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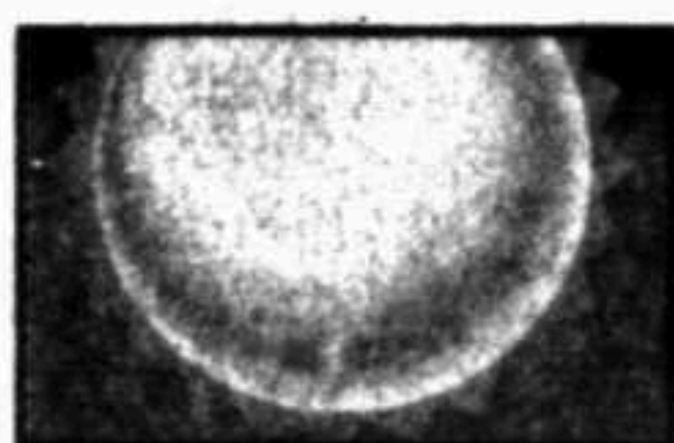
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Versace death

A man and a young girl pass by the home of slain fashion designer Gianni Versace Wednesday, July 16, 1997, on Ocean Drive in Miami Beach, Fla. Versace was shot and killed on the doorstep of his mansion Tuesday. The only suspect in the killing is Andrew Cunanan, a suspected serial killer. Hundreds of FBI agents, some handing out photos in gay bars and hotels, blanketed south Florida Wednesday in the hunt for the alleged prostitute-turned-serial killer.

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Firebomb mystery

OAKLAND, Calif. — Neighbors rallied around drug-fighting activist Stevie Allman when her home was firebombed. The governor even offered a \$50,000 reward to catch the vengeful dealers suspected in the attack. But then a badly decomposed body was found in a freezer in the charred ruins. Wednesday, police positively identified the body as Ms. Allman's.

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One winner

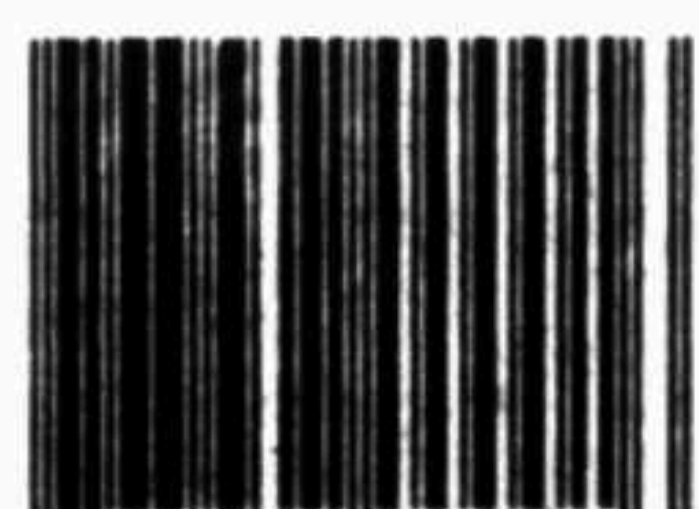
One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 8-11-16-30-43-46.

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Dow blows past 8,000 with record point gain

■ Dow has already gained almost 1,600 points, or 25 percent this year, nearly matching last year's 26 percent gain and more than twice what most experts had predicted for all of 1997.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average blew past 8,000 Wednesday and the Nasdaq market posted its biggest point-gain ever as another flood of good news on company profits, inflation and interest rates whipped investors into another buying frenzy.

The Dow, which has now doubled in less than 2 1/2 years, rose 63.17 to 8,038.88 despite a steep selloff in the shares of Eastman Kodak, which issued a disappointing earnings report.

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last year's robust 26 percent gain and more than twice what most experts had predicted for all of 1997.

Aside from Kodak, the second-quarter profit picture grew even brighter Wednesday with strong results from the likes of General Motors, Ford Motor, Time Warner, American Airlines parent AMR, Lucent Technologies and Travelers Group.

But the biggest earnings news of the session came late Tuesday from Intel, whose better-than-expected results set off another scramble for big-name technology shares and catapulted the Nasdaq market to its 10th straight record close.

The Nasdaq composite index soared a record 38.52, or 2.5 percent, to 1,580.63, giving it a 10-session gain of 142.38 points, or nearly 10 percent. Intel soared 7 11/32 to 88 1/4, and Microsoft, which reports its earnings after today's close, jumped

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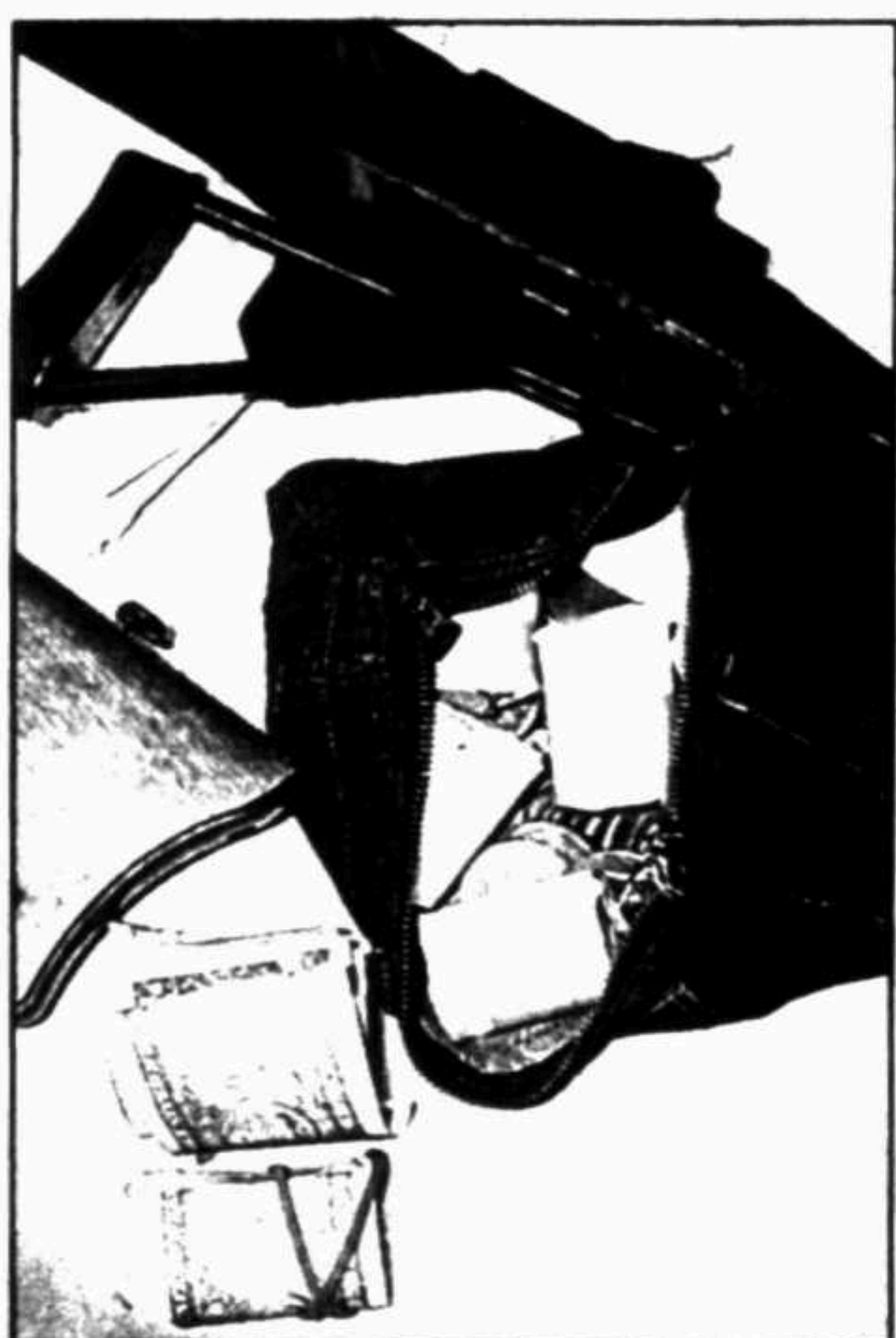


AP Laserphoto

TWA anniversary

Two women console each other after placing a single flower on each of the gravesites of those members of the Montoursville High School French Club and their chaperones. Sixteen members of the club, along with a teacher and four chaperones, were killed when TWA Flight 800 exploded off New York's Long Island coast on July 17, 1996. Story page 7A

Crime Stoppers tip leads to DRUG RAID



Officers extract at least 60 cannabis plants from yard

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

Permian Basin Drug Task Force officials arrested a Midland man Wednesday afternoon after finding dozens of marijuana plants growing in his back yard, and discovering other drugs and paraphernalia in his mobile home located a few miles south of city limits.

Van Anthony Bowden, 37, was taken to Midland County Detention Center for possession of marijuana, cocaine and LSD. He was held there without bond late Wednesday.

According to authorities at the scene, task force officers executed a search and arrest warrant at Bowden's home, located at 1611 E. County Road 84, at approximately 4 p.m. Officials from Midland County, Andrews and other surrounding law enforcement agencies assisted.

The drug raid resulted from a Crime Stoppers tip, officials said. It was said that Bowden's three-bedroom mobile home and a two-

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At top left, guns, currency and a sack full of silver dollars lie in a bedroom in one of the houses raided by law enforcement officers Wednesday. Above, uprooted plants in the back-yard await removal by authorities. At left, authorities find plants growing inside the house.

3 commissioners reject Norwood's proposed budget

■ Commissioners' Court calls for increasing proposed general fund budget by \$400,000 to about \$20.2 million.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The score is 3-2 as the Midland County Commissioners' Court delves into a budget study that pits County Judge Jeff Norwood's "taxpayer friendly" spartan budget against divergent views on adequately funding public services, especially the criminal justice system.

"I take a very conservative approach, a very disciplined approach, to budgeting," Norwood said Wednesday. In a series of informal 3-2 votes, the commissioners rejected portions of his proposed \$19.8 million general fund budget by increasing it by \$400,000, to about \$20.2 million.

Norwood said that he was grateful to Commissioner Guy McCrary for his conservative bent for controlling expenditures and supporting his vote.

"But three members of the court did not think I was proposing enough expenditures," Norwood said of commissioners Henry Goulet, Louisa Valencia and James Brezina. "That's their prerogative, and we'll just move forward and try to do the best we can with the revenue."

Much of the proposed increase was a reinstatement of \$320,000 for funding District Attorney Al Schorre's Warrants Division.

That division includes former Midland Constable Ron Rice, who was temporarily displaced last year when his office was purged from county government and four nominal constable places were established to serve the four justices of the peace.

Reinstated too by the 3-2 vote (contrary to Norwood's budget) were two non-lawyer staff positions in Schorre's office. Funding was budgeted for a receptionist to serve County Attorney Russell Malm, Human Resource Director Sue Gambill, and the twice-weekly visiting Veterans' Service Office in the Midland County Courthouse.

If staff can be downsized, Mrs. Valencia recommended that it be through "attrition and not fire them."

In focusing on the district attorney's budget, Norwood's aim was to whittle

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Jury awards \$26 million to executive fired for discussing Seinfeld episode

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A jury of 10 women and two men debating when banter around the coffee machine turns into sexual harassment decided in a big way that talking about last night's "Seinfeld" episode doesn't cross the line.

The jury on Tuesday awarded \$26 million to a Miller Brewing Co. executive who was fired after telling a female colleague about a racy episode of the show. The verdict — almost three times what the man was asking for — includes \$18 million in punitive damages. And the female colleague was

ordered to pay \$1.5 million of the total herself.

"There are lots of people who are going to read that this woman got penalized for speaking up," said Truth Freemyn of 9to5, a Milwaukee-based advocacy group for working women. "We don't need anything to decrease the likelihood that anyone being sexually harassed will speak up about what happened."

That's exactly what will happen, said several office workers in Madison.

That amount of money Please see AWARD/2A



Jerrold MacKenzie, left, hugs his attorney, Gerald Boyle after a jury awarded MacKenzie \$26.6 million Tuesday, in Milwaukee, Wis.

Police seek community support to combat gang-related activity

By Rick Lopez
Staff Writer

The Midland Police Department will host a community meeting 7 p.m. today at Burnett Elementary School where residents can voice concerns about crime activity in the area.

One concern that is likely to be brought up is a graffiti problem in the area. A study from the MPD's Gang Unit shows that southwest Midland — including the neighborhoods surrounding Burnett Elementary — has a high gang concentration. Other sites of a high

gang population include east and southeast areas of the city, officials said.

"Our whole success hinges on the community," MPD deputy chief John Urby said Wednesday. "We can move into a community and try to attack graffiti, and try to make a great impact, but you have to involve the community because we (the department) do not have all the answers."

Police said that the graffiti problem is often an indication that gangs exist in the area.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Friday	Saturday
Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny
High 98	High 98	High 94
Low 68	Low 68	Low 67

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the upper 90s. Winds will be from the south at 5 to 15 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight calls for fair skies with a low in the upper 60s.

Friday's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the upper 90s.

Saturday's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the low 90s.

After an overnight low of 67, Wednesday's high reached 97, compared to the record high for that date of 105 set in 1989. The record low was 63 set in 1985.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	1.34 in.
Total for year	9.53 in.

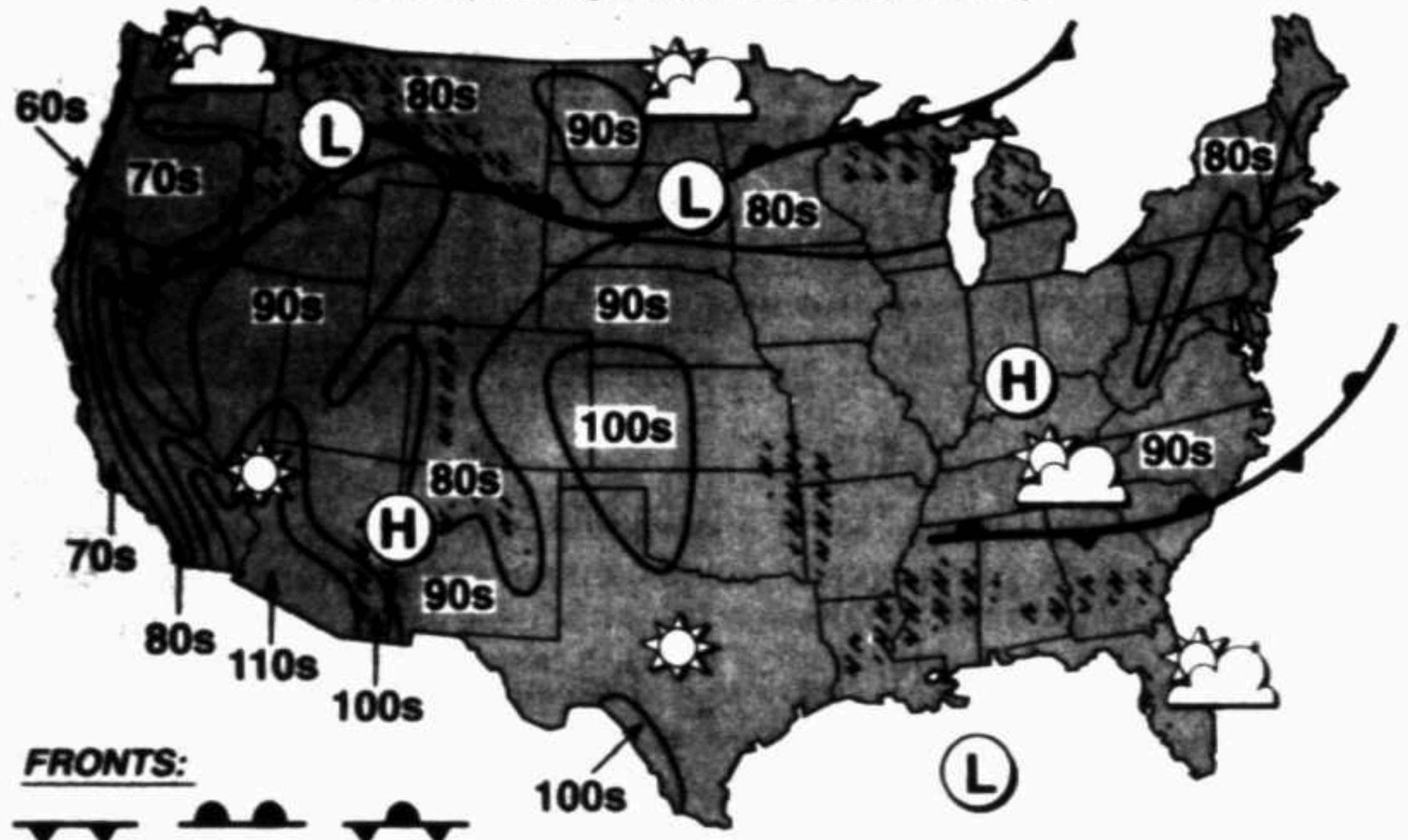
Yesterday's temperatures

High	97
Low	67
Normal high	95
Normal low	68

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, July 17.

Lines separate high temperature zones for the day.

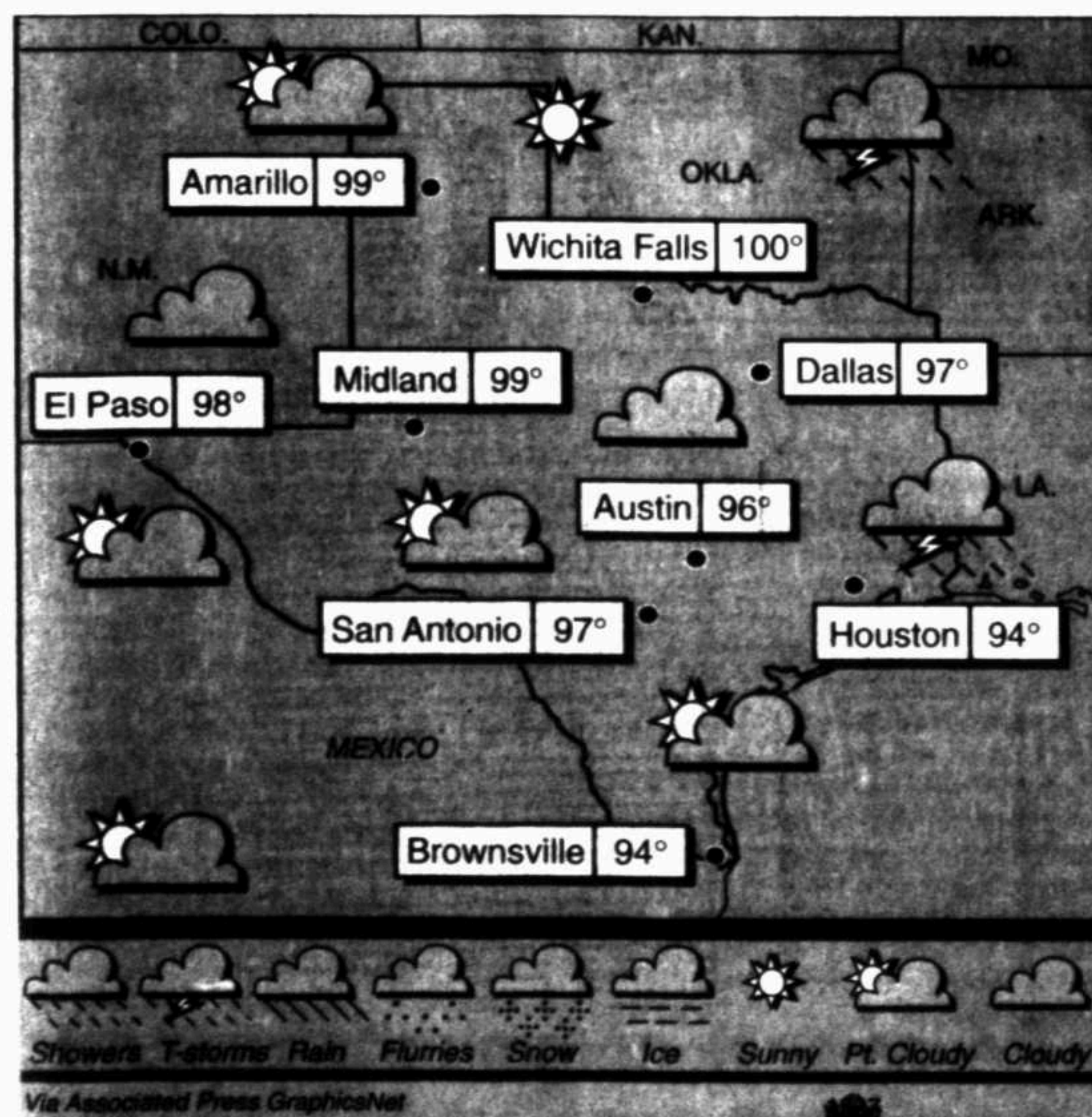


United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8-11 p.m. EDT.

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Albany, N.Y.	71	24	San Francisco	68	51
Albuquerque	95	67	San Jose	85	68
Anchorage	95	55	Seattle	85	68
Athens	84	64	St. Louis	92	72
Atlanta	91	70	St. Paul	92	72
Atlantic City	96	74	St. Petersburg	92	72
Baltimore	98	73	St. Vincent	92	72
Birmingham	92	71	St. Ysidro	92	72
Bismarck	92	60	Tampa	92	72
Boston	84	61	Tucson	92	72
Buffalo	83	67	Tulsa	92	72
Burlington, Vt.	83	67	Waco	92	72
Casper	96	60	Washington, D.C.	92	72
Charleston, S.C.	92	74			
Charlotte, N.C.	88	67			
Chester	93	58			
Cheyenne	94	70			
Chicago	99	82			
Cincinnati	99	82			
Cleveland	99	82			
Columbia, S.C.	94	72			
Columbus, Ohio	92	64			
Concord, N.H.	88	60			
Dayton	99	85			
Denver	98	66			
Des Moines	92	70			
Detroit	92	69			
Duluth	83	68			
El Paso	99	65			
Fairbanks	78	49			
Fargo	91	67			
Flagstaff	89	52			
Grand Rapids	89	68			
Great Falls	87	49			
Greensboro, N.C.	91	69			
Hartford	87	68			
Helena	89	56			
Honolulu	90	78			
Indianapolis	90	64			
Jackson, Miss.	93	69			
Jacksonville	93	73			

State forecast



Texas temperatures

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

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Abilene	95	71	Junction	94	66
Alice	102	73	Kingsville	98	72
Amarillo	96	68	Lubbock	96	75
Austin	94	73	Lufkin	96	74
Bastrop	96	74	Marfa	88	57
Brownsville	96	74	McAllen	101	76
Childress	98	72	Midland	97	67
College Station	97	74	Mineral Wells	97	70
Corpus Christi	96	72	Navy Corps	90	74
Concan	95	71	Palacios	93	71
Cotulla	100	74	Paris	91	70
Dalhousie	99	64	San Angelo	98	67
Dallas	100	76	San Antonio	95	75
Del Rio	99	75	Shreveport	95	74
Denton	96	67	Terrell	96	70
El Paso	96	73	Texarkana	92	72
Fort Stockton	96	71	Victoria	97	73
Fort Worth	95	72	Waco	96	70
Galveston	94	61	Wichita Falls	100	70
Houston	94	73	Wink	97	70

BUDGET: Commissioners call for \$400,000 over proposal

(From 1A)

away on Schorre's requested \$2 million budget and to trim it closer to \$1.5 million.

"We might as well lock the door, then," Schorre said about trimming his requests by \$500,000. "Neither office is overstaffed," he said in referring to the consolidation of the district attorney's and the county attorney's staffs, which include 15 lawyers and additional support staff, including investigators headed up by J.D. Luckie.

The consolidation was approved last year by the Commissioners' Court, which had envisioned more economical, efficient and logical operations within the criminal justice system.

Schorre noted that his office had requested the \$2 million to operate the expanded District

Attorney's Office, which last year had a \$1.23 million budget. The County Attorney's Office budget was more than \$600,000.

"We put in a request," Schorre said. "Then the county judge went and did a wholesale 'cut job' across the board on everything."

Schorre said that his proposed office budget was to keep "what you've got going. There were no raises in this budget."

"His (Norwood's) answer right now is building a bigger jail," Schorre said. "But putting people in jail is just the start of the criminal justice system."

Norwood sees significant savings by cutting out the District Attorney's Warrants Division.

"Serving warrants is a function that should be performed by your main law-enforcement agency," Norwood said. "In Midland Coun-

ty's case, that's the Sheriff's Office. There's a lot of good deputies over there in the Sheriff's Office ... to perform those duties."

"How much are we willing to confiscate from the taxpayers of this community in order to fund county government?" Norwood asked.

"We need to adequately fund the criminal justice system to make sure we keep the criminals off the streets. And I've done that in the budget that I've proposed. And I'm disappointed that the court is spending significantly above that proposed budget. I believe in downsizing government and cutting taxes."

Unlike the Sheriff's Office, the District Attorney's Office has the statutory right to collect restitution payments on hot checks to the

benefits of merchants and to county government, Brezina said.

"We need to provide services for the citizens of Midland County," Brezina said. "We can't cut back on law enforcement. The chief law-enforcement officer is the district attorney."

"We are under an obligation to protect the public" through the law-enforcement arm of government, Brezina said.

He said that the 1996 Norwood proposed 10 percent cut in county taxes had diminished the county's budget by \$840,000, threw the county into a deficit and forced the county to draw on surplus funds.

"We could all save money, too, by completely closing down law enforcement and telling everybody to pack a gun," Brezina said.

AWARD: Jury orders company to pay former executive \$26 million

(From 1A)

would discourage anyone," said legal secretary Jessica Ford, eating lunch Wednesday in the shadow of the Capitol.

Environmental lawyer Mike Scott, 28, agreed: "Certainly, if I was in that situation, I would think twice about reporting a sexual harassment situation."

The case was brought by Jerold Mackenzie, who had worked at Miller 19 years and was fired from his \$95,000-a-year job in 1993 after he told Patricia Best about the episode and she complained. He sued for \$9.2 million.

In the episode, Jerry Seinfeld's character can't remember his girlfriend's name, only that it

rhymes with a female body part. Jerry and his friends try a few guesses, including "Mulva" and "Gipple." Only after the woman realizes Jerry doesn't know her name and runs off does he remember and scream out "Dolores!"

Mackenzie testified that he never said the word referred to, and instead showed Best a photocopied page from the dictionary with "clitoris" on it.

Best complained to managers that it was the latest in a string of harassing acts, including a "freaky" voice mail and a dream he said he had about her, Miller said. The company said Best didn't ask that Mackenzie be fired.

The company said the conversation was one of several bad

management decisions on Mackenzie's part, noting that he had been reprimanded in 1989 over allegations of sexual harassment from his secretary. That case was settled out of court, and Mackenzie denied harassing the woman.

Juror Clint Baer, 20, said the verdict was about workplace equality. Men will "be able to have a relationship with a female worker in the workplace and not have to worry about saying, 'Hey I like what you're wearing today,'" he said.

Best "should have just said, 'No, I don't want to hear it anymore,' and that's that," said one of the women jurors, Tracy Watts. Marquette University law pro-

fessor John J. Kirchner, who specializes in punitive damages, said the case wasn't about sexual harassment as much as whether the company used the issue as an excuse to fire Mackenzie.

"To a great extent, sexual harassment can be a problem in the workforce. The problem is when the employer uses that as a subterfuge for their own agenda, which the jury apparently believed," Kirchner said.

Deborah Lukovich, president of the Wisconsin National Organization for Women, said the verdict would make it harder to fight sexual harassment in the workplace. "We're missing the message that that sort of discussion in the workplace is wrong," she said.

MARKET: Several market measures push into record territory

(From 1A)

9 15/32 to 147 15/16 to lead the Nasdaq advance.

Several other market measures also pushed further into record territory as interest rates sank to their lowest level since late last year in the bond market.

"People don't want to be left out of this market. No bull market ever ends with interest rates going down," said Larry Rice, chief investment officer at Josephthal, Lyon & Ross, cautioning that "this market is extremely overbought."

Bonds rallied after the Labor Department reported that con-

sumer prices inched only 0.1 percent higher last month, holding the inflation rate for the first half of the year to just 1.4 percent.

The market's stunning rebound from a steep selloff in early spring has been fueled by a unique combination of steady economic growth and surprisingly tame inflation.

"I have never been through a period where the economic numbers have looked so impressive," Rice said.

With unemployment near a 24-year low, Federal Reserve officials have been concerned that companies would need to raise

wages — and prices — as they compete for workers to meet consumer demand.

But with no sign of rapid inflation emerging, Fed officials have withstood the temptation to take preventive measures by slowing the economy with a sharp increase in the central bank's lending rates. Reassured that the Fed won't impede revenue growth, investors have been bidding stocks further and further into record territory.

As bond prices rose Wednesday, the yield on the 30-year Treasury — another key influence on lending rates — fell to 6.47 percent, its

lowest level since early December.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by more than a 2-to-1 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume was extremely heavy at 646.03 million shares as of 4 p.m., the fifth largest tally ever. The Nasdaq market, meanwhile, saw its second busiest day ever.

Also setting new highs on Wednesday were the Standard & Poor's 500 list, up 10.83 to 936.59; the NYSE composite index, up 4.25 to 485.24; and the American Stock Exchange composite index, up 3.08 to 638.03.

MEETING: Less than 1 percent of local juveniles have been in gangs

(From 1A)

Midland police reported Wednesday that 35 to 40 percent of all juveniles who have a criminal history with the Police Department are members of gangs.

A recent report erroneously indicated that the figure applied to all juveniles in the city. Less than 1 percent of the general juvenile population have been involved with gangs, Urby said.

"At any given time, we handle approximately 2,000 juveniles ... and have records on them," Urby said. "Those juveniles have to have an arrest or other contact with police. They may or may not have been arrested by police."

A total of 209 juveniles on the Police Department's files are gang members. Ninety-eight other juveniles in the department's records are "associates," or know someone in a gang, he said.

There may be others who would be classified as gang members, or as associates, but they are unknown to the Police Department because they have not been involved with a criminal offense, he said.

Approximately 280 adults comprise local gangs. Furthermore, about 133 adults are associates.

In previous years, the Police Department had said most gangs were "wanna-bes," or gangs that didn't pose much of a threat to the community.

"I think that we've had little neighborhood gangs for a long time. Here for the last three to five years, there's been a lot of attention on gangs forming (and) trying to start narcotic trade, doing a lot of burglaries and criminal activity," Urby said.

"Here in Midland we noticed there were increases of graffiti. The street officers were the ones who came up to us and said, 'We're not just running into these neighborhood gangs. They seem to be a little more organized. I think the department saw the need to create a unit, and we did.'"

The Texas Penal Code defines gangs as three or more persons, having a common identifying symbol or leadership, who regularly associate in criminal activities. In the MPD gang unit's two years of existence, the number of

gang-related crimes has decreased.

In 1995, 10 drive-by shootings, 14 aggravated assaults and 130 vandalism offenses were reported. Another 44 gang-related crimes were reported.

In 1996, two drive-by shootings, six aggravated assaults and 96 graffiti cases were gang-related. Fifty-two other incidents were traced to gang activity, recent reports indicate.

The unit also has developed intelligence on local gangs, and can identify their symbols, members and what kind of crimes they are connected with.

The south-side gangs have a high percentage of black members, and are narcotics dealers, he said.

"It seems to be that narcotics are in every area of town," Urby said. "But overt sales are in the south side. Crack and marijuana are high sellers."

East-side gang members are predominantly Hispanic, and more territorial than profit-seeking. They are known for committing criminal mischief and vandalism.

Aside from community involvement, the Police Department is dealing with gangs in several other ways.

A mobile substation, which the unit acquired in November, makes trips to all parts of town where an influx of calls for a certain crime is received.

"We may park the mobile substation across the street from where crack is (reportedly) sold and leave it there for about two of three weeks," Urby said.

The MPD's "zero tolerance" policy is also a deterrent for crime, Urby added. The policy states that police will prosecute offenders to the fullest extent of the law.

"If we see somebody speeding down the road, the officer can look the other way, stop him or her and give a ticket or verbal warning," Urby said. "All this is legal and it's called discretion. In a particular case with a gang member we're going to take action. We don't approve of (their) activities — we give you a ticket, sobriety test."

Other educational programs, such as Drug Abuse and Resistance Education, or DARE, are also helpful in informing the public about gang activity.

"Now they're (DARE officers) starting to talk about graffiti and gangs, even though their main concern is on alcohol and drugs," Urby said. "They're really starting to expand."

DRUGS: Police arrest Midland man

(From 1A)

bedroom mobile home on the same lot were the site of a pot-cultivating operation.

"We found lots of plants growing inside and outside of the house," said Sgt. Jim Crouse, a Crime Stoppers officer. "We also found a small amount of cocaine, nine hits of LSD, several weapons and money."

Officers extracted at least 60 cannabis plants from the backyard Wednesday afternoon. Crouse said that an estimated street value of the removed plants is near \$130,000.

Midland Sheriff Gary Painter said the mobile home lot may have contained up to 30 more plants. Officers were still probing the lot for more plants late Wednesday.

"Some people were doing a little bit of marijuana growing, but we're digging it all up," he said.

One officer described the residence as a "pot smoker's paradise." Walls of the trailers were covered with pro-legalization

posters. Boxes of High Times Growing Tips, a publication on marijuana hydroponics, were among some of the items officers planned on seizing as evidence.

Some bedrooms were converted to small nurseries or "growing rooms," where silver-reflective tarps covered sheet rock walls, and dozens of marijuana plants were kept warm by space heaters and halide bulbs. Some plants had grown as tall as 3 feet high, officers at the scene said.

Another room housed an elaborate cultivating system where growers cultivated marijuana buds. The marijuana buds — which are cultivated on dampened, heated lava rocks — have no seeds or stems, and have a street value of between \$2,500 and \$7,000 per pound, said task force investigator Tim Whitfield.

The suspect "knew what he was doing," Whitfield said. "It's not like he had a whim to grow something from one day to the next."

More than 25 marijuana seed samples, which dated as far back as 1991, were seized. So were

bongs, marijuana pipes, scales, heat-measuring devices, packaging equipment and pre-packaged units of marijuana. All growing and packaging materials can be used against the suspect as evidence of drug paraphernalia, officials said.

Other seized items included rolls of cash, at least 10 rifles and other firearms, dozens of knives and adult movies.

Authorities said that more suspects could be arrested in connection with the drug bust. The residence will be guarded 24 hours a day by task force officers until all evidence is recovered. This, officials said, might take several days.

"We want to fine-comb this place until we're sure nothing is left," Whitfield said.

The mobile homes and the property inside them are also subject to seizure, he added.

The case remains under investigation. Officials said a figure on the marijuana's value might be available today or later this week.

Clarification

Isabel Gonzales is a long-time parishioner of Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church, and not a deacon, as she was referred to in a story in Monday's edition.

Pick 3 Texas

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

8-11-16-30-43-46

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WORLD IN BRIEF

Official: Mobutu near death

KINSHASA, Congo — Exiled former dictator Mobutu Sese Seko, who is being treated in Morocco for advanced prostate cancer, has only months to live, a former Zairian government official said. Abagbo Tutu, who said he had been with Mobutu until earlier this week, told state television on Tuesday that the deposed president was in critical condition.

"President Mobutu is dying. He has no more than five months to live," said Abagbo, Zaire's former general administrator of security services. He said Mobutu was "visibly traumatized" by his ouster and complains he was abandoned by those once loyal to him.

Hospital workers at Avicenne Hospital in the Moroccan capital, Rabat, said last month that Mobutu had been treated for heavy internal bleeding.

Abagbo said he had been with Mobutu since the ailing 66-year-old and his entourage fled their homeland — then called Zaire — in May. He remained with Mobutu in Morocco until returning home Monday.

He was arrested on arrival at Kinshasa's international airport and remained in custody Wednesday.

Police: Rivalry leaves four dead

LAHORE, Pakistan — Armed motorcyclists gunned down four people Wednesday in two separate attacks, which police said stemmed from religious rivalry.

Three motorcyclists roared through a busy market in the heart of Lahore, spraying bullets at a shop owned by a Sunni activist, police said. The owner escaped unhurt, but his son and an employee were killed.

The owner was a senior member of a militant Sunni group, the Guardians of the Friends of the Prophet, believed responsible for several bloody clashes with militant Shiite Muslims.

Earlier Wednesday, two men shot and killed two other militant Sunni activists outside their shops on the outskirts of Lahore.

In recent months, up to 150 people have died in feuding between militant Sunni and Shiite groups. Authorities in eastern Punjab province, where most killings occurred, have arrested more than 500 people from both sects.

Eiffel Tower closed by strike

PARIS — Tourists hoping to see Paris from atop the intricate iron framework of the Eiffel Tower were locked out Wednesday, after striking workers forced the monument to close.

A surprise strike by workers angry over the firing of one of their colleagues kept the famed tower from opening, spokeswoman Martine Varenne said. She said she did not know how long the strike would last.

With more than 5.5 million visitors in 1996, the Eiffel Tower is one of the most popular tourist sites in the world and France's most recognizable landmark.

Varenne said the worker was dismissed without severance pay after he was accused of shouting at and shoving a British tourist who was suffering from vertigo and did not want to take an elevator to the tower's second level.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Mir boss declared unfit to complete repair

NASA officials say that a Russian report that U.S. astronaut Michael Foale will replace the cosmonaut is premature.

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russian space officials declared the commander of the Mir space station unfit for a grueling repair job Wednesday and said that a U.S. astronaut would begin training to replace him.

However, NASA officials said it was premature to say astronaut Michael Foale would participate in the delicate mission into a sealed-off module that was punctured last month in a collision with a cargo ship.

"He can do some basic things, but no official simulations or the actual spacewalk. None of that's been approved by NASA yet," spokeswoman Catherine Watson said from Russia's Mission Control outside Moscow.

She said a decision likely would be made within a few days.

While Russian officials insisted that Foale would begin training and was "clearly delighted" by the prospect, they also said they wouldn't decide until next week

whether he would actually participate in the repair mission.

"We expect to reach the final agreement next Tuesday," said Valery Ryumin, deputy mission control chief. "But we have agreed to start work. We should move ahead."

Should the two sides agree, the prospect of an American astronaut pitching in on repairs to a Russian spaceship would seem to take international cooperation in space to new heights.

But Russian officials are clearly turning to their American partners out of desperation.

The two Russian cosmonauts on the Mir, Alexander Lazutkin and mission commander Vasily Tsibliyev, were to carry out repairs this weekend to return the spacecraft to nearly full power.

But on Monday, Tsibliyev began complaining of an irregular heartbeat. On Wednesday, Vladimir Solovyov, chief of Russia's Mission Control, said space controllers had decided that the Mir commander was unfit for the difficult repair job, expected to take four to five hours in a bulky spacesuit.

"As the commander has medical problems, we have decided that he shouldn't take part," he said. "As a brave man, he's distressed about that. But you can't give orders to your heart."

Russian doctors told the 43-year-old Tsibliyev to get more rest and take medicine to relieve his stress. Medical checks showed Tsibliyev had arrhythmia, or an irregular heartbeat.

The doctors also advised Tsibliyev against any extra physical activity and urged space officials to ban him from taking part in the repair mission.

The repair job — now put off until July 24 — involves opening the hatch to the now-airless Spektr module and reconnecting cables that carry electricity from Spektr's solar panels to the rest of Mir.

The cables had to be disconnected after the accident that punctured Spektr because they ran through the hatch, which was frantically shut and sealed. As a result, Mir has been operating at about half-power ever since.

While the crew is not in danger, the Russians are eager to solve the problem before the next crew of three arrives Aug. 5. The two crews will overlap for 21 days, stretching the station's reduced power supply to its limits.

If the current crew is unable to reconnect the cables, the task will be given to the next mission, Solovyov said.

A dress rehearsal for the mission — involving Foale and Lazutkin — was tentatively scheduled for next Monday, Solovyov said. "Then we'll make a final decision with our NASA colleagues on whether to carry out the spacewalk."

Two crew members are to participate in the repair job, while the third waits in an escape capsule, ready to make a quick getaway with the other two if necessary. That was supposed to be Foale's job.

Foale, an astrophysicist whose main job aboard Mir is to carry out scientific experiments, has said before that he would like to take a spacewalk. The trip into the cramped and cluttered Spektr is hardly the adventure he had in mind, but it may have to do.

On Wednesday, Solovyov said, Foale began checking his pressurized spacesuit and studying documents in preparation for the mission.

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Annan proposes 'sweeping, far reaching' reforms to U.N.

By Robert Reid
Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — Promising a "quiet revolution" at the United Nations, Secretary-General Kofi Annan on Wednesday proposed the most sweeping reforms in U.N. history, vowing to streamline the bureaucracy, reduce staff and cut budgets.

But the plan failed to silence critics on Capitol Hill, who had demanded steps that U.N. officials say go beyond Annan's authority. Sen. Rod Grams, R-Minn., said the plan "represents nothing more than the status quo."

Hinting that Congress may continue to block funds, Grams said it is up to Congress to prevent the United Nations from becoming "a country club for diplomats."

The Republican-led Congress has refused to pay the \$870 million it acknowledges it owes the United Nations without specific reforms. But U.N. officials say some of those demands require approval of other member states — which oppose them.

In a speech to the General Assembly, Annan described his proposal as "the most extensive and far-reaching reforms" in U.N. history.

"Starting today, we begin a quiet revolution," he said.

The plan is designed to reduce administrative costs by 30 percent and enable the United Nations to continue its work with 25 percent fewer employees than in 1985.

It also recommends that the General Assembly shorten its annual sessions, revise its budget formula and appoint a commission to study changes in the U.N. Charter and independent U.N. agencies over which Annan has limited control.

But the plan did not address some key congressional demands, including a reduction

in U.S. dues and crediting the United States for some of the money it spent supporting peacekeeping operations.

That requires the approval of the 185-member General Assembly, where hostility to the U.S. runs strong.

The plan also includes pledges to strengthen economic development programs — opposed by some American conservatives — in an attempt to win support from developing countries.

"I know there are people in Washington who want to see a much stricter and a much deeper cut, who have also in some ways made certain conditions or in some instances, even threats," Annan said after his speech.

But "these unilateral demands do not impress, they do not intimidate," said Annan, who took office last year with U.S. support. "In fact, they offend."

Under the plan, Annan will establish a new, five-member Cabinet directed by a deputy secretary-general — if the General Assembly approves the post.

The plan also calls for consolidating U.N. field operations under a single U.N. resident coordinator in each country with U.N. offices.

Annan will abolish the Department of Humanitarian Affairs and transfer its functions to the Office of the Emergency Relief Coordinator. He will consolidate three economic and social offices into one, merge two human rights offices in Geneva and set up a new drug control and crime prevention office in Vienna.

U.S. Ambassador Bill Richardson urged the General Assembly to start implementing the program.

He said Annan "has taken a very significant step toward the kind of structural reform that will enable the United Nations... to do more for the world's people, to do it better and to do it for less."

Bosnians retaliate with bombings, stabbing

Associated Press

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — With foreigners moving against war crimes fugitives, Bosnian Serbs have lashed out with whatever's at hand. One U.S. soldier was stabbed from behind with a sickle on Wednesday, and a grenade exploded near the house of a U.N. employee — the third such blast this week.

The stabbing occurred less than a week after NATO troops made their first raid to seize Serb war crimes suspects. It was the first assault to wound or target a member of the NATO-led peace force since last week's raid on war crimes suspects in northern Bosnia.

The tougher Western approach has stirred Serb anger, particularly with Americans. Bombs have destroyed vehicles and damaged buildings housing international officials. Leaflets have threatened Americans and others.

Early Wednesday, a hand grenade exploded near the house of a U.N. employee in Prijedor, the third blast this week targeting international officials.

Few details were released of the attack on the U.S. soldier at a lonely outpost in Serb territory. Western officials and local Serbs said the attacker may have been nothing more than a foiled thief. U.S. soldiers said they felt comfortable with security.

"I feel more secure here than at home," said Staff Sgt. Mark L. Geiger, 32, of Pittsburgh, "because here I have 8,500 soldiers who are ready to help at any time."

Others said they thought Bosnia's chaotic traffic — which claimed one American soldier's life this week — was more of a danger than politically motivated violence. There are no evident increases in security.

However, the attack highlighted just how isolated some of the peacekeeping troops are — potential targets for angry Serbs.

The U.S. soldier, who was not identified, was part of a liaison team between the peace force and Serb officials in Vlasenica, 35 miles northeast of Sarajevo.

The team is based in a house. Local Serbs said they thought the attack occurred around 3 a.m., when the soldier went out to check on a commotion.

U.S. Army spokesmen in Tuzla said he was



U.S. soldiers Sgt. David G. Childers from Orlando, Florida, left, and Spc. William Pace from Atlanta, Georgia guard a check point near the Bosnian town of Kladanj, 21 miles (35 kms) south of Tuzla, on Wednesday. A U.S. soldier, who was not identified by the military, was stabbed with a sickle Wednesday in Serb territory, near Kladanj, in the latest attack on foreigners since NATO moved against Bosnian Serb war crime suspects.

stabbed from behind with a sickle, and received treatment for a 2-inch to 3-inch shoulder wound before being released. The attacker escaped.

Peacekeeping troops and international officials are spread throughout Bosnia, often in potentially hostile territory, or on vacant stretches of road. The troops began their mission in December 1995, after a peace accord split Bosnia between a Serb substate and a Muslim-Croat federation.

Worried about troops' safety, President Clin-

ton warned Bosnian Serbs on Tuesday that "it would be a grave mistake" to avenge NATO arrests of war crimes suspects.

Serbs argue they have been unfairly singled out by NATO and the international war crimes tribunal. Among secret indictments the tribunal has issued were two for Serbs Simo Drljaca and Milan Kovacevic.

Drljaca was killed by British troops when he resisted arrest near Prijedor, and Kovacevic was arrested without incident last Thursday.

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Minister to replace deposed prince

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — As his army routed resistance forces in northern Cambodia, Hun Sen added a veneer of legitimacy Wednesday to his bloody coup by naming a new co-premier.

Exiled legislators said the replacement of deposed Co-Premier Prince Norodom Ranariddh with Ung Huot, a member of Ranariddh's own party, was illegal — but there was little they could do.

"Life must go on. We have suffered too much," said the 52-year-old Ung Huot, who will continue to serve as foreign minister.

Ung Huot is well known outside Cambodia, and could offset foreign hostility to the July 5 coup. But Hun Sen is expected to retain all real power in the country.

"I put the interests of my country, my people, above anything else," Ung Huot said of sharing a title with Hun Sen. "Above political parties, above my boss, Ranariddh. I still respect him, but the interests of the country dictate that Cambodia must go on."

In northern Cambodia, Hun Sen's better armed and larger force steadily pushed Ranariddh's partisans toward the border with Thailand. Hun Sen's soldiers have shelled and captured one potential resistance base after another.

A resistance official, speaking in Bangkok on condition of anonymity, called the retreat a "tactical withdrawal" and said the troops would make a stand and fight at O'Cheak, 30 miles south of the Thai border.

Ranariddh left Cambodia before the coup. His supporters hope to recreate the alliance they forged with Khmer Rouge guerrillas during the 1980s, when they battled Vietnamese troops supporting Hun Sen's former government.

The Khmer Rouge has divided since then, and the

biggest faction has pledged to stay neutral. Those backing Ranariddh are not thought to number more than a few thousand. Regular army troops are divided, and many are arranging local cease-fires with Hun Sen's soldiers.

In Phnom Penh, surviving leaders of Ranariddh's faction have been co-opted or terrorized into accepting Hun Sen's rule. Hundreds of opposition figures and refugees are trapped at the border with Thailand, hoping to escape.

Hun Sen has been anxious to establish legitimacy by seeming to respect the coalition government formed after U.N.-organized elections in 1993. Ranariddh's party won the most votes, but Hun Sen bullied his way into power by threatening renewed civil war.

King Norodom Sihanouk, who is undergoing medical treatment in Beijing, insisted he would not take the side of his ousted son but demanded an end to the torture and killing of Hun Sen's opponents.

At least 40 officials of Ranariddh's party have been killed since the July 5 coup, a human rights organization said. Most appear connected to the military and security services rather than the party's political leadership, said the group, which released the information on condition of anonymity.

Sihanouk is due to receive a delegation of Southeast Asian diplomats Thursday. Their countries have barred Cambodia's entry to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the regional economic bloc, to protest the coup.

That could cost Cambodia, which depends on foreign aid for half its budget, badly needed investment. It is one of the world's poorest countries, ruined by three decades of war and the Khmer Rouge genocide of the 1970s that caused the deaths of up to 2 million people.

Sports resume after bridge collapse

RISHON LETZION, Israel (AP) — An international sports competition resumed Wednesday at basketball arenas, bowling alleys and beaches across Israel, while Israelis traded blame over a bridge collapse that killed two Australian teammates.

Australian bowlers at the Macabiah Games wore black ribbons pinned to their chests in memory of Gregory Small, 37, and Yetti Bennett, 50, who died when a bridge leading into a stadium buckled prior to opening ceremonies Monday, sending dozens of people sliding into a polluted river.

Israel Radio reported Wednesday that the engineer who approved the bridge for use, Micha Bar-Ilan, was under house arrest after being questioned for several hours by police. The contractor, Ben-Ezra Kargula, was also to be questioned, the radio said. Police refused comment.

Newspaper reports said the bridge had not received appropriate permits, was anchored to the ground only with metal wire and was built to hold half the standard

weight of an Israeli bridge.

In all, 64 athletes were injured when the span gave way, and seven remained in serious condition. After a 24-hour suspension, the "Jewish Olympics," which attracted some 5,600 athletes from around the world, resumed Wednesday with a water ski tournament.

At a bowling alley in Rishon LeZion, a southern suburb of Tel Aviv, organizers set up a memorial book on a table with two white candles.

"Yetti and Greg, I will never forget either of you," teammate Jackie Dilenski wrote. "I will miss you very much, especially my second mum, Yetti."

Small's wife, Susan, who also was a member of the Australian team and who broke her leg in the accident, "wanted the games to go on," said Israeli bowler Sara Aviram.

U.S. bowling coach Marvin Cotler, from Philadelphia, said: "The games are important enough to continue, (but) everyone has a heavy heart."

Meanwhile, details about the

shoddy construction of the bridge continued to emerge.

Yoav Sarni, chairman of The Engineers Association, said the construction was "miserable.... They simply laid the metal bridge on the ground as if it was a stage prop."

Sarni said the contractor hired to build the span was not listed as a licensed bridge builder, and he blamed the games' organizers for failing to hire supervisors.

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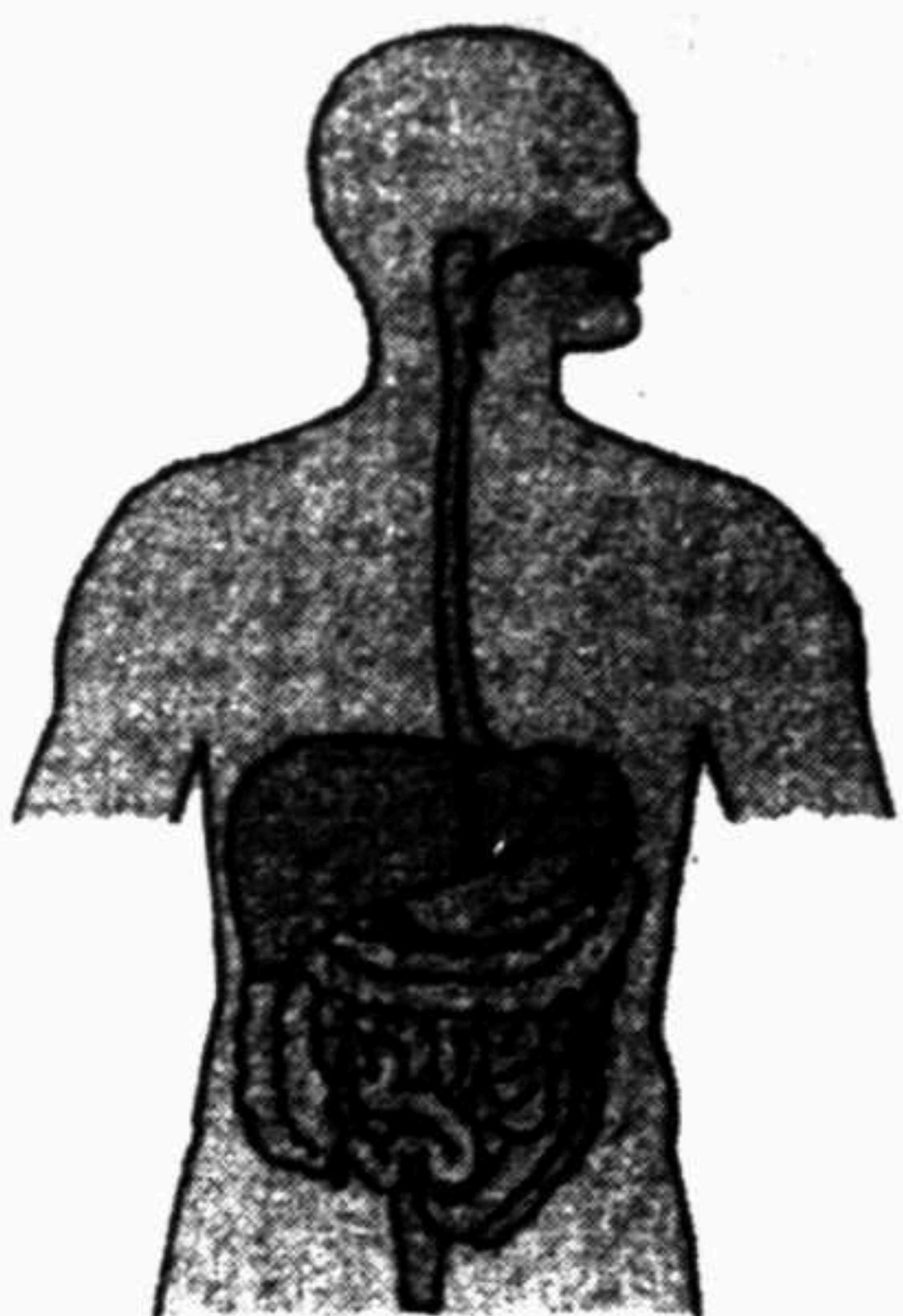
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Doomsday cult's plan sobering

If you weren't reading it in your morning newspaper, the plot is something that could have come straight from Hollywood.

A doomsday cult in Japan called Aum Shinri Kyo ships nerve gas in sculpts to the United States to be released on the unsuspecting American population.

No, you didn't see it at the movies. It was right there in black and white, in a news story from the Associated Press. And it was sobering.

Masahiro Tominaga, a former member of the cult, testified recently that the group studied ways to ship sarin nerve gas to the United States sealed either in sculpts of ice or concrete. He said, however, that no such plan was ever carried out.

There's little question that the cult would be crazy enough to release poison gas in the United

States. It's the cult accused of the deadly gas attack on Tokyo's subways in March 1995.

What's more, Aum Shinri Kyo is only one of numerous groups, cults and individuals around the world who have their own view of how modern society should be and are deranged enough to carry out murderous attacks in a crazed effort to reshape the world.

Maybe it hasn't happened yet, as Masahiro Tominaga claimed. But it's only a matter of time. And if Aum Shinri Kyo isn't the culprit, some other deranged group or individual will be — either inside or outside the United States. Remember Timothy McVeigh and the Oklahoma City federal building bombing.

It doesn't give decent, law-abiding people much confidence that the world is becoming a saner place.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Now is moment to prevent Russian threat

WASHINGTON — How many Americans know the difference between Slovenia and Slovakia?

Here am I, a card-carrying foreign policy savant with a Weltanschauung for every occasion, and I keep mixing the two up. (Slovakia is backward and grumpy, its language like Polish; Slovenia is cheerfully enlightened, has a language like Serbo-Croatian, and — partly because it provides a land bridge from the West to Hungary — is a candidate for membership in NATO next time around.)

If even pundits paid to pontificate can't keep the two straight, why should readers break their heads over which one deserves entrance to the world's safest club?

That nativist question is at the heart of the argument to come after the decision Tuesday in Madrid to invite Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic to begin entering NATO. Why, senators will ask, should America's military protection be extended over countries so foreign to our shores and our concerns?

The reasons should be laid out in a prime-time speech and press conference by President Clinton. Unfortunately, he doesn't do foreign-policy fireside chats, and his post-election promise to meet the full press corps monthly was soon forgotten in his fear of being asked embarrassing domestic questions. That leaves the task of selling NATO enlargement to unconstructed Cold Warriors.

The essential reason for bringing the formerly captive nations of Eastern Europe into the successful European-American military alliance is to deter any future move into Europe by a resurgent Russia.

But Russia is no longer a threat. Who needs to insult nice guys in Moscow by inviting their neighbors into our club? Indeed, if there is no Russian threat, why have a NATO at all?

Answer: Now is the strategic moment to prevent such a threat from appearing. An ounce of easy expansion today is worth a ton of confrontation tomorrow. Russia is down but far from out; with its literate population and unlimited resources, now unstilted by communism, it will regain superpower status soon.



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If its future leaders are tempted again to extend Russia's sphere westward, they will be deterred — as before — by NATO's military pact. But if, as we hope, our prudence proves unjustified, and a democrat like Boris Nemtsov is elected to lead Russia into the rule of law — then our children can expand the alliance to include Russia (against a possible Asian threat) or disband it entirely.

A less spoken-about reason for bringing Eastern nations in from the cold has to do with the nation that plunged the world into two wars in this century. "For many Europeans, NATO expansion and the American role are directed against their fear of the Germans," a frank German leader told John Vinocur of The International Herald Tribune this week. "I don't want people to be afraid of us. Therefore, I want the Americans, and I want NATO enlarged."

Tuesday's historic act not only surrounds reunified Germany with Polish and French allies, but further involves America in keeping peace. Europe has a habit of breeding wars, hot and cold, world and local, that require American participation to end. It may well happen again; the world is not getting larger. Does it cost America less in lives and treasure to stop

European war before it starts?

Of course it does. Just as NATO deterred war in Western Europe for the last half-century, a NATO ally the United States and Canada with all European democratic nations should work for the next. What some Russophiles see as provocation is plain prevention, and prevention pays.

Does enlarging the NATO club get us into European affairs more deeply? Yes. And we'll be denounced as "hegemonists" for our much-wanted presence. Charles de Gaulle may have said "France cannot be France without greatness," but Europe can no longer be Europe without America — as evidenced by the dithering of European and U.N. leaders in the Balkans until the United States exerted military muscle through NATO.

Clinton kept faith with the Baltic nations by getting those vulnerable states mentioned in Madrid's declaration as aspirants for membership in 1999, as other nations pushed for Romania and Slovenia. (Or Slovakia. Whichever.)

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CAL THOMAS

Goodbye, Joe Camel; hello, more TV ratings

The television networks, except NBC, have agreed to more explicit ratings to match their more explicit programs. The ratings — which will purportedly give parents additional information about language, violence, sexual situations and even "fantasy violence" in cartoons — were reluctantly adopted because of congressional pressure.

NBC thinks the pressure smacks of censorship and stifles artistic creativity, and so it's holding out for now. Vice President Al Gore claimed that the enhanced ratings, along with the V-chip in new TV sets, will give living rooms back to parents. Along with viewing less "mustn't see TV," some think fewer kids will smoke because government pressure has euthanized Joe Camel, following a stellar career of addicting a generation of young smokers.

I'm all for labels. I want to know what's in the things I eat. I want information about the miles per gallon a car I may want to buy gets. I'm interested in details of a loan. But most television has become like cigarettes. The content is so poisonous that labeling the product does nothing to help those who are irresponsible enough to ingest it.



Thomas

Wouldn't this be an interesting debate: Which product has caused more long-term damage to the United States — tobacco or television?

Television has reduced our attention span, watered down family conversation and separated households. Much of TV programming resembles the planet Mars — barren, with an unfriendly atmosphere. Laugh tracks replace live audiences out of apparent fear that the "comedy" material is so feeble, real people would not be amused. News programming has also been dumbed down. Once the goal of broadcast news was to attract and inform thinking viewers, or to stimulate them to ponder important issues. Now a network newscast will frequently lead with light or frivolous stories rather than ones of greater national or international consequence. The magazine shows resemble never-ending tabloids on which "hosts" further erase whatever distinction remains between real journalism and infotainment. It's the intellectual equivalent of junk food.

In an interview with the San Diego Union-Tribune, Hollywood critic Michael Medved noted that "the average American will in a lifetime spend more time watching television than on a job," and "the largest percentage of our waking hours goes to watching television."

Many people are spending lots of money for fancier TVs, with bigger screens, better sound, more options. After 2004, if they want to watch TV, they'll have to purchase expensive sets with digital formats. And what will they get? Five hundred channels of mush that numbs the mind and poisons the soul?

As Medved notes, "It's not just the sleaze and the violence, it's the TV itself, and we have to get people to watch less and to give a few extra hours to themselves every week to spend with children, to spend on marriage, maybe to read a book, to exercise or just to go out into this beautiful world and enjoy this magnificent reality that the Almighty has given us."

In other words, break the TV habit. Increasingly, I meet people who no longer want to do battle with a tiny elite that thinks alike and whose worldview dominates network television. So they've done what they were told to do a decade ago if they didn't like the programs. They've turned off the set. Some have gone so far as to get rid of their TVs. The ratings reflect the decline, but network executives are deep into denial about the behavior of their former viewers.

My prediction is that those who break the TV habit will never go back and will find that, like those who quit smoking, they'll have a better life.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Spaceship landing on Mars was 'good shootin'

So, just how good are those folks at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, who landed a space ship on the surface of Mars on the Fourth of July?

Consider a few facts. Mars is only about 4,200 miles across, roughly half the size of Earth. The Ares Vallis landing site on the Martian surface covers approximately 60 miles. Plenty of space to land a craft, right?

Not exactly. Mars currently is about 119 million miles from Earth. However, the Pathfinder space probe's looping journey over the past 17 months carried the craft

more than 310 million miles. JPL scientists had five opportunities to make mid-course corrections on the Pathfinder; they used four of them.

Given the speed with which Earth AND Mars orbit around the sun and the trajectory that added more than 100 miles between the planets, as well as the tiny size of the target planet and the even tinier size of the landing area, there's only one thing left to say to our friends at JPL.

Man, that's good shootin'.

— Amarillo Globe-News

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 17, the 186th day of 1997. There are 167 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One year ago, on July 17, 1996, TWA Flight 800, a Paris-bound Boeing 747, exploded and crashed off Long Island, N.Y., shortly after leaving John F. Kennedy International Airport. All 230 people aboard were killed.

On this date:

In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1841, the British humor magazine Punch was first published.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, Spain surrendered to the United States at Santiago, Cuba.

In 1917, the British royal family adopted the Windsor name.

In 1935, the entertainment trade publication Variety ran its famous headline, "Sticks Nix Hick Pix," which might be translated as "rural America dislikes rural-themed movies."

In 1938, aviator Douglas Corrigan took off from New York, saying he was headed for California. He ended up in Ireland, earning the nickname "Wrong Way Corrigan."

In 1944, 322 people were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded in Port Chicago, Calif.

In 1945, President Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II.

In 1948, southern Democrats opposed to the nomination of Pres-

ident Truman met in Birmingham, Ala., to endorse South Carolina Gov. Strom Thurmond.

In 1955, Disneyland debuted in Anaheim, Calif.

In 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit in the first superpower linkup of its kind.

In 1979, Nicaraguan President Anastasio Somoza resigned and fled to Miami in exile.

In 1981, 114 people were killed when a pair of walkways above the lobby of the Kansas City Hyatt Regency Hotel collapsed during a tea dance.

Ten years ago: 10 teen-agers were killed when raging floodwaters from the Guadalupe River near Comfort, Texas, swept away a church bus and van holding 43 people.

Five years ago: A historic accord for deep cuts in tanks and other non-nuclear arms in Europe went into effect, nearly two years after it was signed by NATO and the now-defunct Warsaw Pact.

Today's Birthdays: TV personality Art Linkletter is 85. Comedian Phyllis Diller is 80. The president of the International Olympic Committee, Juan Antonio Samaranch, is 77. Actor Donald Sutherland is 63. Actress-singer Diahann Carroll is 62. Rock singer Spencer Davis is 55. Rock musician Terry "Geezer" Butler (Black Sabbath) is 48. Actress Lucie Arnaz is 46. Actor David Hasselhoff is 45. Singer Phoebe Snow is 45. Singer Nicolette Larson is 45. Singer Regina Belle is 34.

ART BUCHWALD

Europe more worried about ashtray crisis than smoking

VENICE, Italy — While the bad news for the tobacco companies comes from the United States, there is still good news for them in Europe. Nobody over here seems to have quit smoking, and nobody seems to be suing the industry because its products are hazardous to smokers' health.

You only realize how seriously the Europeans take their smoking when you dine at an indoor restaurant without a gas mask.

Thus it was at Alfredo Fenice, where we chose to eat one day. As we entered the quaint restaurant the head waiter asked, "Would you prefer a smoking or a secondary smoking table?" Being Americans, we opted for the secondary smoking section, which comprised two tables. The man at a smoking



Buchwald

table was puffing on a cigarette and eating an artichoke at the same time. When he discovered that we were Americans he said, "Thank you for sending us the cigarettes you don't smoke any more."

"Don't mention it," I said. "We helped you after World War II and only want to help you again. Besides, Europeans seem to be so much more sanguine about cigarettes than we are back home. You don't overdo a good thing — a pack or two a day, and that's it."

"It's our culture," he explained. "We don't worry about getting sick from cigarettes. Most of us have much more chance of getting sick from our governments."

"If an Italian smoker has one thing to worry about, what would it be?"

"A shortage of ashtrays. Europe doesn't have nearly enough ashtrays. You can't enjoy cigarettes if you keep dropping ash on the carpet."

"Why don't you make your own ashtrays?"

"We don't have the know-how. All the world looks to the United States to provide leadership in this endeavor."

Leah Farb Chanin, who was sitting at our

table, said, "I hope nobody tells them about the health hazards. They are such happy people."

Al Goldstein said, "Do you think he's serious about us sending ashtrays to Europe?"

"An Italian smoker doesn't make things up," I said.

The smoke in the restaurant was now so thick that all the planes at the Venice airport were grounded. At the Fenice the specialty was artichokes in vinaigrette, and many diners alternated between eating their food and inhaling on their Marlboros.

I was amazed at how the people in the smoking section were able to see each other through the fog. The man who brought up the ashtray crisis turned to me and said, "Are you going to send us the ashtrays or not?"

"It won't be easy. Those Americans who have given up smoking are holding on to their ashtrays as mementos of the time when nicotine was king."

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FBI, police blanket South Florida for Versace's killer

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Hundreds of FBI agents, some handing out photos in gay bars and hotels, blanketed south Florida Wednesday in the hunt for the alleged prostitute-turned-serial killer suspected of gunning down Gianni Versace.

Andrew Phillip Cunanan dumped a stolen truck in a parking garage, perhaps hopped in a taxi and vanished after the most brazen slaying linked to him so far: walking up behind the fashion designer on the steps of his mansion Tuesday morning and shooting him twice in the back of the head.

As many as 400 FBI agents scoured a 250-mile stretch of Florida's Atlantic Coast. But authorities conceded they couldn't be sure if Cunanan was still in the state.

They offered no motive for the slaying and would not say how Cunanan and the designer came to cross paths.

Cunanan, described by his mother as a high-priced gay prostitute, has eluded authorities since May, after police identified him as the suspect in a killing spree that left four bodies through Minnesota, Illinois and New Jersey.

Cunanan has been charged in the two of the slayings. Federal prosecutors in New Jersey charged him Wednesday in the May 9 shooting death of William Reese, caretaker of the federal Finn's Point National Cemetery in Pennsylvania.

"He's not your run-of-the-mill spree or serial killer," said Lt. Dale Barsness, head of the Minneapolis police homicide unit. "He's of above-average intelligence, speaks at least four if not more foreign languages very fluently. He's very intelligent, very cunning, a con man."

Police at the Miami airport shifted from routine duties to the Cunanan hunt and were given fliers with his picture. FBI agents roamed beachfront hotels and

gay bars, passing out photos of the 27-year-old suspect and asking clerks and bartenders for their help.

"It's a very large manhunt, an intense manhunt," said Paul Philip, agent in charge of the FBI's Miami office. "Most of the leads we are concentrating on are Florida leads."

Hundreds of reporters and curiosity-seekers gathered in front of Versace's Mediterranean-style villa in Miami Beach's trendy South Beach section. The steps where the 50-year-old Versace died were covered with flowers, candles, cards and a silver cross.

Versace will be cremated and his family planned to fly to Italy Thursday with his remains for a private memorial in Milan, WTVJ-TV reported.

The family's lawyer warned against trying to make any personal connection between Cunanan and the designer. Versace was gay, but investigators said they didn't know of any previous link between the two.

However, a writer who researched Cunanan for an article to be published in the September issue of Vanity Fair said there is evidence they knew each other.

Writer Maureen Orth said on NBC's "Today" show that friends described an incident a few years ago in which Cunanan encountered Versace backstage at the San Francisco Opera, and the designer said, "I remember you."

"I believe ... that Andrew Cunanan did have the acquaintance of Gianni Versace," she said. "I don't believe they were lovers, but I believe they were in the same place at the same time and that they knew each other."

Versace rarely had bodyguards or an entourage as he strolled South Beach. He regularly left his villa alone for breakfast at a cafe down the street.

Town still tries to cope with legacy of flight 800

By Michael Raphael
Associated Press

MONTOURSVILLE, Pa. — The signs of sorrow are no longer as stark as a teen-ager's funeral or a crowd of crying schoolmates.

One year after 16 high school students, a teacher and four chaplains from Montoursville died in the explosion of TWA Flight 800 while on a French Club trip to Paris, the grief is more private, represented by such things as the stars strung from Monica Cox's bedroom ceiling and the soccer ball still in Will Rogers' dining room.

Townpeople still talk of the tragedy, but the mundane events of everyday life have begun to overshadow what many feel will always be the defining moment in this north-central Pennsylvania community of 5,000, situated 128 miles northwest of Philadelphia and 157 miles west of New York.

"I try to put it out of my mind," said Lou Bassler.

At the traditional gatherings — high school basketball games, church picnics, softball tournaments — the talk about Flight 800 grows less frequent, an encouraging sign to Mayor John Dorin.

"You can almost sense that normalcy returning," he said. "The community healing is coming at a very fast pace."

But, he added: "You don't see that with the families."

Rogers, a paper-thin 44-year-old with sunken cheeks and a whisper of a voice, looks as if only hours, not months, have passed since he learned from CNN that his daughter, Kimberly, was dead at 17.

The decorations in his modest home in surrounding Fairfield

Township memorialize his daughter. Photos cover every inch of the piano and mantel in the living room: Kimberly with friends, Kimberly playing soccer, Kimberly at the prom. In the dining room her artwork hangs next to her soccer ball.

Kimberly was his shadow, a guardian angel who twice saved him from diabetic coma, a loyal daughter who always called to say where she was and where she was going.

He still cringes with regret over the off-the-cuff remark he made to his nervous daughter as they drove to meet the bus that would take them to the airport. He told her she had more of a chance dying in his Toyota than on the plane.

"There is no sunrise each day," he said. "It's a grim time. I try, but I can't let her go."

Lately he has spent his waking hours trying to change the Death on the High Seas Act, a nautical law that limits damages in offshore accidents.

Compensation is based on future earning capacity, meaning TWA will owe the Rogers family little because Kimberly had almost no annual salary. Lawmakers have taken up his cause, and Rogers testified in Washington last week.

Cindy Cox has joined Rogers' mission. If nothing else, the work keeps her mind free of reminders of her 16-year-old daughter, Mon-

ica, who also was killed in the July 17, 1996, explosion in the sky off Long Island. All 230 people aboard died.

"I think a lot of people expect it's one year, you should be over it by now. I've got news for them: You never get over it," she said.

"You learn how to deal better, but you never get over it."

Simple things can cause her to break down: a barrette, folded towels, a coffee mug. Cooking may be toughest of all — her recipes feed one too many.

An explosion in the center fuel tank brought down the plane, but what caused it remains a mystery. Investigators say it was

probably a mechanical failure, but they have not ruled out a bomb or missile.

Whatever the cause, many of the people of Montoursville still have trouble dealing directly with the survivors. Mrs. Cox tells of whispers in the supermarket and pointed fingers on the street.

Jerry Uppling, the pastor at First Christian Church who has planned Thursday evening's Service of Remembrance, said families learned to mask their emotions in public, but subtle signs of pain surface — fathers laughing harder than they should at a joke, relatives turning out in greater-than-normal numbers for funerals, brothers crying for no reason.

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Gingrich allies shore up support after talk of aborted party coup

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans reeled from talk of an aborted coup against Speaker Newt Gingrich on Wednesday and questions about the role that other party leaders may have played in the effort.

Gingrich declined comment about the developments, and committee chairmen and other allies of the embattled speaker labored Wednesday to shore up his support at a critical time for the Republican legislative agenda.

But one critic of Gingrich, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that at a late-night meeting with dissident House Republicans last Thursday, Majority Whip Tom DeLay of Texas prodded for immediate action to replace the speaker and explicitly pledged his own support

on a vote to topple Gingrich.

The meeting included a discussion of the make-up of a new leadership slate, said the Gingrich critic, one of more than a dozen participants in the session.

Other officials said, however, that DeLay had been less emphatic in his comments.

Separately, another official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said DeLay and Rep. Bill Paxon, R-N.Y., who chairs leadership meetings, subsequently told Arney in a post-midnight meeting last Thursday that momentum for a change at the top appeared unstoppable.

After a few hours sleep, several sources said, Arney declared his opposition, the leadership met with the dissidents and told them they would not support any change.

Paxon denied any involvement in a move to topple Gingrich. Through a spokesman, DeLay said he "never discusses in public private conversations with other members of congress."

House Majority Leader Dick Arney issued a statement that said any report he was involved in an effort to topple Gingrich was "completely false, and, in fact, ludicrous."

At a closed-door caucus Wednesday of all Republicans, GOP sources said Rep. James Walsh of New York told party leaders they owed the rank and file an apology if they were involved in any effort to topple Gingrich.

Rep. Lindsay Graham, R-S.C., one of Gingrich's chief critics, said, "We have some problems that need to be resolved that are

deeper than I thought."

Arney's declaration of non-involvement at the caused Graham to rush toward the microphone to respond, several participants said, although others prevailed on him to remain silent.

Another lawmaker, Rep. Jerry

Lewis of California — whom Gingrich once defeated in a leadership election — made a strong speech of support on behalf of Gingrich as the architect of the 1994 Republican takeover of Congress and vowed to fight any effort to topple him, the sources

added. Lewis' remarks, they said, were greeted with applause and scattered shouts of "Newt."

■ More national news/4P

Judge grants mistrial in implant case

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — After four months of testimony, a mistrial was declared Wednesday in the nation's first class-action breast implant trial because of the rapport that developed between an attorney and jurors.

But hours later, state district Judge Yada Magee agreed to reconsider her decision after an emotional hearing that left some attorneys and the women they represent in tears.

The judge told a packed courtroom she will decide by Thursday whether to continue the trial.

Attorneys for Dow Chemical Co. asked for a mistrial because of gestures, statements and eye contact between Thomas Pirtle, who is representing women claiming health damage from leaking breast implants, and the jurors.

In her ruling, Magee said that

when issues in a case, such as the breast implant lawsuit, are not clear cut, there is a risk that rapport between jurors and attorneys can influence a decision.

She said that "perhaps certain body language messages were conveyed" between Pirtle and the jurors.

"It cannot be transcribed in a record," she continued, "but the Court is aware that he has a pleasant disposition, and a charismatic personality. The rapport of the attorneys will not have a so limited effect on the jury in this case."

Eight Louisiana women are representing 1,800 claims brought against Dow Chemical Co. They are seeking damages from the Midland, Mich.-based company for allegedly failing to properly test silicone for use in the human body and concealing the dangers from women

and their doctors.

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- 1 large pink eraser
- 2 boxes of 8-count crayons (basic colors)
- 5 No. 2 pencils (not jumbo)
- 1 pair Fiskars for kids scissors (round tip)
- 4 4 oz bottles Elmer's White School Glue
- 1 8-count box Washable Crayola Markers, wide tip, basic colors
- 1 pkg. of 3 white T-shirts to paint (at least size 10-12)
- 1 backpack
- 2 pump bottles of liquid soap
- 2 family size boxes of tissue
- 1 blanket or large towel for nap-time (no plastic mats)
- 1 small supply box
- \$5 party fee for the year

FIRST GRADE

- 2 Writing tablets
- 5 No. 2 pencils
- 1 16-count box Crayola crayons
- 4 pkgs. 3x5 index cards
- 1 pair Fiskars for kids scissors
- 2 4 oz. bottles of Elmer's White School Glue
- 4 pocket folders
- 1 box Washable Crayola Markers, wide tip, basic colors
- 1 large file box for index cards
- 1 large pink eraser
- 1 pkg. ABC dividers for file box
- 1 12-inch ruler (inches and centimeters)
- 1 box colored pencils
- 2 family size boxes of tissue
- 1 plastic school box
- \$5 arts/crafts/cooking fee for each semester
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- 5 No. 2 pencils
- 2 red ball point checking pens
- 1 bottle Elmer's School Glue
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 box Crayola crayons
- 1 large eraser
- 1 3-ring binder
- 1 plastic drinking cup
- 1 ruler (inches and centimeters)
- 1 family size box tissue
- 2 folders - 1 red, 1 blue with pockets and brads
- \$3.60 for Weekly Reader
- \$5 party fee

(Please send separate checks for Weekly Reader & party money if you pay with a check)

THIRD GRADE

- 12 No. 2 pencils
- 1 bottle Elmer's School Glue
- 1 box Crayola crayons
- 1 box map colors
- 1 ruler (inches & centimeters)
- 1 school box
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 2 red checking pens
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 3 brad folders with pockets
- 1 3-ring binder
- 2 family size boxes of tissue
- 3 pkg. white wide-ruled notebook paper
- \$5 party & supply fee

FOURTH GRADE

- 4 No. 2 pencils
- 2 red pens or pencils (no felt tip)
- 2 spiral notebooks (wide-ruled, 100 sheets)
- 1 liquid glue (no colored glue)
- 1 glue stick
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 box map colors
- 1 3-ring notebook
- 2 200-count box facial tissues
- 1 wooden ruler (metric and standard)
- 1 box crayons
- 1 package 100 multi-purpose bond paper
- 4 folders with brads and pockets (1 each red, green purple, blue, solid colors only)
- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- Construction paper will be assigned

assigned

- 1 box tissue
- FIFTH GRADE**
- 1 3-ring notebook
- 1 scotch tape
- 4 blue or black pens (no felt tip)
- 2 red pens or pencils (no felt tip)
- 4 No. 2 pencils
- 2 200-count boxes of facial tissue
- 1 box crayons
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 Elmers glue
- 1 12-inch ruler with metric measurements
- 1 set map colors
- 1 package 100 multi-purpose bond paper
- 1 zipper pouch or school box for supplies
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 1 set markers
- 1 package ruled index cards
- Loose leaf notebook paper
- Construction paper will be assigned.
- Note: Individual teachers may ask for a few additional supplies.

SIXTH GRADE

- Blue or black pens
- 1 red pen
- Markers
- Pencils
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 2 three-section spiral notebooks
- glue sticks
- 2 boxes facial tissue
- Notebook paper
- Colored pencils
- 1 notebook binder
- Ruler
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- Note: Projects will be assigned during the year that will require additional supplies.

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SCHOOL DAYS

Above, students at Bush Elementary dance to a Spanish lesson. At right, friends pose for a shot at Greathouse Elementary. At bottom, students work on activities at Jones Elementary. At right below, students work on activities at Jones Elementary. At bottom, Travis Elementary students participate in the Royal Ball.

Reporter-Telegram file photos



Parents encouraged to apply for transfer: Majority-to-minority

Midland Independent School District encourages parents to exercise the opportunity for their elementary students to transfer from the campus where they are assigned to a campus where their ethnicity is in the minority.

Parents may apply for a majority-to-minority transfer to any campus. The transfer would be approved for that school year. If space is not available at the selected campus, a list of schools serving the grade level and with space available will be provided for the parent to make an alternate choice.

Transportation will be provided by MISD for elementary students with an approved transfer.

For questions regarding the program, or to receive an application, call Jimmie R. Kelly, director of Compliance and Administrative Services, at 689-1994.

Traspaso De Mayoria A Minoria
Midland ISD hace un llamado a los padres de familia para que hagan uso de la oportunidad de efectuar el traspaso de sus alumnos de primaria de su escuela actual a una escuela en que su etnicidad sea minoria.

Los padres de familia podran solicitar, para sus niños de primaria, el traspaso de mayoria a cualquier escuela; traspaso que quedaria autorizado para el ciclo escolar correspondiente. De no existir espacio disponible en la escuela elegida, el padre de familia podra seleccionar otra, de una lista de escuelas que tengan el espacio solisitado en el grado requerido.

Midland ISD brindara transporte a los alumnos de primaria que hayan recibido un traspaso de mayoria a minoria.

Si tiene preguntas respecto al programa, o para recibir una solicitud, sirvase llamar al Jimmie R. Kelly, director de Cumplimiento y Servicios Administrativos, al 689-1994.



MIDLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES FALL 1997 SIGN-UP

SIGN UP DATES: JUNE 2 THROUGH AUG. 3 at MSA office - 1909 W. Wall, Suite N, from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. Mon through Fri

REGISTRATION FEE: \$40.00 PER CHILD (\$44.00 CLUB) (\$10.00 LATE FEE)

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Midland Independent School District supply list

The following are suggested supplies for students in Midland Independent School District.

KINDERGARTEN

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons
- 2 4-oz white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 spiral notebook, 120 pages
- 1 box facial tissue, large
- 1 school box

GRADE 1

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 2 4-oz white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors, sharp-pointed, 5 inches
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 1 notebook, spiral, wide-ruled, 120-count
- 2 pocket folders with brads
- 1 box facial tissue
- 1 school box
- 1 wooden ruler, metric/inches, 12 inches

GRADE 2

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 1 white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors, sharp-pointed, 5 inches
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 2 notebooks, spiral, wide-ruled, 120-count
- 2 pocket folders with brads
- 1 200-sheet, wide-ruled, loose leaf paper
- 1 box facial tissue, large
- 1 school box
- 1 wooden ruler, 12 inches

GRADE 3

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 1 white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors, sharp-pointed, 5 inches
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 1 200-count, wide-ruled, loose leaf paper
- 2 pocket folders with brads

- 1 box facial tissue, large
- 1 school box
- 1 wooden ruler, metric/inches, 12 inches

GRADE 4

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 1 box map colors
- 1 white glue, plastic container, 8 oz.
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 1 200-count, wide-ruled, loose leaf paper
- 3 pocket folders with brads
- 1 box facial tissue, large

GRADE 5

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 1 box map colors
- 1 white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors, sharp-pointed, 5 inches
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 1 200-count, wide-ruled paper
- 1 pocket folders with brads notebook, 8-by-10 1/2 inches

- 1 box facial tissue,
- 1 large wooden ruler, 12 inches

GRADE 6

- 2 pencils, No. 2 lead
- 1 box crayons, 16 colors
- 1 box map colors
- 1 red pen
- 1 black pen
- 1 white glue, plastic container
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 rubber eraser (not art gum)
- 1 spiral notebook
- 1 vinyl binder
- 4 pocket folders with brads white, wide-ruled paper (no college-ruled paper)
- 1 box facial tissue, large
- 1 ruler
- NO trapper keepers or mechanical pencils

Call school counselor for extracurricular activities information

The school district offers a host of extracurricular activities that are open to all students who wish to participate.

The activities range from sports — such as basketball, tennis and football — to campus organizations — such as yearbook staff, drama club and student council — to fine arts — including band, choir and orchestra.

The district provides funding for uniforms and equipment necessary to participate in the preferred activity. Additionally, the district provides physicals at a reduced rate for students involved in extracurricular activities that require them. Insurance is provided for students participating in these programs, but the insurance serves as a secondary policy only.

The transportation system will be adjusted, to the extent possible, to accommodate the needs of rural students who participate in extracurricular activities.

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Toby L. Ward, Principal

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401 E. Parker Ave. 79701-2669 689-1430
Romeo Canales, Principal

DeZavala Elementary School
705 N. Lee Street 79701-3636 689-1440
Maria J. Mata, Principal

Emerson Elementary School
2800 Moss Avenue 79705-4225 689-1790
Mary L. Smith, Principal

Fannin Elementary School
2400 Fannin Ave. 79705-7308 689-1450
Rob Van Stavern, Principal

Greathouse Elementary School
5107 Greathouse Blvd. 79707-3189 689-6250
Trudie Thomason, Principle

Henderson Elementary School
4800 Graceland Drive 79703-6899 689-1801
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Dr. William H. Maurer, Principle

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5306 Whitman Street 79705-2314 689-1490
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2115 Hereford Blvd. 79707-9814 689-1860
Clyde E. Hobbs, Principal

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David W. Dennis, Principal

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Herman Gunter, Principal

San Jacinto Junior High School
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C. Larry Winget, Principal

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B. Dan Green, Principal

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Patricia A. Maurer, Principal

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Cluster #3: Henderson-Scharbauer-DeZavala
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7	Teacher in-service
8	Teacher in-service
11	Teacher in-service
12	Teacher in-service
13	First day of school
September	
1	Holiday: Labor Day
4	End of first six weeks
October	
31	End of second six weeks
November	
14	Teacher in-service
15	Teacher in-service
26	Holiday: Thanksgiving
27	Holiday: Thanksgiving
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December	
18	End of first semester
19	Preparation day
20	Holiday: Christmas
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January	
1	Holiday: New Years Day
2	Holiday: Christmas
19	First day of second semester
19	Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February	
13	End of fourth six weeks
16	Holiday: Presidents Day
March	
9	Spring break
10	Spring break
11	Spring break
12	Spring break
13	Spring break
April	
8	End of fifth six weeks
9	Snow day
10	Holiday: Easter
13	Snow day
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22	Last day of school
23	Graduation day & Preparation day

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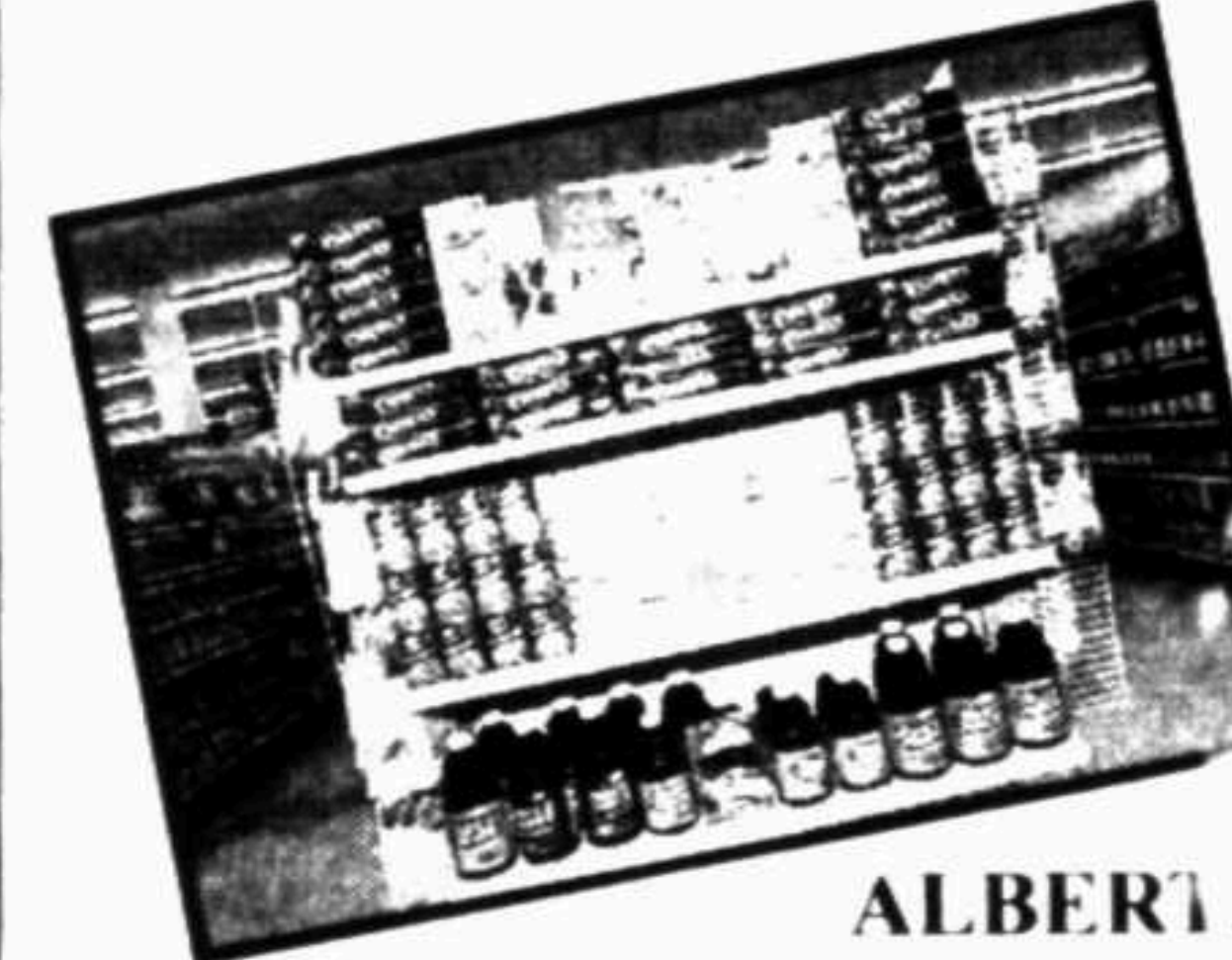
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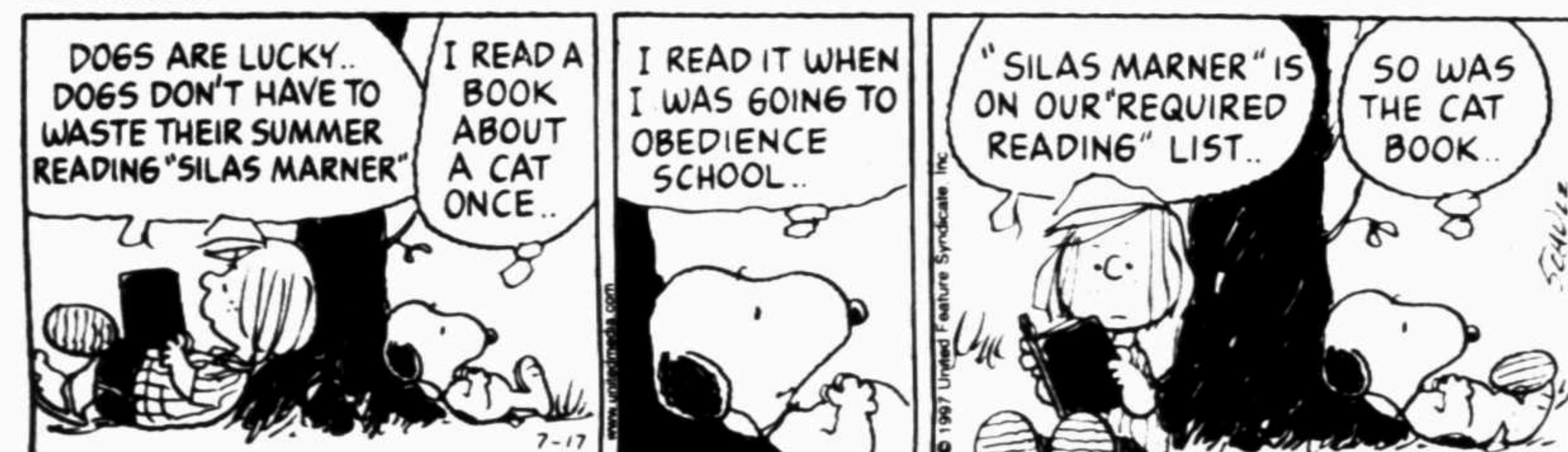
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, July 17, 1997: Concentrate on your daily life, with particular emphasis on work. Eliminate red tape, stay efficient and accept additional responsibilities. Though at times you feel overwhelmed, you gain professionally from your endurance. A partner is a source of solace. A business association proves lucrative. Spend on loved ones, and develop any artistic bent you might have. If you are single, you will feel good about a relationship that enters your life. This person lends career savvy or helps you build security. If attached, you combine forces for a joint hobby, and have a good time doing it! **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** You are overwhelmed by the amount of mail, calls and requests you have waiting for you. You can handle it, as long as you curb personal calls. If a question arises, seek out an expert. A trip could be in the offing. Tonight: Your smile beams in a terrific fantasy. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Squirrel away information, to enhance your security. Though it isn't like you to maintain a low profile, you find that doing so works for now. Discussions about money bring positive results. A partner wants to be helpful. Tonight: Enjoy a private tete-a-tete. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** You have high hopes. Your enthusiasm is contagious; others tend to agree with you. Be logical, however. Take time to explain where you are coming from. A partner expresses his love in a very nice way. Tonight: Join friends, and start the weekend early. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Bite the bullet, and focus on work. Finances demand more of your attention. Accept overtime, and be ready to do more than your share. You have the energy to cruise through what others stumble on. Make time for lunch with a co-worker. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil. **ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ***** Make phone calls, reach out for friends and spread good news. Get a consensus about a project. Worry less, and stay focused. A flirtation or relationship sparkles. Do something special for this person. Tonight: Consider a weekend jaunt out of town. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ***** You are jolted by what is going on. Others don't see life as you do. Work is a roller-coaster ride, but a partner helps you handle it. A family member supports you, both financially and emotionally. Tonight: Spend a quiet night at home. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ***** Surprise news takes you in a different direction. Stay even with others. You want to tell a loved one that you are tired of his antics. If you think about it, you can come up with a more ingenious way of letting him know your limits. Tonight: Creativity counts. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ***** Concentrate on work. You incorporate others' ideas and encourage their support. Finances flow because of your professional abilities. A boss makes demands, but know you can meet them. Buy a token of affection for another. Tonight: Put your feet up. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Your loving ways open doors with a special friend. Think through plans for expansion. A partner is right there for you. Popularity is high. Take time for a little work, in between all the socializing. Tonight: Imprint your inimitable style on all you do. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Stay centered on work. A lot drops on you. You can handle it, if you trust yourself. A financial restriction makes you feel saddled. Share your feelings with another. You might be overly sensitive. It helps to clear the air. Tonight: You are happy at home. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Your sense of direction and creative energy are instrumental in finding solutions. Others seek you out for answers. Keep your eye on the big picture; don't get caught up in details. You are about to hone in on a long-held goal. Timing is right on. Tonight: Join friends. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Expenses are out of whack but you can easily rein them in. You

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

DEFENSE! DEFENSE!

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
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 ♥ K 7 4 3
 ♦ J 6 5
 ♣ A 10 9 4 3

SOUTH
 ♠ 9 7 3
 ♥ A J 10 8 2
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The bidding:
 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
 1♥ Pass 2♣ 2♠
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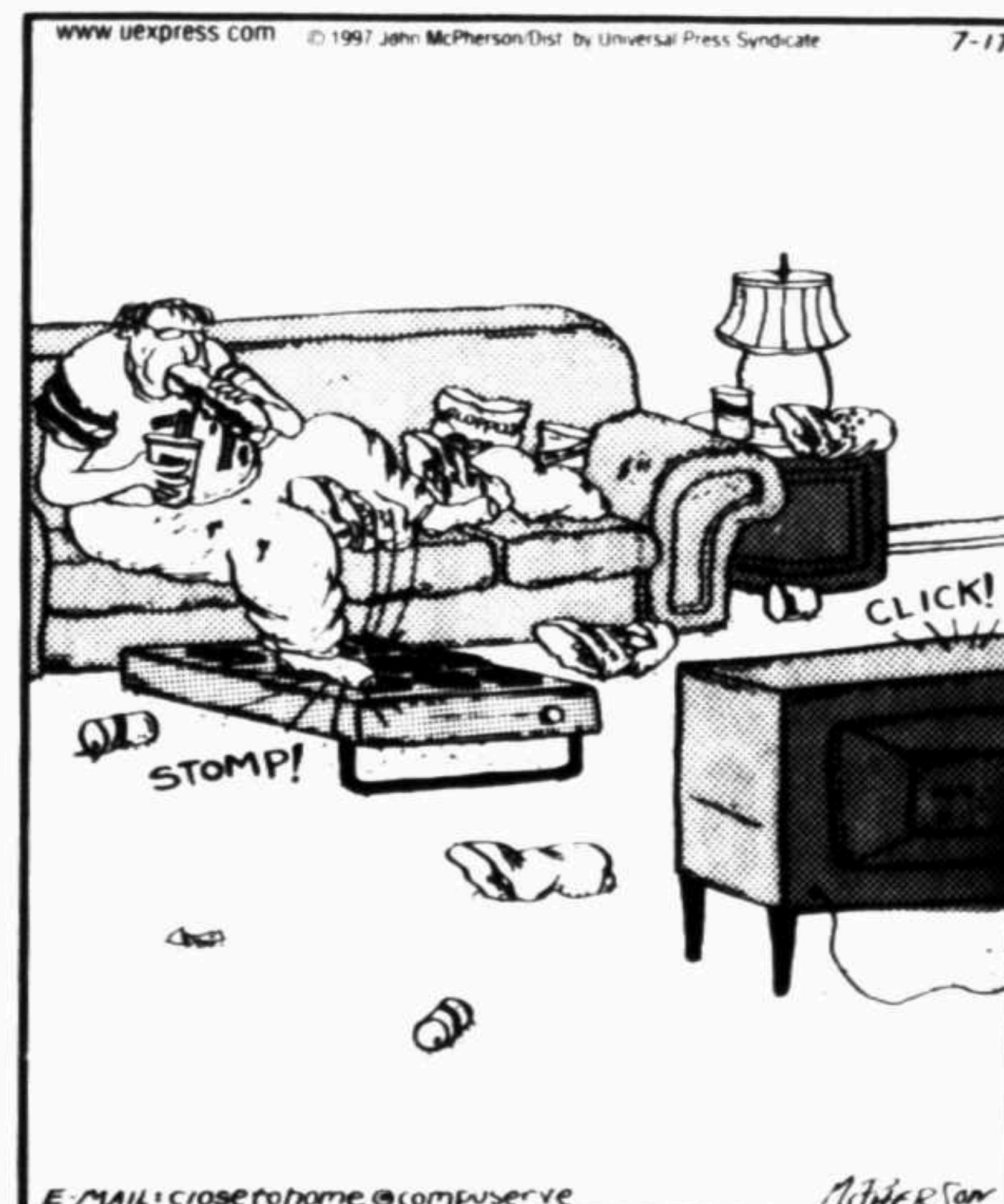
Opening lead: Two of ♠

Even looking at all four hands, it is difficult to believe that the West hand is key to defeating South's four-heart contract on this hand from a tournament in Norway. Follow the play as it developed. North-South were playing forcing jump raises, hence North's response of two diamonds. When East then competed in spades, North decided that the strong heart holding rated to fit well with partner's, so North elected to leap to game when the overall was passed round. With no semblance of a trick and four trumps, we would have removed

East's double to four spades, but who can quarrel with success? West led a low spade to East's king. Since a diamond can be discarded on the jack of clubs and two spades can be trumped in dummy, it seems that declarer can lose no more than one trick in each plain suit. After some thought, East came to the conclusion that the only chance lay in finding partner with a doubleton diamond. So at trick two East shifted to the jack of diamonds! Declarer's goose was cooked. South could win in hand, ruff two

spades in dummy and draw three rounds of trumps before touching clubs, but then there would be no way to get to the table to enjoy the jack of clubs. Or South could win in dummy, draw three rounds of trumps and lead a club, but East would rise with the ace of clubs and force dummy with a high spade, and declarer would still have to lose a spade and the ace of diamonds. And if declarer led a club immediately, ace and another diamond would permit West to score the setting trick with a ruff. All roads led to down one.

CLOSE TO HOME



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WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT, MR. STARR? AM I IN TROUBLE?

GARFIELD

THAT'S I IVE ASK GIRL ON BEACH

FAMILY CIRCLE



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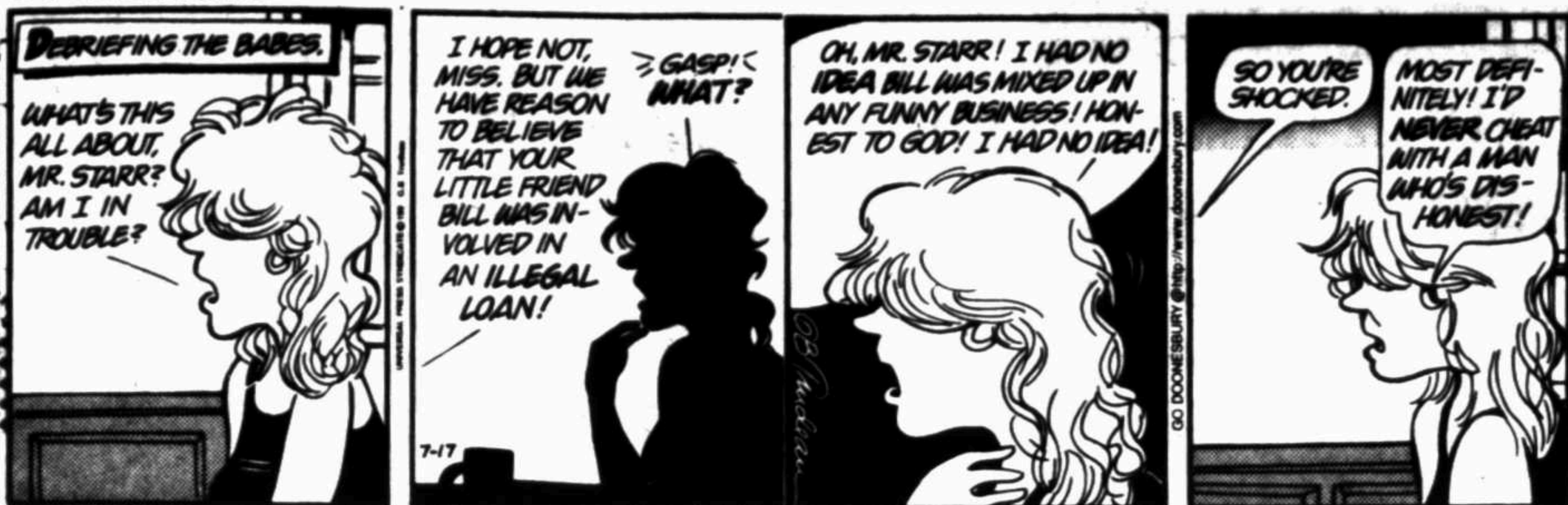
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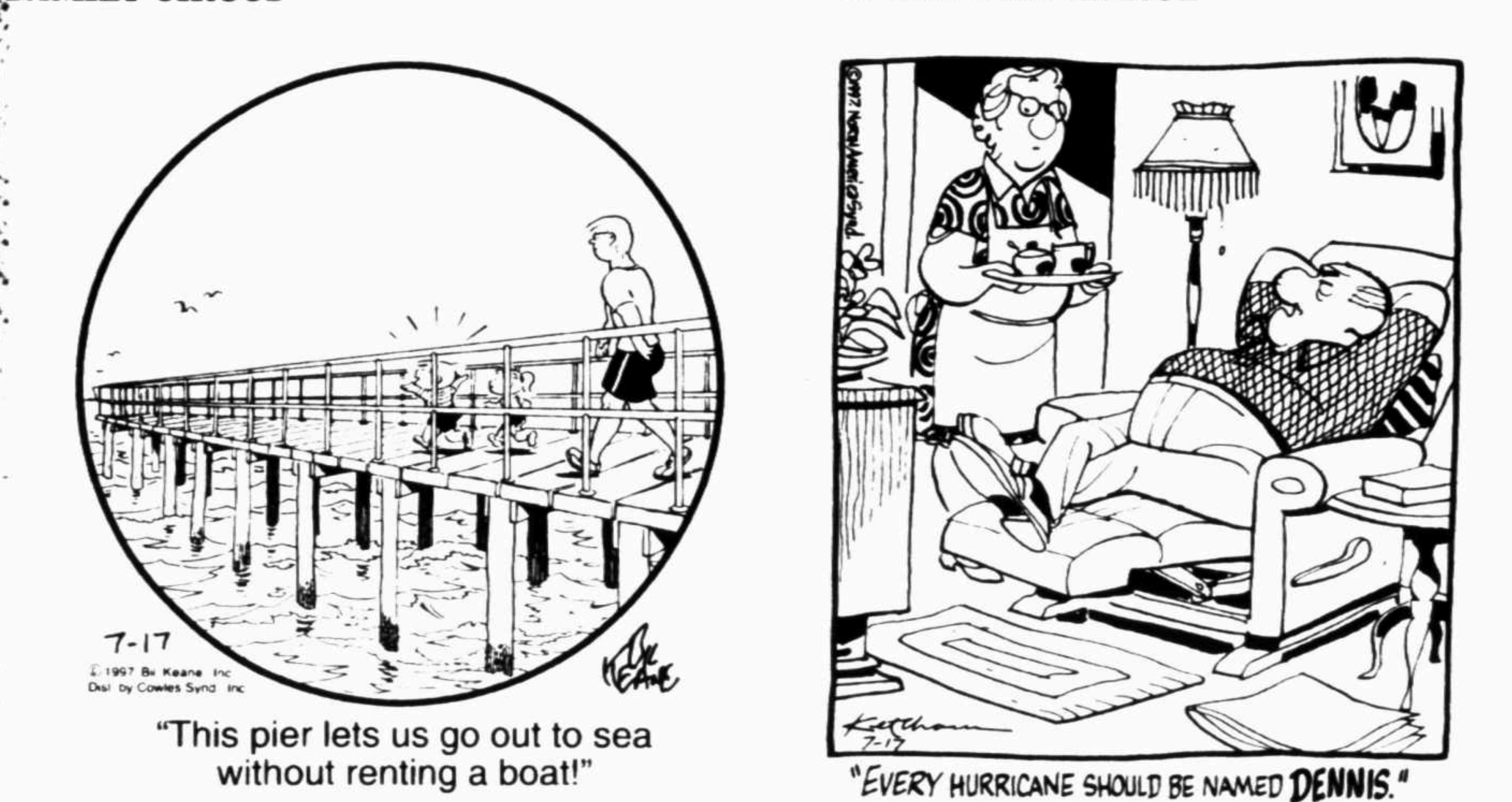
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PEOPLE

CBS puts up billboard with Letterman boasting about 'Late Night' being No. 3

NEW YORK — Dave's No. 3 — and apparently proud of it. On the same Broadway block where NBC put up a billboard of a smiling Jay Leno proclaiming that he's No. 1 in the late-night television ratings, CBS struck back Tuesday with a billboard of its own.

It features David Letterman's gap-toothed grin and the boast that his "Late Show" is No. 3. "We put it up for the same reason we do everything else. It made us laugh," said Rob Burnett, executive producer of Letterman's show.

Both billboards are in full view of the Ed Sullivan Theater, where Letterman's show is taped. No word on whether Ted Koppel is plotting a billboard of his own. His "Nightline" is No. 2.

LONDON — They split last year, but Michael Jackson and former wife Lisa Marie Presley were hand-in-hand Tuesday night returning to his hotel after his sell-out London concert.

Presley stood at the edge of the stage through the show at Wembley stadium. Afterward, the two returned to the Carlton Towers hotel and Jackson waved to fans.

Elvis' daughter divorced the King of Pop last year after a 20-month marriage. In November, Jackson married Deborah Rowe, a nurse who worked with his plastic surgeon. She gave birth to the couple's son Prince in February.

ATLANTA — His father's fall from grace sent Jay Bakker to drugs and alcohol. Now the 21-year-old son of Jim and Tammy Faye Bakker has come full circle, running a ministry of his own.

But Jay Bakker does not rely on television and a theme park like his father. Instead, he reaches out to the "skateboard, hippie, punk rock, hard-core crowd, gay kids and anyone who doesn't fit into the churchgoing stereotype," he said.

After his televangelist father went to prison and his mother filed for divorce, Bakker quit school and turned to drugs and alcohol, he said.

He sports a tattoo of a sun with "Revolution" in the center, the name of his Atlanta-based ministry.

His father helps, too. "We're different people than we were a



A billboard proclaiming David Letterman's No. 3 ranking in the late-night ratings stands at 51st St. and Broadway in New York. CBS, the network that airs Letterman's show, erected the billboard after NBC erected a billboard of Jay Leno, left, proclaiming his No. 1 late-night rating.

decade ago," said Jim Bakker, in town to help his son promote a music festival. "We identify with hurting people."

LOS ANGELES — "George of the Jungle" star Brendan Fraser says it's tough to say who's scarier: wild animals or Hollywood executives.

"They're both pretty frightening," he said. "But the animals steal your scenes."

Fraser played a frozen Neanderthal in "Encino Man" and a spaced-out rocker wannabe in "Airheads." In the new Disney film (based on an old TV cartoon), he spoofs Tarzan movies.

On the first day of shooting, an elephant named Tai struck him between the shoulder blades.

"I thought, 'This isn't about wearing a loin cloth. This is about not getting clocked by an elephant.'"

WALTHAM, Mass. — The Funny Girl doesn't see much humor in Jewish stereotypes.

"I have always been bothered by negative stereotypes about us, and in my films I have always tried to show Jewish women in a positive light," Barbra Streisand said.

She took another step toward that goal Tuesday, accepting the honorary chairwoman job for the International Research Institute on Jewish Women.

Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, has committed at least \$1.5 million over the next six years to establish the first-of-its-kind institute at Brandeis University.

Streisand, whose films include "Yentl" and "Funny Girl," said she was delighted that the arts would be among the areas studied by the institute.



Brendan Fraser stars in "George of the Jungle."

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

THURSDAY EVENING												July 17, 1997												For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings											
Broadcast	Channel	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30																						
3	KMD	2	3	News 807	Wheel of Fortune	High Incident: Change Partners 9982	Turning Point 8630	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	News 1950678	Cheers (10:35)	Nightline (11:05)	Politically Incorrect																						
5	KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Martin (Living Single) 81185	New York Undercover 41630	FX: The Series: Double Image 61494	Mad About You	In the Heat of the Night: Homecoming 191543	Married Children	Married Children	Married Children																						
7	KOSA	7	7	News 8678	Entertainment Tonight	Diagnosis Murder: A History of Murder 32340	Moloney: Loved and Lost 58388	48 Hours 38524	News 8676949	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)	Married Children	Married Children	Married Children																						
9	KWES	9	9	News 3727	Seinfeld	Friends 9833	Men Behaving Badly 9253	ER: Ghosts 74340	News 3172036	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)	Late Night Conan	Late Night Conan	Late Night Conan																						
12	KMLM	42	12	Christian Broadcasting Network Telethon (15:30) 5639678	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 330291	West Texas Small Business Journal	Mystery! 814678	The Living Edens 894814	Telecourse 158524																										
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23	FAM	23	23	The Waltons: The Heartache 130253	Rescue 911 773982	Hawaii Five-O: Trouble in Mind 72630	The 700 Club 702494	The Three Stooges	The Three Stooges	Carson's Comedy	Carson's Comedy	Carson's Comedy	Carson's Comedy																						
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36	ESPN	36	36	SportsCenter (5:30)	Golf: British Open: First Round 412307	Baseball: New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox 141562	Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Atlanta Braves 683833	Baseball: New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox 141562	Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Atlanta Braves 683833	Baseball: New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox 141562	Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Atlanta Braves 683833	Baseball: New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox 141562	Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Atlanta Braves 683833																						
37	USA	37	37	Highlander: Counterfeit (Part 2 of 2) 590611	Murder: She Wrote	Pat Semetary (R, 89) * (Date Midoff: Fred Gwynne) 551384	Miami Vice 8546291	In Color: In Color	The Unexplained	434456	Amazing Treasures	Amazing Treasures	Amazing Treasures																						
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41	NICK	41	41	Doug 902272	Rugrats 129324	World of Alex Mack	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days	Happy Days																						
43	LIFE	43	43	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Kids Don't Tell (85) *** 799920	Bicycle Racing: World Cup Mountain 255123	Impacto	Impacto	Impacto	Impacto	Impacto	Impacto																						
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DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

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9 Fretter's bane

14 Great salt sea of Asia

15 Auto pioneer

16 Linzer made it?

17 Renta leader?

18 Popular veal entree

20 Rootlessness

22 Gather in the sheaves

23 Stop

24 Order from on high

26 Speaker of baseball

28 Origin of 18 Across

30 Showy flower

31 Impression

37 Dark-red pigment

39 River of 28 Across

40 Resounded

41 Dressmaker

42 Lend of tennis

43 Greedy one's pronoun

44 Sewell of "Black Beauty"

45 Distress

46 Unprincipled

48 Security belt

50 Complacent

52 Stitcher's display

56 Mod cash cow?

59 Gamut, with "from"

61 Air

62 Cloud in Taurus

65 Geza — Swiss pianist

66 Brought down the house

67 "When I was —"

68 Nyet, in Salzburg

69 End

DOWN

1 Perle Mesta?

2 "Ben Hur" locale

3 Beauty spot

4 Casual pants

5 Spanish money unit

6 Letterhead letters

7 Nicholas or Alexander

8 "Forsyte Saga" novel

9 More's island

10 Cut off

11 Corn's spot

12 Vulcan's workshop

13 Check

19 Pantry

21 "I can't believe — the whole thing!"

25 Actress

27 Small, sprawling shrub

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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I L L E T R E H O M E R

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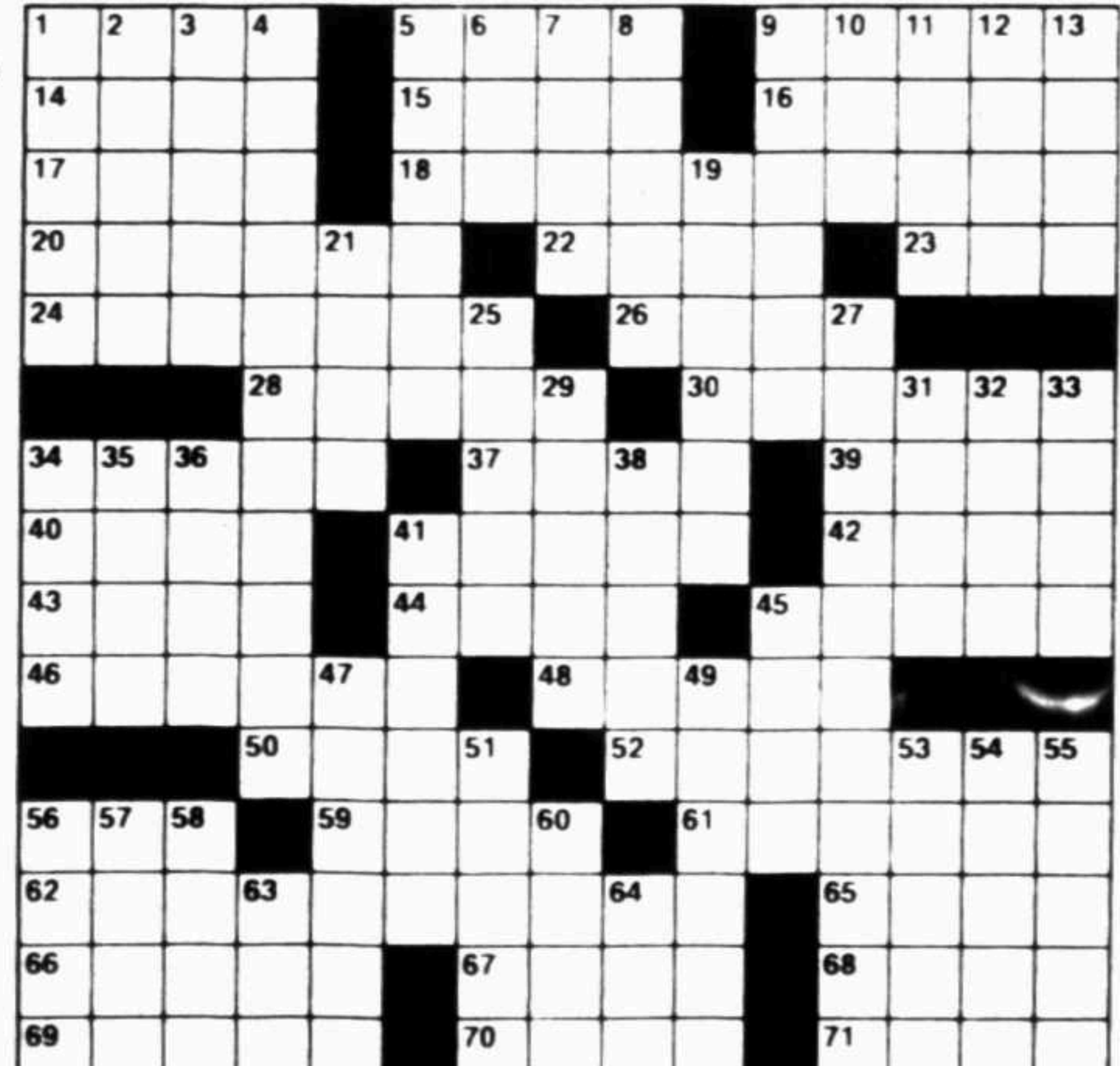
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1997-1998 MISD Bus Schedule



From To Grade Bus Time Bus Time

Abell	Goddard	7-8	048	8:10 am	048	3:55 pm
Abell	Goddard	7-8	033	8:10 am	033	3:55 pm
Abell	LFHS	9	020	8:10 am	020	3:45 pm
Abell	LFHS	9	080	8:10 am	080	3:45 pm
Abell	LSHS	10-12	059	8:10 am	059	3:55 pm
Abell	LSHS	10-12	105	8:10 am	105	4:00 pm
Abell	MFHS	9	078	8:10 am	078	3:45 pm
Abell	MSHS	10-12	071	8:10 am	071	3:50 pm
Alamo	Abell	7-8BL	096	8:20 am	096	4:05 pm
Alamo	LFHS	9	017	8:10 am	017	3:45 pm
Alamo	LFHS	9	019	8:10 am	019	3:45 pm
Alamo	LFHS	9	088	8:10 am	088	3:45 pm
Alamo	LFHS	9	012	8:10 am	043	4:00 pm
Alamo	LSHS	10-12	056	7:55 am	056	3:55 pm
Alamo	LSHS	10-12	085	7:55 am	085	3:55 pm
Bonham	Carver	GEM M/T	094	7:40 am	094	3:00 pm
Bonham	Crockett	6	025	7:40 am	025	3:15 pm
Bonham	Crockett	6	029	7:40 am	037	3:15 pm
Bonham	Fannin	5	074	7:40 am	074	3:15 pm
Bonham	Fannin	5	021	7:40 am	021	3:15 pm
Bowie	Carver	GEM W/T	095	7:40 am	095	3:15 pm
Bowie	MFHS	9	072	7:50 am	072	3:45 pm
Bowie	MFHS	9	079	7:50 am	079	3:45 pm
Bowie	Parker	4	076	7:40 am	076	3:15 pm
Bowie	Pease	6	075	7:40 am	075	3:15 pm
Burnet	Abell	7-12	028	7:40 am	N/A	N/A
Burnet	Abell	7-12	012	7:40 am	N/A	N/A
Burnet	Abell	7-12	007	7:40 am	N/A	N/A
Burnet	Carver	GEM M/T	094	7:50 am	094	3:00 pm
Burnet	Goddard	7-8	036	8:10 am	036	3:45 pm
Burnet	Long	5	064	7:40 am	064	3:15 pm
Burnet	MFHS	9	069	8:10 am	069	3:45 pm
Burnet	MSHS	10-12	003	7:50 am	003	3:55 pm
Burnet	San Jacinto	7-8BL	066	7:50 am	036	3:50 pm
Bush	Abell	7-8	105	8:00 am	105	3:45 pm
Bush	Abell	7-8	011	8:00 am	059	3:45 pm
Bush	Carver	GEM M/T	095	7:40 am	095	3:15 pm
Bush	Lamar	4	087	7:30 am	087	3:15 pm
Bush	Lamar	4	084	7:30 am	084	3:15 pm
Bush	LFHS	9	054	8:10 am	054	3:45 pm
Bush	LFHS	9	103	8:10 am	103	3:45 pm
Bush	Washington	6	090	7:30 am	090	3:15 pm
Bush	Washington	6	099	7:30 am	099	3:15 pm
Crockett	Alamo	7-8	025	8:05 am	025	3:45 pm
Crockett	Alamo	7-8	029	8:05 am	087	4:00 pm
Crockett	Bonham	4	088	7:40 am	088	3:15 pm
Crockett	Carver	GEM M/T	014	7:55 am	327	3:15 pm
Crockett	Fannin	5	104	7:40 am	104	3:15 pm
Crockett	LSHS	10-12	044	8:10 am	044	3:45 pm
Crockett	MFHS	9	045	8:10 am	045	3:45 pm
Crockett	San Jacinto	7-8	093	8:15 am	093	3:55 pm
DeZavala	Alamo	7-8	070	7:55 am	035	3:45 pm
DeZavala	Alamo	7-8	094	8:15 am	094	3:50 pm
DeZavala	Carver	GEM W/T	093	7:55 am	093	3:15 pm
DeZavala	Henderson	4	067	7:30 am	067	3:15 pm
DeZavala	LSHS	10-12	095	8:10 am	095	3:50 pm
DeZavala	Scharbauer	5	019	7:30 am	019	3:15 pm
DeZavala	Scharbauer	5	044	7:30 am	044	3:15 pm
Emerson	Carver	GEM W/T	014	7:40 am	327/323	3:15 pm
Emerson	Jones	4	017	7:40 am	017	3:15 pm
Emerson	Jones	4	106	7:40 am	106	3:15 pm
Emerson	South	6	050	7:40 am	050	3:15 pm
Emerson	South	6	073	7:40 am	073	3:15 pm
Fannin	Bonham	4	089	7:40 am	089	3:15 pm
Fannin	Bonham	4	097	7:40 am	097	3:15 pm
Fannin	Carver	GEM M/T	091	7:40 am	091	3:15 pm
Fannin	Crockett	6	045	7:40 am	045	3:15 pm
Fannin	MFHS	9	084	8:10 am	084	3:45 pm
Fannin	MFHS	9	074	8:10 am	050	4:00 pm
Fannin	MSHS	10-12	023	8:20 am	023	3:45 pm
Goddard	MFHS	9	060	8:10 am	060	3:45 pm
Goddard	MFHS	9	061	8:10 am	061	3:45 pm

From To Grade Bus Time Bus Time

Goddard	MSHS	10-12	024	8:10 am	024	3:45 pm
Goddard	San Jacinto	7-8BL	086	8:00 am	086	3:55 pm
Greathouse	Abell	7-8	065	8:10 am	065	3:45 pm
Greathouse	Abell	7-8	042	8:10 am	042	3:45 pm
Greathouse	Carver	GEM W/T	092	7:40 am	092	3:15 pm
Greathouse	Houston	4	042	7:40 am	042	3:15 pm
Greathouse	Houston	4	041	7:40 am	041	3:15 pm
Greathouse	LFHS	9	018	8:10 am	018	3:45 pm
Greathouse	LFHS	9	097	8:10 am	097	3:45 pm
Greathouse	LSHS	10-12	031	8:10 am	031	3:45 pm
Greathouse	Milam	6	039	7:40 am	039	3:15 pm
Greathouse	Milam	6	040	7:40 am	040	3:15 pm
Henderson	Carver	GEM W/T	094	7:50 am	094	3:15 pm
Henderson	DeZavala	6	081	7:40 am	081	3:15 pm
Henderson	DeZavala	6	098	7:40 am	098	3:15 pm
Henderson	Goddard	7-8	032	8:10 am	032	3:45 pm
Henderson	Goddard	7-8	001	8:10 am	086	4:10 pm
Henderson	MFHS	9	002	8:10 am	002	3:45 pm
Henderson	MSHS	10-12	067	8:10 am	067	3:50 pm
Henderson	Scharbauer	5	108	7:40 am	108	3:15 pm
Houston	Carver	GEM W/T	095	7:50 am	095	3:15 pm
Houston	Greathouse	5	031	7:40 am	031	3:15 pm
Houston	Greathouse	5	006	7:40 am	101	3:15 pm
Houston	MFHS	9	041	8:10 am	041	3:50 pm
Houston	Milam	6	051	7:40 am	051	3:15 pm
Houston	West	AMK	N/A	N/A	036	11:05 am
Jones	Carver	GEM W/T	053	7:30 am	053	3:15 pm
Jones	Emerson	5	060	7:30 am	060	3:15 pm
Jones	Emerson	5	061	7:30 am	061	3:15 pm
Jones	LFHS	9	104	8:10 am	104	3:45 pm
Jones	LFHS	9	106	8:10 am	106	3:45 pm
Jones	LSHS	10-12	089	8:20 am	089	3:45 pm
Jones	South	6	052	7:30 am	052	3:15 pm
Jones	South	6	053	7:30 am	053	3:15 pm
Lamar	Bush	5	103	7:30 am	103	3:15 pm
Lamar	Bush	5	105	7:30 am	105	3:15 pm
Lamar	Carver	GEM M/T	095	7:50 am	095	3:15 pm
Lamar	DeZavala	RI	100	7:30 am	100	3:20 pm
Lamar	MFHS	9	055	8:10 am	055	3:45 pm
Lamar	MSHS	10-12	003	8:00 am	003	3:55 pm
Lamar	San Jacinto	7-8	087	8:10 am	087	3:45 pm
Lamar	San Jacinto	7-8	009	8:10 am	021	4:00 pm
Lamar	San Jacinto	7-8	066	8:10 am	066	4:00 pm
Lamar	Washington	6	100	7:30 am	100	3:15 pm
LFHS	Abell	7-8	073	8:10 am	073	3:45 pm
LFHS	Abell	7-8	075	8:10 am	075	3:45 pm
LFHS	Abell	7-8	098	8:10 am	098	3:45 pm
LFHS	LSHS	10-12	049	8:10 am	049	3:45 pm
LFHS	LSHS	10-12	043	8:10 am	043	3:45 pm
LFHS	LSHS	Athletic	N/A	N/A	015	2:40 pm
Long	Burnet	6	064	7:50 am	056	3:20 pm
Long	Carver	GEM M/T	094	7:45 am	094	3:00 pm
Long	LFHS	9	063	8:10 am	063	3:45 pm
Long	LSHS	10-12	089	8:10 am	089	3:45 pm
LSHS	Alamo	7-8	056	8:10 am	056	3:45 pm
LSHS	Alamo	7-8	085	8:10 am	085	3:45 pm
LSHS	LFHS	9	015	8:10 am	015	3:45 pm
LSHS	LFHS	9	062	8:10 am	062	3:45 pm
LSHS	Masters Golf	10-12	090	10:50 am	090	11:50 am
LSHS	MC	VOC	307	10:50 am	307	12:40 pm
LSHS	MC	VOC	307	1:40 pm	089	3:35 pm
MFHS	Abell	7-8	081	8:10 am	081	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	092	8:10 am	092	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	099	8:10 am	099	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	052	8:10 am	052	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	016	8:10 am	016	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	050	8:10 am	050	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	053	8:10 am	053	3:45 pm
MFHS	Goddard	7-8	046	8:10 am	046	3:45 pm
MFHS	LFHS	9	038	8:10 am	038	3:45 pm
MFHS	LSHS	10-12	034	8:10 am	034	3:45 pm
MFHS	MSHS	10-12	068	8:10 am	068	3:45 pm

From To Grade Bus Time Bus Time

MFHS	MSHS	10-12	077	8:10 am	077	3:45 pm
MFHS	MSHS	9	N/A	N/A	102	2:45 pm
MFHS	San Jacinto	7-8BL	100	8:10 am	100	3:45 pm
Milam	Carver	GEM W/T	093	7:40 am	093	3:15 pm
Milam	Greathouse	5	018	7:40 am	018	3:15 pm
Milam	Houston	4	082	7:40 am	082	3:15 pm
Milam	MFHS	9	051	8:00 am	051	3:45 pm
Milam	MSHS	10-12	040	8:10 am	040	3:55 pm
Milam	San Jacinto	7-8	005	8:10 am	037	3:45 pm
Milam	San Jacinto	7-8	039	8:10 am	039	3:45 pm
MSHS	Masters Golf	10-12	105	1:40 pm	105	2:40 pm
MSHS	MC	VOC	303	8:40 am	303	10:30 am
MSHS	MC	VOC	303	1:45 pm	303	3:35 pm
MSHS	MFHS	9	072	8:00 am	072	3:45 pm
MSHS	MFHS	9	079	8:00 am	079	3:45 pm
MSHS	Stadium	10-12	68	10:40 am	68	11:55 am
MSHS	Stadium	10-12	070	1:45 pm	070	2:30 pm
MSHS	Stadium	10-12	070	2:40 pm	040	3:45 pm
MSHS	Stadium	10-12	N/A	N/A	14	3:45 pm
Parker	Alamo	7-8	102	8:10 am	102	3:45 pm
Parker	Alamo	7-8	096	8:10 am	096	3:45 pm
Parker	Bowie	5	102	7:40 am	102	3:15 pm
Parker	Carver	GEM W/T	091	7:40 am	091	3:15 pm
Parker	LFHS	9	076	8:10 am	076	3:45 pm
Parker	LFHS	9	107	8:10 am	107	3:45 pm
Parker	Pease	6	043	7:40 am	043	3:15 pm
Pease	Bowie	5	079	7:30 am	079	3:15 pm
Pease	Bowie	5	072	7:30 am	072	3:15 pm
Pease	Carver	GEM W/T	093	7:45 am	093	3:15 pm
Pease	Parker	4	096	7:30 am	096	3:15 pm
Rusk	Santa Rita	5	047	7:40 am	047	3:15 pm
Rusk	Santa Rita	5	107	7:40 am	107	3:15 pm
Rusk	Travis	6	046	7:40 am	046	3:15 pm
San Jacinto	MFHS	9	021	8:10 am	021	3:45 pm
San Jacinto	MFHS	9	086	8:10 am	086	3:45 pm
Santa Rita	Carver	GEM M/T	092	7:40 am	092	3:15 pm
Santa Rita	Goddard	7-8	024	7:45 am	024	4:00 pm
Santa Rita	Goddard	7-8	047	8:10 am	047	3:45 pm
Santa Rita	MFHS	9	022	8:10 am	022	3:45 pm
Santa Rita	MFHS	9	108	8:10 pm	108	3:45 pm
Santa Rita	MSHS	10-12	023	8:10 am	023	3:45 pm
Santa Rita	Rusk	4	015	7:40 am	015	3:15 pm
Santa Rita	Travis	6	016	7:40 am	016	3:15 pm
Scharbauer	Carver	GEM W/T	094	7:40 am	094	3:15 pm
Scharbauer	DeZavala	6	008	7:40 am	033	3:15 pm
Scharbauer	DeZavala	6	057	7:40 am	059	3:15 pm
Scharbauer	Henderson	4	001	7:40 am	001	3:15 pm
Scharbauer	Henderson	4	069	7:40 am	069	3:15 pm
South	Carver	GEM W/T	091	8:00 am	091	3:15 pm
South	Emerson	5	086	7:30 am	086	3:15 pm
South	Jones	4	020	7:30 am	020	3:15 pm
South	Jones	4	080	7:30 am	080	3:15 pm
Travis	Carver	GEM M/T	093	7:55 am	093	3:15 pm
Travis	Rusk	4	062	7:40 am	062	3:15 pm
Travis	Rusk	4	063	7:40 am	063	3:15 pm
Travis	Santa Rita	5	022	7:40 am	022	3:15 pm
Travis	Santa Rita	5	023	7:40 am	023	3:15 pm
Washington	Bush	5	054	7:30 am	054	3:15 pm
Washington	Goddard	7-8	090	8:00 am	090	3:45 pm
Washington	Lamar	4	055	7:30 am	055	3:15 pm
Washington	MFHS	9	100	7:55 am	100	3:55 pm
Washington	MSHS	10-12	091	8:15 am	091	3:55 pm
West	Bunche	M-3	035	8:05 am	035	10:55am
West	Bunche	M-3	035	11:40 am	035	2:30 pm
West	Greathouse	5	031	7:30 am	031	3:15 pm
West	Houston	K-6	031	7:30 am	083	3:15 pm
West	MFHS	9	083	8:10 am	083	3:45 pm
West	Milam	6	049	7:40 am	049	3:15 pm
West	San Jacinto	7-8	082	8:10 am	082	3:55 pm

BASIN BRIEFING

Summer in City

Summer in the City continues 7:30 p.m. today at Centennial Plaza with Wild, Wild West, spotlighting several country & western oriented entertainment events. The band Doubleshot, featuring Ronnie Adams, Howard Birdsong, Ben Evans, David Hunter, Larry Marquez and Michelle Martin, will play the music of Alabama, Brooks & Dunn, George Strait, Patsy Cline and others. Also on tap for the evening, the Texas Unforgotten Gunfighters, C&W line dancing, covered wagon rides, a watermelon seed-spitting contest and artist Dan Haller. On July 24, is Soul of the City's Gospel Night.

'Sylvia' on stage

ODESSA — 'Sylvia' is on stage at the Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd, at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The comedy follows the relationship of Greg (Judd Vermillion), a discontented financial trader, and a dog he has found at the park. A mixture of poodle and Lab, she has the name Sylvia on her tag. Greg and Sylvia (Marisol Caballero) bond quickly and their special affection soon becomes a source of irritation for Greg's wife, Kate (Louise Vermillion). Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students. For reservations call 1-915-382-2329 or 550-5456.

Choir reunion

The Mount Rose Baptist Church choir is planning a reunion for 7:30 p.m. Saturday. For more information call 686-7156 after 2 p.m.

TU refund

AUSTIN — More than 2 million Texans are getting a small break on their summer electricity bills and could be in line for more refunds later this year. The Texas Public Utility Commission on Wednesday ordered Texas Utilities Electric Co. to refund \$80 million to its 2.4 million customers, including 2.1 million residential customers. The refunds will amount to roughly \$17 per customer, credited toward August bills. Jim Lawrence, a TU spokesman, said residential bills in August average \$152, making the refund an 11 percent credit.

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Sea turtles

PADRE ISLAND NATIONAL SEASHORE — For the third year in a row, the world's most endangered sea turtle species has laid eggs along the Texas coast, a sign that the population is rebounding, a biologist said Wednesday. Nine Kemp's ridley turtle nests have been found along the Texas coast this summer, said Donna Shaver, a U.S. Geological Survey biologist who oversees the turtle recovery program at the national seashore.

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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.

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

Share Success-Basics of Goal Setting, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave, noon, 570-4533.

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

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

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PBAF announces grant recipients

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Area boy scouts and girl scouts are among those who are to benefit from more than \$20,000 in grants announced Wednesday by the Permian Basin Area Foundation.

The PBAF serves as a management agency for philanthropic gifts from a host of area individuals and organizations. Jack Swallow, executive director, explained to the gathering at Norwest Fasken Center.

The spring grants include \$1,000 to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. The grant is to be used to test those applying to be volunteers.

The PBAF is giving \$3,000 to the Buf-

falo Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America to fund renovations at its ranch at Fort Davis. The dining hall and restrooms are to become handicapped accessible.

At the Bynum School in Midland, a driveway and parking area are being paved and \$1,500 is being donated to that cause.

The organization, Friends of Monahans Sandhills State Park, is to receive \$5,000 for renovation of the visitors center building at the park.

Mission Health Care Inc. is to receive \$4,000 to relocate the agency to a larger building.

Midland-Lee Youth Centers Inc. is to receive \$1,000 to pay the way for 40 less-advantaged youth to attend the Super Summer Day Camp.

The Permian Basin Girl Scout Council will receive \$3,000 to help replace a Fort Stockton Girl Scout facility that had been destroyed by fire.

The Recording Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped will receive \$2,350 to help move sound booths to the new location at 1212 W. Cuthbert Ave.

These donations "demonstrate the foundation's broad commitment to our area's needs and challenges," said Joanie Holt, chairwoman of the Foundation Grants Committee.

"The grants awarded cross the multiple age ranges and geography of the Permian Basin in lending assistance to worthwhile causes carried out by wonderful organizations," Mrs. Holt said.

"All of these grants are made possible by the warm generosity of people who have created permanent charitable funds within the Permian Basin Area Foundation," she said.

In addition to these donations, the PBAF announced 46 recipients of educational grants and scholarships administered by the foundation.

These are provided to students attending colleges and universities in the Permian Basin and across the state.

These scholarships are created by various groups and families throughout the area, Swallow explained.

For more information about the scholarships, contact the foundation office at 682-4704.



Midland County Historical Society president Nancy McKinley, right, received a check Wednesday from Diann Dorsey Dow. The donation, from the proceeds of the recent play "The Wedding of Sarah Brown Dorsey," was presented along with four turn-of-the-century dresses.

Historical Society presented \$4,000 'wedding' proceeds

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Midland is a relatively young city at 112 years old, but it has its fair share of history.

Texas Best and the Midland County Historical Society, in order to help preserve some of the Tall City's history, recently began a series called "History of the House." The first in the series, "The Wedding of Sarah Brown Dorsey" was staged last month at the historic Brown-Dorsey House.

On Wednesday, Linda Bond of Texas Best presented the historical society with a \$4,000 check — proceeds from the interactive drama — and four turn-of-the-century dresses that had been worn by members of Midland's pioneer families. In addition, the society received four wicker mannequins on which to display the dresses.

Among the four dresses is the wedding dress worn in the play by soap star Allison Sweeney and by Heather Francell. It was made in Paris for an actual Midland wed-

ding in 1906. Another dress was worn by a member of the Cowden family.

Nancy McKinley, president of the historical society, said that the presentation was "the most exciting thing to happen at the house outside of the wedding. We at the society stand ready to help with all future programs. We will work as hard as necessary and as long as we can to help preserve Midland's history."

She said she and Ms. Bond had talked about presenting a living history at the city's historical homes where volunteers can demonstrate skills such as soap and candle making.

"If we don't grab hold of history, we lose it," Ms. Bond said.

Steven Porterfield of The Cat's Meow, who is donating the old-style mannequins and is to help restore the dresses, said that preserving them was preserving a piece of the city's history.

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Students eligible for transfer may not find school to accept them

AUSTIN (AP) — Thousands more students are eligible to transfer out of low-performing public schools under a change in state law, but they may still have nowhere to go.

The Texas Education Agency has heard from parents who want to use the revamped public education grant program but haven't been able to find a school district that will take the transfers, TEA spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe said.

While public school districts may still be deciding what to do, Mrs. Ratcliffe said, "I think it's just creating a lot of frustration out there." A number of school districts say they don't have room or resources for transfer students.

Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, said Wednesday he hopes school districts will begin accepting transfers as they learn more about the program and the monetary incentives it offers for taking the students.

"The goal is to increase choice for parents and students in public education," said Bivins, who pushed expansion of the PEG program in this year's legislative session with Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo.

Both lawmakers said they want to monitor how the program works between now and the 1999 legislative session. If public schools don't accept PEG transfers, Cuellar said, one option would be to start allowing private schools to take them. That idea didn't muster enough support for passage this year.

The PEG program was enacted in 1995 to give students a way out of public schools that fall below certain standards on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, a statewide test.

In the 1995-96 school year, 491,005 students from 652 campuses were eligible under the program. But only 31 students received the transfers, mostly because many school districts won't take the students.

Mrs. Ratcliffe said the agency doesn't keep records of how many requests were made.

Private schools aren't included in the

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EPA says asthma inhaler to stay on market

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

A 12-year-old Midland girl appears to have won her battle with bureaucratic giants of the U.S. government, gaining the preservation of her asthma medication that had been targeted for removal.

Alexis Milmine and her mother, Karen, have been working for months to change the motion of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency after learning that most of the current asthma inhalers were to be removed from the market because of risks to the ozone layer posed by the chemicals used for propellants.

Miss Milmine took it upon herself to study the effects of CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons) and the uses of these chemicals and determined that given the many industrial, residential and automotive uses of these chemicals — the amount used by those with lung problems worldwide amounts to far less

than one percent of the total amount.

In her letters to the government, Miss Milmine explained this and asked that her asthma inhalers not be taken off the market — since both she and her mother suffer hazardous reactions from the few replacement inhaler types available.

Having spent months writing letters to government officials at all levels, Ms. Milmine was joined in her quest by U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-Texas), who helped gain an assurance from the FDA that inhalers would be made available for those few people who cannot take the replacement inhalers.

Being singled out as the exception to the rule banning these inhalers still made the Milmines uncomfortable and Miss Milmine continued her letter-writing campaign.

She received a letter Monday, from Phyllis Putter, coordinator of the CFC Program of the Environmental Protection Agency in Dallas. The let-

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In memory

Joe Lychner pauses next to a sculpture of his wife, Pam, and two daughters Katie and Shannon, after a dedication ceremony Tuesday in Houston. Pam Lychner and her two daughters were killed when TWA Flight 800 crashed a year ago today.

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Ed Todd

Lesson often learned too late is to cherish the present moment

It matters. It really does. The past. Paying homage to it. Last year, old Ed Todd got up the courage and the humility to telephone Jean, his ex-sister-in-law, and current friend, as it turned out.

It had been years, two decades, since Todd had last seen her sister, his wife in bygone times that, in the main, now seem so sweet despite commitment's erosion.

Mostly, the talk was about the good old times and today's trials and joys but hardly anything about the real reason behind Todd's call or the havoc and life's fog that led to the lamentable breakup and dissolution of the marriage.



Todd

But in the conversation there was good, much good, which honored the past.

The sisters' mother, a marvelously sweet and endearing lady, was a superb cook. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, in particular, her star dessert was pecan pie. Never, and never again, was there a better pie. It was scrumptious and memorable.

And despite her experimentations and trials in the kitchen, never did Jean recreate her mother's family-famous pecan pie. The recipe died with her, but her tender love endures.

Of course, the older daughter today dearly wishes that she had asked her mother for the recipe and could somehow bake a magnificent pie equal to her mother's kitchen wonder.

The lesson, often learned too late, is to cherish the now, this very instant, for it, too, shall pass in a twinkling. And it is so precious, perhaps heartening and enlivening, today to hold those moments forever in the

heart.

And to have that darling lady's pecan-pie recipe to pass on to children and grandchildren and to savor its formulation today would be most gratifying to the palate and to the heart and soul.

In like manner, it is a fortunate thing to have in hand and heart old photographs and writings and sentimental things of beloved family members and friends whose earthly days are into the yesteryears.

Most of all, those treasures are in the heart to be nurtured for as long as time grants life to the living on Earth. The Great Beyond awaits in the by and by for the living's souls, especially those who are wont to treasure today and back then and beyond.

Ed Todd is a staff writer for the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Tuesday

Criminal mischief: A window was broken on a vehicle parked at 3101 N. Midland Drive. Dana Henderson reported it at 3:08 p.m. Police estimated the damages at \$900.

Theft: A shoplifting was reported at 4517 Midland. It was reported at 4:45 p.m.

Criminal mischief: A vehicle parked at the downtown Lions' Club was damaged with paint. It was reported at 8:45 p.m. Police estimated the damages at \$1,500.

Midland County Sheriff's
Office
Tuesday

Criminal mischief: A residential vandalism was reported from 3806 E. County Road 158. Martin Grado reported it at 8:09 p.m.

Theft: Gary Midkiff reported a gun was taken at 1609 Neely Ave. It was reported at 9 p.m.

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

TRANSFER: New measure makes more students eligible

(From 1C)

program. This year's measure makes more students eligible for the transfer program; requires school districts to notify parents that their children are eligible and give them information about the program; and gives schools financial incentives to take the transfers.

The law still allows schools to reject transfers.

There are 1,153 school campuses — out of 6,643 in Texas — that are considered poor enough performers under the new law to qualify for the PEG program. Nearly 800,000 students are at those campuses, out of 3.7 million Texas school children.

Under the expanded law, students are eligible to transfer if they are assigned to a campus at which 50 percent or more of the students didn't pass the TAAS in any two of the preceding three years.

They also are eligible if their campuses have been rated low-performing in any of the preceding three years under the state accountability system.

Under the accountability system, a school was rated low-performing last year if less than 30 percent of its students — or any category of students, such as blacks or whites — passed the TAAS.

Mrs. Ratcliffe said the agency has received dozens of calls, most-

ly from parents.

"Some have called to get more information about the program and how to participate in it. Some have called back when they found that after calling school districts in their areas, they couldn't find anyone who was accepting PEG transfers," she said.

Central Texas' Eanes Independent School District — which has been rated exemplary because of its high passing rates and attendance and low dropout rates — is among those that doesn't accept transfers, said Jerry Molinoski, the district's assistant superintendent for human resources.

The school district already has had to make cutbacks because it has high property wealth and, under a school finance law, must share some tax proceeds with the rest of the state. It is also fast-growing, he said.

Allan Parker of the Texas Justice Foundation, which supports the PEG program and proposals for state-paid private school tuition, said parents who are turned down should keep trying.

"School districts have not had an opportunity to study the new law and decide if they want to change their policy now that they get more money," he said. "I would strongly urge parents again to contact these schools at the end of the summer."

Student accused of stabbing

ANGLETON, Texas (AP) — An Angleton High School senior remained jailed Wednesday, accused of fatally stabbing a classmate with a kitchen knife during an early morning fight after a night of drinking.

Robert "Wayne" Hocutt, 16, was pronounced dead at Angleton Danbury General Hospital at 3:15 a.m. Tuesday. He had been stabbed once in the chest and again in the back.

Jeremy Lamb, who turns 17 next month, was held at the Brazoria County Juvenile Detention Center, and first-degree murder charges were pending, police said.

A hearing has yet to be scheduled to determine whether Lamb will be tried as an adult. He could still be considered a juvenile

because the crime occurred before his 17th birthday.

Lamb also will undergo psychological testing to determine whether he is competent to stand trial as an adult, said Fred Williamson, director of Brazoria County Juvenile Probation and Detention.

Police said the stabbing occurred after a long night of drinking — and bickering with each other — at the Angleton home of the victim's aunt, Sylvia Hocutt. There were five or six witnesses.

"If the kids hadn't been drinking, I don't feel like this would've happened," said Angleton police Lt. Wayne Rickman, who is investigating the case. "It was one of those spur of the moment things."

OBITUARIES



Maxine Buskirk

Maxine Buskirk was born August 19, 1913, to Edward and Nina Yourell in Los Angeles, California, where she grew up. She attended UCLA, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Mrs. Buskirk moved to Midland in

1950. She was active in Meals on Wheels, Midland Ladies' Wednesday Club and The Recording Library for the Blind. Mrs. Buskirk was a member of Midland Country Club and First Christian Church. She was a mother, social worker and a great friend to many.

Mrs. Buskirk was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon Buskirk.

She is survived by a son, William "Bill" Buskirk of Midland; a daughter, Lynne Tredennick of Kansas City, Missouri; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and many nieces and nephews in California.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Meals on Wheels, 3301 Sinclair Ave., Midland, 79707 or Recording Library for the Blind, 202 N. C. Midland, 79701.

Mrs. Buskirk died Tuesday at Methodist Hospital in Houston.

Memorial services have been set for 1 p.m. Friday, July 18, 1997, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Tommy Potter, of First Christian Church, officiating.

EPA: Inhalers to remain available

(From 1C)

ter, along with subsequent phone calls from representatives of both the FDA and EPA, assured the Milmines that the inhalers themselves would be protected from the ban on CFC products.

"Rather than have people like us be the exception to the rule — all of the metered dose inhalers themselves will be the exception to the rule," Karen Milmine said.

"They're going to keep all the inhalers on the market — so I guess I won't," Alexis Milmine said. "I'm pretty happy about it," she said.

"This is the first time I ever heard of anyone fighting the government and winning," Ms.

Milmine said. "Why did it take a 12-year-old girl to do it?"

Miss Milmine acknowledges that protecting the environment from an eroding ozone layer is necessary, but is pleased that she and her mother will not be sacrificed for the tiny amounts of CFCs used as inhaler propellants.

And the young woman has found that when someone puts her mind to it, she can overcome any obstacle, including the government.

"You have to write a lot of letters ... they'll try to ignore you," Miss Milmine said. "You have to be persistent."

HISTORY: \$4,000 check presented

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"It's sad Midland has destroyed a lot of its historical buildings. It's good to see us preserve what's left."

He said that Mae Dawson, former costumer at Midland Community Theater, had information on the four dresses.

"Preserving history needs to be done every day," Ms. McKinley said. "Everyone needs to be concerned with preserving our history; so much of it is already gone."

Helping make the presentation to the historical society were Diann Dorsey Dow and her sister, Judy Dorsey Buckingham, granddaughters of Sarah Brown Dorsey. Their mother, Judy (Mrs. Mark) Dorsey, was Sarah's sister-in-law.

The sisters, who recalled living in the house as children when it was in the middle of a thriving

neighborhood surrounded by other houses, said that they were quite honored their family home and their family were chosen as a backdrop in reliving Midland history. They called it a humbling experience that people were as interested in the Dorsey family as they were.

"We have a deeper appreciation — as we are grandparents ourselves — of the history we leave our children and grandchildren," Ms. Buckingham said.

Judy Dorsey said that Sarah was headstrong and a woman who loved the outdoors and hated housework. She recalled dusting and sweeping the house, which when it was occupied was covered with carpet. "And it's hard to sweep carpet," she observed.

The house, a historical monument, was occupied until Sarah Brown Dorsey died in 1968.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

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 affiliations, 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.

DEATH NOTICES

Claude Long

Claude "Cy" Long, died Wednesday, July 16, at a local hospital.

Services are to be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 19, at Sunset Memorial Garden Cemetery in Odessa with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born May 29, 1926, in Corsicana.

He moved to Fort Stockton in 1945. He was a warehouse manager for Magobar Industries until his retirement. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Fort Stockton.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charlene Long, in 1990.

Survivors include two sons, John R. Long of Midland and Bill P. Long of Mansfield; a daughter, Claudell Upton of Midland; two sisters, Lois Slate of Dallas and LeLolla Cook of Midland; 12 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three nieces and two nephews.

Pricilla Ray

Pricilla Jane Ray, 41, died Wednesday, July 16, at her Midland residence.

Services are pending with Pricin Funeral Home.

Used grease hot item for thieves

HOUSTON (AP) — On of the hottest stolen commodities in Houston isn't a luxury car or a pricey home entertainment system. Looters lately have been going after one slick item: used restaurant grease.

Griffin Industries and Darling International are the major animal slaughtering, or rendering, operations that pay restaurants for grease to be recycled into soap, cattle feed, cosmetics and even explosives.

All Cuellar, a Griffin security

officer, said Griffin pays between 12 and 14 cents a pound for grease left in sealed containers behind restaurants.

The company's problem is that when its trucks arrive at restaurants, the containers all too often are empty. Thieves get 9 cents a pound — about 60 percent of the market value — for the grease at area companies that simply weigh what is being offered to them, test it for quality and then write a check.

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INS reviewing deportation travel procedures

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of criminal aliens being deported from the United States are placed annually on commercial airline flights, most sitting without escort or restraint next to regular passengers.

While the Immigration and Naturalization Service defends its practice, saying problems at 30,000 feet are rare, the agency is reviewing its travel policies. Recently, under fire from Congress, INS issued tougher temporary rules. INS Commissioner Doris Meissner this week wrote Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, R-Calif., offering her regret for a disruptive March 27 United Airlines flight from Los Angeles to El Salvador involving 21 deportees traveling unescorted. Eleven had criminal records.

Some of the deportees stole liquor from a service cart and became inebriated and raucous. And, as the San Diego Union Tribune reported in May, a 12-year-old girl sitting amidst some of the deportees was frightened when one of them touched her.

In a new embarrassment to the agency, a Vietnamese national with a criminal background eluded INS authorities last week after traveling without escort from Los Angeles to Houston for his deportation hearing.

Dung Tien Ngo, who has burglary and weapons convictions, was removed from INS detention in Los Angeles and placed unguarded on a Continental Airlines flight. His plane was to be met in Houston by INS agents. But in a mix-up, the agents failed to show up at the gate and Ngo slipped away from airport security.

He was arrested the next day during a barbecue at a relative's home.

While it had been recommended that Ngo be

escorted to Houston, the deportations chief in the Los Angeles district office decided against an escort, INS spokesman Russ Bergeron said Wednesday.

The syndicated newsmagazine "Inside Edition," which uncovered the Ngo case, quotes an unidentified INS source in a segment airing Thursday as saying the transportation of unguarded criminal aliens is "a disgusting threat to public safety."

Bergeron denied INS practices are endangering public safety. As for the Ngo case, he said: "We have absolutely no indication... that the individual caused any disturbance on board the aircraft."

Data supplied by airlines and the Federal Aviation Administration reflect only three in-flight disturbances by non-citizens moved by INS in the last 18 months, Bergeron said.

"We believe that the facts clearly demonstrate that the current system does not pose a threat to the traveling public," he said.

INS moves more than 1 million non-citizens annually, most by ground transportation. So far this year, 5,300 criminal aliens have been transported on commercial flights. Most were convicted of non-violent crimes, usually drug offenses.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who has been prodding the INS for years to increase escort of criminal aliens, pronounced the Ngo mix-up "unacceptable."

INS needs to find alternatives to commercial flights, the Texas Republican said Wednesday. Placing criminal aliens on buses, flying them in escorted groups or on National Guard planes are options INS must explore, Mrs. Hutchison said.

"I don't think there should be any person con-

victed of a violent crime that should get on an airplane unescorted," she said.

This week, Mrs. Hutchison inserted into the 1998 appropriations bill funding INS language mandating that all criminal aliens are accompanied by armed escorts when flying commercially.

INS is readying new regulations regarding travel for its charges.

Under current policy, aliens considered dangerous are escorted by two INS officers. No more than one dangerous alien is placed per flight. But roughly 98 percent of the time, the alien is not considered dangerous. Determination is made on a case-by-case basis.

A spokesman for the Air Line Pilots Association, which has concerns about the placement of unescorted aliens on planes, questioned why Ngo and others like him would be allowed to travel unguarded.

"If the local sheriff were transporting prisoners between two domestic points... he wouldn't just take them and give them a ticket and put them on the back and put them on the next flight out of town," said ALPA spokesman John Mazor. "Why is it that INS would send somebody like that unescorted on board an aircraft simply because they happen to be an alien?"

Tasked with the implementation of a new immigration law that includes a raft of new offenses for which non-citizens can be deported, INS is deporting growing numbers of aliens.

Last year, INS deported more than 68,000 people, including 37,000 criminals. This year, the agency expects to deport 93,000 people overall, including 55,000 criminals.

TU to refund customers

AUSTIN (AP) — More than 2 million Texans are getting a small break on their summer electricity bills and could be in line for more refunds later this year.

The Texas Public Utility Commission on Wednesday ordered Texas Utilities Electric Co. to refund \$80 million to its 2.4 million customers, including 2.1 million residential customers.

The Dallas-based company provides electricity in north Texas.

The refund is a result of negotiations between TU, the PUC and the Office of Public Utility Counsel, a state office that argues utility issues for consumers. The talks began last year after agency officials said TU was making more money than allowed by the commission.

In addition to the refund, the PUC agreed to delay any TU rate cuts until next year.

The refunds will amount to roughly \$17 per customer, credited toward August bills. Jim Lawrence, a TU spokesman, said residential bills in August average \$152, making the refund an 11 percent credit.

In addition, the company has offered \$67 million in refunds because fuel used to generate electricity from October 1995 to May 1997 cost less than projected and already charged to customers. The PUC is weighing that refund, and is considering a third refund related to

other fuel charges.

In the third case, considered but not decided Wednesday, Commission Chairman Pat Wood said TU customers should not have to pay for extra fuel costs after the collapse of a 600-foot-high chimney stack at the TU steam generation plant in Mount Pleasant four years ago.

The collapse, which killed one worker and injured three others, resulted in additional fuel costs of \$66 million.

Wood said customers already were paying for the stack and should not have to pay for the additional fuel charges.

"There were prudent choices that could have been made even 10 years before the chimney fell," Wood said. "It's just not equitable (customers) would have to pay again."

If the PUC orders TU to refund customers for the additional fuel charges, Lawrence said the company would appeal.

He added that TU denies making more money than allowed by the PUC, but said the \$80 million settlement clears the way for the company and the agency to deal later with exactly how much TU will be allowed to make in the future.

Laurie Pappas, of the public counsel's office that represents consumers, said negotiating the settlement sped up the process and saved TU customers the cost of an administrative law case.

"We were very pleased with the decision," she said.

Convict testifies ex-mayor wanted to 'beat up' partner

ROCKPORT, Texas (AP) — Former Ingleside Mayor Mark Crawford wanted to beat up a business partner who had implicated him in a bogus insurance deal, a man has testified in Crawford's capital murder trial.

William "Hammer" Noel, a convicted rapist who once worked for Crawford, said his former boss told him in early 1996 that he was angry with Houston businessman Nick Brueggen because he had snitched on Crawford.

"He wanted to beat (Brueggen) up for talking too much," Noel testified Tuesday. "Basically, he said someone needs to rough him up."

"I wanted to take Nick out, kill

him, but Mr. Crawford wouldn't let me," said Noel, who is serving three life prison terms. "He just wanted him beat up. Months later they took care of that."

On June 3, 1996, Brueggen was found buried in a shallow grave behind a warehouse Crawford often used near Ingleside.

Crawford, 49, is accused of killing him in retaliation for Brueggen meeting with federal prosecutors about an alleged insurance scam involving both men.

Crawford, mayor of Ingleside from 1988 to 1992, told reporters during a courtroom break that Noel was lying and that he would

like to testify in his own behalf. He has also accused co-defendants Michael Beckcom and Kirk Johnson of lying.

Last week, Beckcom and Johnson testified that they helped Crawford kill Brueggen by forcing him into a metal tool box and gassing him with carbon monoxide as he begged for his life.

Both men have been promised lighter sentences in exchange for their testimony.

Crawford's attorney, Bill May, tried on Tuesday to discredit Noel by accusing him of offering to change his testimony for money.

"Didn't you write a letter from jail saying you would implicate

(Crawford) if he didn't give you money?" May asked. "Basically, your testimony was up for sale, right?"

"I told him if he takes care of me I wouldn't testify," Noel responded.

In other testimony, a contractor said Crawford paid him \$100 to dig a hole on May 7 behind the warehouse where Brueggen allegedly was killed.

"He asked me to dig a hole 4 foot deep, 2 feet wide and 5 feet long," Ryan Mauch testified. "I just asked him, 'What are you going to do, put a body in there?'" jokingly. (Crawford) just smiled and we laughed about it."

Cherry repudiates Klan ties, says witnesses can support alibi

ATHENS, Texas (AP) — Bobby Frank Cherry repudiated his past ties to a violent cell of the Ku Klux Klan on Wednesday, and continued to deny his involvement in a 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls in Birmingham, Ala.

At a news conference called to answer questions about the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church bombing, Cherry said he was home with his cancer-stricken wife the night before the bombing, along with two other women who were caring for her.

His attorney, Gil Hargrave, said the women had provided an affidavit testifying to Cherry's presence.

The FBI last week said it has reopened its investigation, and Cherry, who is 67 and now lives in a lakeside trailer park in Malakoff, about 10 miles from the east Texas town of Athens, said he has been questioned.

During the morning briefing, Cherry's son, Tom, said he was with his father the morning of the bombing at a shop in Birmingham "making Rebel flags, signs, things of that sort." He said the memories his whereabouts because the bombing stuck in his memory like the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr.

Craig Dahle, an FBI spokesman in Birmingham, said the agency could not comment on whether the statements matched what Cherry told authorities.

"I'm sure the investigators are going to examine what he has said," Dahle said.

The FBI has repeatedly questioned Cherry about the church bombing, but he was never charged.

Only one man, Robert Chambliss, was convicted, and the case was closed. But authorities always believed more people were involved. Last week, the FBI announced it reopened the case based on new information received by the Justice Department six months ago. They would not elaborate.

Cherry said that until recently, he'd never even visited the church where 20 people also were injured.

A 1965 FBI memorandum indicated the agency had three eyewitnesses who saw Chambliss and three other men at the church around 2 a.m., about eight hours before the bomb exploded during Sunday services on Sept. 15, 1963. Then-FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the information withheld from Alabama prosecutors, claiming the chance of a conviction was remote.

Cherry and other one-time Klansmen Herman Frank Cash and Thomas E. Blanton, Jr. were all questioned about the bombing but denied involvement.

"I hadn't 'til today, 34 years later, set foot on that ground, that sidewalk, been around that church," Cherry said. "I have never been through that church in my life."

The younger Cherry also said his father was in no condition to be carrying anything.

"He also had a back brace on. He had a broken back... that's why I know he was not there."

Regarding his ties to the KKK, Cherry said he joined the group for political reasons, to help elect candidates including Alabama Gov. George Wallace.

But now, he said, "I sort of despise them."

"I got out of that more than a year before that (bombing) started," he said.

Cherry said the questions he was asked last week were the same ones investigators asked decades ago: "If I bombed the church, if I knew who bombed the church, they asked about me toting the bomb. I told them I had never been on the ground around that church."

Asked Wednesday why investigators have continued to question Cherry, Hargrave said: "All I can

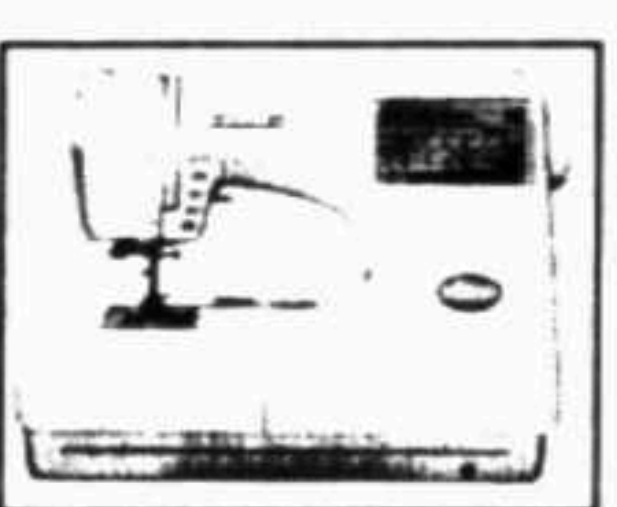
tell you is, Mr. Cherry says that after they interview him, they indicate they don't believe him and then he doesn't see them again for a few years."

The star witness at Chambliss' 1977 trial, Elizabeth Cobbs, wrote a book in 1994 that described Cherry as a member of the Cahaba Boys, an elite Klan group that set fires, placed bombs, hauled dynamite, provided alibis and did surveillance.

According to a 1963 FBI summary, the agency questioned Cherry, who was then a truck driver, because he provided an alibi for Blanton. During the FBI interviews, Cherry freely admitted Klan membership and said he had fired his rifle at blacks outside his house.

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Texas Scores

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

TEXAS LEAGUE — Tulsa Drillers at Midland Angels, Christensen Stadium, 7 p.m. **RADIO:** KCRS (AM 550).

WPHL expansion

CORPUS CHRISTI — The Western Professional Hockey League announced Wednesday that the city of Corpus Christi will become the league's 13th member and will begin play in the 1998-99 season.
"Corpus Christi will make an excellent addition to our organization, and by completing this deal well in advance of the 1998-99 season, they will have every opportunity to make professional hockey in Corpus Christi a tremendous success," said WPHL President Rick Kozuback. "We are extremely happy to welcome Corpus Christi to the WPHL."

Next up for professional hockey in Corpus Christi will be a "Name the Team" contest, as well as scheduling renovations for the Memorial Coliseum, where the franchise will play all home games.

McCarron's mark

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Hall of Fame jockey Chris McCarron became the seventh rider in thoroughbred racing to win 6,500 races when he guided Le Casque Gris to the winner's circle Wednesday at Hollywood Park.
McCarron, 42, joins Bill Shoemaker, the winningest rider with 8,833 victories, Laffit Pincay Jr., David Gail, Angel Cordero Jr., Pat Day and Jorge Velazquez.

"Fortunately, I've been able to ride against the world's top jockeys throughout my career," McCarron said. "To be included with the six riders in front of me, it's something that I'm very proud of. It always feels good to be in that class of athlete."

David Hofmans, trainer of Le Casque Gris, has made it a habit to be a part of McCarron's milestones. McCarron rode Hofmans' Aggrandizement (1982) and Andestine (1994) in gaining victories No. 3,000 and 6,000, respectively.

Hofmans was also the trainer of Alphabet Soup, who pushed McCarron's career earnings over \$200 million after winning the 1996 Breeders' Cup Classic.

McCarron, a native of Dorchester, Mass., is the lone jockey to have earned \$200 million.

Irabu's ratings

NEW YORK — Madison Square Garden Network's broadcast of Japanese pitcher Hideki Irabu's second major league start drew ratings around 24 percent higher than the cable network's average for New York Yankees broadcasts.

Irabu's 12-6 victory Tuesday afternoon against the Cleveland Indians received a 3.2 rating, meaning that around 695,000 households had their televisions tuned to the game.

The rating for Irabu's second start for the team was well above the 2.6 rating the station has averaged for the 69 Yankees games it's broadcasted this season, said MSG, a Cablevision Systems Corp. unit. MSG Network is scheduled to broadcast 105 Yankees games this season.

This isn't the first time Irabu has significantly affected Yankees' television ratings. New York television station WPIX's broadcast of Irabu's debut drew the second-highest rating of a local New York Yankees broadcast in 10 seasons.

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Angels return to Christensen for important 17-game stretch

■ A long 19-day homestand, which includes series with Tulsa, Shreveport and Wichita, could mean big things when the stretch drive comes around.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer



Hoping to stay within striking distance in the second half Texas League Western Division title race, the Midland Angels are feeling pretty good about themselves heading into a 17-game homestand that starts at 7 p.m. tonight against Tulsa.

Having earned a split on the road with Tulsa and Shreveport and having won the last four out of six games have given the Angels more than enough to be gleeful at this point of the season.

There is no hiding their celebration either. Only two games behind first-place El Paso, the Angels were high-fiving and assistant coaches were even seen jumping several feet in the air after Tuesday's 8-1 win at Shreveport. Scott Schoeneweis earned the complete game victory to go to 6-4 on the season.

Tonight, Fausto Macey (4-3, 7.82 ERA) takes the mound for the Halos (17-13) against the Drillers' Keiichi Kojima.

The recent for this recent surge has been some hot hitting and some reliable pitching. "Everything is clicking right now," as the guys on the team say when things are going good. Angels manager Mitch Seoane said the team's attitude at this point of the season is the best he's seen all year. He's hoping those positive thoughts carry onto the field.

"We're playing pretty good right now," Seoane said. "We're starting to come together a little, and the guys have set a goal for themselves. That goal is to try to win the second half Western Division title."

"I told the guys we have to start right now. We're Please see HALO/4D

Halo Homecoming

WHEN: Today at 7 p.m.
WHERE: Christensen Stadium.
RECORDS: Midland is 17-13.
Tulsa is 12-15.

TONIGHT'S STARTERS: Midland's Fausto Macey (4-3, 7.82) and Tulsa's Keiichi Kojima (N/A).

RECENT ROAD TRIP: Midland played .500 ball on the road, winning 4-of-6 in Shreveport and 2-of-6 at Tulsa.

HOT HALOS: Jamie Burke has a pair of four-hit games and has 10 hits in his last 14 at-bats.

Shortstop Tim Harkrider has hit in 20 of his last 22 games and is hitting .361 in that time.

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BRITISH OPEN

Who will show his age?

All generations ready for Royal Troon's test

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

TROON, Scotland — Moving cautiously beneath iron-gray clouds and playing careful shots through the relentless wind, two generations of golfers made their final tuneups at Royal Troon on Wednesday for the British Open.

The fortysomething crew of Greg Norman, Nick Faldo and Nick Price searched memory banks accumulated from a total of 57 British Opens and six victories and relied on experience culled from every kind of links golf condition.

The twentysomething gang of Tiger Woods, Ernie Els, Jim Furyk and Lee Westwood — with only 11 British Opens and no victories among them — trusted youthful enthusiasm and staggering new skills.

The 126th British Open begins Thursday and there is no more appropriate place than the world's oldest golf competition to stage what has the potential to be a tournament for the ages.

And if the baton is to pass this week from those who have dominated the game for more than two decades to a younger set, it may have to make a stop at the group in between — the thirtysomething thing crowd of

South African golfers Gary Player, left, and Ernie Els, right, chat on the first tee during a practice round Wednesday at Royal Troon golf club.
AP Laserphoto



defending champion Tom Lehman, hometown hopeful Colin Montgomerie and Steve Elkington.

Added to the mix is the fact that all of those mentioned are playing very well right now.

"Anytime you play the British Open or win the British Open you know you have beaten everybody," said Faldo, who turns 40 on Friday and played in his first British Open in 1976, before Woods had his first birthday. "That's why it is the Open."

But winning the British Open requires more than pure skill. It requires the special knowledge and patience to survive an ordeal that is as much against nature as it is against other players.

"I think we're going to get weather," Faldo, a three-time Open winner, said Wednesday about the wind and rain that has been moving off the Firth of Clyde and across Troon all week.

"You have to be a strong ball-striker to survive four days," Faldo said. "The wind moves the ball a lot more than you realize on a links," he said. "You only have to hit it a little off ... then it will be

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Els aims for first Open sweep since Watson in '82

By Stephen Wade
Associated Press Writer

TROON, Scotland — The way Ernie Els is playing, it may take more than just an ill wind off the Firth of Clyde to keep him from finally winning the British Open.

The mellow South African with the rhythmic swing won his second U.S. Open last month and followed by taking the Buick Open a week later.

Hard work. So he took a two-week vacation. "We actually changed our phone number so no one would reach us," he said.

The break didn't matter. Els came back to take second last week up the road at Loch Lomond in the warmup for this week's third major of the year.

"It's probably the best I've played in a two-week

stretch ever," Els said Wednesday. "Obviously, I'm pretty high on confidence at the moment."

"I've had some good tournaments the last three weeks," he added. "I'm really fresh upstairs. My mind is playing golf, thinking golf at the moment. There are not too many distractions."

That may be just what Els needs to get over the hump at the British Open, which opens Thursday on the seaside links of Royal Troon on Scotland's west coast. A victory would make Els the first back-to-back U.S.-British Open winner since Tom Watson in 1982.

Els is 27 years old and this is his 21st major — and he's finished in the top 10 nine times. He's nibbled thrice at winning the British Open. Last year at Royal Lytham he almost had it on his plate, looking like the most likely to overtake eventual winner Tom

Lehman.

But he bogeyed two of the final three holes and finished tied for second with American Mark McCumber. That's not exactly table scraps, but it was hard to digest.

"You know, it really took me a while to get over it," Els said. "After the British Open last year, I didn't play very well for about two or three months and my game really went away a little bit. It was definitely in the back of my mind the way I finished."

Last year's fizzle may help. So could the fact that Els knows European golf. Troon was the site of his first British Open in 1989, and he cut his teeth on golf on the continent before joining the U.S. tour in 1994.

"Last year, playing the last round ... I was trying

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Joyner picks Green Bay over Dallas' larger offer

By Arnie Stapleton
AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Seth Joyner is reuniting with Reggie White in hopes of finally reaching the Super Bowl.

The free agent linebacker agreed to terms with the Super Bowl champs on Wednesday, spurning higher offers from several teams, including the Arizona Cardinals, who cut him last month, and the Dallas Cowboys.

"We've decided to sign with the Green Bay Packers, a four-year deal for \$6 million," Joyner's agent, Jim Solano, said in a greeting on his answering machine.

It's believed the contract is heavily back-loaded, with a signing bonus of about \$1 million and a salary this year in the \$300,000

range.
Joyner, 32, was scheduled to make \$2.75 million with the Cardinals this season, with a cap figure of \$3.45 million, so high that Arizona coach Vince Tobin asked him not to attend mini-camp and then waived him on June 16.

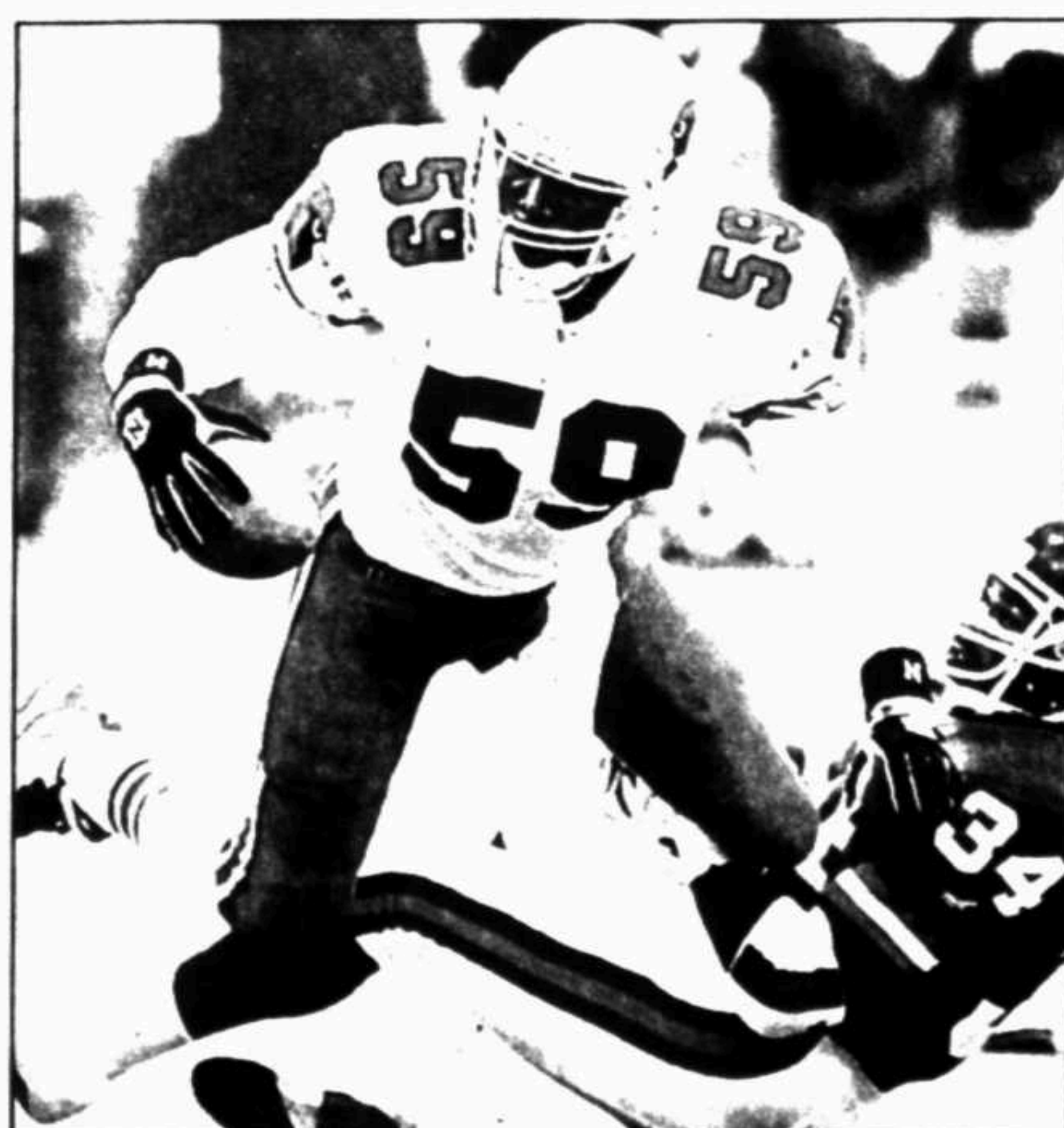
But team negotiator Bob Ferguson, an assistant to Cardinals owner Bill Bidwill, said it was hoped the three-time Pro Bowl selection would return.

Instead, the 12-year veteran is reuniting with White, his former teammate in Philadelphia.

Joyner is scheduled to arrive Thursday night and work out with his old pal and his new teammates Friday morning.

"He's played a long time, he's made a lot of money, maybe getting a ring or a chance to get the

Please see PACK/5D



Seth Joyner signed as a free agent with the Super Bowl champion Green Bay Packers Wednesday. (Above) The former Arizona Cardinal outside linebacker looks to lateral the ball after intercepting a pass in this Oct. 8, 1995 photo.

Sharpe inks 3-year, \$7.2 million deal

GREELEY, Colo. (AP) — Shannon Sharpe arrived at training camp Wednesday with a three-year, \$7.2 million contract with the Denver Broncos that will make him one of the highest-paid tight ends in the NFL.

The contract was worked out during about six hours of meetings Tuesday and was signed in time for Sharpe to report to training camp at the University of Northern Colorado.

"Everything is signed and sealed," Sharpe said. "I got the deal, and everybody got what they wanted."

Sharpe's base salary in 1996 was \$1.35 million, which put him among the highest-paid tight ends in the league.

The agreement is similar to a three-year, \$7.5 million contract that Ben

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Lehman takes his shot at British Open defense

By Doug Ferguson
AP Sports Writer

TRON, Scotland — The shot that best defines British Open champion Tom Lehman is one few people even saw.

It wasn't the drive off the 18th tee that took a wicked bounce into the bunker at Oakland Hills or the 7-iron that plunked into the water on the 17th at Congressional, costing him the U.S. Open each of the past two years.

Nor was it the 5-iron to the 18th green to clinch a Ryder Cup match in 1995, or the 4-iron he hit within 18 feet for a birdie at the par-3 12th hole last year at Royal Lytham and St. Annes for an insurmountable lead.

On the eve of the 126th British Open, where Lehman tries to become the first player since Tom Watson in 1983 to keep the Claret Jug, the shot he recalled was an 8-iron at the PGA Tour qualifying school in 1990.

Lehman, who had been playing just about every mini-tour available because he couldn't earn his card, came to the final hole needing a birdie to make the fourth-round cut.

"Up until that time, I would get ahead and I would just collapse," he said. "I couldn't ever finish off a victory."

He hit the 8-iron within 2 feet and made the birdie to advance to the final two rounds.

"Tour school... that's your one chance each year to make it," Lehman said. "It was the biggest shot I ever had to hit, and I made a birdie."

He didn't get his card that year, but it proved to be the start of an unimaginable journey for Lehman, AGE: Battle between experience, youth

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in the rough and you've got to start playing now."

Handling the wind, dealing with the treacherous rough, negotiating the treacherous pot bunkers and developing the feel to run the ball on the green instead of shooting for the flag all come with experience.

Faldo, who is playing in his 22nd British Open and won in 1987, '90 and '92, has that experience. So does Norman, 42, playing in his 20th Open and a winner in 1986 and '93. Price, 40, the winner in 1994, is playing his 18th British Open.

Among them they have won six of the last 11 British Opens.

"It's all about game management this week," Price said. "You have to go out there and manage your game well and put the ball in position off the tee. The British Open is the ultimate test in one's strategies."

A strong group of young golfers in their 20s may lack experience in the British Open, but all possess the ability to eventually win this tournament — if not this week.

Sorenstam takes stock of game at Big Apple

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam started her day on a soggy golf course, playing a round with four well-connected businessmen. She finished it at the New York Stock Exchange, watching the market go through the roof.

It was a fitting end, since Sorenstam herself is coming off one of the biggest collapses since Wall Street, 1929.

This week's LPGA Tour stop at the Wykagyl Country Club was supposed to be Threepeat Plus One, the week after Sorenstam won an unprecedented third consecutive U.S. Women's Open.

Instead, it's a bittersweet return for the world's top female golfer, who's still trying to figure out what went so very, very wrong.

Sorenstam hopes to find some answers when she tees off Thursday in the JAL Big Apple Classic, where the ghost of Witch Hollow will be walking alongside.

Instead of doing the undoable on that Oregon course,

from playing golf circuits everywhere from Florida to Asia, to winning the British Open and being named PGA player of the year.

"I have always believed that success is measured differently by different people," Lehman said. "To some it is how many tournaments you win. To some it is how much money you have made. I've always felt like I could feel successful if I've given my very best and reached my potential."

"Yet, the flip side is I know if I play my best, there are very few guys who can beat me."

That unshakable confidence comes partly from his runner-up finish to Jose Maria Olazabal at the 1994 Masters, a tournament that impressed upon him that he could play with anyone in the world.

He was brilliant as a Ryder Cup rookie in 1995, teaming with Corey Pavin to beat Nick Faldo and Colin Montgomerie in an alternate-shot match on the first day — clinched by Lehman's 5-iron on No. 18 in a steady rain — and beating Seve Ballesteros in a singles match.

And last year at the British Open, he withstood an early charge from Faldo and then made the crucial birdie on No. 12 to win his first major.

"The best thing about it is when you win a big championship, it gives you a lot of confidence that you can win more big tournaments," Lehman said.

And while Lehman had not won since the Tour Championship in October, he's bringing his game around at just the right time.

He was in contention for the U.S. Open last month until bogeys at the 16th and 17th holes left him third. It

Woods, playing in his third British Open, is the obvious stand-out among the youngsters. At 21 and in less than a year on the PGA Tour he already has six victories, including the Masters by a record 12 strokes.

Asked Wednesday if Woods was too young to win the British Open, five-time winner Tom Watson replied without hesitation: "Is he too young to have won the Masters by 12 shots?"

Els, 27, already has won two U.S. Opens, including at Congressional in June, a victory he followed by winning at Westchester the next week.

And if there are two good longshots in their field they are Furyk, 27, who has finished in the top 10 in his last six PGA Tour events — including fifth in the U.S. Open — and Lee Westwood, the 24-year-old European tour player who was 24th at the Masters and 19th in the U.S. Open.

"I think he will be up there," Faldo said about Westwood.

Of the quartet of young contenders, Els has the most experi-



Defending Open Champion Tom Lehman of the United States plays from a bunker during a practice round for the British Open at Royal Troon.

ence — and the most success — in the British Open. He has played in six and finished second last year, fifth in '92 and sixth in '93.

On the eve of the tournament he sounded very much like a young man who knew what it takes to win a British Open.

"We'll find a guy winning this week with a lot of imagination," said Els, who is trying to become the first person since Watson in 1981 to win both Opens in the same year.

"A guy that can keep his game under control, his shot-making under control," he said. "That's what you have to do this week. Especially coming in (on the back nine), the fairways are really very narrow and you've got to take the bad bounces as they come."

Usually, that kind of patience comes only with experience. Occasionally, it comes in a tide of confidence welling from a young man playing hot golf.

This British Open could very well be a showdown between experience and youth. And it could be one for the ages.

Troon boon: Big bucks await American winner

By Robert Millward
AP Sports Writer

TRON, Scotland — The strength of the pound against the dollar coupled with a healthy increase in prize money means that any American who wins this week's British Open will collect \$108,000 more than Tom Lehman did last year.

At Lytham, Lehman pocketed a check worth \$312,000 when the exchange rate was 1.56 dollars to the pound. The prize has gone up by 25 percent this year and the rate now is 1.68 to the pound.

So if Lehman, Tiger Woods or any American wins at Troon on Sunday, he will collect 250,000 pounds (\$420,000).

The last four times the Open came to Troon, Americans won the title — Arnold Palmer in 1962, Tom Weiskopf in '73, Tom Watson in '82 and Mark Calcavecchia in '89.

PUTTER, COME HOME: Nick Faldo won back-to-back Masters titles and a British Open in two years using a putter that then went into retirement.

Now it's back.

British Notes

After a lackluster season by his standards, Faldo has returned to the putter that helped him win those majors in 1989-90.

"It has won three majors and there's still a little bit of magic," he said on the eve of the British Open.

"It was in the bag in '89 and '90 and sort of been on and off. It has been loitering. The last two weeks I have been toying with it and it's in right now."

Faldo, who also won the 1992 Open and '96 Masters without the putter, thinks it can help him regain his title-winning putting touch.

BAKER-FINCH PLAYS: Ian Baker-Finch, who won the British Open in 1991 and very little since, confirmed Wednesday he would defy a nagging back injury and tee off for the first round.

The 6-foot-4 Australian, who didn't make a cut in his last two seasons on the U.S. tour, has been taking medication to ease his back pain.

His appearance has been the subject of speculation all week.

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GOLF: Open champ on fire

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to cruise in and I was a little tentative," Els said. "Maybe I didn't have the confidence I have right now. And that's absolutely why I made those mistakes."

"I think this year my whole game, my mental attitude — I want to say that I am a lot different. I think I've proved that in the U.S. Open."

Els is hot. But so is everyone else. The world's top five players — Tiger Woods, Els, Greg Norman, Colin Montgomerie and Lehman — have all won in the last month. And seven of the top 10 have won this year.

"Every man and his dog is here this week," said Els.

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To catch a thief

One of the most important assets for a catcher to possess is the ability to shut down enemy base stealers. The best and worst throwing catchers in the major leagues this season:

THE BEST		
O'Brien, Toronto	38	20
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Leyritz, Anaheim	62	29
Wilkins, S.F.	58	26
Aasmus, Houston	67	31

THE WORST		
Fletcher, Montreal	45	4
Widger, Montreal	78	9
Hallberg, Boston	64	12
Marwarig, Colo.	74	14
Johnson, Detroit	39	8

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Source: Elias Sports Bureau

AP/Ed De Gasparo

Mets fire general manager due to apparent conflict

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Joe McIlvaine was fired Wednesday as general manager of the surprising New York Mets, the apparent victim of a personality conflict with co-owner Fred Wilpon and manager Bobby Valentine.

Steve Phillips, 34, was promoted from assistant general manager to the GM job, and will be given a contract through the 2000 season. McIlvaine, who was offered another job in the organization, was the Mets' scouting director when they picked Phillips in the 1981 June draft.

The Mets, coming off their sixth straight losing season and beset by injuries at the start of the year, have rebounded neatly. They took a 51-41 record — fourth-best in the league — into Wednesday night's game against the Chicago Cubs. New York began the day 2 1/2 games behind Florida for the NL wild-card spot.

"The Mets have enjoyed a certain degree of success in the first half," Wilpon said. "Our decision to restructure the baseball department, however, is not founded on the team's recent performance."

Wilpon and Valentine both praised McIlvaine's skill in player evaluation and development. McIlvaine was offered an unspecified job in that area, and has not yet decided whether to take it.

Wilpon said it was in other areas, such as finance, traveling with the team and meeting with the media, where McIlvaine was not as strong.

"There was no specific incident or action that led to this decision," Wilpon said.

This much was true, though: Wilpon, Valentine and Phillips all have precise, detail-oriented personalities, while McIlvaine has a more laid-back style.

Fielder out, will have surgery

CHICAGO (AP) — New York Yankees designated hitter Cecil Fielder will miss six to eight weeks after fracturing his right thumb during a head-first slide in Tuesday's win over Cleveland.

Fielder, placed on the disabled list Wednesday for the first time in his career, will undergo surgery Thursday in New York.

"It's just part of the baseball season. They're saying six to eight weeks but you never know until

The switch came only two weeks before the trading deadline.

"I think it may be considered by a lot of teams as a strange happening," Valentine said of the timing.

Valentine replaced Dallas Green as manager last Aug. 26, a move strongly supported by Wilpon. McIlvaine did not want to fire Green, and Valentine was seen as Wilpon's choice.

Wilpon said he and co-owner Nelson Doubleday decided 2-3 weeks ago to dismiss McIlvaine, whose contract was to expire at the end of the season. The circumstances were not right to announce the move until now, Wilpon said.

Phillips becomes the second-youngest GM in the majors, just a month older than Detroit's Randy Smith. Among Phillips' first tasks will be negotiating an extension for Valentine, whose contract ends after this season.

McIlvaine was told of the decision during a one-hour meeting earlier in the day at Wilpon's office in Manhattan. McIlvaine later visited Phillips at Shea Stadium, and sent a voice mail to Mets employees thanking them for their support throughout the years.

A call to McIlvaine's home in suburban New York was met with an answering machine.

Wilpon and Phillips both said they hoped McIlvaine would accept a job in the Mets' system.

"He's been my tutor and personal friend. I owe everything to Joe," said Phillips, the assistant GM since December 1995. "I know we can work together."

The Mets finished 71-91 last year, 24 games behind Atlanta in the NL East. Before opening day, the Mets traded for John Olerud, Greg McMichael and Manny Alexander and signed Rick Reed, Todd Pratt and other lesser-known free agents who have played well.

they operate," Yankees manager Joe Torre said before Wednesday night's game against the White Sox at Comiskey Park.

During a head-first slide into home during the third inning of Tuesday's 12-6 win over the Indians at Yankee Stadium, Fielder sustained an avulsion fracture and also injured the ulna collateral ligament in his right thumb.

Fielder was hitting .254 with 10 homers and 51 RBIs.

HALO: Midland stands two games behind

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playing at home and we've played pretty good at home."

Probably the hottest Angel is utility man Jamie Burke, who has only a three-game hitting streak but has gone 10 for his last 14 at-bats and has had a pair of four-hit games.

Shortstop Tim Lincecum has also been reliable at the plate, by hitting in 20 out of the last 22 games, with streaks of eight and 11 during that time and a .361 average. Lincecum has shown some power lately as he belted his first home run, with a solo blast in Tuesday's win against the Mariners.

Coming out of a little slump is recently-selected Texas League All-Star Aaron Guiel. The outfielder has hit safely in 19 of 21 games with a .382 mark.

On the mound, Mr. Reliable lately has been Nick Skuse, another Texas League All-Star. Skuse is a perfect 10-of-10 in save opportunities. In 9 1/3 innings pitched, Skuse has allowed just one run, three hits and has a scorching .096 ERA.

Fellow All-Star Jarrod Washburn is just as hot as the West Texas weather and his fellow teammates. The left-hander has won five games in a row, and his team has won in his last six appearances.

There are plenty of positives, so it seems, that the Angels start this homestand, which stretches out over the next 19 days, with much on their side. Good news for Mid-

land which is 27-15 at Christensen Stadium. Bad news for Tulsa, Shreveport and Wichita, the teams visiting the Tall City during the next three weeks. Seane said that in order to be in contention for the title, the Angels must take advantage of this homestand.

"I feel pretty good about our chances at home," Seane said. "I think we need to win 12 of those games in order to have a chance. If we don't win at least 12, I think it'll be a bit tougher for us."

"The title is definitely within reach. In the series against Tulsa, Shreveport and Wichita, it's going to come down to pitching and defense and who plays the game the best."

Tulsa is a very interesting team. An example would be that the Drillers, Double-A affiliate of the Texas Rangers, lead the league in home runs but are last in hitting. They are also 12-29 on the road this year. The power the Drillers possess can be cause enough for concern, however, in a hitter's friendly ballpark like Christensen. Leading the power surge is Dan Collier, who leads the league with 20 home runs. Not far behind at second in the league is Fernando Tatis, the heir apparent to current Ranger Dean Palmer at third base, with 19 shots.

The Drillers' pitching staff consists of Jonathan Johnson, who is one of the top prospects in the Ranger organization, Ted Silva, who has won nine games for the club, and Todd Vap Poppel, a for-

Mayor discloses agreement that should keep Astros in Houston

By Michael Greczyk
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON — An agreement addressing cost overruns for a new \$250 million downtown Houston baseball stadium still on the drawing board was announced Wednesday by Mayor Bob Lanier and Harris County Judge Robert Eckels.

The deal involving the city, county and Houston Astros owner Drayton McLane was signed late Tuesday and appears to defuse another threat by McLane to entertain offers to sell the National League club, a step that almost certainly would take the team away from Houston.

If no ballpark financing plan was in place by Tuesday, the Astros legally could have left the city although McLane had said the deadline could have been extended if an agreement was close.

A referendum last November provided \$180 million in public financing, more than two-thirds of what is needed for the stadium. McLane has said the planned ballpark, which would feature a retractable roof, is a prerequisite for the Astros remaining in Houston.

Reports of cost overruns surfaced even before contracts are let and dirt is turned.

Under terms of the amended letter of intent announced Wednesday, the Astros will be responsible for any cost overruns unless the contractor, the architect or the Houston Sports Authority — the public agency being set up to oversee the project — causes or requests changes that result in higher costs. In those cases, the party responsible for the extra costs will pay.

"That was a big thing," Lanier said. "And getting that down on paper so it reflected what we talked about."

The Astros also agreed to increase their annual lease payment to \$4.6 million, up from \$3.3 million. The boost will support a total of \$52 million in financing.

That \$52 million, combined with the \$180 million in public money and another \$18 million in private financing will equal the \$250 million price tag, Lanier and Eckels said.

"It's been a long process," Eckels said. "I'm very excited we've addressed those issues that were still out there."

In addition, the Astros agreed to handle the sale of \$15 million in personal seat licenses, if those so-called PSLs are needed.

There was no immediate comment on the agreement from McLane, who was not in his Temple office Wednesday.

Lanier, who opposed a football stadium deal that led to the loss of the NFL Houston Oilers to Tennessee, would not say if this latest agreement would end once and for all the Astros' threats to leave, noting only that McLane did sign it.

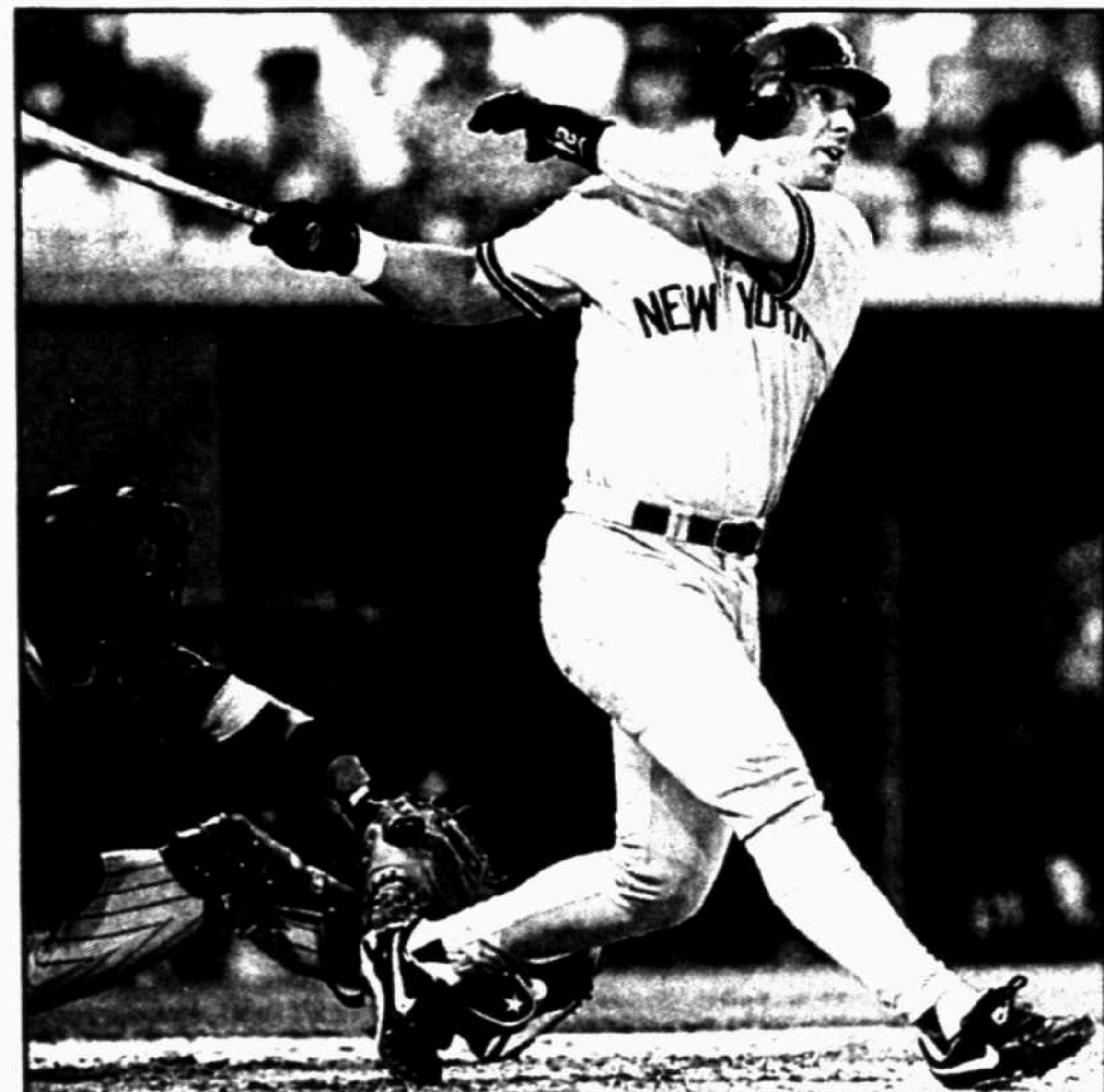
"He's got a \$200 million asset. For it to work, we've got to complete this deal," Lanier said. "I've not been very successful in predicting the actions of pro sports owners nor do I think it is a talent I will acquire in the future."

"I don't know where they're going to get a better deal."

Groundbreaking is set for Nov. 1. The stadium site is just east of downtown at the old railroad station and adjacent to the George Brown Convention Center. Its construction is seen as a catalyst for a downtown redevelopment program.

"I'm real pleased to be this far," Lanier said. "We've still got to deliver a bonded contract for this amount."

"But I think it gets easier now."



New York Yankees' Tino Martinez follows through on a solo homer in the third inning against the Chicago White Sox Wednesday in Chicago. Behind the plate is White Sox catcher Tony Pena.

Brown pitches one-hitter against Dodgers

By The Associated Press

MIAMI — Kevin Brown pitched his first career one-hitter, leading the Florida Marlins over Los Angeles 5-1 Wednesday night and sending the Dodgers to just their second loss in 13 games this month.

Brown (9-6), who no-hit San Francisco on June 10, faced just two batters over the minimum, allowing a leadoff single to left by Raul Mondesi in the fifth. Brown then retired his final 15 batters.

He struck out eight and walked one in his fourth complete game of the season. The Dodgers' run was unearned; Brown has allowed one earned run or none in 10 of 20 starts this season.

Phillies 6, Expos 0

PHILADELPHIA — Curt Schilling pitched a four-hitter for his first shutout this season and Scott Rolen homered and drove in two runs for Philadelphia.

Schilling (11-8), involved in trade rumors with several teams, struck out seven and did not walk a batter in his fourth complete game.

NL Roundup

game. The right-hander, who leads the NL with 176 strikeouts, didn't allow a runner to reach third in pitching the Phillies' first shutout of 1997.

Reds 7, Pirates 3

PITTSBURGH — Jon Nunnally homered and drove in three runs in his first NL start and Dave Burba remained unbeaten in Pittsburgh as Cincinnati stopped the Pirates' four-game winning streak.

Burba (6-9) improved to 5-0 in Three Rivers Stadium, including 2-0 this season. He gave up three runs and eight hits in his second complete game — and the Reds' second — this season.

Cubs 6, Mets 5

NEW YORK — Right fielder Sammy Sosa made a running catch with the bases loaded to end the seventh and catcher Scott Servais had a key pickoff in the eighth to lead Chicago.

The Cubs stopped their four-game losing streak and sent the

Mets to their third straight loss. Before the game, New York fired general manager Joe McIlvaine despite starting the day with a 51-41 record, fourth-best in the NL.

Braves 2, Rockies 1

ATLANTA — Chipper Jones singled home the go-ahead run in the eighth inning and Tom Glavine won for the fourth time in five decisions.

Colorado has lost five straight and 12 of 13, dropping to 44-51. Atlanta won for just the third time in seven games since the All-Star break.

Larry Walker went 1-for-4, dropping his major league-leading average to .404.

Glavine (10-5) allowed five hits in eight innings, struck out five and walked three. Mark Wohlers finished with a perfect ninth for his 23rd save in 25 chances.

Astros 8, Giants 1

HOUSTON — Mike Hampton pitched a four-hitter to win his third straight decision as Houston won for the fifth time in seven games since the All-Star break.

The Giants have lost three of four and five of seven since the break. Hampton (6-7), who began the season 2-6, has won four of five with one no-decision in his last six starts.

Keith Foulke (1-4), who attended Astros games while growing up in Hargrove, Texas, dropped to 0-4 on the road.

Padres 4, Cardinals 3

ST. LOUIS — Ken Caminiti singled home the go-ahead run with two outs in the ninth as San Diego rallied.

San Diego scored twice in the eighth to tie the score at 3. Rickey Henderson singled off T.J. Mathews (4-4) in the ninth, stole second and took third on a groundout by Quilvio Vera.

Tony Gwynn was intentionally walked and Caminiti singled in the lead run, helping San Diego improve to 5-2 since the All-Star break.

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PACK: Joyner signs 4-year deal

(From 1D)

ring or pairing up with Reggie White, maybe that's the most important thing for him," a delighted coach Mike Holmgren said.

"He's really a nice piece of the puzzle for this season for us. He's still a very, very fine football player," Holmgren said.

The addition of Joyner, one of the elite every-down outside linebackers in the NFL, eases the Packers' concerns over their linebacker corps.

Middle linebacker George Koonce, the team's leading tackler last year, underwent reconstructive knee surgery in the offseason and is expected to miss the first six games.

"If George Koonce hadn't been hurt, we probably wouldn't address the linebacker situation. But George is hurt and we're not sure when he's going to come back, so we have to do this," Holmgren said.

Defensive coordinator Fritz Shurmur said Joyner will start out backing up third-year pro Bernardo Harris in the middle.

But that might not last long.

"We envision him more as an insurance move right now," GM Ron Wolf said. "But the history of his career thus far is that he has started everywhere he's been. I see no reason why he wouldn't start here."

Joyner can play either Koonce's inside position or Wayne Simmons' left outside position. Joyner's natural position is outside, so the Packers could move Simmons inside.

"We'll have to see where he feels more comfortable," Wolf said. "But our thoughts right now are to play him at middle linebacker."

Joyner had 124 tackles, 71 solo, last season. He also had five sacks, one fumble recovery, an interception and a team-high 10 tackles for loss.

Solano said his client was offered up to \$2 million a year from other clubs. Had Joyner taken more money from the Cowboys or even Cincinnati, which offered him \$1.5 million this season, the Packers were set to go with Harris in the middle.

Harris was undeterred by the Packers' pursuit of Joyner.

"I view it as my position. As long as I do my job I should stay there," he said.

Harris and Lamont Hollinquest, a fourth-year pro, were counting on considerably more playing time this season before Wolf re-signed free agent Simmons at a cut-rate \$1 million in May, then added Joyner on Wednesday.

Hollinquest said he didn't mind the pickups, however.

"Every guy we can get helps. We're trying to repeat," he said. "We need all the strength we can get."

Holmgren said he was certain that Cowboys owner Jerry Jones would lure Joyner to Dallas.

"It's always amazed me, I don't know how he does it," Holmgren said. "But Jerry, if he needs a player, somehow he goes to his tree in the back yard, starts picking dollar bills off and then there's the money."

NFL NOTES

Cardinals give hefty contract to top draft pick

Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — The Arizona Cardinals gave cornerback Tom Knight a five-year, \$8.22 million contract Wednesday, completing negotiations with all of their draft picks and veteran free agents before training camp.

Knight's package includes a \$3.74 million bonus.

The rookie from Iowa is viewed as a possible solution to Arizona's problem at right cornerback, a position tested every Sunday because teams usually avoid Aeneas Williams, who plays the left side.

The last time the Cardinals, who open camp in Flagstaff, Ariz., with a team meeting Thurs-

day night, started two-a-days with everyone suited up was 1988, their first in Arizona.

They came close in 1991, when all of the draft picks signed in advance, but second-year running back Johnny Johnson held out and missed the first two weeks.

Last year, the Cardinals failed to sign a draft pick until the day before camp, and defensive end Simeon Rice and tight end Johnny McWilliams, taken in the first and third rounds, respectively, missed camp entirely.

Oilers trying to sign McCullough, Holmes
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee Oilers' first-round draft

pick Kenny Holmes could be signed by the week's end.

The defensive end's agent, Mitchell Frankell, said Wednesday he was working out a deal that could be signed Friday when players report to Tennessee State University.

The Oilers signed wide receiver Joey Kent, a second-round pick from Tennessee, to a three-year deal last week. That leaves only Holmes and defensive back George McCullough, a fifth-round pick from Baylor, unsigned. McCullough's deal could be concluded Wednesday.

The Oilers have been unpacking eight moving vans that arrived last week from Houston as the team prepares for training camp

in temporary quarters. The Oilers' practice facility and permanent offices won't be ready for another month.

When practice starts Saturday, coaches will be looking for someone to fill the right tackle spot on the offensive line. Irv Eatman, a 12-year veteran, ripped a bicep muscle in his shoulder at minicamp in early June and had surgery June 13.

But he's still in a sling and said Tuesday he will be out at least until October.

Vying for the job are second-year man Jon Runyan, former Tennessee star Jason Layman and Melvin Hayes, who joined the Oilers after two seasons with the Jets.

Germany's Ullrich leads Tour de France at halfway point

PERPIGNAN, France (AP) — Jan Ullrich of Germany still wore the leader's yellow jersey as the Tour de France reached the midpoint Wednesday.

Ullrich finished in the main pack in the 11th stage, less than a minute behind the leaders as still another controversy marred the closing sprint.

Laurent Desbiens was awarded the victory after Ukraine's Sergei Outschakov interfered with him approaching the finish line.

Outschakov finished first but Desbiens immediately raised his hand in protest while crossing the line.

Carlo Finco of Italy was second and Outschakov was placed third. The three broke away from the main group.

It was the second time in a week that a rider's apparent victory was taken away for an irregular sprint.

Friday, Erik Zabel of Germany was placed last after finishing

first. He then won the next two stages.

There is rest day on Thursday in St. Etienne and an important time trial there Friday.

From there there are four days in the Alps before another time trial in Disneyland Paris July 26 and the finish in Paris on July 27.

Desbiens' victory came as the Tour came down to the plains after two days in the Pyrenees. The stage covered 119.3 miles from

Andorra to Perpignan.

TOUR TIDBIT: The riders and major officials hopped a plane immediately after the race to get to St. Etienne, where they will stay three nights. Thursday is a rest day and Friday is a time trial. Then they leave St. Etienne to get to L'Alpe d'Huez on Saturday.

NEXT STAGE: There is a rest day in St. Etienne on Thursday. Friday's 12th stage is a 34.2-mile time trial around St. Etienne.

DEAL: Sharpe one of richest tight ends

(From 1D)

Coates signed with New England in May.

Sharpe was an unrestricted free agent at the end of last season and was designated the Broncos' transition player. He turned down a one-year, \$1.74 million offer from the Broncos in February.

Sharpe was the Broncos' seventh-round draft choice and 192nd overall selection in the 1990 draft.

Sharpe led NFL tight ends a year ago in receptions (80) and reception yards (1,062) and tied Carolina's Wesley Walls for most touchdowns (10).

A five-time Pro Bowl selection, Sharpe has played 107 games for Denver, catching 393 passes for

4,884 yards and 31 touchdowns.

"Shannon is the prototype tight end. Not only can he catch the football, but he's become an excellent blocker," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said. "He's done the things that warrant the contract."

"If I had three good years or five good years, I thought I would give them to the Denver Broncos and nobody else," Sharpe said. "Seven years ago they came to me when nobody else did and gave me an opportunity to play and showcase my talent."

"So it wasn't a matter of money," Sharpe said. "It was a matter of principle."

Meanwhile, the Broncos are working to sign their three draft picks — first-round pick Trevor Pryce, a defensive lineman; third-round pick Dan Neil, an offensive guard; and fourth-round pick Cory Gilliard, a safety.

Team officials also are negotiating with two unrestricted veteran free agents, quarterback Bill Musgrave and offensive lineman Reggie McElroy.

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Northern wins on no-hitter

SAN ANGELO — Midland Northern's Bryce Ary and Brian Unietis combined to pitch a no-hitter as Northern beat Dumas, 21-0, in the 9-10 year-old sub-sectional Little League tournament on Wednesday.

Northern pounded out 20 hits in the win which advanced the team in the winner's bracket. Offensively for Northern, Tim Smith went 4-for-5, James Tasker was 3-for-4, Ary went 4-for-4 with a double, Bobby Whiteside went 2-for-4 with a double, David Harp added a triple, Jeff Ryan was 3-for-4, Unietis went 2-for-2, and Thomas Frisbie went 2-for-4.

Northern next plays the winner of San Angelo Western and Lubbock Southwest.

Bennett captures 5th NTPGA title

Brent Bennett won the 10-11 year-old bracket of the North Texas PGA Junior Tournament held at Ranchland Hills Country Club Wednesday with a nine hole score of 34. The win gives Bennett five wins this season and an automatic exemption into the NTPGA Tournament of Champions at Bear Creek in Dallas on Aug. 4-5, which Bennett won last year as a 9-year-old in sudden death.

In a correction from Wednesday's edition, the 10-11 year-old bracket held a Green Tree Country Club was Chase Wood of Tyler with an nine hole score of 36 and not Mark Jones.

Winners in other divisions were Kevin Smith, who shot a 71 in the boys' 16-18 year-olds, Brad Gibson won the 14-15 boys with a 69, Ryan Manicom shot a 66 to capture the

12-13 boys, and Andrew Browning shot a 34 in the 10-11 boys. For the girls, Kelly Ford won the 10-11 age group with a 53, Christina Culverhouse had an 86 in the 12-14 division, and Julie Jacobs won the 15-18 group with an 80 score.

Wildcats win AUU first round

GREENSBORO, N.C. — The West Texas Wildcats won their first round game of Championship play in the 16-Under AAUBasketball Tournament Wednesday night.

Amarillo Tascosa's Ryan Chandler scored 15 points while Stanton guard Kyle Herm and Midland Lee's 6-5 post Josh Ralston has 11 each. The win moves the Wildcats, made up of West Texas basketball players, to the round of 16 where they will face Indiana Spiece, the tourney's No. 2 seeds.

The Wildcats got off to a torrid start tournament this week, winning their first three games to vault into the championship division.

The Wildcats won all three of its pool games to advance to the field of 32 remaining teams. Over 80 teams started the tournament.

The Wildcats defeated Topeka, Kan., 77-63, in the first game as Lubbock High's Bradley Randle, a 6-4 post, led the way with 15 points. Ralston landed 12 points and Herm, 5-10, added eight points.

The Wildcats then defeated Richmond, Va., 65-58, as Chris Ogden, a 6-7 post from Seminole, pumped in 16 points. Ralston had 11 and Herm eight points.

In the final pool win, a 73-68 verdict over Columbus, Ohio, Randle came back with 19 points while Herm had nine and Ralston 8.

The Wildcats were to begin championship play Wednesday night against Detroit, Mich., but results of that game were not

known at press time.

Odessa teams win qualifying

Two Odessa slowpitch softball teams won the ASA District 26 Qualifying Tournament held in Midland over the weekend.

Odessa Renegades beat Iraan for the women's championship while Odessa Physical Therapy swept the Tall City Cubs, 19-16 and 27-22, to win the men's championship.

The tournament, sponsored by the Odessa Softball Association, was played in Midland due to rain.

All-District Women: Melissa Tucker, Karen Townsend, Susan Dunn and Letti Jernigan (Renegades); Mitz Dandridge, Josie Accetta and Elsa Molina (Iraan); Tressa Smith and Janie Brown (Midland Bullets); and Amy Handley (Odessa Sluggers).

All-District Men: MVP Brian Brady, Larry Foster, Mike Robison, Kevin Glaspy and Jake Cannon (OPT); Tony Perez, Greg Galvan and Rick Castaneda (Tall City Cubs); Curt Raney and John Sorenson (Southwestern Bell).

Sanders picked to region team

For the second consecutive year, Midland's Stephen Sanders has been selected to the Region III Regional Olympic Development Program (ODP) roster.

Sanders represented North Texas Soccer at the 1997 Region III Camp at the University of Alabama. He trained with other Regional ODP teams from 12 states in Region III. At the camp's end, Sanders was one of 24 players from the 12-state, 300-player talent pool chosen to remain and continue training as a member of the Region III ODP team.

Sanders plays for Midland's Black Magic, which is coached by Alvin Alexander. He will be a sophomore at Midland Lee. His parents are David and Gail Sanders.

WNBA team fires former SW Texas coach

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles Sparks coach Linda Sharp was fired Wednesday and assistant coach Julie Rousseau was named the interim head coach after the team stumbled to a 4-7 start in the inaugural WNBA season.

"This was an extremely difficult decision, one that I take no joy in making," Sparks general manager Rhonda Windham said in a statement. "However, with the pending circumstances — such as the short duration of the season and the still-realistic possibility of reaching the playoffs — we felt that a change was necessary at this time."

Orlando Woolridge, a 13-season NBA veteran who had been working in the Sparks' front office and helping at practices, was named as an assistant coach.

With a lineup including Olympic gold medalist Lisa Leslie, Los Angeles was expected to be one of the league's top teams. However, the Sparks have fallen into third place in the WNBA's four-team Western

Conference and had lost four of its five games entering Wednesday night's home game against Houston.

"We think that a talented, veteran team such as ourselves has the potential to play at a much higher level, and that Julie is the individual to make that happen," team president Johnny Buss said in a statement.

"Hopefully, this change will provide a little extra spark and energy for the players as we strive to reach the playoffs. With the hindrance of a 28-game schedule, we had to act quickly in making this decision."

Sharp guided Southern California to NCAA championships in 1983 and 1984, while Windham was one of her players. She spent the past seven seasons as the coach at Southwest Texas.

Sharp's firing was the first in WNBA history. "This is definitely a shock for me and my teammates," Leslie said. "The other coaches on our staff still leave us with confidence. We just hope we can turn it around."



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Camps...

Lady Rebel Basketball Camp for incoming 7th-9th graders is July 21-23 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fundamentals instruction is \$35. Contact Elise Kail at 694-3214 for more information...

Odesa College is holding basketball camps for girls. Camps will run July 21-25 for ninth grade girls and older and July 28-Aug. 1 for grades 6-8. Both camps are \$59. To register, call 335-6348...

Odesa College is holding two volleyball camps this summer. A junior high camp is scheduled July 28-Aug. 1 and one for high school players July 21-25, both at \$59. To register, call 335-6348...

The Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club is accepting registrations for the **Super Summer All Sports Camps** through Aug. 7. Sports covered include soccer, basketball and track. Camps will be conducted Monday through Thursday each week. Junior tennis programs will also be available for all ages and levels July 28-Aug. 1 (July 24 deadline). To register, call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5360...

The Mabec Aquatic Center is hosting a half-day summer sports camp for children ages 5-12. Children will receive instruction in swimming, diving and tumbling. For more information call Tassy at 684-7755...

The Big Country Residential Soccer Camp is July 27-31 at Hardin-Simmons University. Camp is open to all players born before July 31, 1987. They will also host the West Texas Shootout Aug. 4-7 at Lee Complex. Athletes ages 5-14 are invited. Deadline is July 28. For more information, call Rena Richardson at 915-670-5834...

Odesa College is holding a gymnastics camp for children ages 5-14 on July 28-Aug. 1. The session is \$59. To register, call 335-6348...

Midland College's Lady Chap Shooting Camp is July 25-26. Sessions for grades four through seven are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and sessions for grades eight through 12 are 2-6 p.m. For more information call Ron Jones at 685-4580...

Tennis...

Washington Park is holding free tennis clinics which will be sponsored by Casa de Amigos, Boys and Girls Club of Midland, Texas Tennis Association and the USTA. The sessions will run Tuesdays from 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, call Chris Granado or Luis Valdez at 682-9701...

Sessions are underway for summer clinics at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club each week from Monday through Thursday. Lessons for grades 1-4 are from 10:30-noon, for grades 5-8 from 9:10-30 a.m. and advanced tournament players 5-8 from 2-4 p.m. and 9-up from noon-2 p.m. For more information, call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5360...

The Pro Showdown is scheduled for Aug. 29-31 at the Racquet Club. There will be 11 invited players and one qualifier participating for a total purse of \$25,000. The tournament will benefit Casa de Amigos and sponsors and volunteers are needed. For more information, call Terri at 688-4040...

The Coca Cola Challenge Tennis Tournament is Aug. 2-3 at Reagan County High Tennis Courts in Big Lake. Entry is \$10 and a can of balls per event. All men's and women's divisions, plus juni or boys and girls singles and doubles. For more information call: Reggie Aguilar 884-6800, Rit Statham 884-2108, or Tracy Tamm at 884-3592...

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Festival is July 25-27 at Lubbock's Burt Hoffman complex. For softball teams B/C, D/E, Co-Ed and Women's recreational. Also, volleyball, soccer, horseshoes and washers. Call 1-806-763-3841 for information...

The Midland Softball Association is holding several girls fast pitch summer tournaments, including a girls 12-under A and B fast pitch regional July 25-27 at Ulmer Park and a girls 12-under ASA national tournament Aug. 5-10 at Bill Williams Softball Complex...

Midland Stars JATT (Just Another Tournament Tournament) is July 18-19 at Hogan Park Fields 3 and 4. Cost for the Class C, double elimination tournament is \$125 per team. No loading with upper league players. For more information, call Randy Tanner at 684-4461 or Rob Hull at 686-6705 or Chris Hall at 522-7222...

The Coyotes and Critters Mid-Night Madness V Softball Classic is July 18-19 at the Rio Concho Sports Complex in San Angelo. Cost for the men's C, D and E, double elimination tournaments, is \$100 per team with an additional \$15 for an unsanctioned team. For more information, call Bill Riddle at (915) 651-7289, Steve Mann at (915) 942-0726 or Leo Brannan at (915) 655-4251...

Signups are underway for the **Midland Softball Association's fall league**. Team entry fee is \$250 and player fees are \$10 by Aug. 9. The season starts Aug. 25. For more information, call 683-8741...

The Knights of Columbus are holding their third annual **Class D tournament** July 26-27 at Hogan Park. Entry fee is \$110 per team by July 23. For more information, call Ruben Carrasco at 686-8986...

The Sandbagger slow-pitch tournament is scheduled for July 20-21 at Cotton Mize Field in Big Spring. The entry fee is \$100 with a five home run limit. For more information, call Darren at 263-4901...

Midland A's slow pitch tournament is Aug. 22-24 at Hidalgo Park. Entry fee is \$110 and deadline to enter is Aug. 21. For more information call Roland at 697-7440...

Baseball...

The 1997 Southwest Regional 16-18 year-old **Babe Ruth Baseball Tournament** is set for July 24-30 at the Seminole High School and Baseball Field. The tournament is the last step before the Babe Ruth 16-18 year-old World Series set for Jamestown, N.Y., in August. Family series passes, which admit two adults and accompanying children, are also available for \$35. These passes are good for every game. Day passes are also available for \$10 per person. For more information and group ticket sales, please contact Ron Crmley at (915) 758-1212...

Golf...

The Texas Commerce Bank/Chase Men's City Golf Championship, is Aug. 1-3 at Hogan Park Golf Course. Players of all handicap levels are encouraged to participate. Players must be a current resident of Midland and have a current established handicap. Entry fee is \$85 for Championship and President's Flight and \$75 for all other flights. Entry deadline is July 29 by 6 p.m. Entry forms are available at all golf courses in Midland and at Texas Commerce Bank...

McCamey Country Club will host the following tournaments: Club Championship, August 2-3, \$25 per person; Four-Man Select Shot, Sept. 6-7, \$260 per team; Ona Lee Sharp Classic (Four-Lady Select), Sept. 20, \$35 per person. Three-person 18-hole select shot tournament, Oct. 18, \$35 per person...

NBA Notes

traded by Charlotte during the 1992-93 season to San Antonio for forward Sidney Green and two draft picks. Reid, 29, was traded to the New York Knicks in February 1996. The Knicks renounced their rights to Reid after the 1995-96 season.

Christie signs long-term deal with Raptors

TORONTO — Doug Christie signed a seven-year contract worth more than \$22 million with Toronto on Wednesday and the guard gave credit to the Raptors vice-president and soon-to-be owner Isiah Thomas for running the NBA franchise like a family.

The 6-foot-6 Christie, who had one year left on his original contract, made \$1.35 million last season when he improved his numbers in all defensive and offensive categories.

Christie averaged 14.5 points, 5.3 rebounds, 3.9 assists and 2.48 steals, which was second-best in the NBA.

Bryon Russell re-signs with Jazz

SALT LAKE CITY — Bryon Russell, whose 3-point shooting and defense were a key to Utah's inaugural trip to the NBA Finals, signed a five-year contract with the Jazz.

The deal reportedly is worth at \$20 million, including \$3 million in its first year.

son. Call 1-915-652-3904 for more information...

The Big Spring Country Club's WGA/MGA Tournament Schedule for 1997: Aug. 9-10 Guys and Gals; 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: Two-Person Scramble, July 26-27; Four-Person Scramble, August 23-24; 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...

The Midland A&M Club is hosting its annual **Scholarship Golf Tournament** Aug. 23 at Hogan Park. The event is an 18-hole, four-man scramble format beginning at 7 a.m. Proceeds will benefit the Midland A&M Club Scholarship Program. For more information, contact Henry N. Clanton at 688-5447 or 699-7378...

Masters Golf Range is offering **Free Golf Tips** on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. during July...

Upcoming tournaments at the **Gaines County Golf Club** are: Two-Lady Softie Scramble, July 30, \$80 plus cart; Three-man, 2-low ball, Aug. 2-3, \$60 plus cart. To enter any of these tournaments call (915) 758-3808...

Hogan Park is offering ladies golf clinics July 22-24 from 6-8 p.m. for all levels of play. All clinics are \$60 per person. Clubs will be provided for those who need equipment. The first two days will be spent on the putting green and driving range with the third day spent on the course. Each person will be videotaped and given the tape for their use. For more information, call 685-7360...

Soccer...

The Midland Soccer Association is holding signups for all players ages 4-18 through Aug. 3 the MSA office from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration fee is \$40 and all new players will need to bring a copy of their birth certificate. Registration at the mall will be Aug. 2-3 and will also be accepted at Windlands Soccer Complex July 28-Aug. 1 from 6-8 p.m. For more information, call 684-5425...

The Midland Mirage Futbol Club will hold tryouts for girls select soccer teams in the U-13 and U-16 age brackets. Tryouts will be at Midland Lee practice fields west of the jogging track from 7-9 p.m. U-13 date is July 26. U-16 team will hold a tryout on July 26. For more information call U-13 coach Mike Rodgers at 699-4318 or U-16 coach Jo Anne Hudson at 685-1829...

1829...

The University of Texas is holding a workshop for coaches to become more effective in reaching goals and objectives July 30 at the Holiday Inn, 6201 E. Business Loop 20 in Odessa. Fees for 1-2 participants are \$125, 3-4 participants \$115 and for five or more \$100 each. The workshop runs from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. To register, call (512) 471-4633 or 1-800-687-7345...

Tryouts for the Midland Hot Shots under-16 girls club's fall season is July 31 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Bowie Elementary on the west side of the playground. For more information, call Jerry Knous at 682-5509 or Ken Keesee at 687-5507...

The Midland Blast Soccer Club is holding additional tryouts on July 21 and Aug. 11 at Windlands Soccer Complex from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All eligible players are welcome to try out. For more information, call Mike Thompson at 694-0735 or Isobel Barden at 570-6178...

Clinics for referees are scheduled for the area. Clinics for assistant referees 11 and older to be linepersons for under-9 and up games are July 25-26. Clinics for associate referees 12 or older to referee under-6 through under-9 games will be July 26. There will also be a clinic for certified referees 14 and older for games under-9 and up Aug. 8-10. For more information, call the Midland Soccer Association at 684-5425 or David Stall at 682-8904...

Midland Men's City Golf Championship is Aug. 1-3 at Hogan Park Golf Course. Entry fees for the tournament are \$85 for the Championship Flight (54 holes, 0-3 handicap) and President's Flight (54 holes, 4-7 handicap only), and \$75 for the First through Fourth Flights (36 holes, pre-flighted). Entry deadline is July 30 by 6 p.m. Must have registered verifiable handicap to enter...

The Fourth Annual Angie Workman Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament is Aug. 23-24. The tournament is a four-person, 36-hole scramble and will be held at Crane County Golf Course. Cost per team is \$220. Anybody interested in playing should contact Thea Gallion at 558-3574 or 558-2425, Becky Morrison at 558-3574 or 558-2651, or Nell Woodfin at the Crane County Country Club at 558-2651...

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Gymnastics...

The Alamo YMCA is taking registration for **summer gymnastics lessons**. Sessions are underway with each session running for two consecutive weeks on Monday through Thursday. Classes are offered for all ages and levels and YMCA membership is not required. For more information, call 694-2528...

Basketball...

The City of Midland's **Midnight Basketball Summer Youth Program** for children ages 9-18 runs

through Aug. 2 at the Midland High gym. The leagues will run from 6-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. There will be leagues for grades 4-6, 7-9, 10th through college and one for females 9-29. There will be a Tournament of Champions playoff with slam dunk, free throw and 3-Point Shootout. For more information, contact Tina Blake at 684-5081 or 682-1961 or Barbara Phillip at 689-1675...

The Texas State AAU Invitational will be held in Corpus Christi on July 25-28. There will be three divisions: 14-under, 15-under and 16-18. Entry deadline is July 20. Call Richard Stillman at 512-853-7222 or Roy Uvalde at 512-855-9885 for more details...

The BCI "NIT" openings are available in the high school eligibility division Tournament for the July 25-28 tournament in Austin. Call Richard Stillman at 512-853-7222 or Fonzell Martin at 512-834-8031 for more information...

Skiing...

The Flatlanders Ski Club is holding its annual membership roundup from 2-4 p.m. July 19 at Prescott's. Volleyball, horseshoes, dunking booth, face painting, music and a barbecue will be available and children are invited. Admission is \$5 or free for paid membership.

Aquatics...

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and over is scheduled this summer at the Mabec Aquatic Center. Divers must register with U.S. Diving for insurance purposes and pay a monthly fee of \$35. Workouts will be from 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabec Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is \$35 pre month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

In-Line Hockey...

Midland In-Line Hockey League (MIHL) will hold registration for the fall season at the Midland County Exhibit Building on the following dates and times: Aug. 9, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Aug. 10, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Aug. 17, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Team placement will be according to age (as of June 30, 1998) and skill level. Please bring a copy of birth certificate or drivers license and social security number. The season will begin in early September. For more information, contact MIHL at 520-2425...

Flag Football...

Registration for **YMCA flag football** begins Aug. 12. The program is for elementary school-aged boys and girls. Registration deadline is Sept. 13 with a \$25 fee for YMCA members and \$38 for non-members. For more information, call the Central YMCA at 682-2551...

Miscellaneous...

A search is on for **Special Olympic Coaches**. There will be a coaches training and certification clinic on July 26 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Golf Course Road Church of Christ. For more information, call James at 684-5024...

Dust Devil Divers are planning their next trip for July 26-27 to Possum Kingdom Lake. This was one of the best dives the club had all year. The next trip is to Santa Rosa, N.M., to dive Blue Hole and Pearch Lake on Aug. 9-10. To join the most active dive group in West Texas Call Briley at 570-8761 or Roger at 689-6688...

Celtics waive Radja; Charlotte inks Reed

Associated Press

BOSTON — Forward-center Dino Radja was placed on waivers by the Boston Celtics on Wednesday, the team said.

Radja, 30, has been with the Celtics for four seasons. A native of Croatia, Radja was the Celtics' second-round draft choice in the 1989 NBA draft. He led the Celtics in scoring and rebounding in 1995-96.

The 6-foot-11 forward played 25 games last season before undergoing knee surgery on Jan. 8.

Radja was traded to the Philadelphia 76ers last month for Michael Cage and Clarence Weatherspoon, but that was nullified when Radja failed his physical.

But published reports said Radja was expected to sign a contract with Panathinaikos AC in Greece.

Hornets sign J.R. Reid again

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Charlotte Hornets Wednesday signed free agent J.R. Reid to a contract more than four years after the former first-round pick was traded away by the Hornets.

The former North Carolina star who played more than three seasons with the Hornets returns to the NBA after playing for one year in France. He averaged a team-leading 17.9 points and eight rebounds as PSG-Racing won the French league title.

The 6-foot-9 center-forward was

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DEAR ABBY

Some parents fail to protect children's eyes from sunlight

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: While strolling on the beach recently, my wife and I noticed a young woman and her son wading. The boy was probably 3 or 4 years old. The mother was wearing sunglasses, but the child had none, and was squinting from the sun's glare.

On another occasion, we observed a mother pushing a stroller as she jogged. The infant in the stroller did not have his eyes protected from the sun and was squinting.

Abby, please urge parents to protect their children's eyesight with good sunglasses that block the UV rays. — BILL FROM CORRALITOS, CALIF.

DEAR BILL: With pleasure. Almost all parents are aware that exposure to sunlight can damage a child's delicate skin. However, the danger of the sun's rays to the eyes has only recently been established. Studies have shown that permanent damage to the eyes can result from prolonged exposure without adequate protection.

According to Michael H. Marmor, M.D., professor of ophthalmology at Stanford University Medical Center: "Of greater concern than the acute damage caused by a day in the sun is the CUMULATIVE damage of REPEATED exposure that may contribute to chronic eye disease."

Long-term exposure affects not only the surface of the eye — the cornea and conjunctiva — but also the internal structures, the lens and the retina, resulting in cataracts and other conditions that may harm the child's vision later in life.

The most dangerous time for sun exposure is between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (or even longer in areas close to the equator). High altitudes, beaches, snow fields and bodies of water significantly increase ultraviolet (UV) exposure.

Parents should teach children to never look directly at the sun, even when they are wearing sunglasses. Sunglasses cannot protect a child's eyes from potentially serious injury caused by gazing directly at the sun.

The American Academy of Ophthalmology recommends sunglasses that screen out 99 percent to 100 percent of ultraviolet light (both UV-A and UV-B). They should carry one of the following labels: "Blocks 99 percent of ultraviolet rays," "UV absorption up to 40nm," "Special purpose," or "Meets ANSI UV requirements."

A common myth about sunglasses is that they have to be expensive to give adequate protection. Many \$10 glasses may provide equal or greater protection than those costing \$100.

Even infants' eyes should be protected.

If necessary, the sunglasses can be secured with an elastic band.

DEAR ABBY: The letter in your column from "First Class Parent" — the father who was raising his children as a single parent — struck a chord with me. I am president of the national MAD DADS (Men Against Destruction Defending Against Drugs and Social Disorder).

So many of our children today grow up in homes with only one parent — usually the mother. Children need the influence of a father or other positive role model.

Many of our male volunteers grew up in households without a father, or are single fathers themselves. They have seen firsthand the consequences of absent fathers, and they are doing something about it.

Our organization started in 1989, after one of the founders' sons was nearly beaten to death by gang members. Here in Omaha, we were tired of the downward spiral of delinquency, drugs, gang involvement and destruction.

Today, MAD DADS has 50 chapters in 14 states. Our volunteers act as mentors, friends and, most important, positive role models to youth. These individuals walk their neighborhoods in pairs to take back their streets from drug dealers and gang members. They implement activities and programs to reach out to youth, serving as surrogate fathers, uncles and big brothers. MAD DADS chapters have been created in some of the poorest and most crime-ridden areas of the country. (South Central Los Angeles, for example, now has a chapter and two subdivisions.)

MAD DADS continues to reach out to recruit positive role models for inner-city youth. If your readers would like further information regarding MAD DADS, including how to become a volunteer or start a chapter in their area, they can contact us at 1-402-451-3500, or write to: MAD DADS National Headquarters, 3030 Sprague St., Omaha, Neb. 68111.

Thank you, Abby, for drawing attention to the important issues of fatherhood in our nation. — EDDIE STATON, PRESIDENT, OMAHA

DEAR MR. STATON: Thank you for letting my readers and me know about this worthwhile effort to reach and rehabilitate fatherless youth.

Mentoring is not a new idea, but it seems to be enjoying a resurgence in popularity. Mentoring takes time, training and dedication — but the payoff, turning young lives in productive new directions, is enormously rewarding. The committed men who step forward to donate their time and energy are to be commended. I wish you continued success in this noble effort.

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.)

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



Van Buren

Latest backyard pool trend: 'beach' entrance
Pool entry built on sand-colored quartz slope, not traditional stepsBy Gail Robinson
N.Y. Times News Service

From the vantage of an airplane's window seat, you can see them sparkling like aquamarine jewels scattered across the parched landscape. Who knew there were so many?

From street level, they are invisible. Yet in the Fort Worth-Dallas Metroplex, there are more than 100,000.

SWIMMING POOLS. To own one is to be blessed. To want one is agony, especially in the heat of summer.

Three fence lines over, you hear a war whoop and then a splash; the neighbors are at it again.

Are they swimming in a pool that looks like a set from a Tarzan movie or one that looks like a piece of the sky? There is no way to know.

Pools, one of the most expensive home upgrades, are hidden behind cedar picket shrouds.

New ones are often installations of spectacular beauty. In recent years, pool designers have broken out of the rectangular box and created pools that rely more on the concepts of nature than the T-square.

There are pools with entrances modeled on beaches. Still, other pools meet the horizon and become one with the sky, and pools that look as if they were carved into a lush

jungle.

BEACH ENTRY: One of the most innovative changes in pool design is the absence of steps. Instead, sand-colored quartz is mixed with concrete and spread on a gradual slope, making an easy descent into the water. As the water depth increases, the concrete and quartz mixture darkens to blue.

"Beach entries are good, especially if you have small children. It works much like a shallow wading pool," says Scott Jones, regional manager of the many Blue Haven Pools' offices in Fort Worth/Dallas.

Beach entries necessitate a minimum of 10 feet, which adds length and cost to the pool price.

The beautiful surface that looks like sand is also twice as expensive as conventional steps, says Barry Pulliam, owner of Pulliam Pools in Fort Worth. A small beach entry will add \$3,000 to the cost of a pool, he says.

VANISHING EDGE: Pool designers have visually pulled the horizon into the pool by using what pool professionals call a vanishing edge. The far edge of the pool seems to disappear, so that the pool water and large body of water become one.

"Vanishing edges are not cheap," says Jones, "in part because they are new and they

take more pumps and hydraulics. There is also a special holding tank below eye level on the far side."

Jones says that vanishing edges add a minimum of \$9,500 to the cost of the pool and go up from there. "Each project is different. The cost depends on the engineering of the yard."

In landlocked areas, vanishing-edge pools are sometimes used on the side of a hill to dramatic effect.

Jones says his company has built vanishing-edge pools in Arlington "in the hills and dales, and in Westover Hills."

LAGOONS AND PONDS: Creating a natural-looking pool means spending lots of money on landscaping and what the builders call "water features." These are fountains, spouts, waterfalls and walls of water called sheer descents that can jack up the price of a pool.

Those sylvan grottoes, with a free-form pool fed by a waterfall and surrounded by palm trees and tropical plants, often consume the entire backyard area.

Incorporating a gurgling fountain that masks traffic noise can add \$400 to the costs.

"People are looking for something different. They want curves and turns, raised beams, and a water feature to create their own little space," says Tom Owen, co-owner of Fort Worth-based Coleman Custom Pools.

And more people are incorporating their pools into an overall design for the entire yard, says Barbara Brady of the National Spa & Pool Institute.

"People are looking at pools as an extension of their homes, and they often have a master plan," Brady says.

Face-lifting a '60s pool: Many folks who have an old pool — one constructed when pools were rectangular pits sunk in the middle of a concrete slab — have indulged in the most common pool building trend-renovation.

Pools can be updated just like kitchens — at a cost, including a huge mess and endless hours of construction. The most common face lift is adding a layer of flagstone over the concrete decking.

"We've converted a lot of these pools," says Pulliam. "We redesign them to give them a new look, take off the white coping (the pool's edge) and put on brick or flagstone."

Most old pools need surface attention.

The plaster, "probably the weakest link," says Pulliam, probably needs resurfacing, and the deck usually has cracks. Old tile is often in good shape unless there has been some ground movement.

But more than likely the orange-and-brown Spanish motif is beginning to look too Brady Bunch-ish to keep, and so the tile gets a rehab, too.

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A Tiger Swallowtail butterfly, far left, is attracted to the nectar-rich flower spikes of the vitex. Various butterfly species find the lilac spikes, left, irresistible. The tree's flowers bloom in June and July, and sporadically in summer. Vitex grows rapidly into a large shrub or it can easily be trained into a small, multi-trunked tree.

With summer blooms of *Lilac*

West Texas-proven, the lilac chaste tree, or Vitex, can be grown as a multi-trunk ornamental tree or as a bushy shrub. Either way, lavender blue florets will abound.

Vitex: At a Glance

Form:	Deciduous large shrub or small multi-trunked tree
Size:	15 to 25 feet tall and 10 to 15 feet wide
Leaves:	Green with silvery gray underneath, aromatic leaves
Texture:	Fine
Blooms:	Summer blooming in June and July with sporadic bloom to September
Color:	Lavender-blue flower spikes
Soils:	Accepts wide range of soils
Exposure:	Full sun to partial shade
Water:	Drought and heat tolerant
Pests:	None serious
Other:	Attracts butterflies

If you like small ornamental trees with lots of beautiful lavender flowers and butterflies, you'll want to look for a vitex. Vitex is a must have, West Texas-proven, drought tolerant, tough as a boot, lovely small tree.

Vitex, Vitex agnus-castus, is also known as the lilac chaste tree. It can be grown as a large shrub, but better yet, as a small, multi-trunk tree. Vitex is deciduous in nature with spicy, aromatic, palmately compound leaves (meaning they look like the fingers on a hand). The foliage is dark green on top and silvery gray on bottom, giving it a shimmery, graceful appearance when the wind blows. The leaves are small textured so they won't shade out turf grass and will allow you to easily grow flowering plants beneath it's shade.

Vitex is a wonderful little accent tree that can be used in a focal corner or anywhere a summer blooming accent plant is needed. It develops into an attractive shape very easily with some training in the early years and then yearly removal of basal roots each spring. Even the bare form of this tree is attractive in the winter months. Unlike so many good trees, vitex has a fast growth rate. You can have a decent size, small tree in just a few short years. If you've got a window or patio that needs some quick shade or screening, this would be a good choice with its broad, spreading canopy and multi-trunks. The tree grows easily to 15 - 20 feet tall with a 15-foot spread. In June and July, the blooming begins. The heaviest bloom occurs in late June or early July with smaller sporadic blooming until September on the new growth. Multiple flower spikes are covered in small lavender blue flowers. Spikes are 4 to 7 inches long. Individual flowers have stamens that stick out beyond the petals, not strikingly obvious, but beautiful to those with an observant eye.

The color contrast between the leaves and flowers isn't drastically different so be sure to plant this small tree somewhere close to a window, seating or walking area so you can truly enjoy the beautiful blooms. The seed pods are small and do not create a litter problem. In fact, it can be used as a patio tree, next to a doorway or even a pool with very little litter other than fall leaf drop. Other flower

colors include the "Alba," which sports white blooms, and the "Rosea" with pink flowers. Varieties with foliage differences include "Latifolia" which has larger leaves and "Serrata" which has leaves with a serrated leaf margin.

There are probably other selections existing, but not commonly available through the nursery trade. Vitex negundo is a species that grows slightly larger than agnus-castus and has flowers with slightly lighter color. If you are choosing the plant for flower color value, select the agnus-castus, but if a larger tree is needed, choose the negundo species.

Vitex tolerates any soil conditions, even poor soils. It is particularly adaptable to dry, sunny locations and responds well to good care and management. Don't over water and fertilize because long rapidly growing shoots will develop and the flower color will tend to be light. This tough plant has been used by the Texas Department of Transportation in many area roadsides and roadside parks, illustrating it's durable constitution.

If you like to invite butterflies into your landscape, vitex is a must-have plant. They love the nectar rich flowers. Many butterflies are attracted to vitex, but right now you can see the Gulf Fritillary, a burnt orange, long-winged butterfly that has striking silver marks on the underneath side of the wings. (This is a side note, but the larva of this butterfly can be seen feeding ravenously on passion vine, right now. They are about 1-to-2- inches long, burnt orange and black with long black spikes up and down their bodies.)

Another point about vitex has to do with it's leaves. The leaves of young vitex are often confused with Cannabis sativa, better known by it's common name marijuana. If you've suspected your neighbor of growing an illegal plant in the backyard, take another discreet look. If it's covered in beautiful lavender blue flower spikes, it's just good old vitex.

Much underused in our commercial, public and private gardens is vitex. A plant perfect for the Permian Basin, tolerating dry soils, harsh conditions, and hot summer heat. It has few pest problems and will perform well even in difficult conditions. If you don't have one, try one. Vitex doesn't take up much room and it gives a lot in return.



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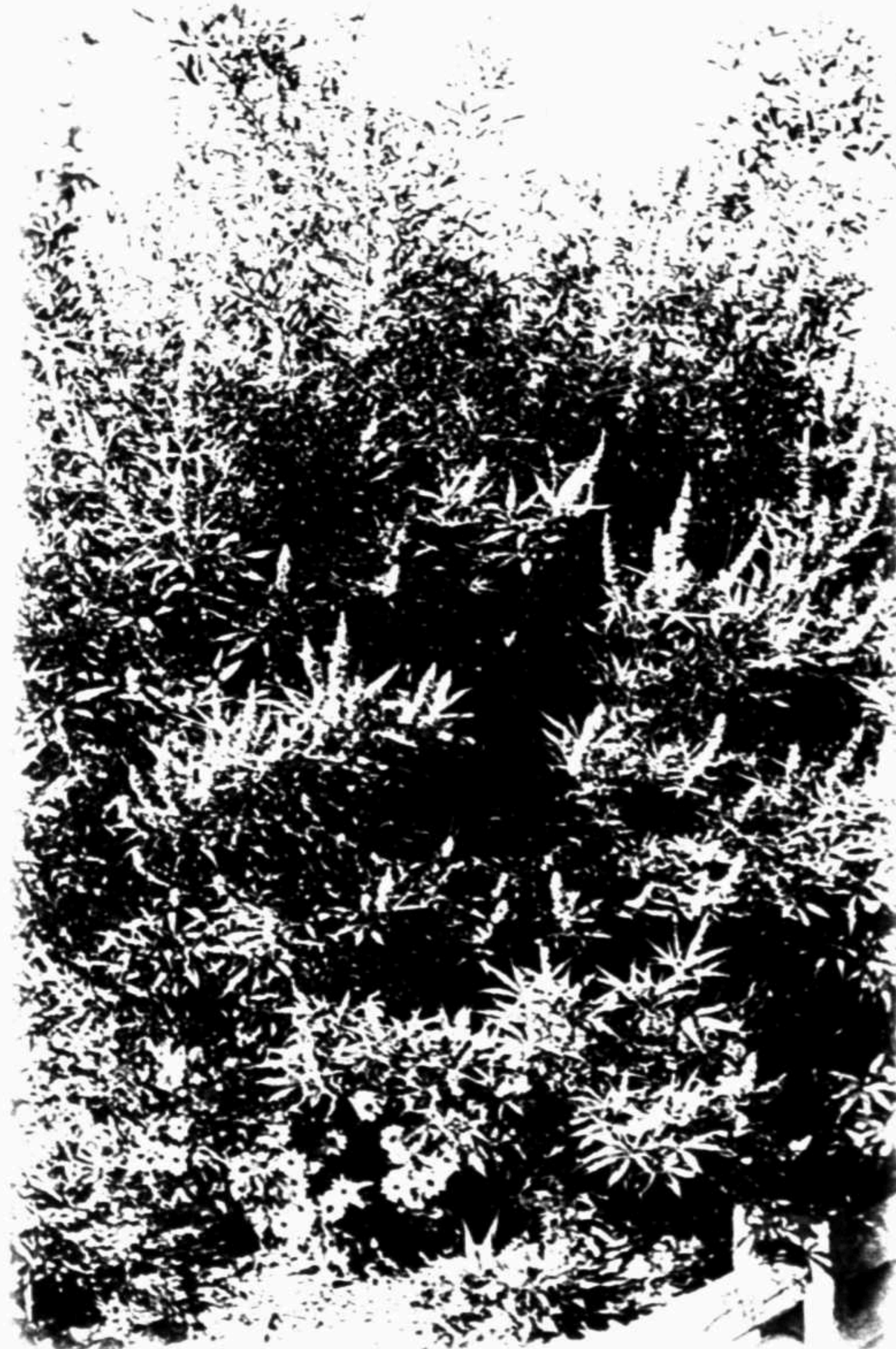


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Vitex can be grown as a bushy shrub, above, or as a multi-trunk ornamental tree, inset photo. The Vitex provides some shade, but can also serve as a low-maintenance patio tree. The leaves are small textured, they won't shade out turf grass. The small amount of shade will allow flowering plants to grow beneath the tree. Seed pods from the tree do not cause much of a litter problem. The finger-like graceful leaves drop from the tree in fall. The leaves are dark green on top and silvery gray on the bottom, giving the tree a shimmery appearance when the wind blows.

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FIELD FOREMAN Aggressive independent needs foreman with excellent downhole skills. Must have 8+ years experience with good knowledge of surface facilities. ESP experience a plus. Strong integrity and good communication skills. Salary to \$55K. Box PJ-5028, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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Come be a salesperson for DollarSaver, the Permian Basin's fastest growing "want ad" publication. Excellent commission and base salary to start.

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Partech, a long-time employer in the Permian Basin, is seeking qualified people now for long term growth and employment stability. The company is relocating to New Iberia, Louisiana in nine to twelve months and will offer transfers to all qualified employees willing to relocate to our new site. Excellent opportunity for growth in a new and prosperous offshore market. Top wages offered now plus a "stay bonus" of five percent each three months of employment. Excellent benefits and working conditions. Please contact us for more information.

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OPTICAL PROFESSIONALS Wal-Mart Vision Centers currently have opportunities available for Opticians & Eyeglass Lab Technicians at its Midland Texas location. We offer competitive salary, opportunity for growth and career advancement. Excellent benefits package and professional work environment. Please contact Stacy Jennings at 4517 N. Midland Dr. Midland Texas. Call 915-697-0891.

LVN'S NEEDED for all shifts. Good benefits offered. Apply in person: 3203 Sage St. Courtyard Care Center.

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MEDICAL Wanted LVN's RN's for full and part time Medicare visits. RN needed for full time case management position. Submit resume to Box B-01048, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland TX 79702.

NURSING

\$\$\$ MONEY TALKS! \$\$\$

We need experienced RN's. Trade your time and experience for staffing.

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ACCOUNTANT SMALL local CPA firm seeks Accountant Degree preferred with experience in tax, general ledger and computer programs. Non-smoking environment. Send resumes to Box 81018, Midland TX 79708.

ACCOUNTANT General Ledger accounting for several small companies. Intercompany transactions, cash receipts, reconciling, General Ledger accounts, bank reconciliation, financial statements. Experience required. Salary negotiable. Send resume to Aury C. Stephens, Attn: Susan Royster, Controller, 110 N. Mainfield, Suite 200, Midland TX 79701.

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PAYROLL/BENEFITS ACCOUNTANT

Tom Brown, Inc., a growing gas and oil exploration and production company headquartered in Midland, Texas, is seeking a Payroll/Benefits Accountant with the following experience:

- 5+ Years payroll preparation, reporting (Multi-state), accounting and records maintenance
- 5+ Years 401(k) Plan and Cafeteria (125) Plan maintenance and administration
- Microsoft Office and Excel

Tom Brown, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer, offering excellent benefits and salary DOE. Please mail resume to:

Tom Brown, Inc.
Personnel Department
P.O. Box 2808
Midland, Texas 79702
or Fax to:
(915)682-8707

I & E TECHNICIAN

A major corporation has an I & E Technician opening at Wink, Texas, 40 hours week, 5 days, 8 hours, maintain and calibrate pressure transmitters, temperature transmitters, pressure switches, control valves and positioners. Install, maintain and troubleshoot transmitters, flow computers, RTU's, PLC's, motor starters, meters and controls.

Salary commensurate with required experience and accompanied by an excellent benefits package.

Between July 16 and July 31, send resume detailing background and experience to, or apply in person with:

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Texas Workforce Commission
315 E. 5th
Odessa, Texas
(915) 682-9421
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Tom Brown, Inc. is a growing gas and oil exploration and production company headquartered in Midland, Texas, has positions open in the following accounting areas:

Revenue
Individual should have experience in all phases of revenue processing and will be responsible for account reconciliations and severance taxes.

Accounts Payable
Individual will process and input invoices, and will be responsible for the accounting file room.

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OFFICE MANAGER

Manage A/P, A/R, Bookkeeping (Quickbooks) for our fashion business. Some accounting background a plus, degree unnecessary. If you're a self starter and like to work on your own, this position may be for you. Excellent salary and benefits.

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Seeking a few talented individuals to strengthen our new car and new Dodge Truck Sales Team.

College Grads Welcome
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**2510 East 8th
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Excellent opportunity to earn good money!
We have the best pay plan in West Texas in addition to great company benefits including insurance, 401K, paid vacation, retirement, etc. Our consistent advertising program brings buyers to our location!

Apply in person:

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320 Skilled Trades 320 Skilled Trades

EQUIPMENT OPERATORS

American Energy Services, a fast growing fracturing and acidizing company, has several openings for Equipment Operators at our Midland, Texas District.

Requirements

- Minimum 21 years of age
- Good driving record
- Pass DOT physical and drug screen
- Class A CDL license preferred
- Must be willing to relocate to Midland, Texas

Benefits

- Excellent Medical/Dental plan
- Prescription Card
- Optical coverage
- Life Insurance
- Disability Insurance
- 401K retirement plan
- Quarterly Bonuses
- Annual Bonuses
- Safety Bonuses
- Paid vacations

Pay: • Earn up to \$30,000 the first year
• Top operators can earn over \$50,000 a year

2401 E. I-20 Access Road
Midland, TX
or call (915) 570-4899
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
COME GROW WITH US

MECHANICS

American Energy Services, a fast growing fracturing and acidizing company, has several openings for Mechanics at our Midland, Texas District.

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- Class A CDL license preferred
- Must be willing to relocate to Midland, Texas

Benefits

- Excellent Medical/Dental plan
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MACHINIST WANTED

Local manufacturing firm seeks qualified machinist. Candidate should be able to work from blue prints. Salary DOE. Benefits. Apply in person, 11500 W Hwy 80, Midland, Texas. EOE.

MANUFACTURING Big-Tex

Trailers is looking to fill several positions in the fields of Welding and Painting. If you have the knowledge and make an appointment 563-0300. Salary depending on experience. Only serious need to apply. Equal opportunity employer.

WATERFLOOD OPERATOR

Wanted in the Bigfoot/Pearshall area with experience in gas compression, vapor recovery, saltwater disposal & injection. Fax resume to 214-692-7244 or mail to HCM, 4625 Greenville Ave. Suite 306, Dallas TX 75205.

WELDER/Fabricator at least 3

years experience. Will be doing utility trailer repairs and truck rig ups. Salary depends on experience. Apply in person Big-Tex Sales and Service, 12400 W. I-20 East, Odessa.

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LICENSED CHILD CARE 7 am

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CHILD CARE needed in my

home. Hours will vary. Some cooking & housecleaning. Call 522-2241.

FULL TIME Nanny needed for

2 children ages 3 & 6 Monday-Friday, some Saturdays. Call after 6 pm, 570-4354.

WANTED: Christian non

smoking person to care for 2 children in my home. Light housekeeping. References. Call 570-4877, 550-4582

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Assistant would like to care for your children. Monday thru Friday, registered daycare, CPR & First Aid certified. 520-4735.

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NORTH EAST MIDLAND

Neighborhood grocery store for sale \$17,500. Serious inquiries call 915-580-9908.

RESTAURANTS for sale. \$1.5

million sales, \$200,000 income, asking \$550,000. Must have substantial cash down and strong financials. Serious inquiries only. 520-8016.

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Opportunity in SW Colorado. The Lake City Market and Mountain Harvest Restaurant in beautiful Lake City, CO. Well established, turn-key operation. \$375,000 plus inventory. Call for more information. Lake Realty, Inc. 1-800-748-1677. Donna Brake or Christi Hall.

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Excellent condition. \$650. Matching writing table, \$150. Call 683-4579.

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Full Membership for sale, 694-8158.

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Rider \$50, Volt exercise bicycle \$50. Good condition. 699-0284.

REFRIGERATOR \$200 IBM

486 SX computer, 14 inch color monitor, Epson printer \$400 each. 687-2605.

CAMPER SHELL for small

short bed truck, \$300. Call Fred 520-9057.

REMODELING SALE, Storm

doors, bathroom vanity, dresser, pictures, stereo, speakers, toys, bikes 697-4511 leave message.

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Antiques, couch, chest of drawers, wash stand, baby items, lots more miscellaneous! Call 570-4354 after 6.

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Queen bed, Little Tykes, bed, cotage bed, complete. 697-8390.

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Good condition, Selmer mouthpiece, Propac case, \$400. Great for students! 697-3362.

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Recycle your unwanted items!
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Rummage Sale. Friday & Saturday 9-4.
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1808 E. INDIANA Thursday & Friday 8
am, furniture, clothing, exercise
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GIANT GARAGE SALE. Friday &
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Gap, Guess, and designer wear, tennis
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pm. Saturday 8-12. 1207 Douglas Ave.
No Early Sales. Cash Only.

SATURDAY 8-4. Furniture, Washer
/dryer, clothes, baby things, etc. 1804
W. Ohio.

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Leftovers plus the Back Room! Still
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Junk and Treasures! Thursday 5 pm - 8
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HUGE SALE! Misc. items; furniture, kids
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Indiana, Thursday & Friday 8 am.

79703

3 PARTY Garage Sale. 4723 Bedford
Ave. Thursday & Friday 8-5. Infant and
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5108 SHADY LANE DR #A Friday &
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water bed, welder, microwave, TV, baby
clothes, boys clothes, mens & womens
clothes, maternity clothes, toys, and
miscellaneous.

THREE FAMILY! Friday and Saturday
7:30-12. Picnic table, Nintendo / games,
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golf accessories, exercise equipment,
toys, much misc. 119 N. Dewberry.

TEENAGE CLOTHING. Lots of
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Noon. 4609 Laura.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY from 8-2
Home Interior, loveseat, rugs, brass
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machine and bikes. 4606 Seminole
Drive.

MULTI FAMILY. Clothes, furniture and
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Saturday 8-7 697-4328.

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LARGE GARAGE SALE! Friday and
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4805 Spring Meadow Lane (off "A"
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TOP OF THE EVENING Estate / Garage
Sale, something for everyone. 5PM til
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Antique lamps & pictures, old glassware
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much more!!

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10 am - 2
Clothes and Miscellaneous. 1218 E.
Jax.

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Prices steady

NEW YORK — Crude oil prices settled lower Wednesday, failing to sustain the previous day's strong gains, as gasoline prices edged higher.

Crude oil for delivery in August fell 2 cents to settle at \$19.65 a barrel at the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The nearly unchanged rate followed a sharp increase Tuesday after repeated guerrilla attacks on a Colombian pipeline delayed large shipments for nearly two weeks.

Unleaded gasoline for delivery in August rose 0.52 cent a gallon to 60.46 cents.

Gasoline futures have been boosted this week by talk that Tosco Corp. next Monday will shut down its 300,000 barrel-a-day crude refining unit at Bayway, N.J., for maintenance, with the entire facility scheduled for shutdown on July 28.

Natural gas prices were higher, with contracts for delivery in August settling at \$2.174 per 1,000 cubic feet, up 1.2 cents. The higher prices followed continued heat across most of the nation, prompting utilities serving the Mid-Atlantic region to report high peak usage.

Dollar lower

NEW YORK — The dollar touched a two-month high against the yen but fell to end mostly lower Wednesday, weakened by profit-taking ahead of data expected to show a further widening of Japan's trade surplus.

The dollar reached an intraday high of 116.40 yen, the strongest level since mid-May, before falling to settle in New York at 115.52 yen, down from 115.53 yen Tuesday. Against the mark, the dollar reached an intraday high of 1.7982 marks before settling at 1.7906 marks in New York, down from 1.7920 Tuesday. The pound cost \$1.6784, up from \$1.6779.

Other dollar rates in New York, compared with Tuesday: 6.0435 French francs, down from 6.0481; 1.4760 Swiss francs, up from 1.4739; 1,738.00 Italian lire, down from 1,742.00; 1.3737 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3706.

AT&T president

NEW YORK — John Walter resigned as president of AT&T Corp. after the company backed out of its promise to make him the successor to chairman and chief executive Robert Allen.

Walter was hired by AT&T in October from printer R.R. Donnelley and was touted as the next leader of the long-distance giant after its splitup into three companies.

Walter will get \$3.8 million for losing out on the top job in addition to the \$22 million he was paid to leave his previous job. AT&T said Wednesday that a committee will begin a search for new CEO to replace Allen.

Hospital probe

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Federal investigators searched Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp. sites in six states in a probe of the nation's largest for-profit hospital chain.

Thirty-five search warrants were issued for current and former Columbia hospitals and business offices in Tennessee, Florida, North Carolina, Texas, Oklahoma and Utah, FBI spokesman Derek McGraw said Wednesday.

The company said agents apparently sought billing records.

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Inflation level just 1.4 percent this year

■ Inflation during first half of 1997 held to levels unseen on sustained basis since mid-1960s.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumer prices barely budged in June to hold inflation in the first half of the year at levels unseen on a sustained basis since the mid-1960s.

Cost decreases for clothing, gasoline, air travel and tobacco helped offset higher coffee, vegetables and movie-ticket prices last month. Overall, the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index inched up just 0.1 percent.

Separate reports on business inventory stockpiles and production at the nation's factories, mines and utilities portrayed an economy growing at a moderate, balanced pace after spurting at the fastest rate in a decade during the first three months of the year.

Inflation for the year so far is running at a 1.4 percent annual rate, the best for any first half since 1986, when oil prices plummeted. Excluding volatile food and energy prices, so-called core inflation was 2.4 percent during the first half, the best since 1965.

"Here we are with half a year gone by, and inflation is getting better in the aftermath of strong economic growth where as typically we worry that inflation will get worse," said economist Stuart G. Hoffman of PNC Bank Corp. in Pittsburgh.

Analysts said global competition is discouraging many companies from raising prices. And technology-driven productivity gains are allowing businesses to absorb higher labor costs without passing them on to customers.

"Inflation psychology has collapsed. People just don't think the way they previously did," said economist Robert Dederick of Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "All this is a stock market's dream."

Wednesday's inflation report sets the stage for Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's semiannual report to Congress next week. Lawmakers criticized Greenspan and his colleagues for raising rates in March but have praised them for refraining since.

"The Fed is letting the good times roll, including the soaring stock market. But that's OK so long as inflation is behaving so well," said economist Allen Sinai of Primark Decision Economics.

In June, energy prices were unchanged after substantial drops in March, April

and May. Gasoline prices fell 0.9 percent. Fuel oil was down too. But the cost of natural gas and electricity rose.

For the first half of the year, energy prices fell at an 8.9 percent annual rate after increasing 8.6 percent for all of 1996.

Food prices, meanwhile, rose at just a 0.9 percent annual rate for the first half after an increase of 4.3 percent last year.

Coffee caused much of the increase. Poor crops in South America have pushed coffee up at a 45.3 percent annual rate this year, compared with a 6.7 percent drop last year. The price rose 5 percent in June alone.

Overall, food rose 0.2 percent last month.

Outside of food and energy, airline fares fell 1.2 percent, the second drop in a row. Tobacco was down 0.9 percent, the largest decrease since May 1993. Clothing costs declined 0.2 percent, even after adjustment for expected seasonal mark-downs.

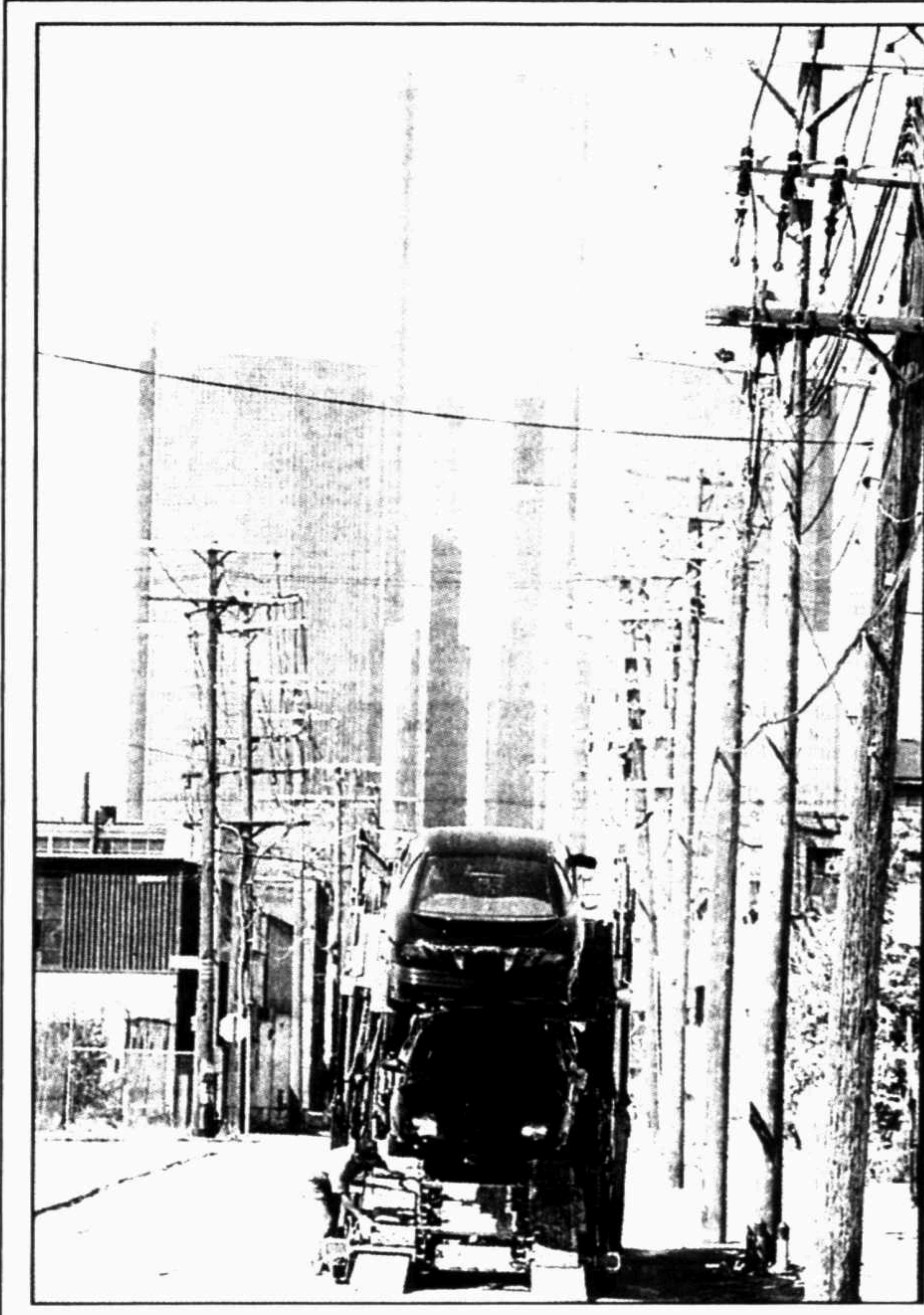
Entertainment costs increased, pushed higher by a 1.9 percent rise in movie, theater and sports tickets.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve said industrial production rose a moderate 0.3 percent in June, helped by the end of auto strikes. The industrial operating rate held steady at 83.5 percent of capacity. That's



below the level economists believe signals the development of inflationary bottlenecks.

Also, the Commerce Department said inventories of goods held on shelves and back lots in May increased a modest 0.2 percent. Business sales dropped 0.5 percent.



Automaker earnings

The General Motors Corp. headquarters building looms at rear as auto transport driver Jerry Malone, 57, of Lordstown, Ohio, pulls in his ramps after delivering a General Motors Corp. Chevrolet Cavalier to a Detroit dealership Wednesday. GM reported earnings rose 11 percent to \$2.1 billion in the second quarter. Ford Motor Co. said it earned a record \$2.5 billion, an increase of 33 percent from a year ago in the same period.

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Apple Computer reports \$6 million net loss

■ Fiscal third-quarter loss was narrower than expected.

N.Y. Times News Service

CUPERTINO, Calif. — Apple Computer Inc. reported a narrower-than-expected fiscal third-quarter net loss of \$6 million, or 44 cents a share, as gross margins rose.

Sales at the No. 4 personal computer maker fell to \$1.7 billion from \$2.18 billion in the year-ago quarter. Apple Chief Executive Officer Gilbert Amelio was forced out last week after repeatedly failing to return Apple to profitability.

Analysts had expected a loss of 61 cents a share for the three months ended June 28, based on the average estimate of 21 analysts surveyed by First Call.

"They're just not close yet to breaking even," said Oppenheimer & Co. analyst James Poyner, before the results were released. "Obviously it's a rudderless ship right now" without a chief executive officer, he said.

Apple said it doesn't expect to return to profitability in the fourth quarter, as Amelio had planned. Still, gross margins — the percentage of sales left after product costs are subtracted — widened,

rising to 20 percent in the latest quarter from 18.5 percent in the year-ago period.

Analysts also cited a sharp cut in Apple's operating expenses for contributing to the better-than expected performance. Operating expenses for the quarter were \$408 million, down from \$489 million in the March quarter.

Amelio "got rid of a lot of bodies," said David Wu, an analyst at ABN AMRO First Chicago. "He was fired because he didn't stabilize revenue," he said.

The net loss compares to a net loss of \$32 million, or 26 cents, in the year-earlier quarter.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Socially responsible investing easier said than done

By Eric Tyson

Q: I invest through mutual funds, and I've been considering investing in some socially responsible funds. What do you think of such funds for investors?

A: In the investment world, a small but increasing number of mutual funds call themselves "socially responsible."

Although the term means different things to different people, in most cases it implies that the fund avoids investing in companies that are doing things that are harmful to people or the world at large.

Tobacco manufacturers are a good example. Cigarettes and other tobacco products kill people and add to healthcare costs. So most socially responsible funds shun tobacco companies.

Parnassus, a distributor of socially responsible funds, also considers such factors as environmental protection, equal employment opportunity, how employees are treated and whether a

company is honest in its advertising. Parnassus excludes specific industries such as defense contractors that manufacture weapons.

I find that socially responsible investing is one of those things that's easier said than done, certainly not as easy as what the marketing materials of such funds would have you believe.

To begin with, it is increasingly difficult in today's society for a large group of people to agree on what is "good" and what is "bad." It's next to impossible to find a company, if scrutinized carefully enough, that doesn't do something that offends somebody somewhere.

A number of socially conscious funds, for example, invest in Toys R Us, the giant toy retailer that sells — among other things — widely criticized video games. Gun-control supporters argue that selling toy guns encourages usage of the real thing.

Other socially responsible funds invest in McDonald's, the popular fast-food company that is not so popular with nutritionists and environmentalists.

"If you're conscious of the human health and the planet's health, you would not invest in a company whose business depends on beef," says Dr.

John McDougall, physician and author of nutrition books.

Even if you can agree with a particular fund on what's good and bad, the marketplace's interconnectedness makes it difficult to keep your money completely out of the hands of companies with which you don't agree. While a socially responsible fund might avoid tobacco manufacturers, for example, somewhere in its portfolio is probably a retailer that sells tobacco products, or a paper supplier to a tobacco manufacturer, or an advertising agency that helps pitch tobacco to consumers.

In addition to definition problems, socially responsible funds have been slow to catch on because they have tended to turn in below-average performance.

That is due mainly to their relatively high costs of operation. Because the funds tend to be small, they have fewer investors over whom to spread their operating costs.

One socially responsible stock fund that has partly overcome the operating-expense problem and managed to put up a decent return is the Domini Social Equity Index fund. Its operating expense ratio is 0.98 percent, which is little less than a typical stock fund although greater than what's charged

on most index funds. I've been a bit disappointed that in recent years the fund's operating expense ratio has increased despite its growing asset base.

There are some funds with lower investor charges and better returns that aren't labeled as "socially responsible" but still meet some people's definition of such a fund. For example, GNMA bond funds invest in mortgages that allow people to purchase their own homes. Municipal bond funds invest in projects most people would consider good, such as building public transportation, libraries and schools.

If you want to consider investing in socially responsible funds, make sure to look well beyond the marketing materials. At a minimum, call the investment company you're considering and ask for a recent report that lists the specific investments the fund owns.

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Wine-makers savor Senate bill provision

WASHINGTON (AP) — A couple of giant wine-makers are quietly toasting a little-noticed provision in the Senate tax bill that is aimed at protecting their huge market in dessert and jug wines.

The proposal stands to give E & J Gallo Winery Inc., Canandaigua Wine Co. and dozens of smaller producers the upper hand in upcoming trade talks with the French and other members of the European Union. Essentially, the issue is a long-running copyright dispute in which the French and other European countries want to bar non-Europeans from using names of wine-producing regions such as Chablis, Burgundy, Champagne or Port on their products.

The U.S. wine industry fears the right to use those names might be traded away in the agricultural round of trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Loss of these "semi-generic" wine names would force wineries to rename some of their most popular products, which account for 34 percent of the U.S. wine market. The ensuing consumer confusion could be enormous.

"What would you call a port if you couldn't call it a port?" asked Bob Kalik, an attorney representing Canandaigua and a small coalition of other wineries favoring the change. "It would be devastating to New York wine production. It would be extremely harmful to California wine production."

Karen Ross, president of the California Association of Winegrape Growers, agreed. "They are products consumers are very familiar with," she said.

While this wine-labeling language doesn't result in a revenue loss in the tax bill, the provision is yet another example of the far-reaching impact of the small print in the pending tax legislation and the numerous special-interest provisions sprinkled throughout the bill.

"Both the Senate and House bills are heavily laden with special-

interest provisions," Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said in a recent letter to members of the tax-writing committees.

Senior members of the committees are working to resolve differences in the House and Senate bills, which aim to cut taxes by \$135 billion over five years by providing breaks for families, investors and college students. Negotiators are expected to complete work by Aug. 1 on the bill, which would provide the biggest tax cut in 16 years.

On its face, the Senate wine provision appears simple. It would write into law existing regulations of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms to permit U.S. wine producers to continue using semi-generic names of French wine regions.

The issue is a big one for Canandaigua, which enjoys a 25 percent share of the nation's non-varietal wine market, which essentially refers to wines with the French regional names. Such wines accounted for 44 percent of the company's 1996 \$499.9 million in wine sales, which include the Inglenook, Almaden and Richards Wild Irish Rose brands.

Canandaigua and Gallo are no strangers to the world of Washington campaign finance, with Gallo and its employees giving \$746,000 in direct and nonregulated "soft-money" contributions since 1993, while Canandaigua and its workers gave \$45,350, according to the Center for Responsive Politics, a nonprofit group that researches campaign finance issues.

Recipients of Canandaigua's contributions include several key players on the House and Senate tax-writing committees, including Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y. A Moynihan spokesman couldn't be reached for comment.

"We were just fortunate that we had some friends on the right committees," said Jim Finkle, a Canandaigua spokesman. "We're proud of the candidates that we support. We don't agree with them on every issue."

Official: Huang unqualified to receive data

N. Y. Times Service

WASHINGTON — John Huang, the main focus of the Senate's campaign finance inquiry, was "totally unqualified" to handle sensitive policy matters at the Commerce Department and should never have received classified intelligence briefings on China, said a former superior Wednesday.

"Mr. Huang didn't make the cut," said Jeffrey Garten, the former Commerce undersecretary for international trade. Garten said that was why he insisted Huang be kept out of policy matters and handle only administrative duties. Garten also said he instructed Huang's boss at the time, Charles Meissner, not to allow Huang to handle anything having to do with China.

Yet CIA agent John H. Dickerson, testifying behind a cloudy plastic screen once used by mobster Sammy "The Bull" Gravano, said he had briefed Huang 37 times and provided him with hundreds of classified documents over 14 months — primarily about China. Dickerson said he never was told that Huang should be isolated from matters regarding China.

Despite protestations to the contrary, Republicans on the Governmental Affairs Committee appear to be investigating the possibility that Huang, who went on to become a fundraiser for the Democratic National Committee, may have committed economic espionage while in government service. Huang has denied the

charge through his attorney.

Today, Paula V. Greene, a secretary at the Washington office of a Little Rock, Ark., investment firm, is expected to testify that while Huang worked at the Commerce Department he frequently visited the company's nearby office to send and receive faxes and packages and to make telephone calls.

Wednesday, Gary A. Christopherson, the former associate director of White House personnel, testified that Huang's hiring was a typical political appointment for a minority who had helped the Clinton campaign by raising money.

But Republicans trumpeted a memo from Maeley Tom, a woman close to the wealthy Riady family, which controls the Indonesia-based Lippo Group, recommending Huang for a job in the Clinton administration. In the memo to John Emerson, the deputy director of presidential personnel, Tom said Huang "is the political power that advises the Riady family on issues and where to make contributions. They invested heavily in the Clinton campaign. John is the Riady family's top priority for placement because he is like one of their own."

At the time the memo was written, Huang was working in Los Angeles for a subsidiary of the Lippo Group. On Tuesday, the committee presented evidence that Lippo reimbursed Huang for \$50,000 donated to the Democratic National Committee's Victory Fund.

Garten, now dean of the Yale School of Man-

agement, made clear that he did not respect Huang's abilities and wanted him "walled off" from any matters having to do with China. He also said that he did not know Huang had been a frequent visitor to the White House, and that he was surprised to learn Huang had visited the Chinese Embassy six times during his tenure as a political appointee to the Commerce Department.

Democrats asked Garten why Huang had been given an outstanding evaluation by his boss, Meissner, who was killed in the plane crash in Croatia with Commerce Secretary Ron Brown. "It was the nice thing to do," Garten replied. "I'm sure he did a good job handling administrative duties."

Despite Garten's low opinion of Huang, Garten said he never suspected Huang of wrongdoing. "I never questioned his loyalty and I never questioned his integrity," he said.

Wednesday's hearing was marked by continuing tension between Republicans and ranking Democrat John Glenn of Ohio. Prior to Garten's testimony, Glenn said he thought it was clear that Huang was "eminently qualified" for the Commerce job and that he received "no special treatment" in receiving his security clearance. Glenn also said, "there is no evidence that I've heard yet that he saw any classified information while he was at the Democratic National Committee."

Accused extortionist called Cosby 'deadbeat'

YORK (AP) — The woman who claims to be Bill Cosby's daughter once prepared a news release calling him a "deadbeat, billionaire father," but never made it public, the prosecution said Wednesday at her extortion trial.

Autumn Jackson's codefendant also sent letters making veiled references to the entertainer to President Clinton, network executives and sponsors, according to evidence presented Wednesday.

The letters spurred Cosby to go to authorities.

Ms. Jackson, 22, was arrested in January in New York City after she and co-defendant Jose Medina signed an agreement saying they would receive \$24 million from Cosby in exchange for not going public with her story.

Medina, 51, played a key role in writing the news release and wrote letters about Ms. Jackson to more than 25 trade publications, com-

panies that hired Cosby for advertising, President Clinton, California Gov. Pete Wilson, Jesse Jackson and others, prosecutors alleged.

In the letter to Clinton, dated Jan. 10, Medina said major figures in the television industry were standing in the way of his production of a children's television show he called "Down on the Farm."

That letter and others did not mention Cosby by name, but it said "a CBS megastar, the world's most famous father" had left his daughter "cold, penniless and homeless" because she wanted to help produce the show.

While the letters were sent, prosecutors said the news release was used only to apply pressure on Cosby and his lawyers in an attempt to extort \$40 million from the entertainer.

In the news release, Ms. Jackson described life without "my dead-

beat, billionaire father," and described what she called "Kodak moments," a reference to one of the companies for which Cosby had done commercials.

"Picture my father and his present day family in a warm and safe mansion unwrapping gifts, pulling gifts out of a box and enjoying the yuletide season. And here I was on Christmas Eve, crawling into a box in a public park for thinking and yearning for my own yuletide dream," she said.

"I feel that I should have the right to love my father and be known by my brother and sisters," she said.

Cosby testified Tuesday that he had sex with Ms. Jackson's mother once in the mid-1970s but said he told Ms. Jackson he is not her father.

He testified that he told his lawyers to notify the FBI after learning that his sponsors and others had been contacted, even though his name was not used, because he feared his affair would be made public.

"CBS has a letter saying 'I am the illegitimate daughter of ... There are calls to Kodak saying ... it is Kodak, it's CBS, Jello, Philip Morris, and I feel it's irreversible,'" Cosby said.

Woman may have killed sister, stolen her identity

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Neighbors rallied around drug-fighting activist Stevie Allman when her home was firebombed. The governor even offered a \$50,000 reward to catch the vengeful dealers suspected in the attack.

But then a badly decomposed body was found in a freezer in the charred ruins. Wednesday, police positively identified the body as Ms. Allman's.

They suspect her sister, who had lived with her for 20 years, killed Ms. Allman and stole her identity, perhaps to cash her pension checks. "This is the stuff of a Hollywood movie," Capt. Peter Dunbar said.

Sarah Allman, 47 — who is similar in height and build to her 52-year-old sister — was booked Wednesday for investigation of murder, forgery and giving a false name to police. Dunbar said Ms. Allman died from a blow to the head.

After the July 1 firebombing, authorities reported that Stevie Allman had been hospitalized for burns. The speculation was that she was the victim of neighborhood drug pushers angry that she videotaped their deals and turned the evidence over to police.

After the fire, she was seen by the neighborhood as a hero who literally risked her skin to fight drugs. Gov. Pete Wilson offered a \$50,000 award for the conviction of those involved in the burning, and the woman who said she was Stevie issued a statement blaming neighborhood dealers.

"I have no doubt they intended to murder me and burn the house down on top of me," the statement said. "Their warped minds thought the way to clear the way to do their dirty dealing ... and at the same time scare everyone else along 50th Avenue and beyond into a submissive ter-

rified slave state."

"From the beginning, she's seemed like a crime victim," Dunbar said.

But police began to doubt the story last week, and reopened the case. On Tuesday, detectives aided by a search dog found the body in the freezer.

At that point, the woman claiming to be Stevie was brought in for questioning. After police told her they had her fingerprints from a 1971 prostitution arrest, the woman admitted she was Sarah, one of 11 Allman siblings.

Detectives said Sarah had apparently been using Stevie's identification for up to two years. They speculated that it may have been Sarah, not Stevie, who provided the drug deal tapes, and they say they have determined it was Sarah, not Stevie, who was the one hospitalized for burns after the firebombing.

Plane fire linked to engines

N.Y. Times Service

BOSTON — The fire that forced the evacuation of a US Airways jet at Logan International Airport on Tuesday followed a failed attempt to start the engines, aviation officials said Wednesday.

Fuel ignited in Engine No. 1 when pilots tried to restart the engines, said Arlene Salac, of the Federal Aviation Administration.

"We're still investigating, but it appears the fire will be attributed to what we call an aborted start," Salac said. "That's when they go to start the engine, and it doesn't start, so they go to restart it. When you do that, like when you try to start the engine of your car, you can get fumes."

The fire was not serious, and caused no damage to the DC-9 or its engines, said Pat Cariseo, of the

National Transportation Safety Board.

"What can happen is there's a small buildup of fuel in the tailpipe and it shoots up a small flame that's blown out when the engine gets going," Cariseo said. "We monitored it and decided not to investigate."

Eight people were treated at hospitals for injuries suffered during evacuation. Passengers rushed for exits and slid down emergency chutes or jumped from the wing.

Injuries included scrapes, bruises, and sprained ankles. Two people complained of chest pains. All of those taken to hospitals were released later in the day.

Safety officials said Tuesday that no flames or smoke entered the plane's cabin. Emergency crews extinguished the fire as soon as passengers and crew had left the plane.

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