeing shares in his funds. "These glitches are no surprise."

Boeing won orders for 717 aircraft last year, double the 346 it got in 1995, and almost six times the 120 it had in 1994.

Ten customers will be get their aircraft late. The Seattle-based company declined to name the airlines or say how much it may have to pay them in penalties.

Boeing said it's taking steps to remedy its problems, such as sending Boeing employees out to help strapped suppliers.

The company also is considering bringing workers up from McDonnell Douglas Corp. facilities in Long Beach, California. Boeing recently bought McDonnell for $16.3 billion, and borrowing employees from rival Lockheed Martin Corp., as it did in 1989.

"Two hundred to 400 more people would put us in great shape," said Ron Woodard, president of Boeing's commercial airplane group.

Boeing said it still expects to build about 350 airplanes this year, compared with 220 last year.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Buying life insurance just one estate planning option

By Eric Tyson

Q: We have been speaking with an estate planning adviser who has been advocating our purchase of life insurance to help our children deal with our estate taxes. Do you think this is an advisable move? I've become concerned about the objectivity of the advice, as this person offers life insurance for sale.



Tyson

A: You are right to be skeptical of the advice you're getting. Apparently you've been talking to a life insurance agent rather than a true estate planning adviser.

The agent stands to gain a big commission by selling you a life insurance policy. Thus, the agent can't be objective.

Buying life insurance, the proceeds from which could be used to pay estate taxes or simply to shelter some of your assets from federal estate taxes, is but one of many estate planning options open to you. Do some research on the topic. A good place to start is the book "Plan Your Estate" by Denis Clifford and Cora Jordan (Nolo Press).

Be aware that the recently passed tax bill allows folks to pass on more of their estates to their children and other heirs free of federal estate taxes. Gradually over the next nine years, the amount that a deceased person may leave to his or her heirs is slated to increase from the current $600,000 to $1 million. Married couples making use of bypass trusts, therefore, eventually will be able to shield $2 million from federal estate taxes.

Qualifying small-business owners also are getting a higher exemption from federal estate tax, allowing them to pass on up to a $1.3 million interest in their small business.

Those increases in estate tax exclusion amounts coupled with another change — the annual tax-free gifting limit of $10,000 per recipient is scheduled to be indexed to inflation beginning in 1999 — reduce the need to use estate planning strategies such as the purchase of life insurance.

Q: I am 66 years old and working still, earning about $29,000 annually. I have a $74,500 mortgage at an interest rate of 8.125 percent on my condo, which is worth about $100,000. I have no other debts and have about $200,000 in an individual retirement account.

I have tentative plans to retire at age 70. How should I handle my mortgage now and in retirement? I can comfortably pay an extra $100 monthly.

A: If you're a risk-averse investor, as are many people your age, paying down your mortgage balance quicker than is required by your scheduled loan payments makes good sense. It's unlikely that a risk-averse investor would earn a high enough return to compensate for the cost of carrying extra mortgage debt.

Once you retire, in addition to Social Security, you'll be able to live off your IRA.

I hope that you have the IRA money invested well. Ideally, you should have about a third to one-half of the account invested for growth in investments such as stocks worldwide.

If you haven't recently run some numbers to see if you have the right size nest egg to support your desired standard of living in retirement, do so now. You can order one of the user-friendly retirement-planning booklets offered by T. Rowe Price or Fidelity. If you're a computer user, check out the excellent retirement planning software that Vanguard and T. Rowe Price have available.

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99 Legal Notices

NEW INFORMATION!

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110 Lodge Notices

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448
Reg.stated meeting, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am. Breakfast 7:30 am.
Terry Cowin, W/M
Bob Ellwood, Sec.

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1000 Upland
Stated Meeting, 2nd & 4th Tuesday
@ 7:30 pm.
Bruce Milliken, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club
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Marvin Witcher, Pres.
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Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Reg. Stated Meetings
2nd & 4th Thurs.
7:30 pm.
Tom Arnold, WM
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130 Personals

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130 Personals

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FOUND: YOUNG German Shepherd. Vicinity Fairgrounds Rd. Collar & chain. call to identify 686-0083.

LOST: 1 year old spayed, female, cat, mostly gray with some beige, wearing red collar and tags. Very skinny. Answers to "Morgan". Last seen August 18th., 3400 Block of West Kansas. If any information please call 697-1118 or 684-7268.

FOUND: 4- 5 month old male Dalmation. Call to identify, 683-1457.

FOUND FEMALE Dog, Jane Long area, black & brown with blue collar & Neon green leash. Call Animal Control.

LOST: Burgundy and gray tent in Fairmont Park area. Blew away with storm Friday, 699-4361.

LARGE GERMAN Short- haired Pointer Midland/ Illinois vicinity. 60 Pounds, long/ lean. Brown head and tail area, white with brown flecks on body and legs. Hot pink collar. 697-2482. Reward offered.

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OLDSMOBILE 1995 Ninety-Eight Regency Elite. Automatic, power windows/ locks, cruise, Am- Fm/ Cassette/ CD. Under 23K miles. Bruce, 499-5679, pager.

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CADILLAC 1987 Fleetwood. Well maintained, excellent condition, really nice. Runs great. Leather. Will consider trade- in. $3,995. 694--0300.

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CADILLAC 1987 Brougham. White with burgundy plush interior. Always garaged, good condition. $4,300. Ask for Rusty 520-5601/ leave message 699-4434.

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CHEVROLET 1978 Corvette L82, highest book from 1974-1989. Cold air, aluminum wheels, new paint, new leather. Matching numbers. $10,200. 699-1748.

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CHEVROLET 1971 CORVETTE. 350 4 speed, leather, power steering/ brakes, air, original, well maintained. $8,500 call (806)796-1667.

CHEVROLET 1972 short wide bed, no motor/ transmission. $2,000. Call Doug at 580-4348.

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HUDSON 1954 Hornet. 308 engine. More than 95% complete. Needs restored. $2,500. Call 683-5574.

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210 Autos Imports

MITSUBISHI 1991 Galant LS, automatic, electric windows/ seats/ locks, AM/ FM cassette, under 52K miles, white. $7,495. Bruce, pager 499-5679.

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EAGLE 1993 Talon. Automatic, white, new tires, tint. Runs good. $8,000. 699-3032.

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BMW 1993 525I, 63,000 miles. Good condition. White/ gray interior. $21,500. Call 550-6434.

HONDA 1995 Civic DX hatchbback, red, 5 speed, 68K, immaculate, 40 mpg, Maintenance records available. Second owner. $7,850. Call 697-2100.

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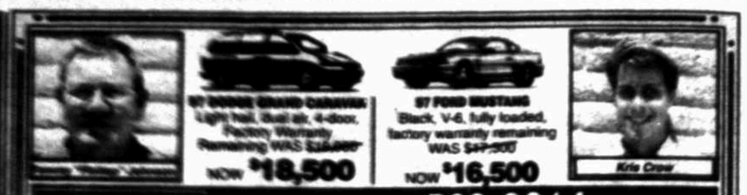
LEXUS 1995 GS300. Great condition. Sunroof, 12 change CD player, 29K miles, Color: diamond opal pearl. $30,000. Call 682-4276.

BMW 1984 528E. One owner, good tires, navy exterior, tan interior, 149K miles. Good condition. Price- $4,500. Call 684-8974.

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HONDA 1986 Accord, good condition, runs very well, automatic locks and windows, Alpine stereo, $3,200. Call 697-5276.

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215 Sport/Utility Vehicles

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JEEP 1991 Grand Wagoneer 4X4, automatic, power steering, beige leather interior. One owner, trailering package $11,500. 684-3713 (day) 699-0821 (night).

NISSAN 1988 PATHFINDER XE 4X4. White, Am- Fm cassette, 5 speed. Excellent condition. $7,500. 522-7806.

FORD 1994 EXPLORER XLT, dark blue exterior, tan cloth interior, 33,000 miles, CD Power windows/ doors/ locks, keyless entry. 558-1907, 694-5893.

FORD 1991 Explorer. 5 Speed, 4 door, red on red, running boards, 80K miles, new tires. Excellent condition. $8,700. 683-3400.

CHEVROLET 1996 Blazer LT. Leather, CD, 12,000 Miles. $21,000 or best offer. Call 570-0572.

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FORD 1992 EXPLORER. 2 Door Sport. 5 Speed, power windows and door locks, rear wiper and defroster. $9500. Call 689-8732.

JEEP 1989 Cherokee Laredo, automatic, power windows, locks, cruise, cassette/ multiple disc CD, trailering package. $6,000. 687-4636 days, 683-8602 evenings.

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GEO 1995 Tracker. 8,700 miles, excellent condition. Moving. $8,500. Call 520-4946.

CHEVROLET 1991 S10 Blazer 4 Door, red, immaculate, 98,000 miles. Tahoe Trim, towing package, 6 cyl. 4.3 ltr. $9,100. 697-6810, leave message.

220 Trucks

CHEVROLET 1993 Ext. Cab V6, power windows/ locks, tilt, cruise, great school truck! $11,995. Kevin, 561-6222, pager.

CHEVROLET 1996 S-10 Regular Cab. 4 Cylinder, 5 speed. Am- Fm radio. Balance of warranty. 10,000 miles. Bruce, 499-5679, pager.

FORD 1995 F-150 XLT. Power windows/ locks, tilt, cruise, AM-FM cassette, V8 engine. Clean truck! Call Shawn D., 561-6259, pager.

GMC 1995 Pickup, white, auto., V6 engine, AM/ FM tape, 38K miles. Great for work or school. Shawn, 561-6259 pager.

GMC 1997 Yukon. SLE trim, with cargo doors. 12K Miles. Call Kevin, 561-6222, pager.

FORD 1986 Pickup. V8, camper shell. Clean, good running. $5,500. Call 682-5177.

GMC 1987 S-15. V-6. 5 speed, excellent condition. 115K. $3,950 or best offer. 689-7107.

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FORD 1994 RANGER. 4 cylinder, 5 speed, air, power. $7,300 or best offer 694-4220.

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CHEVROLET 1995 Extend cab, Silverado, Preditor conversion, dark blue with running boards & custom wheels, leather interior, woodgrain finish. Call Juan 536-2919.

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FORD 1994 F150, 5 speed, V6, long bed, 12,000 miles. Pick up payments. 580-7188.

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GMC 1990 1/2 Ton extended cab. Maroon/ silver, automatic, power tilt, cruise. Clean, good lookin truck. $8,500. (915)756-2363.

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NISSAN 1988 Pickup. 4 Speed, short bed, headache rack, tool box. No air, radio. Well maintained. $3,000. 682-2902 before 5.

CHEVROLET 1982 Custom Deluxe 1/2 Ton pickup. Clean, good condition. 305 auto, air, good tires, camper shell. $3,500. 520-2338, 559-5544.

FORD 1996 F-150 XLT cruise, auto, all power security system, custom rims and bed liner. $14,000. Call 520-5528 after 6:30.

CHEVROLET 1995 Heavy Duty 3/4 ton, 6.5 turbo diesel, extended. Automatic, tilt, cruise, chrome ranch hand bumpers. 41K. $19,000. 620-0131.

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GMC 1994 SIERRA Extended cab, Stepside, 34K miles, bedliner, alarm, teal, silver. Loaded! $17,500. Call Monday-Friday 570-6007, 8- 5.

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FORD 1997 F-150 Lariat Supercab, 2 Tone red/ gray, Leather, CD, V8, cruise. Must see. $22,500. Negotiable. 687-5934.

CHEVROLET 1995 Suburban. Fully loaded, leather interior, custom paint & wheels. Excellent condition. Great eye appeal. 49K miles. $23,000. 561-5577.

FORD 1991 Crew Cab Dually. Very clean, loaded, diesel, automatic, am fm cassette. $11,400. 697-1839 or 694-2733.

CHEVROLET 1994 Extended cab pickup, dark blue, bucket seats, fully loaded, runs great. $11,000. 706 W. California. Jennifer, 520-5501.

CHEVROLET 1995 Extended cab, V8, 305, standard, 16,000 miles, loaded, Aqua. Very nice. $18,900. 697-0528.

WELDING RIG 1979 Chevrolet truck. 1976 SA 200 Lincoln. Custom bed with tools and wench. $6,000. 699-1301.

222 Suburbans & Vans

GMC 1997 Suburban SLE, green with grey cloth Bucket seats, rear air. Only 4,500 miles. Save money! Shawn 561-6259, pager.

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CHEVROLET 1986 Suburban Silverado, cold air, loaded. $4,000. After 6 pm, 683-8755.

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Midland Park Mall currently has an opening for a Security Supervisor. Minimal qualifications include: 2-3 years security/ law enforcement supervisory skills, computer literate, excellent written and verbal communications skills, working knowledge of state and/or federal safety regulations and state private security laws, training in first aid and CPR, college education preferred.

No phone calls please.
If you feel you qualify, send resume to:

Midland Park Mall Management Office
4511 N. Midkiff
Midland, Texas 79705

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*NEWS
KOSA NEWS DEPARTMENT OPENINGS:

ASSIGNMENT EDITOR - Must have newsroom experience and a college degree in related field.

NEWS REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER - Must have college degree in broadcast journalism or related field.

NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER - Must have experience in news and handling deadline pressures.

Send resume's to

KOSA-TV
1211 NORTH WHITAKER
ODESSA, TX 79763
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310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT

We Want to Work With You

Reliable full and part- time co-workers needed. We are willing to work with good people, offering competitive wages, benefits, and very flexible scheduling! No experience needed, we are looking to train! Be sure to ask about our education assistance program. Apply in person Monday- Friday, 3 pm.

Golden Corral
4709 N. Midkiff
Midland, TX 79705

RESTAURANT Help wanted all shifts. Please apply in person at Burger King, 2501 N. Big Spring, between 2 & 5 pm drug screen required.

RESTAURANT- Cashier/ dressers needed. 2 part time positions (11 am- 2 pm Monday through Saturday). Apply in person, Michael's Charcoal Grill, 4317 W. Illinois.

RESTAURANT- Jorge's now hiring experienced waitstaff. Apply in person only after 3 pm, 3323 North Midland Drive, ask for Janie.

RESTAURANT- La Mision now hiring enthusiastic cook, waitstaff, experience preferred. Apply in person, 4410 N. Midkiff.

RESTAURANT- Lajitas on the Rio Grand Resort looking to fill all restaurant positions. Experience and personality a must. Call Randy 915-424-3471.

RESTAURANT. Abuelo's Mexican Food Embassy is now hiring experienced, exceptional Waitstaff, Hosts, Bar Staff, and Service Assistants. Our employees enjoy flexible schedules, exciting work environment and advancement opportunities. Apply in person 2:00 to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, 4610 N. Garfield, Suite C1.

ROUGH BLADE Operator needed immediately, good benefits EOE. Contact George Williams. 332-0721. 915-697-7340 or Travis Jones 915-368-4310 or Lucio Lara 915-337-4924.

SEEKING DINING ROOM, line attendants, and dish room. Contact Mr. Chambers at Furr's Cafeteria.

THE ODESSA Jackalopes are hiring for part time seasonal positions. Apply in person at the Ector County coliseum or Christensen Stadium Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. Positions available include all off-ice officials, concessions, souvenirs, ushers, etc.

TOP PAY Truck Drivers needed for oil field jobs. Must be able to travel. No need to relocate. Must have Class A CDL, clear driving record and 2 years driving experience. Call 1-800-588-2669 Monday - Friday 8-5.

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381-1210

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WAITSTAFF applications being accepted at The Bar. Apply in person 2- 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

311 Medical Help Wanted

Nursefinders Staffing
RNs, LVNs and ICU Nurses Needed
Instant Pay
Referral Bonuses
Bonus Pay
580-3535

***ADMINISTRATOR**
Seeking licensed nursing home administrator for Alpine Valley Care Center, a 56 bed intermediate care facility located in lovely Alpine, Texas. Competitive salary with benefits. If interested send resume to: MSC Associates, P.O. Box 2786, Lubbock, TX 79401 or fax to 806-747-1632.

BILLING CLERK/ Receptionist with experience needed for busy physician's office. Medical Manager software. Benefits/ health insurance offered. Please mail resume to 2114 W. Tennessee, Midland 79701 or fax resume to 685-1700.

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES. Terrace West Nursing Center, has current openings for Certified Nurse Aides on the 6-2 shift. If interested please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

DME MARKETING Representative with physician and hospital contacts needed. The successful candidate must be knowledgeable of oxygen concentrators, hospital beds and other medical equipment. We offer a competitive base salary and benefits. Please send resume to or come by Medi Plus, 1203 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79701.

LVN NEEDED for 2 to 10 pm shift. Good benefits offered. Apply in person: 3203 Sage St., Courtyard Care Center Geriatnc facility. No phone calls please.

MEDICATION AIDE NEEDED for 6 to 2 pm shift. Good benefits offered. Apply in person: 3203 Sage St., Courtyard Care Center Geriatric facility. No phone calls please.

NURSE AIDES needed for all shifts. Apply in person, 3203 Sage, Courtyard Care Center.

PHARMACIST- Nuclear Pharmacist. position available in Abilene Texas, no experience needed, will train. Call 1-800-290-7265.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST. Full time opening, primarily orthopedic patient load, for private practice. Sign on bonus negotiable. Competitive benefit package. Send resume to Box PE 04040, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RECEPTIONIST/ MEDICAL Records Clerk needed for busy medical practice. Prefer medical and computer experience. Good people skills and a strong work ethic required. Competative salarly and excellent benefit package. Send resume and cover letter with salarly requirements to: Box PJ-03048, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RN NEEDED immediately for position of D.O.N. for a new and fast growing home health agency. Must be knowledgeable in Medicare regulations and have 2- 3 years of home health experience. Salary DOE. Please call 570-9333 or fax resume to 570-0250.

312 Professional Help Wanted

*** DRAFTSMAN**
AutoCad, Experienced, Excellent Benefits

Send resumes to
3465 Curry Lane
Abilene, TX 79606

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Midland Fair Havens, Inc., a non- profit corporation seeks an individual with experience in administration, program development and fund raising, to join this Christian Faith based transitional housing program for single women and their children. Applicants must agree with the mission of the organization to be considered. Send letter of transmittal with resume to: Executive Director Search, P.O. Box 10248, Midland, TX 79702-7248.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE- debit memos, invoicing, answering heavy phones, filing. Must have minimum 2 years experience. Smoking environment. Call Kim or Jim at 687-1721.

DRAFTSMAN- Minimum 2 years experience, Auto Cad R12 and civil programs. Wage based on related experience. Apply in person or send resume to Pettigrew and Associated, P.A., 1110 N. Grimes, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240.

LAND /LEASE ANALYST. Independent needs experienced person to analyze and maintain lease records, division orders, operating agreements, etc. Questa software experience and ability to generate reports from database files helpful. Please send your resume along with salary requirements to: Box P-06040, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LAND TECH. Permanent position available for independent and energetic individual with working knowledge of various oil and gas forms and instruments. Experience in preparation of basic forms such as leases, assignments, and releases are required. Enertec experience a plus. Submit resumes by mail or fax to Costilla Energy, Inc., Attn: Nancy Christmas, P.O. Box 10369, Midland, TX 79702, 915-686-6085. Non smoking environment.

LEGAL SECRETARY for law firm. Successful applicant will be proficient in Windows and WordPerfect, type 80+ wpm, prior corporate legal experience helpful. Excellent benefits. Mail resume in confidence to Box T-05041, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LEGAL SECRETARY position open in a medium size law firm. If you have WordPerfect 6.1, Windows and prior legal experience: mail resume and salary history to: Box P-06041, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

NEWS ANCHOR

KOSA-TV, Odessa, Texas is accepting resume's and tapes for a noon and five pm anchor/ reporter to compliment male anchor. Candidates should be total team players with a great attitude. Must have a degree in broadcast journalism and at least one year of anchoring experience. Must also have strong reporting skills. Send tapes and resume's to KOSA-TV, 1211 North Whitaker, Odessa, TX 79762. No phone calls please. Benedek Broadcasting is an equal opportunity employer.

PROFESSIONAL

ATTENTION:

High Sky Children's Ranch is seeking energetic, youth oriented couples and individuals for contract house parents and relief positions. Flexible schedules, variable tax-free reimbursements, and support services available. Contact JaLynn Hogan at (915) 694-7728.

SEEKING experienced Escrow Officer/ Secretary and Title Policy Clerk for Title and Abstract Company in Midland. Salary DOE. Please call, 687-3355.

Television
Commercial Director...

New promotions/ production team looking for creative photographer/ editor. Basic TV production knowledge a must. Send resume to KOSA-TV. No phone calls please.

KOSA-TV
1211 N. Whitaker St.
Odessa, TX 79763

314 Clerical Help Wanted

Administrative Assistant

TEMP TO HIRE. Highly motivated individual, team player. Professional atmosphere, multi- line phone. Good PR & clerical skills. MS Word & Excel preferred. Call today for an immediate appointment.

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CLERICAL Windows 95/ 40 wpm. Great work environment, $8-12 per hour/ benefits. Call 685-1766 or 800-819-4255.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

Clerical

Looking for full-time office help. Duties include:
"Heavy Filing"
'Accounting Knowledge"
(previous experience required)
"Data Entry"
"Typing"

Must be reliable, self-motivated, very organized. Salary based on experience, benefits included. Apply in person at:

7900 W. Hwy 80
Midland, TX 79706

No Phone Calls, Please.

CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 689-6607.

CLERICAL- FULL Time Receptionist/ Secretary. Need experience with WordPerfect, Great Plains Accounting and Telephone skills. Please send resume to: PO Box 60685, Midland, Texas 79711-0685.

CONSUMER LENDING Secretary. West Texas Bank is seeking Consumer Lending Secretary with two -three years experience in installment loans. Must have good verbal, written and interpersonal skills. Candidate should have successfully completed one - two years college. Send resume to: Box P-06038, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702. An equal opportunity employer.

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Temp & Permanent positions available
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ELDER CARE Facility is seeking an Associate Program Director. Qualified individual should posses the following skills: computer literate, (Windows, Microsoft Office Quickbooks), Have an outgoing personality, and strong leadership qualities. Must also be a high school graduate, have reliable transportation and have a home phone number. Interested parties should call 689-2717 or come by 3400 Caldera Blvd.

INSURANCE AGENCY increasing it's support staff. Looking for aggressive, motivated, customer- friendly person who is also computer literate. Prior insurance experience preferred. Please drop off resume at 4400 N. Big Spring #C-25.

JOBS AVAILABLE
Select Staff
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Temp & Perm positions. Locally & around the globe! 686--8360.

RECEPTIONIST FOR a Law office. Must be able to type 25 words per minute minimum with possibility of advancement. Must be bi- lingual. Call 570-1035 and schedule appointment with Tony.

RETAIL Upper end furniture store needs middle management position. Bookkeeping work helpful. Send resume to: Chesapeake Interiors, 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 10, Midland, TX 79705.

SECRETARY NEEDED for small oil and gas company. Land knowledge and accounting skills a plus. Send resume P.O. Box 2334 Midland TX. 79702.

V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES- Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits. (915) 686--9722.

316 Sales Help Wanted

*SALES
MIDLAND/ ODESSA
Jewel Opportunity

Expenence preferred. Full or part- time. Sales assistant for exclusive quality Midland jeweler. 100 year old family-owned, authorized Rolex jeweler. Neat appearance/ willing to learn. Contact/ send resume to:

Box T-05038
Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

APPLE EDUCATION Sales Agent is looking for self-starting, aggressive sales person to serve Education Regions 17 & 18 of Texas. Background in K-12 education is very helpful. Salary/ commission pay structure at $44K range. Employee health plan paid. Inquines and resumes to Walt Pfeifer, SchoolVision, Box 90 Abilene, TX 79604.

DIGITAL SATELLITE Opportunity. Please see Business Opportunity Column No. 350.

GENERAL- Ten second ad could change yo.r life. Sales Opportunity. 915-570-7588.

HEAD MAINTENANCE position open at Carnage House Apartments, 4306 N. Dixie. Must be HAVC certified. Pay depends on experience.

INSURANCE- large insurance company has career opportunity. Willingness to work hard, imagination and initiative are the main requirements. Starting compensation up to $500 per week. If qualified, call Mandy Tamez 915-563-1055. American General Life and Accident Insurance Company.

LICENSED LIFE Insurance agents - 2 years experience minimum. Call 915-570-7588.

SALES person needed for electronic water equipment - irrigation and residential. Midland/ Odessa area. Call (806)872-5923.

SALES- Honesty, integrity, sincerity. Achievement drive for sales opportunity. 915-570-7588.

WAL-MART PHARMACY now hiring part time sales clerk, to work evenings and alternating weekends. Contacts personal department. Call 697-0871 for details.

318 Management Help Wanted

APARTMENT MANAGER Assistant 1907 Tarleton. 2 -3 Years experience. Must have computer skills! To $1,800 /month, plus medical, plus bonus. Fax resume: 689-7846.

MANAGEMENT Opportunity. Fast track opportunity in the financial services industry. Challenging and rewarding career available through our management training program. We are looking for an intelligent, outgoing person who enjoys working with people, likes challenge, and is career oriented. Excellent training program and advancement potential. Willing to relocate within a year. Competitive salaries and excellent benefits offered. For immediate consideration please contact: Beneficial Texas, Inc., 1028 -A Andrews Hwy., 79701. 694-9639.

*MANAGEMENT
AmeriPride Linen and Apparel Services,
the best textile rental service company in the Permian Basin, is seeking outstanding applicants for the following position:

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Successful applicants will have high degree of professionalism, honesty, and integrity. Experience managing 30+ people and college degree preferred. Bilingual a plus. Must pass physical, drug screen and reference check

Salary ($25K) and bonuses as well as health insurance, 401K, paid vacations, and other benefits. Come be a part of a winning, growing team at our Odessa facility.

Mail resume to the attention of: Tim Neale,
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Odessa, TX 79761
Or e-mail to
tneale@powr.net
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EOE

RESTAURANT SHIFT MANAGERS

Seeking highly motivated, energetic, goal oriented shift managers for local restaurant. Must be able to work flexible hours and have excellent people and training skills. Compensation based on experience. Send resume to Wendy's P.O. Box 9511 Midland, TX 79708. E.O.E.

RESTAURANT- Lajitas on the Rio Grand Resort, looking for food and beverage manager. Experience and personality a must. Randy 915- 424-3471 or fax resume 915-424-3277.

SHOE SALON- Manager Julian Gold, fine ladies specialty store is seeking experienced individual to manage and sell better ladies shoes. Call Ginger Yowell 682-5368.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

HOT OIL OPERATOR needed for small independent oil and gas company. Good hours and benefits. Must have 2 years experience with good driving record. Salary negotiable. Send resume to P.O. Box 590, Midland, TX 79702 or call (915)685-0113.

OPERATORS, Pipeliners. Good pay /benefits for hard working individuals. Must be able to pass DOT drug screening and have a clean driving record. Class A or B CDLs a plus. Call 1-800-582-7031 Serious calls only.

320 Skilled Trades

MACHINIST
Experienced with CNC programming, set -up and operating. Medium -sized manufacturing company with excellent benefits. Send resume or apply in person to:
Epley Enterprises, Inc.
3916 S. Chadbourne
P.O. Box 3641
San Angelo, TX 76092

CARPENTER with own tools and experience; also, carpenters helper needed. References required by both. Call 684-3843.

DRYWALL FINISHER- 5 years experience preferred. Full time position. Leave message. 559-4879.

FIELD SERVICE TECHNICIAN for installation, service and repair of Delta X equipment. Must have good working knowledge of oilfield operations, basic electronic and electrical skills; be self motivated and organized; have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Send resume to: 2101 S. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX 79703 or (915)694-1476.

HVAC TECHNICIAN- with low temp experience. Minimum 2 years experience. Call M & M Mechanical, 520-4568 for interview.

LABORERS AND WELDERS wanted for metal building erection. 2 Years minimum experience. Salary DOE. 520-9421.

MAINTENANCE ENGINEER- Position available for person with experience and/ or mechanical aptitude to competently perform machine tool maintenance and repairs. Good benefits and retirement package. Salary $35K +. DOE. Applications taken, B & M Tool, #40 E. Industrial Loop. 682-0856.

TREE PROGRAM Co-Ordinator. Part- time, grant funded position exists to promote, expand and maintain the public tree program of Keep Midland Beautiful. Creative, organized, people person with knowledge of tree care required. Send resume with cover letter to KMB, PO Box 10949, Midland 79702.

PLUMBERS- Mr. Rooter now hiring plumbers. Benefits, good pay. 570-7473.

400 Auctions

PUBLIC ESTATE AUCTION

Donald & Carnelia Lay Estate

213 N. First ST. Coahoma, Texas
Saturday, September 20, 1997 10:00 a.m.
Preview From 8 to 10 a.m. the Day of Sale

Frog Collection ● Dolls ● Glassware ● Pots & Pans ● Lamps Pictures ● Linens ● Luggage ● Records ● Crosley Radio ● Small Appliances ● Brass Items ● China ● Stoneware ● Cowboy Bath Tub ● Metal Glider 4 Drawer File Cabinet ● Vacuum Cleaner ● Table & (4) Chairs ● Dearborn Heater ● Maytag Washer ● G.E. Refrigerator ● Microwave ● GE Electric Double Oven Range ● Portable TV ● Sofa ● Swivel Rocker ● Recliner ● End Tables ● RCA Console TV ● Desk with Hutch Top ● Chair & Night Stand ● Bedding ● Duncan Phife Table with (6) Chairs ● Hutch & Buffet ● Doll Display Case ● Metal Bed ● Antique Dresser ● Duncan Phife Dresser with Mirror & Night Stand ● Old Baby Carrier ● Small Cedar Chest ● Old Child's Rocker ● Wood Potato Bin.

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BIG SPRING TEXAS

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MECHANIC

CX TRANSPORTATION NEEDS MECHANIC

REQUIREMENTS

Must have 4 years experience repairing tractor & trailer, 2 years verifiable brake experience, own hand tools required. Must pass DOT physical and drug screen.

BENEFITS

Weekly pay, life, health, dental, vision insurance, paid vacation, paid holidays, 401K available.

381-1210

EOE/ M/ F

SHEET METAL WORKER needed. Requirements: 5 years experience, read blueprints, fabricate and install duct work & supervise others. Great benefit package, salary DOE. Call Raul at 915-685-0003.

SHOP MECHANIC needed. Machine and welding needed. Wellhead and valve repair a plus. Pick up an application at office, UWS, 953 Advance Ave., Midland, Texas.

SIDING APPLICATOR. Independent contractor with own tools, truck and verifiable references. 570-5551.

330 Employment Wanted

CONTRACT PUMPER, 16 years experience looking for more wells; Orla, Mentone, Kermit area. Call (915)586-2979.

I WORK part time helping elderly and disabled with meals, cleaning, errands. Call 570-6315.

336 Adult Care Providers

SPECIAL RATE for September move in. Private room for elderly -established private care home With references. 697-4116.

24/ 7 DAYS A Week Care Facility now open. 2 Rooms available immediately. Call Paula at 520-5275.

340 Child Care Needed

NEED BABYSITTER to take care of 3 children at my home. For more information, call Ruby at 520-4129 or mobile 559-4285.

CHILDCARE needed in Greenwood area. Searching for dependable adult to care for newborn in your home. Prefer non-smoker. Lots of love and references a must. 570-6874.

LIVE IN NANNY for cooking and cleaning- Monday thru Friday. 6 Month raise program. $150 weekly. Spanish speaking okay. 553-2940.

341 Child Care Providers

WILL PROVIDE Child Care, days, evenings or weekends for any age. 520-7465.

BABYSITTING in my home. 20 Years experience. Reasonable rates. Call 684-5461.

CHILD CARE. 2- 5 Years. 7 am- 7 pm. Open Weekends. Call 694-6575.

LEARNING PROGRAM for toddlers. Clean, safe, loving environment. Breakfast, lunch snack. First aid/ CPR. 694-9871.

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HOME BASE BUSINESS. Profit from digital satellite explosion. Large residual income possible. Great up front bonuses. Serious inquires only. Call Tom, 800-528-6192.

SEIZED CARS from $175. Porsches, Cadillacs, Chevys, BMW's, Corvettes. Also, Jeeps, 4WD's. Your Area. Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext A-1523 for current listings.

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ESTABLISHED VENDING ROUTE
Must sell by 9/ 26
20 contracted locations.
$75K investment
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Attention Readers

Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.
★★★★★★★★★★★★

TANTALIZING, MIDLAND's finest sun tanning place, is for sale. Owner will finance for right buyer, serious inquires only. Call Mark 699-6362.

FOR SALE: Restaurant, fully equipped. Call 570-7850.

FOR SALE. A Specialty Shop for Children. New and previously child tested furniture, clothing, toys and gifts. Big Spring, Texas. Call (915)263-1438.

UNIQUE Opportunity with a ! Midland's only body wrap- **SUDDENLY SLENDER.** Well established, includes inventory. Protected franchise area. Gross 100K annually. Financial records available. Serious inquires only. **683-7411.**

WORK @ HOME!! Earn $500- $2,000 part time, $1,000- $5,000 full time. Call Tern toll free, 888-808-0155.

GOVERNMENT Foreclosed Homes from pennies on $1. Delinquent Tax, Repo's, REO's. Your area- Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext H-1523 for current listings.

MAKE GOLF YOUR BUSINESS! Ground floor opportunity! Minimum investment. Call 333-7037 for more information.

400 Auctions

ESTATE AUCTION Spring city auction house 3000 W. 4th. Big Spring TX. Thursday 7 p.m. door open at 5 p.m. Lots of antiques.

410 Misc. Sales

2 SOUTHWEST ROUND trip tickets from Midland, Tx to San Jose, CA. $175 each. Expires June 1998. (916)810-3843.

GOLF BAGS, console TV (needs work), beautiful wooden desk, motorcycle helmets, aluminum storm door. 694-3998.

WATER SKIS $50, Sportster cycle parts: tanks, pipes, speedometer and misc. parts $75. 694-4437.

CONVENTIONAL STROLLER, white leather $100. Super Jogger, red with canopy $200. Both like new. (915)267-4552.

ROOF MOUNTED Power ventilator, new in box 14 inches, thermostat, only $38. call 367-5433.

JENNY LIND Baby Bed $50. Graco high chair, $25. car seats and lots of childrens clothes and items. Come by any time between 5 pm & 9 pm. 4740 Wilshire.

LOWEST PRICES of the year on Storage Buildings/ shops at Permian Basin Fair and at lot - delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

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2 STERLING SILVER candleabra, silver plate and 5 piece coffee/ tea service. Royal Doulton figurine "Linda" 1952, Nippon Chamber stick.

HERBALIFE & Natural efx Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB!

COOLERS, MOWERS, washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves. Appliances warranted. Dining/ suites, couches, chairs, recliners. 570--4851.

RESTHAVEN, 3 lots, $700 each, all for $1,900. 683-2321.

WEDDING DRESS, long ivory, non traditional suit type with jacket and hat, $250. 682-0135.

CLARKE COMMERCIAL Extractor, 10 gallon, excellent condition, great for apartments, $350. Please call 683-2582.

410 Misc. Sales

DOG HOUSES, $35. & $45. Porch Swings, $35. Glider swings $65, bookcases $35. 563-0452.

GOLD'S GYM, paid $1,100, 3 months old, will sell for $550. Call 689-9348, leave message.

RALPH LAREN comforter & sham, full/ queen (red/ blue plaid), $100. Almost new Nordic Track, $200. Lifestyler treadmill, $175. 683-3533.

413 Jewelry & Furs

4 CARATS: Round, brilliant, high quality. (806)798-9678.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

WANTED USED Brick flagstone- 100 sq. ft. Call 697-7352 leave message.

420 Good Things To Eat

PERMIAN BASIN Farmers Market. Variety of fresh vegetables. Open 7 a.m. 5025 Princeton on Saturday and 1505 E. Front on Tuesday.

MARIA'S HOME MADE Tamales $5. per dozen. Call to place order anytime 683-5504 or 684-9950.

430 Household Goods

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

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APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

5 TO 6 PERSON Hot Tub/ Spa, starting at $79. a month With approved credit - delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

FURNITURE: Like new sofa; sofa and love seat; Tell City love seat; chair; 3 piece bedroom suite; double bedding. 3203 Sinclair. 694-3674.

432 Household Furniture

DAYBED, complete, twin-sized, white & brass, $100. Call 520-0951.

LARGE ANTIQUE display cabinet $350. Antique secretary desk $300 and Grandfather clock $150. 520-3242.

RCA BIG Screen TV, 46", only 6 months old $1,300 or best offer. Couch and loveseat, mauve, $300. Solid oak 8' table with benches, $300. Leave message or call 520-8830, mobile 638-1681.

★MULTI Striped arm chairs /ottoman- $200; sofa- $200; buffet /hutch- $500; dining table /6 chairs- $300. Excellent condition. 697-1446.

BABY CRIB, $40. Pleasae call 686-7625. Ask for Missy.

CARPET, 12'x13' and 15'x16', light beige, good shape, $100. 8'x11' hand knotted rug, beige/ floral, $100. 685-1437.

SOMMA Queensized waterbed, $200. Excellent condition. Call 699-2193.

KING SIZE- bedding ,complete set. $200. 684-8314.

ANTIQUE DRESSER/ armoire. Antique dining table, oak claw foot table. Whitewashed French coffee table. 522-7448.

FOR SALE 19" Sharp color TV, $125. Call 689-3143.

MOVING- Must Sell! Sofa and chair, 1 1/2 years old, Hunter green, $500. Entertainment center $30. China hutch $125, and miscellaneous items! 570-6593.

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Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA.	Qualifying
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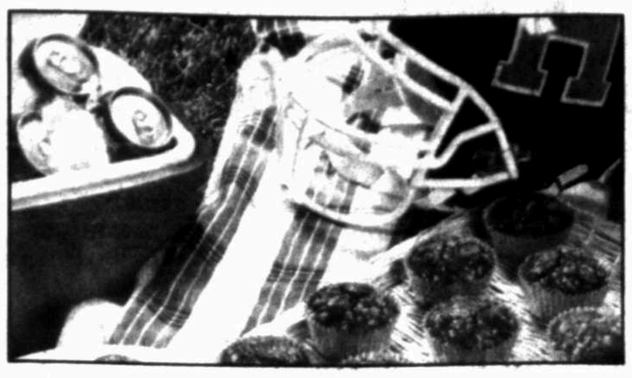
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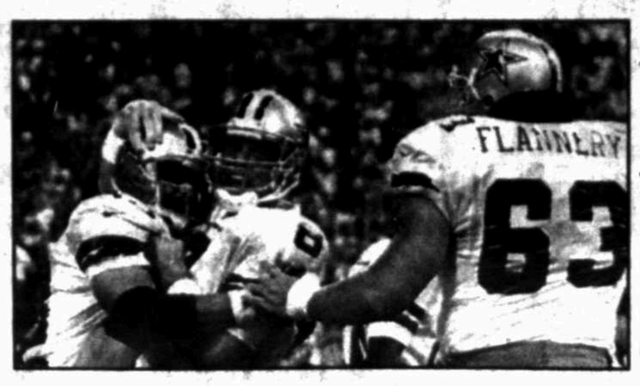
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SPORTS

'Boys cliffhangers

The Cowboys had never been the recipient of a gift-wrapped victory as time expired. Until Monday night./**1C**

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Jackson seeks to isolate professor

Civil rights leader tells students to boycott teacher's classes

AUSTIN (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson told University of Texas students Tuesday to boycott classes of a law professor who said black and Mexican American students aren't academically competitive.

"We're not the problem, he is the problem," Jackson told the nearly 5,000 students gathered below the steps of the campus' main tower. "You have no obligation to be in his class."

Lino Graglia, a 67-year-old professor of constitutional law at the university's law school, has become the center of controversy since his comments last week.

"Blacks and Mexican-Americans are not academically competitive with whites in selective institutions," Graglia said then. "It is the result primarily of cultural effects. They have a culture that seems not to encourage achievement. Failure is not looked upon with disgrace."

'He (professor) has legal grounds for free speech, but no moral ground and no scientific ground for racist, fascist, inaccurate speech.'
— the Rev. Jesse Jackson

University officials have denounced Graglia's comments, and some students and state legislators have called for his ouster But Jackson said that would make only make Graglia the victim.

"If we fire him he will sue and that will make him a martyr," Jackson said. "What we must do is isolate him as a social pariah."

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AP Photo

The Rev. Jesse Jackson speaks to students at the University of Texas at Austin Tuesday. He called on students to boycott classes of law professor Lino Graglia, who said that black and Mexican-American students aren't academically competitive.

A.M. BRIEFING

TODAY
Partly cloudy with high in lower 90s. Weather on 2A





AP Photo

Sharla Bucknam talks about her husband, Gary, at a news conference outside her apartment in Eatontown, N.J., Tuesday. Gary Bucknam, a senior airman in the U.S. Air Force is one of nine servicemen missing after their C-141 cargo plane apparently crashed in the south Atlantic Ocean off Africa.

Military crash

WINDHOEK, Namibia — Searchers found debris Tuesday from a U.S. cargo plane in the same cold, shark-infested waters where they found remnants of a German aircraft, confirming the two military planes crashed off Namibia's Skeleton Coast.

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Antibiotic study

CHICAGO — Doctors wrote 12 million antibiotic prescriptions in a single year for colds, bronchitis and other respiratory infections against which the drugs are almost always useless, a study found. Such indiscriminate use of antibiotics has contributed to the emergence of drug-resistant bacteria, a growing problem in the United States, the researchers said.

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Dow jumps

NEW YORK — Investors flocked back into blue-chip stocks Tuesday, boosting the Dow Jones industrial average by nearly 175 points, as the economy continued to defy expectations with a mixture of brisk growth and low inflation.

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Taste of Mexico



Students learn about Mexican history

Viva Mexico, viva los Estados Unidos! Diez-y-seis de Septiembre is a chance for area children to embrace both Mexican and American cultures.

Travis Elementary School students this week learned about Mexican history and why Sept. 16 is Mexico's equivalent of the United States' Independence Day.

Patricia Gonzales, chairwoman for the school's festivities and a third- grade bilingual teacher, said the celebration included Mexican dances and singing to familiarize students with the country.

"A lot of the children who come to Travis, their parents may have been born in Mexico," Ms. Gonzales said. "This is an opportunity for them to come and celebrate."

It's also an opportunity for students of other races and nationalities to learn about the nation that borders the United States on the south — the same country that originally possessed Texas.



Felipa Lara, a school-home liaison, was dressed in a traditional bright red dress as students were treated to a sampling of Mexican cuisine during a celebration Tuesday at the gym. Parents and teachers provided a wide variety of Mexican foods, like sopapillas and tacos.

"We celebrate (Sept. 16) the way people celebrate Fourth of July," Ms. Lara said. "It's a big celebration. We use the traditional mariachi (bands); it's a fiesta. We have

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Above, Travis Elementary School third-graders Belinda Pando, from left, Dalia Guerra and Alexis Montoya sample Mexican foods during a "16 de Septiembre" celebration Tuesday. At left, Travis Elementary School parents Laura Rodriguez, from left, Irma Ibarra and Marylu Marshall serve samples of Mexican food.

Story by Richard Enos | **Photos by Brian Adamcik**

Warrant charges man with 1 of 2 armed robberies

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

Midland Police Department detectives on Tuesday obtained an arrest warrant for a man authorities presume is responsible for one of two armed robberies reported to authorities this week.

Police said that 28-year-old Anthony Wayne Barber is a suspect wanted in connection with an armed robbery that occurred at a local pizza restaurant Monday night.



Anthony Wayne Barber, 28, is a suspect wanted in connection with an armed robbery that occurred Monday night.

A warrant filed on Tuesday charges the man with aggravated robbery, a first-degree felony. Barber had not been arrested as of Tuesday evening, officials said.

Authorities confirmed that he has an arrest record for robbery, assault and driving while intoxicated.

The charges stem from a robbery that occurred at Little Caesar's Pizza at 3323 N. Midland Drive. Employees reported the incident about 8:30 p.m. The victims did not report any injuries.

Officers quoted the store employees as saying that a man walked into the store and demanded money from the cash register.

Employees said that the man began a brief conversation and then raised the front of his shirt and revealed a revolver stashed in the waistband of his pants.

After taking an undetermined amount of cash, the man fled the scene in a red car with California plates. The vehicle, MPD officials said, was located at 1:15 a.m., at California and Bunche streets. The vehicle was found to be reported stolen in Odessa.

Victims described the suspect as a white male, about 5 feet, 11 inches tall and weighed 185 pounds. He appeared to be in his late 20s and was said to have hazel eyes and brown hair.

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City's sales tax check jumps 14.82 percent over September last year

From Staff Reports

In yet another sign that the Midland economy remains robust, the city's September sales tax check from the state totaled $1,071,899 — 14.82 percent more than the $933,507 received in September of last year.

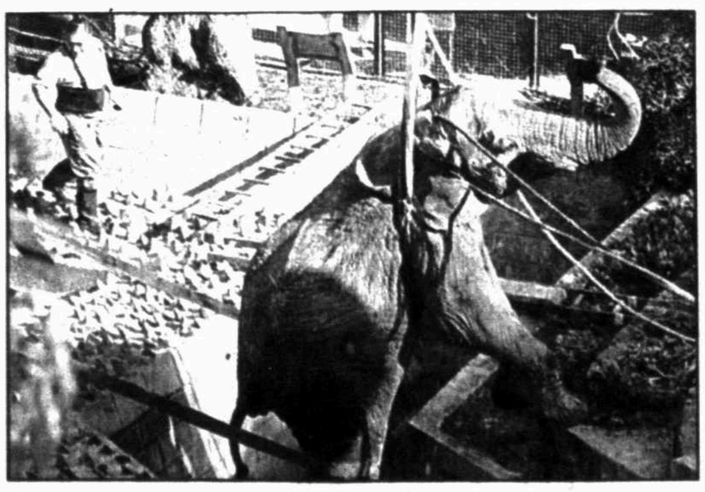
In addition, the latest check brings Midland's year-to-date total to $9,565,256, or 9.61 percent more than the $8,726,554 received during the first nine months of 1996.

This month's payment includes local sales taxes collected on July sales and reported to the state comptroller in August by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

The numbers continue an upward trend for Midland that began more than two years ago, reflecting the city's growing role as a retail center as national chains and outlets locate on Loop 250. Experts also say that strong sale tax receipts indicate consumer confidence in the local economy and a willingness to spend money, especially on big-ticket items.

Odessa also received good news in the September report, although

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Elephant rescue

The female elephant Protea is lifted from a three-meter deep pit where she fell after being pushed by a male elephant while they were playing at the Santiago Zoo, in Chile on Monday. Protea, who suffered minor head injuries, was trapped in the pit for four hours before she was rescued by firefighters.

AP Photo

WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today
Partly cloudy
High 94
Low 65

Thursday
Partly cloudy
High 89
Low 65

Friday
Partly cloudy
High 87
Low 65

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high of 94. Winds will be from the south at 5-15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight calls for fair skies with a low of 65.

Thursday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high near 90 and a low of 65.

After an overnight low of 69, Tuesday's high equaled the record high of 99, recorded in 1965. The record low for this date was 49, set in 1993.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Monday	.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	.00 in.
Total for month	.55 in.
Total for year	13.42 in.

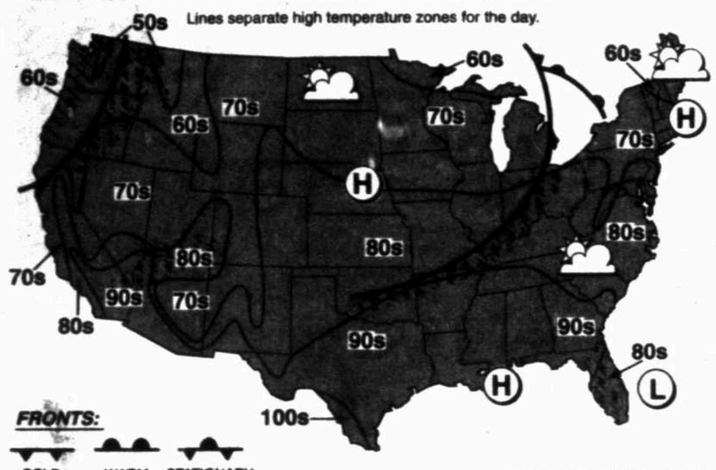
Yesterday's temperatures

High	99
low	69
Normal high	85
Normal low	61

Sunrise: 7:34 a.m. **Sunset: 7:52 p.m.**

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, Sept. 17.

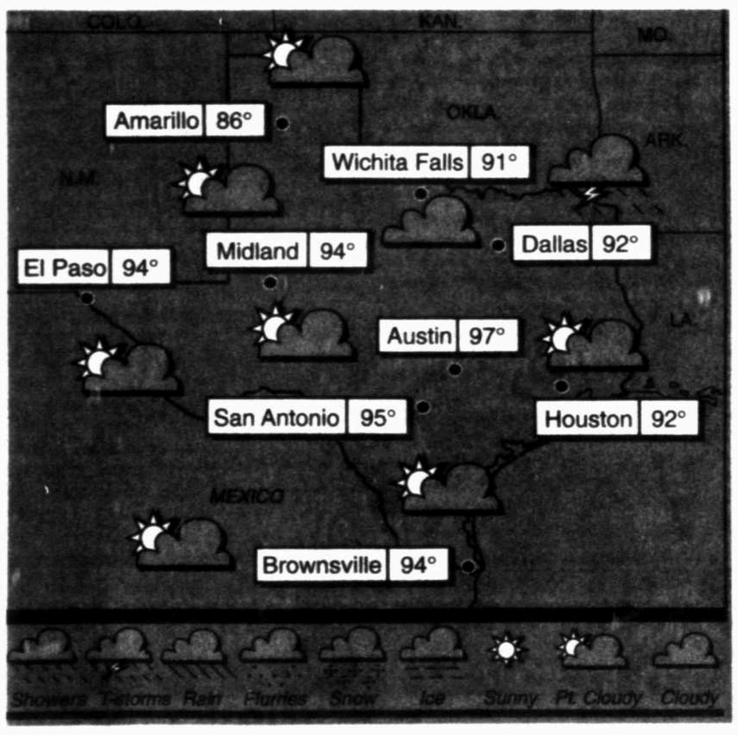


United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:32 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	84	58	cdy	
Atlanta	88	65	cdy	
Atlantic City	79	56	cdy	
Baltimore	85	54	clr	
Boston	75	64	clr	
Buffalo	77	63	rn	
Chicago	85	63	clr	
Cincinnati	84	58	rn	
Cleveland	80	56	rn	
Denver	78	55	cdy	
Detroit	80	60	rn	
Grand Rapids	81	62	.53	cdy
Great Falls	63	49	cdy	
Honolulu	89	79	.03	clr
Indianapolis	83	67	rn	
Jackson,Miss.	93	68	cdy	
Jacksonville	90	70	cdy	
Kansas City	93	71	clr	
Las Vegas	89	73	cdy	
Little Rock	99	69	cdy	
Los Angeles	89	73	cdy	
Memphis	91	70	cdy	
Miami Beach	88	74	rn	
Milwaukee	80	63	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	73	66	1.96	cdy
Nashville	90	63	cdy	
New Orleans	91	74	cdy	
New York City	81	69	clr	
Oklahoma City	97	71	cdy	
Philadelphia	81	60	cdy	
Phoenix	101	83	.01	clr
Pittsburgh	79	53	rn	
Sacramento	84	58	cdy	
St Louis	93	71	cdy	
Salt Lake City	70	50	cdy	
San Diego	83	72	.03	cdy
San Francisco	77	57	cdy	
Santa Fe	82	51	cdy	
Seattle	60	52	.36	rn
Shreveport	95	71	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	85	63	clr	

State forecast



Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	99	72	
Amarillo	94	70	
Arlington	99	75	
Austin	96	72	
Beaumont	91	71	
Brownsville	95	74	
College Station	97	70	
Corpus Christi	98	73	
Dallas	100	81	
Del Rio	101	76	
Denton	99	75	
El Paso	94	69	
Fort Stockton	100	72	
Fort Worth	98	77	
Galveston	90	78	
Harlingen	95	72	
Houston Intrctnl	95	69	
Huntsville	94	74	
Laredo	99	75	
Lubbock	95	67	
Lufkin	96	67	
Marfa	90	61	0.24
McAllen	99	74	
Mineral Wells	101	73	
New braunfels	97	70	
Paris	95	70	
Rockport	91	76	
San Angelo	97	73	
San Antonio	98	77	
Waco	99	77	

SPEAK: Jackson calls for diverse student body at UT

(From 1A)

The civil rights leader said the incident shows why the university needs a more ethnically diverse student body. He said Graglia and university officials also must answer for what the law professor said.

"Those that hired him had good grades. Those who hired him had PhDs. ... Those who gave him a tenured professorship — they had grades, but they had a blurred vision of humanity," he said.

"He has legal grounds for free speech, but no moral ground and no scientific ground for racist, fascist, inaccurate speech."

In a written statement released Tuesday afternoon, Graglia said his comments "have given rise to misunderstandings and inaccurate statements."

"My opposition to racial preferences does not, of course, constitute opposition to equal access and opportunity," he said.

Graglia stood by his opposition to affirmative action programs, but he said he "regrets that the result has been an emotional confrontation."

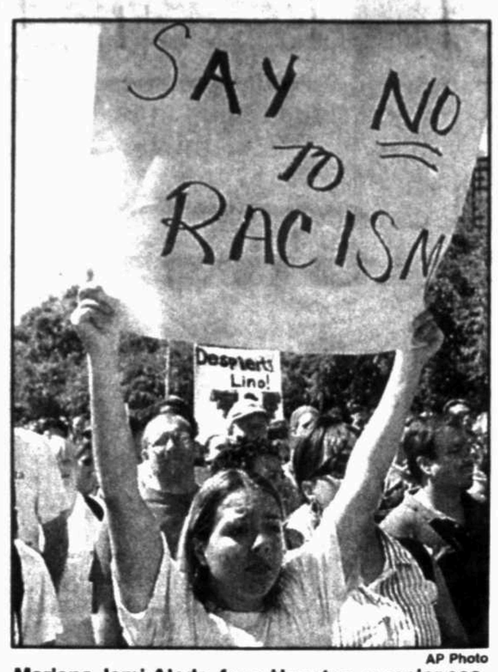
He said a statement that many blacks and Mexican-Americans may come from cultures where "failure is not considered a disaster" was misinterpreted.

"I realize now, especially after being called by some cordial Mexican-American and black parents, that it was carelessly put, and I regret it," he wrote.

"I do not know and did not mean to say, as I apologetically explained to several callers, that black and Mexican-American 'cultures' do not place a high value on academic achievement."

Top university officials, including UT System Chancellor William Cunningham, have denounced Graglia's comments, but Cunningham declined to comment about Tuesday's demonstration.

In a statement on Monday, Cunningham, UT-Austin President Peter Flawn and board of regents chairman Donald Evans said Graglia's comments were "an insult to thousands of University of Texas minority students and alumni."



AP Photo

Mariana Jemi-Alade, from Houston, a senior economics major at the University of Texas at Austin, holds a sign at a rally at the school Tuesday. Students gathered to hear Jesse Jackson urge them to boycott classes of a law professor who said black and Mexican American students aren't academically competitive.

Administrators also launched an investigation into Graglia's conduct. UT Law Dean Mike Sharlot said his investigation has concluded that there were no grounds for disciplinary action.

Sharlot said despite "a few student complaints ... the record does not justify a charge that he discriminates against his students and others on the basis of race or ethnicity."

He said news media attention had raised concerns that some students may think Graglia is hostile to minorities, which is not true.

"Nonetheless, I can understand that some students may have these concerns and therefore, requests by minority students to transfer from his section ... will be sympathetically considered," Sharlot said.

'My opposition to racial preferences does not, of course, constitute opposition to equal access and opportunity.'

— Lino Graglia, UT law professor

UT officials have noted throughout the controversy that the school is laboring under an affirmative action ban imposed by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the Hopwood case. That ruling, which the U.S. Supreme Court last year allowed to stand, prohibited Texas universities from considering race as a factor in admissions and scholarships.

Graglia's initial comments were made last week during the announcement of a new organization — Students for Equal Opportunity — that supports a recent federal court ruling preventing race-based admissions policies in Texas. He is the group's faculty adviser.

Marc Levin, president of the group, said Graglia's comments were blown out of proportion.

"I understand that people have been upset, but the backlash has been a bit much," said Levin. He said his group supports diversity, but not affirmative action.

Sharlot also said the media attention had distorted the weight of Graglia's comments.

"This is one person out of 60-plus faculty ... He's a voice in the wilderness," Sharlot said, noting that Graglia has been expressing such views for years.

"The attention given to him made it appear that this was the general opinion of the law faculty," Sharlot said. "When the truth of the matter is that for the last 20 years, we have been working to create a hospitable environment" for minorities.

About 100 students packed into the lobby of the law school after the Jackson's rally, staging a sit-in in an effort to force a meeting with university regents.

LEARN: Elementary students get taste of Mexico

(From 1A)

dancing, we have traditional dress.

"It's honoring the Mexican flag."

It's not unknown for Mexican citizens to yell "Viva Mexico!" on the holiday and they sing the "heimo nacional" just like Americans sing their national anthem.

The celebration dates back to the early 1800s. Spain had occupied Mexico since the 1500s. In 1807 the European nation was occupied by French forces and its power over its colonies weakened in the following years.

Late at night on Sept. 15, 1810, a key event took place in Dolores, Mexico. A priest, Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, called on locals to revolt against the Spanish in his famous "Grito de Dolores" (Cry of Dolores) speech.

Hidalgo led the first rebellion and Mexico eventually became free from Spain in 1821. Today, Mexicans recognize Sept. 16, 1810, as Mexican Independence Day from Spain.

But Mexican Americans pay respects to both Mexican and American flags, Ms. Lara added.

"They honor both; we say 'we're sisters,'" she said.

Students like Matthew Draper, a first-grader, were more interested in getting a taste of Mexican food.

"It looks good," Matthew said as he held his plate. "We went to the cafeteria, we sang songs."

Cole Frasieo, a third-grader, has learned some basic facts about Mexico, including about explorer Christopher Columbus' trek through the Americas in 1492.

"(I know) that Columbus thought he went all the way to India," Cole said. "He didn't know the North American and South American continents were there."

Young Cole also knows that Sept. 16 is important to many Mexican citizens, who are descended from Native Americans. The Spanish forced the natives into slavery during their occupation.

"The Indians had to do whatever the people from Spain told them to do; the Indians were slaves," Cole said.

Dalia Guerra, a third-grader, said her family celebrates their Mexican heritage each year.

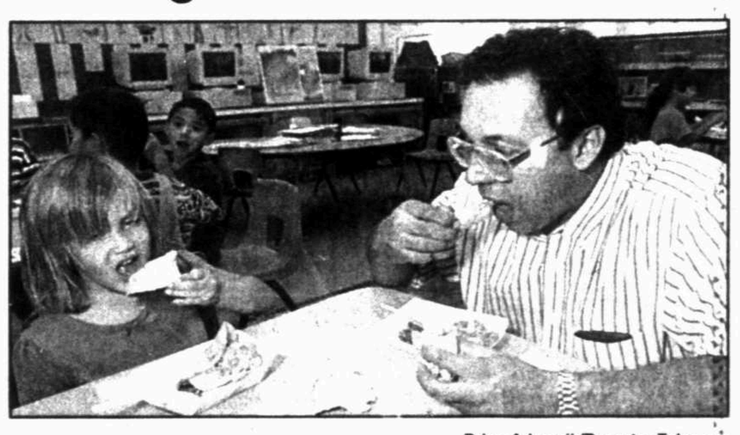
"We celebrate, we put on some music," she said. "My dad makes meat outside."

Olivia Amezcua, a sixth-grader, has only lived in the United States a few weeks. She said that she associates the date with happiness.

"A lot of happiness because of the reason that Mexico won its independence, a lot of fun," Olivia said through an interpreter.

The day is celebrated on a grander scale in Mexico, she said.

"In Mexico they have parades, and have a lot of cheering down the streets. It's totally different from here," she said.



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Robert Cobos eats with his daughter, Tracey, a Travis Elementary School kindergartner.

WARRANT: Robberies may be related, police say

(From 1A)

The description provided by the employees fit the description of someone involved in other investigations in Midland County. The man's picture was used in a photo line-up and a store employee identified the man as the suspect in the hold-up, MPD Public Information Officer Tina Sanders-Jauz said. She added that officers with other law enforcement agencies also linked Barber to the incident because the method of operation was seen in other cases.

Authorities said that Monday's hold-up and a Tuesday afternoon robbery at the Smoker's Discount, 2107 Rankin Highway, might have been related. Both robberies were still under investigation Tuesday.

Smoker's Discount employees told police that the incident occurred at about 1:30 p.m. Police quoted the victims as saying that the suspect allegedly entered the store and demanded cash from the cash register. Employees did not report any injuries to police.

Victims told police that the suspect was an unshaven white male in his early 30s. He had curly brown hair and was wearing faded blue jeans and a teal T-shirt.

No arrests were made as of Tuesday afternoon in connection with the tobacco shop robbery, officials said. Though a weapon was not seen during the incident, the crime still constitutes to be an aggravated robbery because employees were under the impression that the suspect possessed one, Ms. Sanders-Jauz said.

In an unrelated incident, police are still investigating an aggravated robbery that occurred Sept. 10 at Whataburger, 800 Andrews Highway. Employees told police that a Hispanic male came into the store with a hooded shirt pulled over his head.

He allegedly held his hand inside his pocket in a pointing motion and demanded money from the register. Then he allegedly told the two employees to hide in a closet before fleeing the scene by foot with an undetermined amount of money, police said.

The suspect was reported to be about 5 feet, 2 inches tall and weighed about 130-145 pounds. He was wearing a black, hooded sweatshirt and dark pants.

Anyone having information on the robberies should contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7108, or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

Two Air National Guard F-16s collide off N.J. coast; fliers survive

N.Y. Times News Service

Two Air National Guard F-16 fighter jets collided in midair off Atlantic City, N.J., Tuesday night, sending one jet plummeting into the water, but all three crew members survived, Air Force officials said.

Coast Guard helicopters rescued two pilots from the 177th Fighter Group who parachuted into the Atlantic Ocean as their plane crashed, according to Petty Officer Jeff Fenn, a Coast Guard spokesman. The other fighter jet returned to its home base at Atlantic City International Airport, Brig. Gen. Ronald Sconyers, an Air Force spokesman, said.

Sconyers said he did not know the cause of the accident, but he said pilots frequently train by having one plane intercept the other by approaching it from behind at high speed.

Fenn said the Coast Guard helicopters, one from Cape May and the other from Brooklyn, plucked the pilots from the water shortly after 9 p.m., about an hour after the collision. He did not name the pilots, but said one was not hurt and the other suffered a gash over his eye and injured his hip.

A combination of flares, high-powered searchlights and good weather conditions with a full moon allowed the Coast Guard helicopter to find the two pilots quickly. They were floating separately in the Atlantic. "The Coast Guard helicopters have very large spotlights," said Fenn.

An F-16 from the 177th was also involved in an incident Feb. 5 in which the fighter flew too close to a commercial airliner off the New Jersey coast. The encounter set off a warning device in the Nations Air plane and led its pilot to take evasive actions, resulting in three people being thrown to the floor.

Officials later said the incident occurred because a military air traffic controller had not followed proper procedures.

JUMP: Midland sees double-digit climb in sales tax check for September

(From 1A)

that city's numbers — both in real dollars and rate of growth — continue to lag behind Midland's.

Odessa's latest check was for $771,610, a modest 2.7 percent increase over the $751,255 received in September of last year. That city's year-to-date total is now $7,470,634, an increase of 5.05 percent over the $7,110,969 received during first nine months of 1996.

Meanwhile, Midland County's numbers continue to climb at a double-digit rate.

The county's September check was for $666,237, or 11.32 percent more than the $598,478 received in the same month last year. The county's year-to-date total has now reached $5,836,277, a 14.71 increase over last year when $5,087,489 had been received through the first nine months.

Totals from surrounding counties are as follows:

■ Andrews: $65,835 received this month; $65,480 received in September of last year; down 0.98 percent; $597,889 for this year to date; $544,378 for 1996 to date; up 9.82 percent.

■ Big Spring: $270,916 received this month; $297,156 received in September of last year; down 8.83 percent; $2,642,193 for this year to date; $2,694,427 for 1996 to date; down 1.93 percent.

■ Lamesa: $69,762 received this month; $80,410 received in September of last year; down 13.24 percent; $639,860 for this year to date; $643,218 for 1996 to date; down 0.52 percent.

■ McCamey: $8,547 received this month; $10,742 received in September of last year; down 20.43 percent; $88,458 for this year to date; $75,476 for 1996 to date; up 17.20 percent.

■ Rankin: $1,799 received this month; $2,350 received in September of last year; down 23.43 percent; $21,271 for this year to date; $21,579 for 1996 to date; down 1.42 percent.

■ Stanton: $9,042 received this month; $7,778 received in September of last year; up 16.24 percent; $74,553 for this year to date; $64,625 for 1996 to date; up 15.36 percent.

Cash Five

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

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

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Searchers find debris from U.S. cargo plane

WINDHOEK, Namibia (AP) — Searchers found debris Tuesday from a U.S. cargo plane in the same cold, shark-infested waters where they found remnants of a German aircraft, confirming the two military planes crashed off Namibia's Skeleton Coast.

The prospects of finding survivors from Saturday's crash were "getting slimmer," said Lt. Col. Eddie Brown of South Africa, who is overseeing the search effort.

He said nothing has been heard since faint distress signals were detected Sunday and early Monday. The water, at 59 degrees, "is cold, and I believe there are also sharks in the area," he added.

The two planes were carrying 33 people when they vanished Saturday while traveling in opposite directions. The German Tupolev 154 was heading from Germany to South Africa, while the American C-141 was flying from Namibia, a coastal country northwest of South Africa, to Ascension Island, off the coast in the south Atlantic.

Only one body — that of an unidentified woman — has been found and taken to an unspecified hospital for examination. Three women were among the 24 people aboard the German plane; all nine aboard the American plane were men.

Low clouds and fog hampered visibility Tuesday for the 230 searchers scouring the ocean aboard 10 planes from Germany, the United States, France, South Africa and Namibia.

Two American C-130 planes carrying 80 people arrived early Tuesday from a Royal Air Force base in the United Kingdom to help with the search. Both planes are equipped with special night-operation equipment.

A German investigative team was awaiting better weather to fly by helicopter to the crash scene, 115 miles west of Cape Fria on the Namibian coast. The area is called the Skeleton Coast because its treacherous waters have claimed many ships.

The team was to examine debris being collected by two Namibian fishing research vessels, said South African Air Force Lt. Col. Laverne Machine.

Debris found Monday, including airplane seats and a few papers, came from the German plane, while wreckage from the American plane, including a wing flap, a compartment door and other debris, was found Tuesday.

The South African Air Force received a report Tuesday from a ship saying it saw a flash and fire Saturday, which officials believe was burning debris on the water, Brown said.

In addition, a U.S. satellite recorded a "bright flash" Saturday in the area near where the planes are thought to have collided, Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said.

The planes were flying at an altitude of about 35,000 feet when the crash occurred, and Bacon said they were operating on different radio frequencies. Air corridors often are shared, but planes traveling in opposite directions are supposed to fly at different altitudes.

Namibian officials said the collision site was off their radar and they didn't know the German plane was coming because they had not received a flight plan.

A German Defense Ministry spokesman, Navy Capt. Hans-Joachim Liedtke, said a plan was filed with Niamey, Niger, in central Africa, and should have been passed on to the next station, the Namibian capitol of Windhoek.

"It got to Niamey. From there, there is apparently a gap to the next station in Windhoek. Who is responsible for that has to be determined at those locations," Liedtke said in Bonn, Germany.

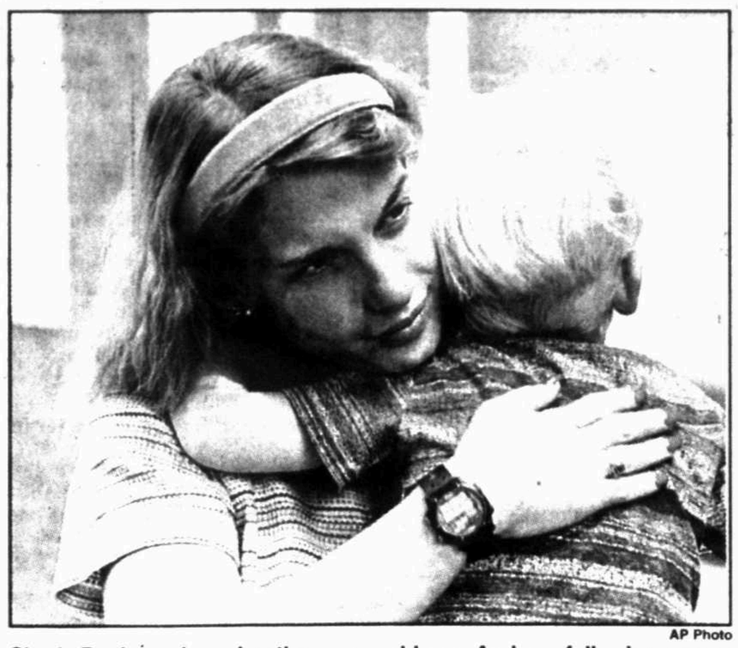
Officials also were trying to determine why the planes' disappearance was not reported to rescue officials for almost 24 hours.

Last year, the Airline Pilots' Association of South Africa warned an air collision was likely over Africa because standards recommended by the International Civil Aviation Organization were not enforced.

Jochen Sell, Namibia's chief air traffic officer, told reporters critical air traffic control procedures often are absent in Africa.

The German-operated Tupolev lacked a special radar-detecting device that would have allowed it to see another plane was in the area, German officials said.

Some officials doubted much wreckage would be found because the Atlantic is 3,300 feet deep where the two planes apparently collided — too deep for normal diving operations.

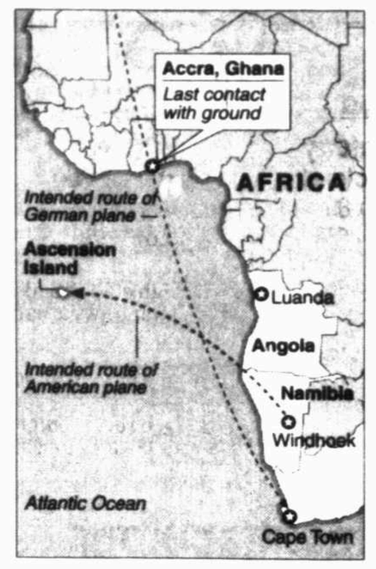


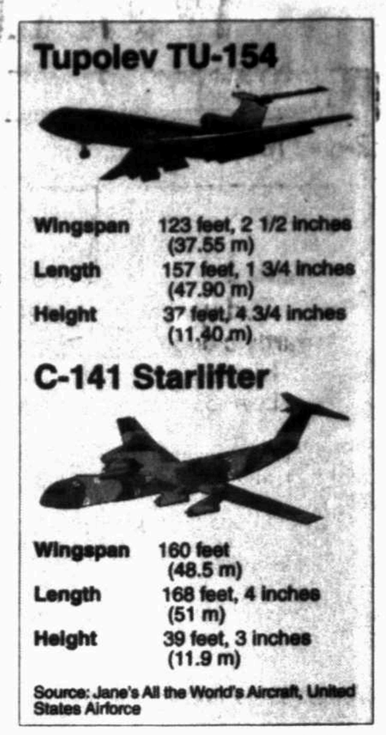
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Sharla Bucknam hugs her three-year-old son, Andrew, following a news conference outside her apartment in Eatontown, N.J., Tuesday. Her husband, Gary Bucknam, a senior airman in the U.S. Air Force is one of nine servicemen missing.

Military crash

No survivors were found at the Ute where U.S. and German military planes are believed to have collided and plummeted into the ocean.





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Diana's bodyguard conscious and able to talk, doctors say

■ Investigators expect to question Trevor Rees-Jones within days and are considering the possiblility of a second car involved in the fatal crash.

By Jocelyn Noveck
Associated Press

PARIS — The man who may hold the key to the mystery of why Princess Diana's Mercedes crashed in a Paris tunnel — bodyguard Trevor Rees-Jones — is conscious and able to communicate, doctors said Tuesday.

The news raised hopes that investigators could soon question the 29-year-old British former paratrooper and sole survivor of the high-speed crash last month.

The accident in the early-morning hours of Aug. 31 killed Diana, her companion, Dodi Fayed, and driver Henri Paul.

Investigators have been focusing on Paul, who was legally drunk and on Prozac at the time of the crash. But they also are looking at the role of paparazzi who were pursuing the Mercedes once it left Paris' Ritz Hotel.

Investigators had not yet questioned Rees-Jones on Tuesday night, but were expected to do so within days. However, ABC news on Tuesday quoted a hospital source as saying that Rees-Jones remembers nothing of the events after leaving hotel.

"The condition of Mr. Trevor Rees-Jones has noticeably improved," said Pierre Coriat, chief of anesthesiology at the Pitie-Salpetriere hospital.

"He is perfectly conscious and can communicate well, though he tires quickly. In the course of the coming days, he should become self-sufficient," he said in a statement.

It is not clear whether Rees-Jones remembers the crash, or knows the other passengers died.

Rees-Jones has been taken off an artificial respirator and his lung infection is "under control," the statement said. The hospital gave public indication that Rees-Jones had yet been questioned.

It was unclear how long Rees-Jones, an employee of the Fayed family nicknamed "Dodi's shadow," will need to stay in the hospital.

Except for doctors, only Rees-Jones' ex-wife and parents have been allowed at his bedside, and a phalanx of police are guarding his door.

Earlier reports of the bodyguard's condition had been much less sanguine. His parents had said he was drifting in and out of consciousness after undergoing extensive surgery to repair a smashed jaw. He also suffered chest injuries.

Coriat did not say whether Rees-Jones had spoken about the crash yet. It is not clear whether he even remembers it, or knows that the other three passengers died.

Police reportedly are concerned that the shock of the accident and large doses of anesthesia during surgery could hinder Rees-Jones' ability to recall the crash.

British news reports have quoted his mother, Jill Rees-Jones, as saying he hasn't been well enough yet to be told about the deaths.

Rees-Jones, of Whittington, England, is a one-time paratrooper who served in the Middle East and Northern Ireland before leaving the army in 1992.

He is investigators' best hope for answering major questions in the inquiry, including the role of photographers trailing Diana, the speed the car was traveling and the condition of driver Paul.

Nine photographers and a motorcycle courier are under formal investigation for manslaughter and failure to help people in danger, an obligation under French law. They have not been formally charged.

French television reported Tuesday that investigators are considering the possibility that another car was involved in the crash. The report on France 2 said red shards of glass, apparently from brake lights, were found at the crash scene — but that the Mercedes' brake lights were still intact.

Investigators long have said there was a possibility that a car carrying paparazzi may have blocked the Mercedes' path, but they have appeared to discount that scenario as the investigation progresses.

Speed is critical issue in the inquiry, as the Mercedes has been estimated to have reached speeds of up to nearly 120 mph.

Blood tests have shown Paul had a blood-alcohol level more than three times the legal limit, and also had taken Prozac and another drug used to combat the effects of alcoholism.

Indonesian president apologizes to neighbors for wildfire smoke

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Hundreds of wildfires raging out of control for weeks in drought-stricken areas of Indonesia have produced a thick smoky haze that is choking skies over much of Southeast Asia.

The Indonesian government has blamed forestry and plantation companies as well as settler farmers for setting fires to clear land.

On Tuesday, President Suharto apologized to Indonesia's neighbors for the fires, which have blackened more than 741,000 acres on the islands of Sumatra, Borneo, Java and Sulawesi.

"To the communities of neighboring countries who have been disturbed by the fires in our territory, Indonesia offers its most sincere apologies," Suharto said, opening a three-day conference of environment ministers from the nine-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Singapore and Malaysia called on nations with firefighting expertise to help extinguish the flames, which have caused air pollution levels to soar and airports to close in both countries.

Pedestrians Tuesday donned surgical masks in the Malaysian capital, Kuala Lumpur, where skyscrapers literally disappeared in the haze.

Indonesian meteorologists say the monsoon rains needed to douse the flames could be delayed for weeks by the El Nino weather phenomenon, which has caused a drought that threatens rice and other crops.

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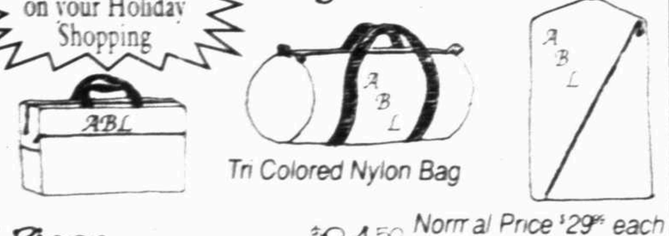
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Settlers ignore Netanyahu's call to leave neighborhood voluntarily

JERUSALEM (AP) — Jewish extremists showed no sign of heeding Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's appeal to leave an Arab neighborhood of Jerusalem, instead moving in furniture Tuesday and installing security lights.

Fearing Palestinian anger could lead to riots, Netanyahu postponed a trip to Eastern Europe to search for a way out of the impasse.

"We are trying to reach a solution, and we still haven't examined all the different aspects," Netanyahu said.

Israel's attorney general toured the settler compound Tuesday and was to meet with Netanyahu before ruling on whether the settlers can be evicted on grounds their presence endangers national security.

Their controversial move into the Mount of Olives neighborhood comes at a time when Israel and the Palestinians were taking tentative steps toward better relations, at the urging of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who visited the region last week.

Israeli Police Commissioner Asaf Hefetz warned the new Jewish settlement would trigger Palestinian riots in the city.

The 11 settlers leased the two buildings in east Jerusalem's Ras al-Amud neighborhood from Irving Moskowitz, a Miami bingo millionaire who also owns 3.5 acres of land in the area. They moved in Sunday, under the cover darkness.

In meetings with Moskowitz's representatives Tuesday, Netanyahu's aides tried to work out a deal under which the settlers would leave voluntarily.

However, there were no signs the settlers intended to leave. Instead, trucks delivered bed frames to the compound and settlers installed floodlights on the rooftops for security.

"When the situation quiets down in a day or so, I intend to move my whole family here," said Yossi Haikin. "Our plan is to lead a normal, comfortable life here."

Moskowitz visited overnight, affixing a mezuza — a little box with biblical passages — to a doorpost at the compound. "The people of Israel build their nation," he wrote in the settlers' guest book.

The settlers move has put Netanyahu in an embarrassing situation.

If he orders them evacuated, he will lose the support of right-wing groups that make up the bulk of his constituency and risk the stability of his government.

Michael Kleiner, a leading lawmaker in Netanyahu's ruling coalition, said Tuesday he and fellow legislators would topple the government should the settlers be forced out. Kleiner's hardline "Eretz Israel Front" group commands the support of 18 lawmakers in the 66-seat coalition.

However, if Netanyahu allows the settlers to stay he risks triggering Palestinian riots. He also could alienate Albright, who urged him to avoid unilateral actions that would anger the Palestinians.

During a tour of the compound Tuesday, Attorney General Eliyakim Rubinstein watched from a rooftop as a group of 15 settler supporters studied the Bible below. Outside the building, Israeli peace activists staged a protest vigil in two small tents.

Israeli media reports said Tuesday that Netanyahu and his ministers were warned of the settlers' plans during a Cabinet meeting on Sept. 5.

However, Netanyahu, preoccupied with a suicide bombing by Islamic militants a day earlier, brushed aside the information, the Maariv daily said.

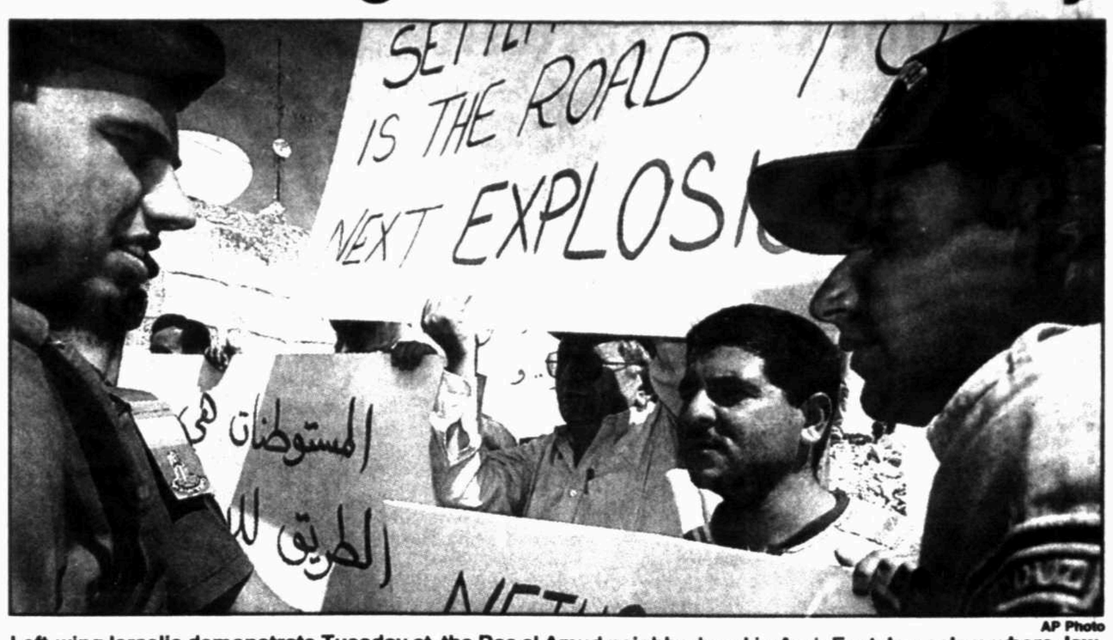
Netanyahu has insisted he only learned about the takeover after the settlers were already in Ras al-Amud.

The Palestinians have demanded that Netanyahu immediately evict the settlers, and warned of riots should they remain.

"We are standing at a crossroads we have not seen since 1967," said chief Palestinian peace negotiator Saeb Erekat, referring to the Middle East war in which Israel captured the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem. "It is a very dangerous crossroads."

Erekat said he has asked the Mideast envoys of the United States and Europe, Dennis Ross and Miguel Moratinos, to pressure the Israeli government to get the settlers out.

'When the situation quiets down ... I intend to move my whole family here. Our plan is to lead a normal, comfortable life here.'
— Yossi Haikin, Jewish settler in the Mount of Olives area



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Left-wing Israelis demonstrate Tuesday at the Ras al-Amud neighborhood in Arab East Jerusalem where Jewish settlers occupied two houses over the weekend. Ignoring a government plea to leave, the settlers brought beds and installed floodlights in their East Jerusalem compound.

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Mir has close call with defunct U.S. satellite

MOSCOW (AP) — This time, the scare didn't come from Mir's own aging equipment or a crew member's error.

A U.S. satellite zipped by the space station, coming within 500 yards of Mir and forcing its three occupants into an escape capsule because they feared a collision, Russian officials said Tuesday.

In a reversal of roles, American space officials played down the Monday night incident and said the defunct satellite was twice that distance from Mir. "It wasn't anything major. ...This happens every month," said John Lawrence, a spokesman for the U.S. space agency.

Vera Medvedkova, spokeswoman at Russia's Mission Control, said it was the Mir's closest brush with an unrelated spacecraft in its 11 years in orbit. If two airplanes pass at 1,000 yards in U.S. airspace, it is considered a near-miss.

Near-collision or not, the incident provided a reminder of the hazards of space traffic — and the deadly potential of a crash of objects crisscrossing at a sharp angle at 17,500 mph.

"At orbital speed, even a grain of sand carries the impact of a .38-caliber bullet," said James Oberg, an American space engineer who tracks the Russian program closely.

Though Russian officials spoke matter-of-factly about it Tuesday, the rare decision to send the Russian-American crew into the Soyuz capsule as a precaution showed how serious they considered the risk.

"They did the prudent thing," said Oberg, who called satellite's pass-by "closer than usual."

"Had it hit the structure, you're talking about a catastrophic failure (of Mir functions). The shock wave would have hit anything else in there," he said by telephone from Houston.

The Mir already has been dented by one cosmic collision — a June 25 docking exercise in which a cargo craft bashed into the Spektr module.

Still living with the effects of that crash, the crew had barely finished fixing the Mir's cranky main computer Monday night when they were warned that an object was approaching the station.

It was a 370-pound research satellite traveling on a perpendicular orbit — inoperative since shortly after its 1994 launch by the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, an arm of the U.S. Defense Department. At the Mir's altitude, objects in orbit typically burn up within a year or two.

The U.S. Space Command in Colorado Springs, Colo., had informed NASA of the close approach about 30 hours beforehand, and NASA in turn informed the Russians.

The Russian-American crew spent 30 minutes in the Soyuz until the danger passed, Medvedkova said.

Oberg said the incident illustrated a difference between the U.S. and Russian space programs. The Russians don't maneuver Mir out of the way of approaching objects — especially since distance estimates are inexact. U.S. officials already have decided that the international space station, a much bigger orbiting target, will use thrusters to try to dodge them.

Either way, space officials must be alert to the risks of some 6,000 to 8,000 tracked objects orbiting Earth — anything bigger than the size of a pack of cigarettes. These objects are mostly fragments from payloads and rocket bodies.

But NASA officials on Tuesday defended their decision to send an American replacement astronaut to Mir this month and said it would be unprecedented to call off or change the upcoming mission based on political pressure.

"I'd be surprised at something like that," said Frank Culbertson, manager of NASA's shuttle-Mir program.

The House Science Committee is holding a hearing Thursday to discuss the mission.

During a briefing at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Culbertson stressed that the Mir is safe for those aboard. Reviews of Russian safety standards have "found them, with some minor exceptions, to be perfectly compatible with U.S. standards," he said.

Report: Versace niece to inherit wealth

ROME (AP) — Gianni Versace, the Italian designer who was slain in Miami in July, designated his niece Allegra as principal heir to his multimillion-dollar fortune, according to Italian news reports Tuesday.

Allegra is the daughter of Versace's sister and business partner, Donatella Versace.

Versace's will, dated in September 1996 and read in July, gave Allegra most of the estate, according to the ANSA news agency and the private TV network Canale Cinque. Versace was fond of calling Allegra "my little princess," ANSA noted.

To Donatella's other child, Daniel, Versace left his art collection, which includes works by Picasso, ANSA reported.

The report valued Versace's wealth at $60 million but did not estimate Allegra's share.

Calls to confirm the report went unanswered Tuesday night at the company's press office in Milan. The ages of the two children, who are minors, were not immediately available.

ANSA said Versace left some $30,000 to companion Antonio D'Adamo as well as the right to live in any of the designer's residences.

The report theorized that nothing was left to the two children of Versace's brother, Santo, because he holds a larger share — 35 percent — of the family-run company than does Donatella, with 20 percent.

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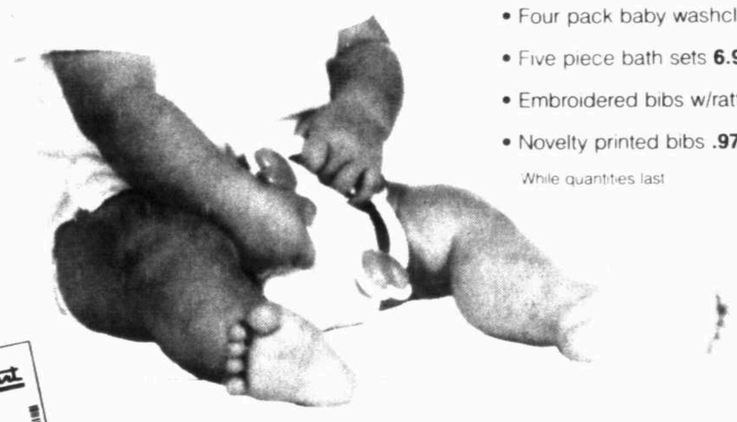
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Northern Ireland talks resume; bomb explodes at police station

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — A bomb exploded Tuesday at a police station outside Belfast, complicating Northern Ireland's peace talks and making pro-British unionists even more reluctant to negotiate with old enemies.

There was no claim of responsibility for the blast, and no one was injured. The Irish Republican Army denied it was behind the bombing, which damaged the police station at Markethill, 35 miles southwest of Belfast.

But pro-British unionists still pointed the finger at the IRA, and anti-Catholic paramilitary groups threatened retaliation.

"At a time when almost everyone is working hard to try and get talks under way ... we still have sinister people who are prepared to engage in this type of pointless terrorism," said Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam, the senior British official in Northern Ireland.

'It is obvious that those who planted the bomb are attempting to damage this talks process and the inclusive nature of it.'
— Ray Burke, Northern Ireland foreign secretary

The chairman of the talks, former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell, urged the province's leaders "not to give in to those who use these reprehensible and immoral tactics."

"It is obvious that those who planted the bomb are attempting to damage this talks process and the inclusive nature of it," said Ireland's foreign secretary, Ray Burke.

The Ulster Unionists, the largest pro-British Protestant party, withdrew from the talks Monday when the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party joined, in part because the IRA said it had "problems" with the principles of nonviolence that is political ally, Sinn Fein, had affirmed.

Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble met with Mowlam late Tuesday as pressure from Protestants grew for him to follow smaller pro-British parties and pull out of the talks.

Trimble said his party had formally complained about Sinn Fein's involvement in the negotiations before the bombing.

"It's now a matter for the chairman and the secretary of state to answer the question: 'What happens to Sinn Fein now that this has happened?'" Trimble said.

Sinn Fein negotiator Gerry Kelly, who served a prison sentence for IRA bombings in the 1970s, said in a British Broadcasting Corp. radio interview that unionists "had latched onto this bomb and used it as another excuse to actually stay outside the talks."

Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams said the bombing "should be an incentive for all political leaders and the two governments to make sure this process works."

Sinn Fein was barred from the talks when they began in June 1996 because of continuing IRA violence. An earlier IRA cease-fire ended in February 1996 with a bomb blast in east London.

So far, Protestant paramilitaries have been officially abiding by their own cease-fire. But a breakaway group, the Loyalist Volunteer Force, said Tuesday it would retaliate for the bombing.

"No unionist worth his salt would sit in these talks with Sinn Fein/IRA," the statement said.

Mowlam met early Tuesday with representatives of the Ulster Democratic Party and the Progressive Unionist party, both associated with pro-British paramilitary groups.

The parties now at the table, in addition to Sinn Fein, are the moderate Catholic Social Democratic and Labor Party, which represents the largest block of Catholic opinion; the Alliance Party; a tiny women's rights party and an even tinier Socialist party.

U.S. wins 24-hour delay in land mine treaty talks

OSLO, Norway (AP) — In a last-minute move to force changes in a proposed treaty banning land mines, the United States won a 24-hour postponement Tuesday in talks on drafting the pact.

The Clinton administration is seeking several exceptions to a proposed ban on anti-personnel mines, which would be total and immediate. The U.S. delegation had been expected to present a compromise proposal when the more than 100-nation meeting resumed Tuesday after a weekend break.

But Eric Newsom, head of the U.S. delegation to the talks, known as the "Ottawa Process," requested the one-day postponement, saying the United States needed more time to talk to other governments about changes that "would enable the United States to endorse this treaty."

The United States initially wanted the Korean Peninsula to be excluded from a ban, because it regards mines as a critical in keeping Stalinist North Korea from invading its enemy, capitalist South Korea.

But now, it is seeking a nine-year delay in enacting a total ban — presumably believing that in such time the international community could pressure North Korea to be more conciliatory.

The United States also wants countries to be able to withdraw from the treaty if they come under attack and wants an exemption for anti-personnel mines that are laid to protect anti-tank mines.

All those proposals have outraged non-governmental groups, who insist the ban must be total and immediate to be worth anything.

"The fundamental problem is that Bill Clinton cannot act as a statesman or a commander-in-chief," Jody Williams, of the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines, said after the delay. "He should be ashamed."

It was unclear how much support the United States was getting for its compromise among other delegations.

"We did, reluctantly, agree to another 24 hours," said Norwegian Deputy Foreign Minister Jan Egeland, head of the country's delegation to the talks. But, he added, "We will argue against any changes that weaken the treaty."

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ANOTHER VIEW

New York grid duel reads like pulp 'war'

Despite all the hoopla over Sunday night's nationally televised football game between the New York Jets and the New England Patriots, the Super Bowl is not yet at hand. But there are enough big egos and small subtexts here to make it a very interesting evening.

Start first with Bill Parcells and Pete Carroll, two men coaching each other's former teams. Parcells, the Jets' coach, returns to New England for the first time since he directed the Patriots to the Super Bowl last winter. Carroll, now running the Patriots, was fired by the Jets after the 1994 season. Then there are the owners, Bob Kraft of the Patriots and Leon Hess of the Jets, two strong-willed men who dueled each other last year for Parcells' services this season. Kraft, charging betrayal and worse, finally released Parcells from the last year of his contract, but only after extracting four draft picks from Hess.

On paper, Carroll clearly has the edge Sunday night. He is coaching a team that Parcells brought to championship form whereas Parcells is coaching a team that was not very good under Carroll and got decidedly worse under Rick Kotite. But nobody can underestimate the Parcells factor. His former players on the Patriots either love him as the man who elevated their careers or, like quarterback Drew Bledsoe, detest him as an overbearing bully. Lost in their emotions about Parcells, the Patriots might easily forget that they are supposed to be playing football and give Parcells — a master of mind games — a win.

Who said football was all Xs and Os? This has the makings of a pulp novel.

— The New York Times

JACK ANDERSON

GOP Chowder and Marching Club stirs House pot

AVON, Colo. — All those fringe folks who claim that the Trilateral Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations or Opus Dei are secretly running the world may now have a new conspiracy theory to chew over: the Chowder and Marching Club.



Anderson

The what?

The Chowder and Marching Club, a secretive House Republican club that has met weekly in Washington for 48 years to confab, strategize and make kings. Three presidents have come from its ranks, and the course of a half-century of American legislative law was steered at its Wednesday gatherings.

The only surviving founder, former President Gerald Ford, recently gave our associate Dale Van Atta a peek at its history and doings. The athlete is aging well. In an exclusive interview, the octogenarian Ford was amazingly chipper and fit, possessed of a clear memory about events decades ago.

The Chowder and Marching Club was started informally in 1949 by 15 rebellious Republicans who opposed a handout to veterans being proposed by a congressman from Mississippi. "He wanted to give every U.S. war veteran of any war $100 a month as a pension regardless of whether they were disabled or otherwise," Ford said.

So a Republican from Wisconsin, Glenn Davis, and another congressman "started a movement in Republican ranks to defeat it," Ford continued. "Glenn got 15 of us on the Republican side who were veterans of World War II to meet in his office to discuss how we should fight this legislation."

They met at 5 p.m. on a Wednesday, after Congress had adjourned, and decided it was a good idea to continue doing so to confer on other legislation.

"After the first meeting, we said, 'Well, why don't we get together every Wednesday, after the House adjourns, and just talk about the legislative agenda on a broader basis,'" Ford recalled. "So every Wednesday we would have a meeting in one of the members' offices. We'd have some drinks, sandwiches, hors d'oeuvres. But we had no president; whoever was the host was the presiding officer."

No one knows why it was called the Chowder and Marching Club. "We never ate chowder, and we never marched!" laughed Ford.

After each election, if somebody left the House, was defeated, or moved over to the "other body" or a governorship, the remaining members would choose another lawmaker to fill the vacancy.

The chowder men had so much fun that their wives formed an auxiliary organization and had their own meetings and celebrations. Chowder held lunches, dinners and meetings at resort locations and celebrations in the White House of every Republican administration since President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Two of the original 15 — Ford and Richard Nixon — became president. George Bush, another Chowder regular, also made it to the White House. And would-be presidents cluttered its ranks as well, like Pete du Pont of Delaware and Jack Kemp of New York. Former Vice President Dan Quayle, a likely presidential candidate in 2000, also was a member.

The club represented networking of the first order. Most of its success was due to the decision that its limited membership would always include one key Republican on every House committee. Meetings include five-minute reports from each of them explaining what is really going on in the committees, good and bad legislation, and its status.

A couple of currently influential members are Bill Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and Trent Lott, the Senate majority leader. Lott is a former member who moved to the "other body" but continues to visit the group as an observer to report on the Senate's doings.

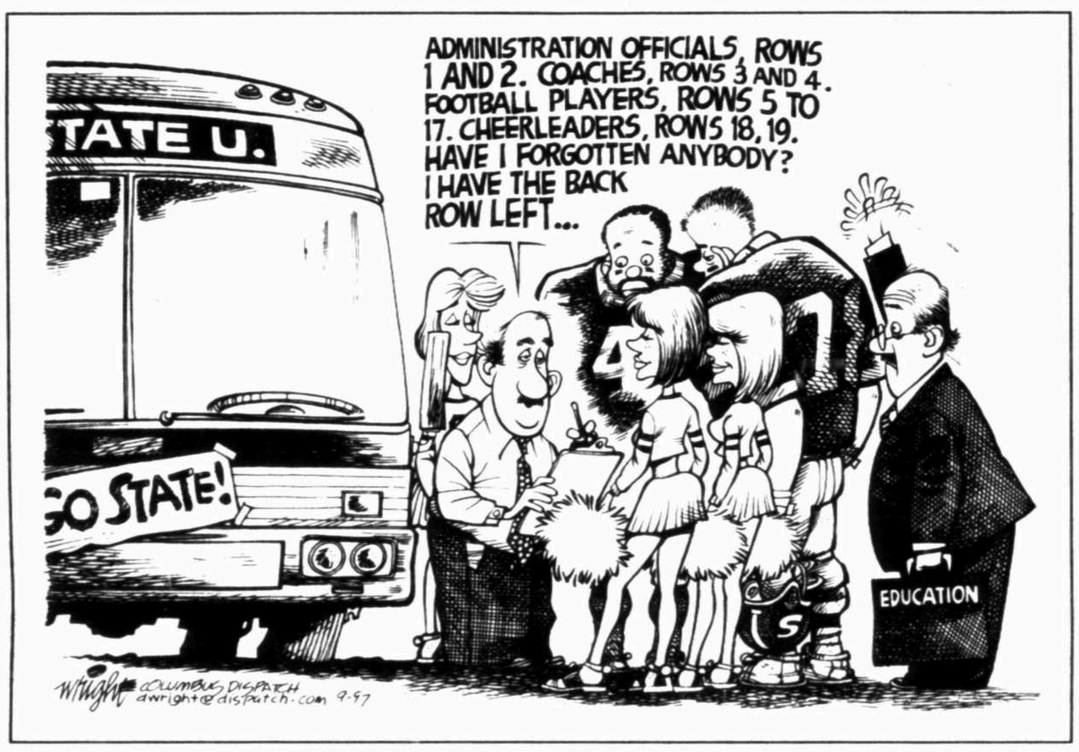
The Chowder and Marching Club still meets every Wednesday when Congress is in session. "The club has continued to be closely knit but loosely organized," says a secret history we obtained from a long-time member. "All regular meetings are in executive session.

"Regular Wednesday meetings are rotated alphabetically among the resident members. At each meeting, there are reports from all committees represented, and a rather informal discussion of a wide range of subjects under the heading 'Good of the Order.' It is accepted club policy to augment House membership near the beginning of each new Congress by selection of at least one freshman."

Leaks have rarely come out of its meetings, but even non-Chowder Clubbers agree that it is the most powerful private "club" in Washington — even today, nearly a half-century after its founding.

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ART BUCHWALD

The issue of celebrity rears its ugly head

The question of celebrity arises once again. People are celebrities because they have been created by the public. The larger the celebrity, the more money is deposited into his account. Some celebrities do not like to be bothered by the media, although they employ a public relations person to guarantee that they get a good press.



Buchwald

Celebrities are not mad at everyone in the press, only those who give them a bad one.

It's not all terrible being a celebrity. You get the best tables in restaurants, and quite often management will pick up your tab. You get the reservations you want on airplanes, and if you're really hot stuff, the studios will lend you one of theirs.

You also get large discounts in dress shops and wine cellars and even a good price on a condo in a new development.

Public recognition can be a plus and a minus. It's a plus when the crowd is friendly and the applause is loud. It's a minus when you are with somebody you are not supposed to be with and the photographers ambush you.

Big celebrities make huge amounts of money and have to spend it on bodyguards and lawyers who threaten to sue newspapers.

Celebrities cannot understand why, after so many flattering things are written about them, so much bad news follows right along.

Here's how it goes:

"Rhett, I got you five minutes on 'Hard Copy' talking about your new movie."

"I hate that show."

"It has a bigger rating than C-SPAN."

"What is my photo doing on the cover of the National Enquirer?"

"I planted it. Most of my clients would kill to be seen on that cover."

"Without any clothes on?"

"If that's what it takes to make the cover, I say let's go for it."

"Three people climbed over my fence last night."

"That's because of who you are. There aren't many celebrities who have fans climbing over their fences. Rhett, every time a fan invades your back yard, the studio has to pay you another half-million dollars."

"I'm not sure that I want to be a celebrity any more."

"It's not for you to decide. It's up to the public. Once they anoint you the photographers can go to work and then it's nothing but 'Entertainment Tonight.'"

"One of the things I hate about being a celebrity is the way they try to tear off all your clothes."

"If you're box-office material, the studio will buy you new clothes."

"I also don't like women screaming at me when I walk into the Academy Awards."

"They do it because they love you. It's money in the bank."

"Do you think it's possible to have a decent life if you are not a celebrity?"

"It's possible, but it won't get you any tickets to a Lakers game."

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 17, the 260th day of 1997. There are 105 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Sept. 17, 1947, James V. Forrestal was sworn in as the first U.S. Secretary of Defense as a new National Military Establishment unified America's armed forces.

On this date:

In 1787, the Constitution of the United States was completed and signed by a majority of delegates attending the constitutional convention in Philadelphia.

In 1862, Union forces hurled back a Confederate invasion of Maryland in the Civil War Battle of Antietam.

In 1920, the American Professional Football Association — a precursor of the NFL — was formed in Canton, Ohio.

In 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Poland, more than two weeks after Nazi Germany launched its assault.

In 1972, "M-A-S-H" premiered on CBS-TV.

In 1976, NASA publicly unveiled the space shuttle Enterprise at ceremonies in Palmdale, Calif.

In 1980, former Nicaraguan president Anastasio Somoza was assassinated in Paraguay.

In 1986, the Senate confirmed the nomination of William H. Rehnquist to become the 16th chief justice of the United States.

In 1994, Heather Whitestone of Alabama was crowned "Miss America," the first deaf woman to win the title.

Ten years ago: The city of Philadelphia, birthplace of the U.S. Constitution, threw a big party to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the historic document.

Five years ago: A federal judge overturned the impeachment of former U.S. District Judge Alcee Hastings, saying he did not receive a fair trial by the Senate, which convicted him in 1989 of perjury and conspiracy. Special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh called a halt to his five-and-a-half-year probe of the Iran-Contra scandal.

One year ago: A nonpartisan commission recommended that Ross Perot be denied a spot in presidential debates, saying he had no realistic shot at winning the White House; Perot vowed to sue. Former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew died in Berlin, Md., at age 77.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Higher 'threshold of outrage' results in greater scandals

WASHINGTON — The latest Clinton money trail begins in the unprecedented contact made by DNC chairman Don Fowler with an agent of the CIA's Directorate of Operations, fondly remembered as the Department of Dirty Tricks.



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Fowler's "client" was Roger Tamraz, a shady oilman buying face time with Bill Clinton for $300,000 to tout a pipeline deal across Turkey. At Tamraz's direction, fund-raiser Fowler twice spoke to the CIA agent known as "Bob." Fowler has since been struck by timely amnesia.

Perhaps Bob and colleagues sprinkled intelligence holy water over this fugitive oilman, because warnings that Tamraz had "significant financial and ethical problems" were overridden. Clinton then met four times in the White House with Tamraz. After one direct pitch, Clinton told his sandbox crony Mack McLarty to put in a good word for Tamraz at the Energy Department, a corrupt order that McLarty carried out.

While the president was trying to put in this fix, Tamraz told the Directorate that he was holding high-level talks in Moscow about paying much more to Boris Yeltsin, who also needed money for his presidential campaign.

Now think like a spook: here was some astonishing intelligence. One oilman was apparently trying to buy the favor of the presidents of two superpowers, and the Directorate could confirm that money was passing to the campaign of at least one of them.

What did the CIA — charged with keeping our president and National Security Council informed of matters affecting high policy — do with this sensitive information?

If our covert intelligence agents, whose office calls are routinely recorded, knew of what seems to be a grandiose influence-buying plot, then they were duty-bound to pass it up the line for evaluation and preventive action. That's what our $30 billion intelligence apparat is for.

But stories clash. I tracked down William Lofgren, Bob's boss at the DO, who quit in February 1996 and became a consultant for three months to — you guessed it — Roger Tamraz. "We sent a memo that told of Fowler's call to poor Bob up to the Seventh Floor," Lofgren claims, which would dispute more damaging memos being examined by the CIA inspector general. "The routing sheet was to everybody, but now they say nobody ever saw it."

I spoke to John Deutch, now at MIT, who was director of central intelligence (on the Seventh Floor) during 1995 and '96. Was the director informed?

Deutch is certain he was not. "Any unauthorized contact between anyone in the Directorate of Operations and the DNC," he tells me, seething, "was a serious abuse of the political system." He didn't authorize any and seemed fairly certain that George Tenet, then his deputy and now his successor as DCI, also was not informed of this rogue operation.

If the covert-action directorate within the CIA fails to alert agency leadership to political abuse; if Samuel Berger, then deputy NSC director, was too too docile at Clinton-Gore campaign meetings to object to arms dealers, drug dealers and oil promoters being sold the run of the White House — then something terrible is happening.

Two generations ago, an angry public forced Eisenhower chief of staff Sherman Adams out of office in disgrace for making a call to an agency about a contributor; today Clinton himself tells a White House aide to do more for a donor and we shrug it off.

One generation ago, Congress found the CIA to be a "rogue elephant," and an aroused public forced a shakeup; today we have Clinton's rogue directorate in bed with political wheeler-dealers and the reaction is ho-hum.

Why? Former spymaster Lofgren, the recent Tamraz consultant, has a philosophical answer: "Our threshold of outrage has been raised."

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South to garner bigger share of highway funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan has a one-sentence explanation why the proposed highway bill reallocates federal funds from the Northeast to the South.

"I'm not the chairman," the New York Democrat said.

When the last highway bill was passed in 1991, Moynihan chaired the Senate subcommittee that drafted the legislation, and Maine Democrat George Mitchell was Senate majority leader.

As Congress drafts new legislation to divide federal fuel taxes over the next six years, Sen. John Warner, a Republican from Virginia, wields Moynihan's gavel, and Sen. Trent Lott, a Mississippi Republican, leads the Senate.

Indeed, the reallocation in highway dollars reflects not only the migration of population from the Snow Belt to the Sun Belt, but also the shift in political power.

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Never mind that the chairmen of the House and Senate committees writing the highway bills are Republicans from the Northeast — Rep. Bud Shuster of Pennsylvania and Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island.

The leadership of both chambers rests in the hands of Southern lawmakers, and the transportation committee chairmen are bowing to the political reality that the Southern states deserve a bigger return on their gasoline taxes.

Under Chafee's proposal, New England's share of federal highway funds would drop from 8.8 percent to 5.6 percent, according to the Northeast-Midwest Institute.

The New England states, which received an average of $1.5 billion a year from 1992 to 1997, would get $1.2 billion a year between 1998 and 2003.

The share of the money going to the South would rise from 31.6 percent to 34.9 percent. Fourteen Southern states, which now average $5.5 billion a year, would get $7.7 billion annually to build roads and bridges and meet other transportation needs.

The discrepancies are even greater in the three-year House bill that Shuster has put on the table. The New England states would average $1.2 billion a year, but their share would be 5.2 percent of a larger pool of federal funds. Southern states would average $8.4 billion, or 34.8 percent of the total.

The Northeastern states traditionally have received more in federal transportation funds than they pay in federal gasoline taxes. They argue that they need the money because their roads and bridges are older and require more repairs.

In addition, their residents pay less in gasoline taxes because so many big-city residents ride buses and trains rather than driving on gridlocked highways.

Few other federal programs work in their favor. Indeed, the new allocations only worsen the disparity between the amount of money the Northeastern region pays in federal taxes and the amount it gets back from Washington.

In fiscal 1996, the six New England states got back 90 cents for every $1 paid in federal taxes. The 14 Southern states received $1.16.

Southern lawmakers argued that it was unfair for their states to get back less in federal highway money than their residents paid in federal gasoline taxes.

Should that argument prevail, Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., said Northeastern lawmakers may make the same case for other programs, such as farm subsidies.

"We could start a regional conflict," Dodd said Tuesday.

Review fails to link cancer and breast implants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Silicone breast implants do not cause breast cancer and there is only "borderline" evidence linking the devices to any other disease, according to a federal review of scores of medical studies.

The review even pointed to the possibility that implants could help protect against breast cancer, but researchers said more studies were needed to draw that conclusion.

A report to be published today in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute gives silicone breast implants a "clean bill of health" so far as cancer and other disease is concerned. Researchers did find that the devices frequently break and escaped silicone spreads throughout the body.

S. Lori Brown of the Food and Drug Administration, a co-author of the review, said there is some slight statistical suggestion linking some types of connective tissue disease to leaking breast implants, but she called it "a borderline result" that should be interpreted "very cautiously."

"These diseases are so rare that it may never be possible to clearly link them to silicone breast implants," said Brown.

The conclusion of the research review contrasts starkly with the statements in lawsuits by thousands of women who link silicone breast implants to a wide variety of diseases. About 100,000 women have settled lawsuits with manufacturers of the implants and about a half-million others have reserved the right to sue. Thousands of suits are pending.

Some manufacturers are offering fixed settlements that range from $5,000 to $100,000 for women whose implants have ruptured. Manufacturers have won 16 of 21 lawsuits that have gone to trial and jury awards have ranged from $30,000 up. A Houston woman was awarded $25 million, but she settled later for an undisclosed amount.

Silicone implants were first introduced in 1962 as a means of augmenting breast size or for reconstruction after a cancerous breast was removed. Between 800,000 and 1 million women received the implants, many for cosmetic purposes. After reports began surfacing about implant breakage and possible heath effects, the FDA in 1992 restricted their use.

Since then, said Brown, about 14,000 women have received implants, nearly all for reconstruction after cancer surgery.

Brown and Louise A. Brinton of the National Cancer Institute evaluated more than 100 studies on the medical effects of silicone breast implants and gave the devices "a clean bill of health," said Brown.

"We found that, if anything, implants may actually decrease the risk of breast cancer," said Brown. "The studies are quite consistent in finding a decrease. It is not clear what is causing that decrease, if it is real."

Some studies, she said, found up to a 50 percent decrease in breast cancer risk, but these conclusions need to be verified by larger studies.

The researchers said it is clear that breast implants do break, allowing silicone to escape into the body. They said studies of removed implants found that 23 percent to 64 percent had some type of tear or rupture.

Brown said that women also experience local effects from the implants: pain caused by the shrinkage of internal scar tissue, and body form distortions caused by breakage of the implant envelope.

She said there is anecdotal evidence linking escaped silicone to multiple myeloma, a type of cancer, and to other diseases, but no scientific proof has been published.

Brinton said that a 15-year study of 13,500 women who received implants is now being evaluated. It is the largest study yet attempted and offers the best hope of giving final answers on the health effects of breast implants, she said. Results are expected in about a year.

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GOP capitalizing on IRS reform hearings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seizing on allegations the IRS has abused taxpayers and wasted $400 million on a computer project, Republicans are sending out anti-IRS surveys and fund-raising letters.

"With your immediate help today, we can virtually abolish the IRS as you know it!" the chairman of the National Republican Senatorial Committee, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, said in a letter to thousands of GOP faithful — current and potential donors — as investigative hearings begin in the House and Senate.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi and House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas have sent out similar fund-raising pleas.

GOP pollster Frank Luntz, who helped develop the "Contract With America," encourages Republicans to investigate the IRS in his new Republican strategy paper, "Language of the 21st Century."

"Rather than investigating Bill Clinton, which no one in America wants, we should be focusing our attention on a government agency that has a negative impact on our day-to-day lives," writes Luntz. "Consider the benefit of public hearings that highlight Americans who have been victims of the IRS."

But Republicans don't have a lock on the issue. Vice President Al Gore earlier this year announced several IRS reform proposals and the Clinton administration introduced an overhaul bill last week, with major Democratic sponsors. Another IRS reform bill, championed by House Republicans, also enjoys considerable bipartisan backing.

In addition, the Senate Finance Committee will hold hearings later this month on its investigation of IRS collection abuses while the Joint Committee on Taxation is examining alleged IRS harassment of conservative nonprofit groups.

"Our six-month-long look at the IRS shows a troubled agency, with widespread, serious problems," Senate Finance Chairman William V. Roth Jr., R-Del., said in a statement.

Roth, who hired two Republican and one Democratic investigators, said about 1,000 taxpayers contacted the committee this year, complaining of alleged mistreatment by IRS agents. He described the IRS as "an agency in which a subculture of fear and intimidation has been allowed to flourish."

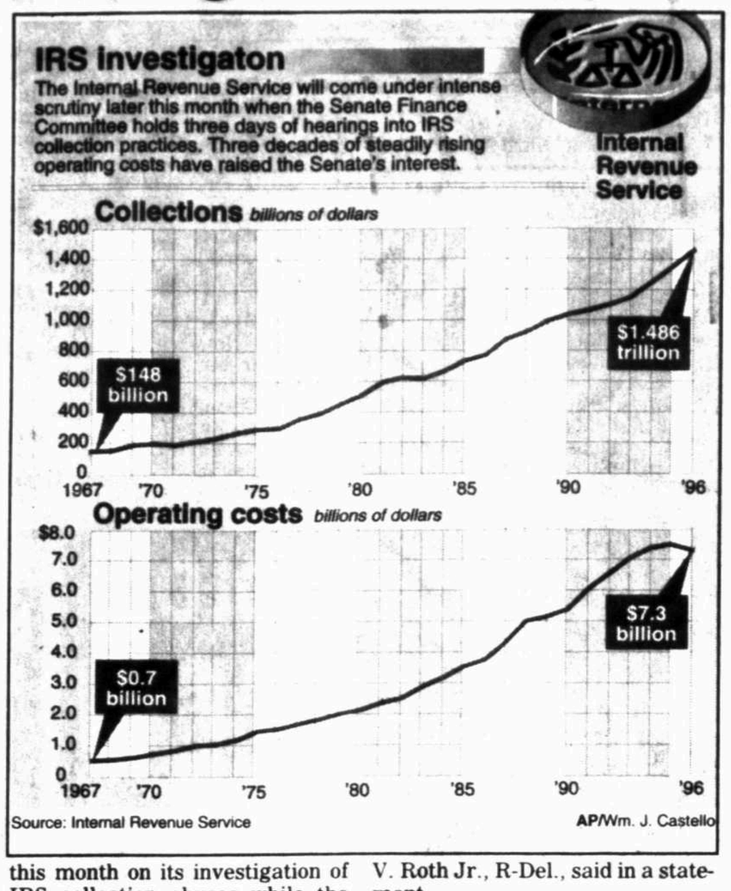
Roth spokeswoman Ginny Flynn declined to provide details but strongly denied that Roth or the panel were engaging in a partisan investigation aimed at supporting Republican fund-raising efforts. Senate Finance Democratic staff agreed the probe has been bipartisan so far.

Sources outside the committee said the Senate Finance panel is likely to focus on IRS collection practices, such a property seizures and whether IRS managers are being rewarded for meeting collection quotas.

The Roth hearings follow revelations earlier this year that the IRS mismanaged a $3.3 billion upgrade of its computer systems, wasting $400 million over the last decade on the effort. The General Accounting Office has issued a series of stinging audits of the IRS, ranging from accounting problems to improper staff training.

It isn't clear whether the Roth hearings will show customer complaints against the IRS are rising. The IRS said it began systematically tracking taxpayer complaints against IRS workers last year. Out of 118.8 million individual taxpayers, the IRS said it received only 1,203 complaints against IRS employees in the October-December period in 1996.

IRS taxpayer advocate Lee Monks said that upon further review, "a lot of complaints that come in may be initially voiced as complaints of employees' behavior (but) turn out to be complaints about the system, the onerous nature of the law." The IRS uses complaints to help improve training.



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Dinosaur may be biggest of its kind found

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — What may be the largest Tyrannosaurus rex fossil ever found has been unearthed on a Montana cattle ranch, touching off a dispute over who has claim to the site.

University of Notre Dame paleontologist Keith Rigby said identification of the fossil is not yet complete, but if it is not a T-rex it may be a completely new variety of dinosaur — and the largest meat-eater ever found.

"There is some possibility that it may be new, and T-rex may have to become 'T-who?'" Rigby said Tuesday.

Rigby said he found a pubis bone, one of three bones in the pelvis, that measures at least 52 inches, compared with 48 inches in the largest T-Rex fossil ever measured.

However, the femurs, or thigh bones, which paleontologists normally use to estimate the size of dinosaurs, are still unexcavated.

The find is "exciting, but not earth-shattering," said J. Michael Parrish, a dinosaur expert at Southern Illinois University.

He said only a couple of dozen T-rex specimens are known and the largest size keeps changing, but that Rigby is probably right that his would be the biggest T-rex known.

Parrish said other carnivores found recently in South America and Africa are thought to be larger than a T-rex, but comparisons among species are difficult.

Rigby said he was forced to reveal the find before the fossil could be confirmed because of an unauthorized excavation over the weekend, which prompted federal agents to intervene to keep bones from being taken away.

James Rector, a lawyer who has been helping Rigby, said he saw two sons of the former landowner and other relatives using a tractor to dig at the site on Sunday.

Rector said he alerted the FBI and the federal Farm Service Agency, which owns the land. No one was arrested, but the FBI is investigating.

Rector said he asked Steve Walton, a son of former landowner Edmund Walton, what he intended to do with the bones and the man replied: "I'm going to save my farm and feed my children."

T-rex fossils can be extremely valuable. A 50-foot fossil nicknamed Sue, which was found in South Dakota in 1990, is expected to bring more than $1 million when it is auctioned next month at Sotheby's in New York.

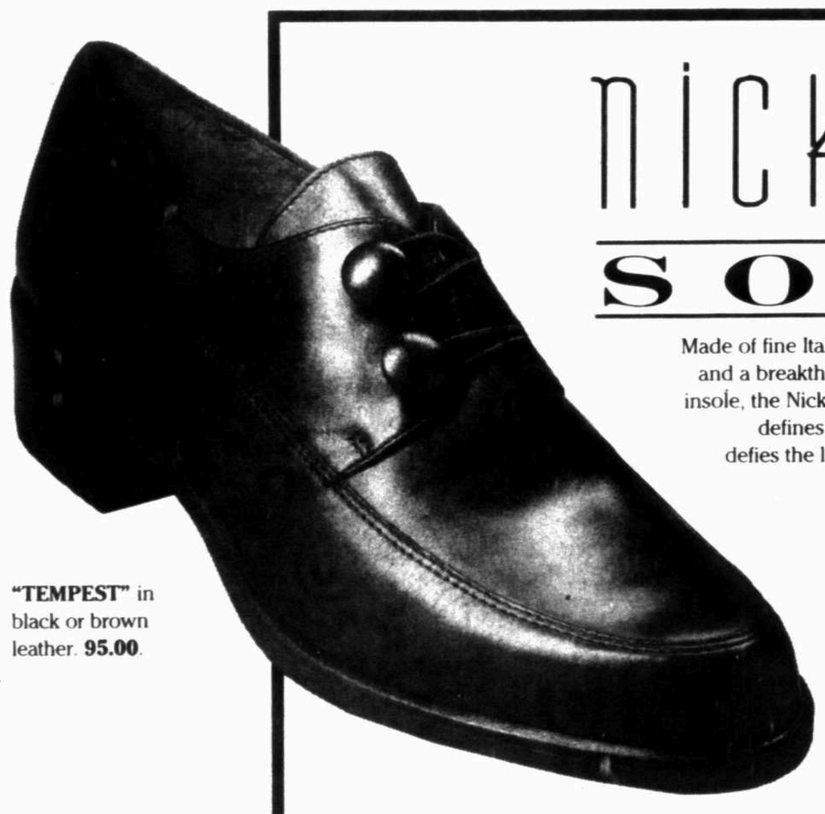
Rigby said he began work at the Montana site more than a year ago with permission of people who claimed to own the land, but he later became suspicious. He said he did a title search and found that FSA took ownership of the land several years ago.

Two men who identified themselves to The Associated Press in separate calls as Steve Walton and his cousin, Fred Walton, said Tuesday the group did not take anything from the site and were there merely out of curiosity. Both said ownership of the land is still in dispute and they might be entitled to some money from the dinosaur find.

A similar fight was waged over Sue, one of the most complete T-Rex fossils ever found. It was seized by the government in 1992 from Peter L. Larsen, the fossil dealer who excavated it. The government said the land where Sue was found was under federal jurisdiction and off-limits to Larsen.

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