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Storyteller

A nationally-known storyteller visited local elementary schools Monday to tell stories about black heroes./1B

SPORTS

MC women

Ndiasse Ndiaye wasted no time Monday night as she poured in an MC-record 42 points in a 92-60 win over Odessa College./1C

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A 60 percent chance of light rain, snow. Weather on 2A

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Deng farewell

A waits to view a convoy of vehicles carrying the body of former leader Deng Xiaoping Monday. Story 3A

Albright in China

BEIJING — Declaring that U.S. relations with China are the key to world stability in the 21st century, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright warned Chinese officials Monday that they must "act constructively" and improve their country's record on human rights. Otherwise, she said, China could face condemnation by the United States and its European allies. "I said I would tell it like it is, and I told it like it is," Albright said. Story 8A

'Morning-after' pill

WASHINGTON — American women who are raped, whose birth control fails or who just forget in the heat of the moment can use high doses of ordinary birth control pills to prevent pregnancy, the government said Monday. The Food and Drug Administration said six brands of birth control are safe and effective "morning-after pills," the first federal acknowledgement of the emergency contraception that European women have been prescribed for years. Story 4B

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Midland couple slain in home

10-year-old daughter finds bodies

By Jimmy Patterson
Staff Writer

Midland police are investigating the shooting deaths of a man and his wife in an upscale neighborhood in northwest Midland, where the bodies of 51-year-old Rankin Powers Duvall and 42-year-old Lou Ann Duvall were found by the couple's 10-year-old daughter Monday morning.

Preliminary findings show that both victims died of gunshot wounds fired from a .40-caliber handgun.

Police believe Mrs. Duvall suffered at least six gunshot wounds; Duvall died as a result of a single bullet wound to the head. The gun and seven shell casings were recovered at the scene.

The victims were found in the living area at 3503 Woodhaven Drive, northwest of the intersection of Wadley Avenue and Midkiff Road.

"At 7:20 a.m. Monday, Midland police received a 911 call from a young girl who said she thought both of her parents were deceased," said Midland police spokeswoman Tina Sanders.

When asked if police were investigating the deaths as a murder-suicide, Ms. Sanders said, "No, that would be speculation. At this time it is being investigated as two shooting deaths at the residence."

The young girl was at home at the time of the shooting, and apparently discovered her parents when she got up for school. The girl was with crisis intervention counselors following the deaths of her parents.

Police said there were no signs of forced entry at the house.

Duvall was a financial analyst; it is believed that Mrs. Duvall worked at a local bank, according to police.

Although police have not officially ruled on the cause of the deaths, if the findings show murder-suicide, it would be the second murder of the year in Midland and the third suicide in the last 11 days.

Ms. Sanders said additional information should be forthcoming pending results of an autopsy today in Lubbock.

Kes Gilhome/Reporter-Telegram
An Ellis Funeral Home employee removes the bodies from the shooting scene at 3503 Woodhaven Drive.

RIGHT-OF-WAY protest

Barbara Roberts and Barry Lee Cole, at right, and Karis Quattlebau, below, carry signs in front of Midland County Courthouse Monda protesting the way they have been treated by the county.

Photos by Curt Wilcott
Reporter-Telegram

County residents picket commissioners

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Three protesters toted their pleas for "Fair and Equal Treatment" placards in drizzle and mist outside the Midland County Courthouse during the commissioners' meeting Monday.

"We want fair and equal treatment for everyone, not just us," said Karis Quattlebaum, who walked around the courthouse square with her boyfriend, Barry Cole, and mother, Barbara Roberts.

Ms. Quattlebaum's sign read "Everyone deserves fair and equal treatment."

Her grievances focused on:

- the county's delay in dispatching a road-grader or maintainer to level out the right-of-way on her and her mother's stretch of Cotton Flat Road about a quarter mile south of Interstate Highway 20,
- the county's not picking up litter and debris along the right-of-way adjoining their property,
- and Midland County Attorney Russell Malm's not returning telephone calls on a right-of-way issue, which has since been dismissed by Ms. Quattlebaum and Cole.

They had wanted to fence in part of the county's right-of-way since they already were maintaining that stretch.

Cole, a 42-year-old carpenter and cabinetmaker, said that he simply wanted equal treatment from county government.

Ms. Quattlebaum said that she was upset by Commissioner Louisa Valencia, who has not dispatched a road-grader to smooth out the Cotton Flat Road right-of-way segment.

"We are still waiting for the maintainer," said Ms. Quattlebaum, who had expected the road-grader earlier this

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■ **Commissioners' court meets/2A**

Group names director for revitalization campaign

■ New Downtown Midland Inc. executive says downtown needs "an identity, a theme."

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

A woman experienced in community planning and development has been named executive director of the nonprofit corporation created to implement downtown revitalization efforts.

Wantuck

Nancy R. Wantuck, 31, will oversee Downtown Midland Inc. beginning Monday.

"We will now be able to have a day-in, day-out focus toward downtown issues," said Mike Canon, a leader in the downtown revitalization movement. "All those people working on this project for the last five years are excited at getting to this point."

Up until the recent creation of Downtown Midland Inc., efforts toward downtown revitalization had been overseen by a steering committee in conjunction with the city of Midland. Those efforts were largely research and ideas.

As head of Downtown Midland Inc., Ms. Wantuck will help evaluate the information collected over the last few years and develop an action plan.

The action plan will likely include short- and long-term goals for downtown, Ms. Wantuck said. "I see it being very fundamental ... set goals, tangible goals," she said.

Part of developing the action plan will be to determine a general goal for downtown, she said. "I think Midland needs to establish an identity, a theme downtown," she said.

Currently, life in downtown Midland typically consists of daytime, weekday workers, she said.

"We really foresee some other activities and amenities going in," Ms. Wantuck said. That may include restaurants, night life and retail stores, she said.

Ms. Wantuck said the ideas for downtown are there and the challenge now is to get the ball rolling. Once revitalization

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Shell, Amoco to create new company in basin

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

DENVER CITY — After five attempts, the formation of Altura Energy Ltd. will be final on Saturday, according to Jim Posey, CEO of the New Permian Basin Oil Co.

Speaking to the Denver City Chamber of Commerce Monday night, Posey used an overhead projector to flash an image of a large woman on the screen. "The fat lady has sung. It is final. It is over," Posey told the gathering. "Altura will open its doors for business March 1."

Posey, a native of Odessa and a graduate of Texas Tech University, said Altura would not be formed from a takeover by Amoco Corp. or Shell, or from a merger between the two com-

Please see **ALTURA/2A**

'I was pretty upset about it, because I didn't want to do something that was wrong. I was conflicted over what (her supervisor) told me ... .'

— Lisa Benefield, former Sheriff's Department clerk, in Monday testimony

Former employee says sheriff fired her for reporting illegal procedures

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

A former Midland woman took the stand Monday in her civil lawsuit against the Midland County Sheriff's Department, claiming she was improperly terminated from the department.

Filed under the federal "whistleblower act" statutes that protect those people who report wrongdoing, Lisa Benefield claims she lost her job as a clerk with the department after reporting that staff there were improperly using state and national computer networks to do background criminal checks for private companies.

Ms. Benefield worked at the Midland County Sheriff's Department from May 1995 to July 1996, she testified, taking the stand on her own behalf.

On Jan. 26 of last year, Ms. Benefield was doing some work at home when her husband noticed that she was completing paperwork to perform criminal background checks on individuals for the local trucking company Big D Corp., she testified.

Her husband, who is an instructor on the use of the criminal-background computer network, said that using the

Please see **LAWSUIT/2A**

WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Showers	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 45	High 60	High 64
Low 36	Low 36	Low 38

Today's forecast is a 60 percent chance of light rain, snow and freezing drizzle possible in the morning, high around 40, with east winds 10-20 mph, according to the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport.

Tonight's forecast is a 60 percent chance of rain with a low 30-35.

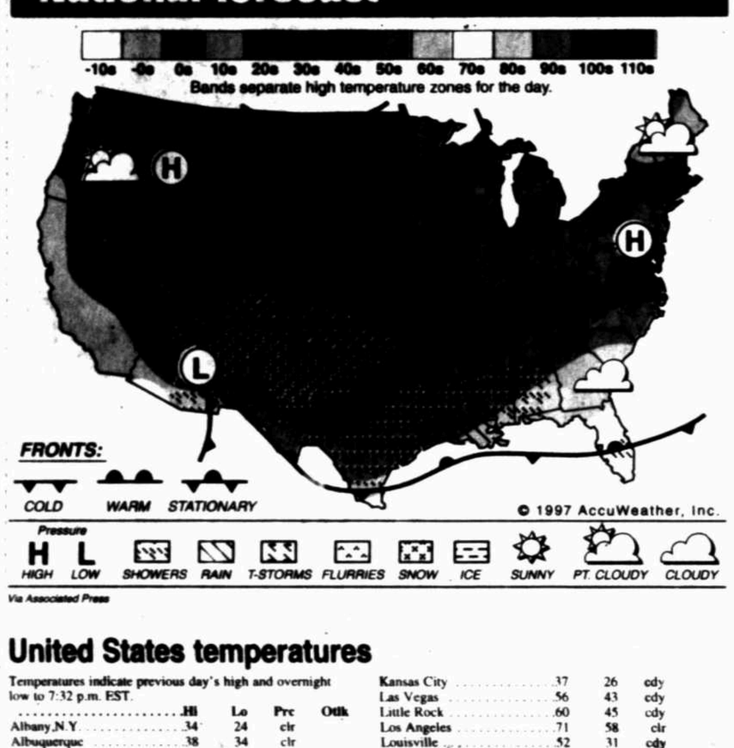
Wednesday's forecast is for a 40 percent chance of rain and a high 45-50.

After an overnight low of 39, compared to the record low of 14, set in 1965, Monday's high was 45, compared to the record high of 84, set in 1965.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Monday	.00 in.	High	45
Rainfall Tuesday	.03 in.	low	39
Total for month	1.69 in.	Normal high	64
Total for year	1.90 in.	Normal low	35

Sunrise 7:20 a.m. Sunset 6:44 p.m.

National forecast



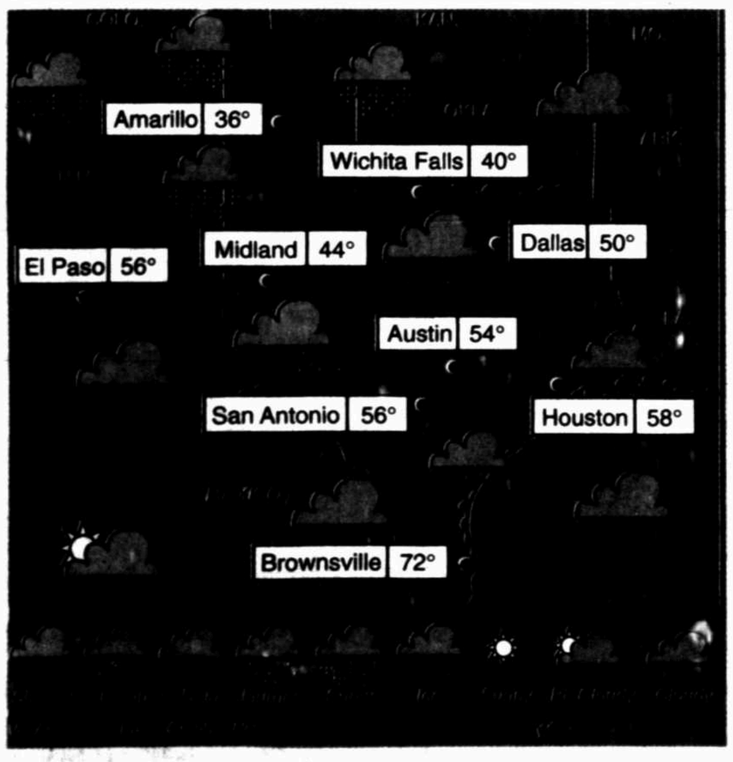
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:32 p.m. EST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	34	24	clr	
Albuquerque	38	34	clr	
Anchorage	38	24	cdy	
Asheville	54	25	cdy	
Atlanta	58	37	cdy	
Atlantic City	49	29	clr	
Baltimore	53	32	clr	
Billings	41	24	cdy	
Birmingham	60	33	cdy	
Bismarck	22	0	clr	
Boise	47	24	clr	
Boston	42	33	clr	
Buffalo	23	22	cdy	
Burlington,Vt.	26	23	clr	
Casper	31	8	clr	
Charleston,S.C.	63	42	cdy	
Charleston,W.Va.	51	34	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	59	34	cdy	
Cheyenne	25	11	.01	cdy
Chicago	27	16	clr	
Cincinnati	45	19	clr	
Cleveland	30	24	clr	
Columbia,S.C.	60	30	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	43	24	clr	
Concord,N.H.	35	22	clr	
Dayton	37	22	clr	
Denver	24	12	cdy	
Des Moines	31	21	clr	
Detroit	30	18	clr	
Duluth	12	-8	cdy	
El Paso	61	41	cdy	
Evansville	47	28	clr	
Fairbanks	35	25	sn	
Fargo	7	-13	clr	
Flagstaff	30	24	sn	
Grand Rapids	24	7	cdy	
Great Falls	47	21	clr	
Greensboro,N.C.	59	27	cdy	
Hartford Spgfld	43	28	clr	
Helena	41	21	clr	
Honolulu	76	66	rn	
Indianapolis	38	20	clr	
Jackson,Miss.	56	44	.01	rn
Jacksonville	57	53	.14	rn
Juneau	41	37	cdy	
Kansas City	37	26	cdy	
Las Vegas	56	43	cdy	
Little Rock	60	45	cdy	
Los Angeles	71	58	clr	
Louisville	52	31	cdy	
Memphis	60	41	cdy	
Miami Beach	82	72	.14	cdy
Milwaukee	23	13	clr	
Mpls-St Paul	14	-4	cdy	
Nashville	57	29	cdy	
New Orleans	54	53	.48	rn
New York City	46	38	clr	
Norfolk,Va.	55	33	clr	
North Platte	34	18	.11	cdy
Oklahoma City	56	42	cdy	
Omaha	34	21	cdy	
Orlando	77	59	cdy	
Philadelphia	48	34	clr	
Phoenix	67	47	cdy	
Pittsburgh	37	23	clr	
Portland,Maine	36	23	clr	
Portland,Ore.	62	35	cdy	
Providence	44	28	clr	
Raleigh-Durham	61	27	cdy	
Rapid City	37	15	cdy	
Reno	46	23	clr	
Richmond	57	30	clr	
Sacramento	66	44	clr	
St Louis	42	27	cdy	
Salt Lake City	41	25	clr	
San Diego	84	54	clr	
San Francisco	61	54	clr	
San Juan,P.R.	81	72	.17	rn
Santa Fe	36	30	sn	
St Ste Marie	6	0	.02	sn
Seattle	55	35	cdy	
Shreveport	57	49	.19	rn
Sioux Falls	20	-2	cdy	
Spokane	46	27	cdy	
Syracuse	27	24	.06	cdy
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	83	57	cdy	
Topeka	40	27	cdy	
Tucson	70	36	rn	
Tulsa	59	39	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	57	41	clr	
Wichita	45	32	cdy	
Wilkes-Barre	39	28	clr	
Wilmington,Del.	48	30	clr	

State forecast



Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	47	42	0.10
Alice	83	54	0.41
Amarillo	41	21	
Austin	53	47	0.38
Beaumont-Port Arthur	53	47	0.43
Brownsville	82	64	0.15
Bryan-College Station	53	48	0.06
Childress	44	35	
Corpus Christi	63	57	0.11
Corpus Christi NAS	64	60	0.23
Cotulla	54	51	0.45
Dalhart	24	19	
Dallas Love Field	56	47	0.24
Del Rio	55	50	
Denton	56	48	0.03
El Paso	61	41	
Fort Stockton	53	44	
Fort Worth	55	47	0.30
Fort Worth Meacham	55	46	0.25
Galveston	56	52	0.28
Houston Hobby	54	50	0.41
Houston Intrcntntl	54	49	0.58
Junction	50	44	0.06
Kingsville	65	58	MM
Laredo	59	52	MM
Longview	59	46	MM
Lubbock	43	28	0.01
Lufkin	53	48	0.04
Marfa	54	35	
McAllen	73	60	0.06
Midland-Odessa	45	36	0.03
Mineral Wells	52	46	0.10
Palacios	61	54	MM
Paris	61	46	
San Angelo	48	43	0.04
San Antonio	51	47	0.23
Shreveport, La.	57	49	0.19
Texarkana, Ark.	57	47	0.04
Tyler	56	46	0.61
Victoria	57	53	
Waco	53	45	0.44
Wichita Falls	53	43	
Wink	48	35	0.02

PROTEST: Residents picket courthouse

(From 1A)

month. "It never happened. And she has never called us to tell us why."

Ms. Valencia said that she agreed to send a maintainer to the Cotton Flat Road location, but it rained.

"My maintainers were 25 miles from Midland and I told them if they were coming in, we would be more than glad to go clean up that right-of-way, and we will clean it up," she said.

"We can't run and do something the minute a constituent calls. They have to wait until the work project comes into their area."

Ms. Valencia said that when Ms. Quattlebaum and her mother "called, they wanted dirt that day."

Of Ms. Quattlebaum's complaint of trash on the right-of-way adjoining her property, Ms. Valencia said that the Commissioners' Court has "agreed to go with Keep Midland Beautiful to start doing (cleaning up) county roads ... so we can get out trash picked on county roads."

Malm was working with the threesome on conditional use of the one-time fenced-in right-of-way by advising the commissioners on the legality of the fencing. He said that he was remiss in not returning telephone calls to Ms. Quattlebaum or to her mother.

"I admit to bad judgment. I should have called," Malm said. "Absolutely no slight (was) intended. I should have called back."

Malm said that he had "talked with Ms. Roberts, and I thought ... that we had an understanding that it (use of the fenced-in right-of-way) would be resolved by the Commissioners' Court meeting on the 10 of February. I absolutely didn't intend to slight them at all.

"I thought I was trying to help them," Malm said. "They didn't think so, and I understand that."

Ms. Quattlebaum contends that the county would be liable "if something happens to us or our property, and it is the result of a fire on their (the county's) land or trash, and we get hurt. They are liable for any injury or harm that might come to us."

Malm disagreed.

"I don't believe there would be any liability on part of the county for that," Malm said. "The county does maintain the right-of-ways (but) doesn't maintain them as frequently as you and I maintain our yards (because of) sheer expense.

"The county wants to maintain these things," Malm said. "But it is like everything. They've got a limited amount of money to do stuff with."

Despite the criticism toward him, Malm said that "I don't blame these people. I'd want the stuff maintained a lot more frequently. Unfortunately, it is one of those things that we have to live with. Some people understand that and go ahead and maintain it themselves."

Commissioners to take applications to fill Pine's seat

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

During their meeting Monday, Midland County Commissioners announced they will be taking applications to fill the seat of Justice of the Peace Robert Pine, who died Feb.14; increased pay for each of four constables from $1,200 to $7,214 a year; and funded another prosecutor's slot in the District Attorney's Office.

"We are taking applications" for the Midland County Precinct 2 justice post, said Midland County Judge Jeff Norwood.

The job pays $35,000 a year.

Applications, including resumes, for the post are to be in Norwood's courthouse office by 5 p.m. March 17. Following interviews, the Commissioners' Court is to appoint the justice by mid-April.

Keith Jobe, who had served as a justice for 10 years until he was defeated last year, was appointed earlier this year during Pine's illness.

Precinct 2 takes in voting precincts that include Greenwood and parts of southeast, northeast and north-central Midland and the Midland Country Club and the Midland College areas.

In a 4-1 vote, commissioners opted to increase the pay of each constable from $100 a month, or $1,200 a year, to $7,214. Two constables, Johnney Holt of Precinct 3 and Charles "Rusty" Stewart of Precinct 1, had petitioned the court for a "reasonable and legal" salary.

Norwood cited a Texas law that said a constable's salary cannot be less than the constable's salary in 1972. The $7,214 figure was the Midland County constable's salary that year, according to courthouse records.

Since then, the constable's pay had increased five times until the cutback last year by the Commissioners' Court.

Constables E.K. Browning Jr., a retired Texas Department of Public Safety commander, and Larry Clark, a retired businessman, did not seek pay increases.

Clark said he was happy with $100-a-month wages.

"I knew what the pay would be (at the outset) .... I understand the other boys' position, wanting to feed a family. I was happy with the way it was."

Before the old office was dismantled last year, the constable was drawing $37,000 a year.

The office was restructured in a civil-rights action that mandated Midland County be served by four constables instead of one. The Constable Office's duties were then taken over by the offices of Sheriff Gary Painter and District Attorney Al Schorre.

The Commissioners' Court's apparent intention is to phase out the constables' posts.

"It is our hope that the Legislature will allow Midland County voters the opportunity to vote on abolishing the office of constable in order for us to save needed tax dollars," Norwood said.

Commissioner Henry Goulet voted against pay increase for the constables.

"I voted against it just on a matter of principle ... (they) knew what the salary schedule was when they ran for this position. That's it. Now, they are screaming for more money."

In funding another prosecutor for Al Schorre's office, "We hope that this will allow the district attorney to reduce the backlog of cases and make justice a little bit swifter in Midland County," said Norwood, who noted that Schorre now heads up a staff of 10 prosecutors.

ALTURA: Amoco, Shell to create third company

(From 1A)

panies. Instead, Altura will be an entire new oil company with all of its assets in the Permian Basin.

When the company begins operation Saturday it will have 950 employees and 12,000 oil wells. It will produce 170,000 barrels of oil a day and 220 million MCF of natural gas. Altura will become the largest producing oil company in the Permian Basin, the largest independent oil company in Texas and the third largest independent oil company in the United States.

Posey said the marriage of assets between Amoco and Shell into Altura was necessary to eliminate duplication and to cut overhead. The final divisions of assets will result in Amoco being a 64 percent owner and Shell a 36 percent owner. The Permian Basin oil company will have a five-man board, consisting of three representatives from Amoco and two from Shell. Profits from the company will be funneled back into Amoco and Shell.

Posey said the two companies began serious talk in 1994 about merging their assets. In October 1995 they announced they would form a limited partnership. "Since then we have been working together to make this new company happen," Posey said. "We have set five dates and missed each date for formalizing the company."

In essence, Posey said Altura would be a fully independent oil company, and not a baby major oil company.

Posey said Altura did not intend "to be a slumbering giant," but would be active in the Permian Basin "actively seeking acquisitions and deals."

"This will be a proactive, action-oriented company," Posey said, noting Altura would have 27 operating offices in Southeast New Mexico and West Texas, and would operate in 60 counties in the Permian Basin.

LAWSUIT: Former employee testifies on own behalf

(From 1A)

system in that way is against the law.

"I was pretty upset about it, because I didn't want to do something that was wrong. I was conflicted over what Dot (her immediate supervisor) told me and what he told me," she testified.

"At that point, did you call DPS (Texas Department of Public Safety) and try to make trouble for the sheriff's office?" asked her attorney, Cindy Weir-Ervin.

"No," Ms. Benefield answered.

When she approached her immediate supervisor about the possible misuse of the computer system, Ms. Benefield testified that she was told that the Big D checks were for criminal investigations.

Ms. Benefield thought this was unusual, she said, because the criminal investigation division has their own computer system. "They could have run them in their own office," she said.

In her job, Ms. Benefield often ran the checks as part of mandatory criminal checks association with handgun purchases under the Brady Bill.

"Her reaction was very strong ... she said 'we're doing it right — you're wrong' end of discussion," Ms. Benefield testified.

The plaintiff said she still did not turn the matter over to any other agency, since an audit was about to be performed and she expected any discrepancies to be identified and handled during that audit.

After the audit, however, Ms. Benefield testified that the checks were still being done improperly.

"Was there ever any discussion about discontinuing these illegal checks," Ms. Weir-Ervin asked.

"Not that I am aware of," Ms. Benefield answered.

That spring, Ms. Benefield made some copies of documents at work and turned them over to her husband, who presented them to investigators with DPS, she said.

On June 10, Ms. Benefield was harshly addressed by her supervisor and threatened for "breaking sheriff's office policy by not following the chain of command," she said.

From that point on, Ms. Benefield testified that she was ostracized by her fellow workers and supervisors and was treated with hostility while at work.

As this treatment dragged on, Ms. Benefield began having anxiety-related problems, such as sleeplessness, vomiting and panic attacks.

Explaining to the jury that she had to seek medical help for her mental condition, Ms. Benefield became openly emotional.

"I was brought up to just handle things in your own. I thought it was a sign of weakness to have to go to somebody because you couldn't handle it," she said.

Finally, Ms. Benefield received a letter of termination from Sheriff Gary Painter, she said.

Ms. Benefield is suing for lost wages and suffering resulting from her termination.

Attorneys for the defendant, Anthony Nelson and Bob Bass, are attempting to show the jury that no wrongdoing occurred and that Ms. Benefield was terminated for just cause.

Testimony continues today before federal Senior Judge Lucius Bunton.

DOWNTOWN: Project calls for community-wide effort, director says

(From 1A)

gets under way, it — like in many other communities — tends to have a snowball effect, she said.

In addition to working with the board of Downtown Midland Inc., Ms. Wantuck said, she wants to hear from the people of Midland. "My philosophy is that it (the revitalization plan) is going to be a community-wide effort," she said.

A temporary office for Downtown Midland Inc. will be set up at the Midland Chamber of Commerce until a permanent office is established at the Petroleum Building.

Downtown Midland Inc. will be financed largely through membership dues from the private sector and possibly city economic development dollars. There have been a "significant number" of commitments for five-year memberships, Canon said.

Those funds will pay for Ms. Wantuck's salary, which Canon declined to disclose.

Ms. Wantuck was chosen from about 20 applicants for the position.

Among her work experience, she was project manager for the parks and pathways department of The Woodlands Community Service Corp., a developed subdivision outside of Houston. She also served as supervisor for The Woodlands' covenant administration department, generally involved with planning and zoning issues.

Ms. Wantuck has also been a site manager and production coordinator for a construction company and a park planner and landscape designer.

Ms. Wantuck moved to Midland last year.

Investigation: Police gave alcohol to minors in Explorers

PLANO, Texas (AP) — One policeman was fired and five others were disciplined after a months-slong internal investigation revealed several officers provided alcohol to minors in the Explorer program.

The program, under the direction of the Boy Scouts of America, provides young adults high school age and older with exposure to law enforcement and other careers. Participants receive training on topics including drug and alcohol abuse, physical and emotional abuse, and leadership.

Explorer members reported that during a four-year period, officers who served as program advisers often drank alcohol with them and provided beer to underage participants, the Plano Star Courier reported in Sunday's editions, citing personnel records.

The investigation also found that some of the officers failed to report incidents of underage drinking, the newspaper said.

Assistant Police Chief Greg Rushin said he could not discuss the internal investigation.

"Two cases are still pending and a statement now would not be fair to those involved in upcoming hearings," he said.

Officers Jeff Holloman and Chris Burns, both Explorer advisers, have been suspended indefinitely. Holloman appealed and awaits a decision from the Civil Service Commission. Burns has an appeal hearing next month.

Officer Paul Jones was fired Dec. 20 for refusing to cooperate with the internal investigation. According to records, Jones failed to report a fellow officer for supplying alcohol to minors.

Pick 3 Texas

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

9-9-2

Cash 5 Texas

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

3-5-9-12-32

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Thousands join leaders to bid Deng farewell

N.Y. Times News Service

BEIJING — In the Hall for Paying Last Respects, a room with curtains of black silk and overflowing floral baskets, China's leaders bid a last farewell to Deng Xiaoping on Monday morning in a traditional ceremony.

Then they escorted his body, draped with the red flag of the Communist Party, across town to a crematory that turned it to ashes.

Tens of thousands lined the Avenue of Eternal Peace, Beijing's central thoroughfare, to see the slow procession of a 35-car motorcade that symbolized the final steps of Deng's long political journey, one that helped bring prosperity to millions of Chinese who had long been denied it.

Many in the crowd said they had come to witness a solemn moment in history more than to express grief.

A memorial service for Deng is scheduled for Tuesday. His successors announced last week that it would be dignified but simple, in keeping with requests that Deng often made in public and private.

Modesty was part of the image that Deng cultivated, wanting to be seen as a devoted Communist who avoided the personal flamboyance and excesses of Mao. Yet Monday's ceremony, which was broadcast nationally on television, lavished attention on Deng in a way he expressly forbade.

That seemed to reflect the new leadership's reputation for indecisiveness and a desire to have things both ways: upholding the Deng mantle, yet twisting it a bit too. It is not surprising that in his final years, Deng sometimes criticized his successors for lacking courage.

Funeral rites have a special significance, as do all high-profile ceremonies, in a country where the rule of law is weak and leaders rely on symbols to demonstrate their authority.

For President Jiang Zemin, Deng's successor as the most powerful man in China, the decision to televise what might have been a private ceremony offered him a last chance to bask in the proximity of the leader who chose him.

But for many ordinary Beijing residents, Monday's ceremony was simply a piece of rare and colorful political theater. More than anything, it was a chance to get a last look at Deng, who remained hidden from public view for three years before he died, a victim of Parkinson's disease.

Dressed in a black Mao suit, lying in a bed of flowers with bright red gerbera scattered on either side of the pillow, Deng's body looked slightly pale and puffy after his long illness.

At 9 a.m. Jiang led about 100 leaders, almost all dressed in black suits and wearing white carnations, into the hall at the General Hospital of the People's Liberation Army and faced their deceased leader and an enormous photograph of him on a wall beyond.

After bowing in unison three times, they circled the bier — careful to proceed in a pecking order they always follow in public, with Jiang first — to shake hands with Zhuo Lin, Deng's widow, and the rest of the family.

Jiang looked hesitant and awkward, as though afraid to make a misstep on such an important day. He was followed by Prime Minister Li Peng, who appeared equally ill at ease. Only Zhu Rongji, a deputy prime minister, seemed to express a flicker of genuine warmth to the family as he greeted them.

An honor guard of eight soldiers carried Deng's coffin to a white Toyota minivan with tinted windows that served as a hearse. Decorated with wide black and gold ribbons, it was easy for the people on the street to identify it as the vehicle carrying the leader they had come to see.

The Avenue of Eternal Peace, ordinarily a noisy boulevard packed with daily commerce, was oddly quiet before 10 a.m. as the motorcade passed by. Though onlookers crowded five and six deep on the sidewalk, they spoke in hushed tones, seemingly in awe.

The motorcade pulled to a stop at Babaoshan Revolutionary Cemetery, where a row of cypress trees frame a turret-like gate and a pair of life-sized stone lions on either side of the entrance, which tilt their heads inward as if in welcome.

Most of China's senior leaders are buried at Babaoshan, except Mao, who got his own mausoleum, and Prime Minister Chou En-lai, whose ashes were scattered into the sea. Deng elected to follow Chou's example.

Monday, before Deng's body was taken to the crematory, his family was offered a final chance to to say goodbye.

His youngest daughter, Xiao Rong, who wrote a biography of her father and served as a close personal assistant, cried out, "You're not dead!" before collapsing in sobs.

Next to her, Deng's elder son, Deng Pufang, sobbed more quietly as he sat in his wheelchair. He has been paralyzed since he jumped from a fourth-story window in a suicide attempt in 1968 at the height of the Cultural Revolution, a period when Deng Xiaoping was purged and his family members persecuted.

Another daughter, Deng Nan, tried to embrace her father's body, finally placing her cheek against his forehead as she cried.

Outside Babaoshan, most of the people who lined the Avenue of Eternal Peace remained expressionless. When asked, some said they had come because their work units had organized the trip. A large number seemed to have come from Capital Iron and Steel, one of Beijing's largest state-run industries, whose former general manager counted himself a close friend of Deng.

Yet most appeared to have come on their own, out of a mixture of curiosity and affection.

"I wanted to see it," said Wang Jinhong, 27, a factory worker who said she lived nearby. "Something this big only happens once or twice in a lifetime."

Chinese television broadcast several interviews with onlookers who heaved in sobs as they extolled Deng. Some shed tears, while others seemed to be partaking of a Chinese tradition of showing sorrow when it is deemed appropriate, even when the crying is entirely faked and without tears.

Once the cremation was over and the black limousines ferried the country's leaders back to their other duties — some of them to meet Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who arrived in Beijing on Monday — many of the mourners stood in place for several minutes, as if reluctant to return to the day's affairs.

Many of the mourners tied the white paper carnations they had been wearing to the lower branches of the trees that line the street. When the people were gone, the small clumps of white paper remained. They looked like snowflakes, each one a reminder of a mourner who came to say goodbye to Deng Xiaoping.

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■ Demonstrators torch Haiti police station

ST. MARC, Haiti — Police occupied this west coast town on Monday after demonstrators, angered by a fatal police shooting, burned down a police station and blocked roads with fiery barricades.

Violence broke out Sunday in St. Marc, 60 miles north of Port-au-Prince, when police tried to break up a demonstration over the town's lack of street-cleaning services, said Foris Servitil, an off-duty police officer who witnessed the protest.

The crowd turned on the police, and one officer fired his gun, striking a 63-year-old man in the leg. The man bled to death while traveling to a hospital in Port-au-Prince, Servitil said.

The infuriated demonstrators then went to the tiny police precinct in the suburb of Frecyneau, set it on fire and blocked access to the town with flaming tire barricades.

Police moved in on Monday, stripping the barricades and searching for weapons they said had been stolen from them while they slept Sunday night, Radio Metropole reported.

Sporadic shooting broke out Monday in St. Marc and several young people were wounded, radio stations reported. The source of the shots was not known.

■ British tribunal says employee who rode banister deserved to be fired

LONDON — An employee who capped a business deal celebration with a dangerous slide down a banister cannot protest the career slide that followed, a British industrial tribunal ruled Monday.

Diane Williams, 34, was fired by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors after her stunt last July. She argued the dismissal was unfair.

Williams, who had been drinking with colleagues, attempted to slide down a banister at the office but slipped and fell 12 feet, knocked out a tooth and knocked herself unconscious.

Her former manager, George Davies, said her actions "were both reckless and extraordinary," and that anyone who would climb onto the banister "would have to be extremely drunk or crazy. It is a frightening drop."

Williams, who since has found another job, admits she made a mistake but faulted her former employers for their lack of humor.

"They don't know how to enjoy themselves," she said.

■ Netanyahu blames justice minister for picking attorney general

TEL AVIV, Israel — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's lawyer blamed Israel's justice minister Monday for selecting an attorney general whose one-day appointment touched off a political scandal.

Netanyahu "is not familiar and cannot be familiar with the entire community of lawyers," said Yaacov Weinroth.

"If his justice minister tells him that the candidate is excellent and has all the qualifications and all the recommendations, including the blessing of the chief justice, what should he think?" Weinroth told the Haaretz newspaper.

Netanyahu hired Wienroth, a top criminal lawyer, over the weekend after police reportedly warned the prime minister that he could face criminal charges and concern grew that the scandal could bring down the government.

Netanyahu has denied any wrongdoing and the justice minister has filed a libel suit against Israel TV.

Israel Television has said Deri conspired to get a crony, Jerusalem criminal lawyer Roni Bar-On, appointed attorney general.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Mexico: Pemex sale starts political fight

N.Y. Times Service

COSOLEACAQUE, Mexico — A low hum comes from the innumerable towers, tanks and ducts of this huge industrial complex. It is the sound of Mexico's vast petroleum wealth being cooked and refined at high pressure, transformed into the chemical building blocks of consumer society.

But another noise has been sounding recently throughout the Mexican petrochemical industry: the loud squabbling of politicians, diplomats and Wall Street businessmen about the direction of Mexico's economic policy.

Since the early 1990s, Mexico has been slowly but steadily moving to sell state-owned industries to private investors — a process pushed by the government's need to attract billions of dollars in private investment.

The petrochemical division of Petroleos Mexicanos, known as Pemex, the nation's oil and natural-gas monopoly, has long been slated to go the same route.

But in October, President Ernesto Zedillo was forced by domestic political pressure to scale back his plans to privatize most of the division. Under a compromise plan, less than half will be sold off, and the remaining details of the sale are in doubt.

The issue is highly emotional. Government ownership of Pemex is a focal point of patriotic pride for Mexicans of all political persuasions, who see it as a bulwark of national independence from Yankee control.

For U.S. investors and diplomats, Pemex is equally symbolic. It is the fourth largest oil company in the world, with $21 billion in gross annual profits. It is a lonely example of state ownership in an increasingly free-market hemisphere, a ripe plum still out of Wall Street's reach.

"Sooner or later, the Mexicans will have to privatize Pemex itself," said a U.S. investment fund manager who asked not to be identified. "What is happening with the petrochemicals (division) is simply stubbornness on their part. They will have to adapt to the market sooner or later."

International financial analysts argue that Pemex is overstaffed and that state ownership is a barrier to foreign investors' confidence in the Mexican economy. Only by opening up its economy fully can Mexico attract the capital it needs to develop, they say.

While this may be partly true, the foreign pressure seems to have nothing to do with altruism.

Since the 1938 nationalization of Mexico's oil industry, which had been owned by American and British firms, U.S. executives and diplomats have hoped to regain control.

■ News analysis

In recent years, that seemed inevitable: Even Communist-run Cuba has partially privatized its state-owned oil industry — a pipsqueak compared with the giant Pemex, but fraught with ideological symbolism.

After the December 1994 crash of the peso, when Mexico appeared to be on the verge of defaulting on its international loans, Wall Street fund managers called for President Clinton to use his offer of a U.S. bailout to force Mexico to privatize all of Pemex.

The Mexican government resisted fiercely, and Clinton's eventual deal, announced in February 1995, merely channeled Pemex's oil revenues through a U.S. escrow account — as a hedge against a Mexican default.

The Zedillo government was widely criticized at home on the ground that if Mexico were unable to pay its debt to the United States, Uncle Sam would not be content with claiming the oil revenues but would make a grab for Pemex itself.

In September, amid increasing public debate on Zedillo's 2-year-old plan to privatize the petrochemical division, U.S. Ambassador James Jones caused a stir when he was widely quoted as warning that any retreat on the plan would cause Wall Street to pull billions of dollars out of Mexican financial markets. Mexican officials criticized Jones' comments, and he quickly said he had been misquoted.

But later that month, a congress of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) demanded that Zedillo reverse his plan.

Under a compromise deal announced in October, nine petrochemical products were reserved exclusively for government production. Other production facilities will be divided into 10 separate companies. Pemex will retain 51percent ownership of those; private corporations will be able to buy as much as 49 percent of the new firms' assets, and will be allowed to own 100 percent of new plants that they build from scratch.

In addition, the powerful oil workers union was mollified by a no-layoff, closed-shop guarantee for the mixed enterprises.

By any standard, the complex at Cosoleacaque, on Mexico's steamy southern Gulf Coast, is a strategic element of the nation's industrial strength. It is the second-largest ammonia-producing plant in the world and also makes hydrogen and paraxylene. The three chemicals are important ingredients of fertilizer, plastics and synthetic fibers.

In the wood-paneled office of Carlos Lopez Blumenkron, the plant's general manager, there is no doubt as to his loyalty: In place of Mexican officials' usual photo of Zedillo is a large, framed portrait of former President Lazaro Cardenas, who nationalized the oil industry in 1938.

"We are very happy with the new plan," Lopez Blumenkron said. "Under the previous one, it was unclear how Mexican control would be maintained over the petrochemical industry. ... Self-sufficiency is very important for us."

Mir fire doused, Russian space effort on hold

N. Y. Times Service

MOSCOW — Russia's beleaguered space program suffered two new setbacks Monday when officials reported a small fire on the aging Mir space station and a giant cash problem back on Earth that will hold up an international project to launch Mir's replacement.

The six astronauts aboard Mir, including American Jerry Linenger, had to don gas masks when a blaze burned for 90 seconds in the 12-year-old Russian space station's air filtering unit. No one was seriously hurt and Russian officials said there was no need to evacuate the crew, although the astronauts were taking medication for irritation caused by fumes from burning electronic cables.

The incident was the latest in a series of mishaps that have underlined the fragile state of the only manned space station in orbit. Mir has already surpassed its expected lifetime and Russian scientists say is rapidly approaching the end of its usefulness.

The fire Sunday came just hours before the head of the Russian space agency, Yury Koptev, announced that money woes had forced a delay of the launch of the first module of the international Alpha space station, casting new doubts on Moscow's ability to participate in the project.

The United States, the European Space Agency, Canada, Italy and Japan are also involved in the Alpha station, which is due to go into operation in 2003. A Russian cargo and fuel module is scheduled to go into orbit first, followed by a segment made by the United States and a third module, where the astronauts on the Alpha will live, also to be built by Russia.

Koptev said Monday that the launch of the first Alpha module, completed in Moscow last year, would be pushed back seven months to June 1998. He said the reason for the delay was that Moscow's Khrunichev center, which is building the Russian segments of the Alpha station, lacked the funding to finish the third segment, called the service module.

"The timetable will be changed because of Russia, which did not build a service module on time," he said. Koptev has said the other countries would agree to alter the schedule.

But US officials have questioned whether Russia should be allowed to remain on the project. During a visit to Moscow last week, Representative James Sensenbrenner, Republican chairman of the US House's Science Committee and a vocal critic of Russia's contribution, said Moscow's tardiness had put the entire Alpha program in jeopardy.

Sensenbrenner said the countries sponsoring Alpha would have to decide by the end of March whether to exclude Russia from the project.

Last week, Anatoly Kiselyov, head of the Khrunichev center, said the Russian part of the project would come to a halt unless the financially strapped government paid $10 million to fund it by the end of February. It was quite a comedown for Kiselyov, who had proudly unveiled the completed first Alpha module to the press last November, as admiring NASA officials looked on.

NASA chief Daniel Goldin said earlier this month that his agency would make plans to proceed with the station without the Russian modules if the Kremlin failed to pay.

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Prices plummet

Natural gas futures fell to the lowest level in 16 months Monday while heating oil futures also dropped, reflecting weather forecasts diminishing chances of a prolonged cold snap to reduce ample supplies before spring.

Crude futures also fell to a seven-month lows.

Natural gas for March delivery, which expired Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, fell 15.6 cents to $1.780 for each 1,000 cubic feet, the lowest for an active contract since Oct. 24, 1995.

April crude fell 68 cents to $20.71 a barrel, the lowest since July 31. March gasoline fell 1.58 cents to 60.24 cents a gallon, the lowest since Sept. 23.

January and February are normally periods of peak demand for both heating oil and natural gas, but unseasonably warm temperatures have settled across much of the country, allowing inventories to build sharply.

Temperatures through the first week of March are expected to rise as much as 12 degrees above normal in the Northeast and Midwest, according to the National Weather Service. Those areas are the two largest heating markets, and with the beginning of spring only three weeks away, inventories are expected to rise even further.

The level of natural gas in storage currently is 14.5 percent above levels of a year ago, according to the American Gas Association. And heating oil supplies are at a healthy surplus over a year earlier, the American Petroleum Institute reports.

Crude oil futures fell amid rising inventories. Iraq's return to the world oil markets after a five-year absence has accelerated the amount of crude reaching Western countries and resulted in falling prices.

Dollar falls

NEW YORK — The dollar fell sharply Monday, hurt by hints of a stronger German economy, fresh doubts about Europe's single currency plan and news that a big Japanese company was converting all its foreign-exchange holdings to yen.

The retreat pulled the dollar back to its lowest level against the yen since the Group of Seven industrialized powers said Feb. 8 that the U.S. currency's two-year recovery from post-war lows was complete.

In late New York trading, the dollar cost 122.18 yen, down from 123.28 yen Friday. The dollar cost 1.6732 marks, down from 1.6887. The pound cost $1.6359, up from $1.6172.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with Friday: 1.4590 Swiss francs, down from 1.4711; 5.6385 French francs, down from 5.6975; 1,580.00 Italian lire, down from 1,670.00; 1.3628 Canadian dollars, down from 1.3639.

Food prices moderate

WASHINGTON — After rising in 1996 at the fastest rate in six years, food prices likely will moderate this year, according to an Agriculture Department forecast.

Food prices are expected to rise just 2.1 percent this year, down from 3.3 percent last year. The 1996 increase was the steepest since prices rose 5.8 percent in 1990 when the economy was entering the last recession.

The government's Consumer Price Index for all goods and services rose 3 percent in 1996, the department said Monday.

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■ Bargain hunting in technology stocks snaps market slump.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bargain hunters began nibbling at battered technology stocks on Monday after several days of profit-taking, helping snap a broad-market slump and boost blue-chip measures back toward record levels.

The Dow Jones industrial average shrugged off an early 26-point deficit and then rallied into the close, jumping back above the 7,000-mark to close at 7,008.20, up 76.58. About half of that advance came from big gains by Philip Morris and IBM.

Broader measures also turned higher in the morning as several computer-industry bellwethers started to rebound from last week's selloff, helping the technology-laden Nasdaq market end a five-session losing streak.

"It doesn't take more than a few days or a few hours and the bull trend reasserts itself," said Robert Stovall, president of Stovall/Twenty-First Advisers. "Even though there was no big news, investors seem to like the environment again and back up we go."

The Dow closed above 7,000 for the first time less than two weeks ago and set a new high at 7,067.46 last Tuesday before stumbling about 140 points over the next two sessions and trading almost unchanged on Friday.

The recent pullback "was not anything more than some profit-taking. A lot of bears made a stand at 7,000, and they'll live to regret it. The buying just went elsewhere and the market's correction has been modest," said Peter Canelo, chief investment strategist at Dean Witter, noting that most indications on the economy, politics and company profits remain positive. "Why shouldn't the stock market go up? Everything looks pretty good."

Bellwether technology shares, beaten down over the past week as earnings worries prompted investors to lock in profits on January's stellar run, led Monday's turnaround from a weak opening.

IBM surged 6 1/4 to 143 7/8 as one of the Dow's big gainers, erasing part of a 30-point slide that followed the computer maker's fourth-quarter earnings report about a month ago.

The two most active Nasdaq issues were Cisco and Intel, which pulled into positive territory over the last hour after recovering from morning losses of 2 7/8 and 4 1/8, respectively. Cisco rose 5/8 to 59 and Intel rose 2 7/8 to 149 1/4, while Microsoft leapt 5 1/8 to 100 1/8 after rebounding from an early 1-point drop.

Despite the signs of renewed vigor in the technology sector, many many investors continued to focus on more reliable areas such as consumer staples. The Dow's other two big gainers were Philip Morris, which jumped 6 to 135 1/8, and Merck, which rose 3 1/4 to 98 3/8.

"Conservative investors are looking at safe blue chips, but more aggressive investors are starting to pick up the stuff that's left down. That's good news for the market. That's the stuff that will take it to new highs," said Canelo.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 7-to-5 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 459.99 million shares, down from Friday's 487.08 million.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list rose 8.51 to 810.28, and the NYSE composite index rose 3.47 to 424.48.

The Nasdaq composite index rose 10.76 to 1,345.08, and the American Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.78 to 598.07.

Air passengers follow bargains

■ Travel agents say discounts will win back disgruntled passengers.

Associated Press

DALLAS — When American Airlines announced that it would ground all its planes if its pilots' union struck, many frustrated passengers vowed never to fly the carrier again.

But American's success at luring back disgruntled fliers is proving that the way to many travelers' hearts is through their wallets.

"Vacationers are the least loyal of customers," said Barbara Hemberger, a spokeswoman for Carlson Wagonlit Travel, one of the nation's largest travel agencies. "They don't remember past travesties and will go with simple economics every time."

American announced its fare sale to appease upset travelers after President Clinton intervened Feb. 15 to halt the strike.

The carrier offered discounts averaging 50 percent off domestic fares through March 14, and 45 percent off domestic fares through May 31. The discounts applied to tickets bought by March 3.

Discounts also were offered for international travel. Double frequent-flier miles were offered for flights taken by March 14.

Although some other airlines offered fares as low or lower, American was deluged with calls. American spokesman Mike Smith said the company was booking flights at about five times the normal rate.

"We often say that there are three things that drive customers — price, price and price," Smith said. "Our customers are important to us and we're going to do whatever we can to make sure they're happy."

Travel agents say the carrier has dodged the bullet of ill will and negative publicity by bombarding travelers with news about the discounts.

"They've really turned it around," said industry analyst Mike Boyd of Aviation Systems Research Corp. in Golden, Colo. "People forget the news really quick. It's a brilliant move — good, sound, solid management judgment."

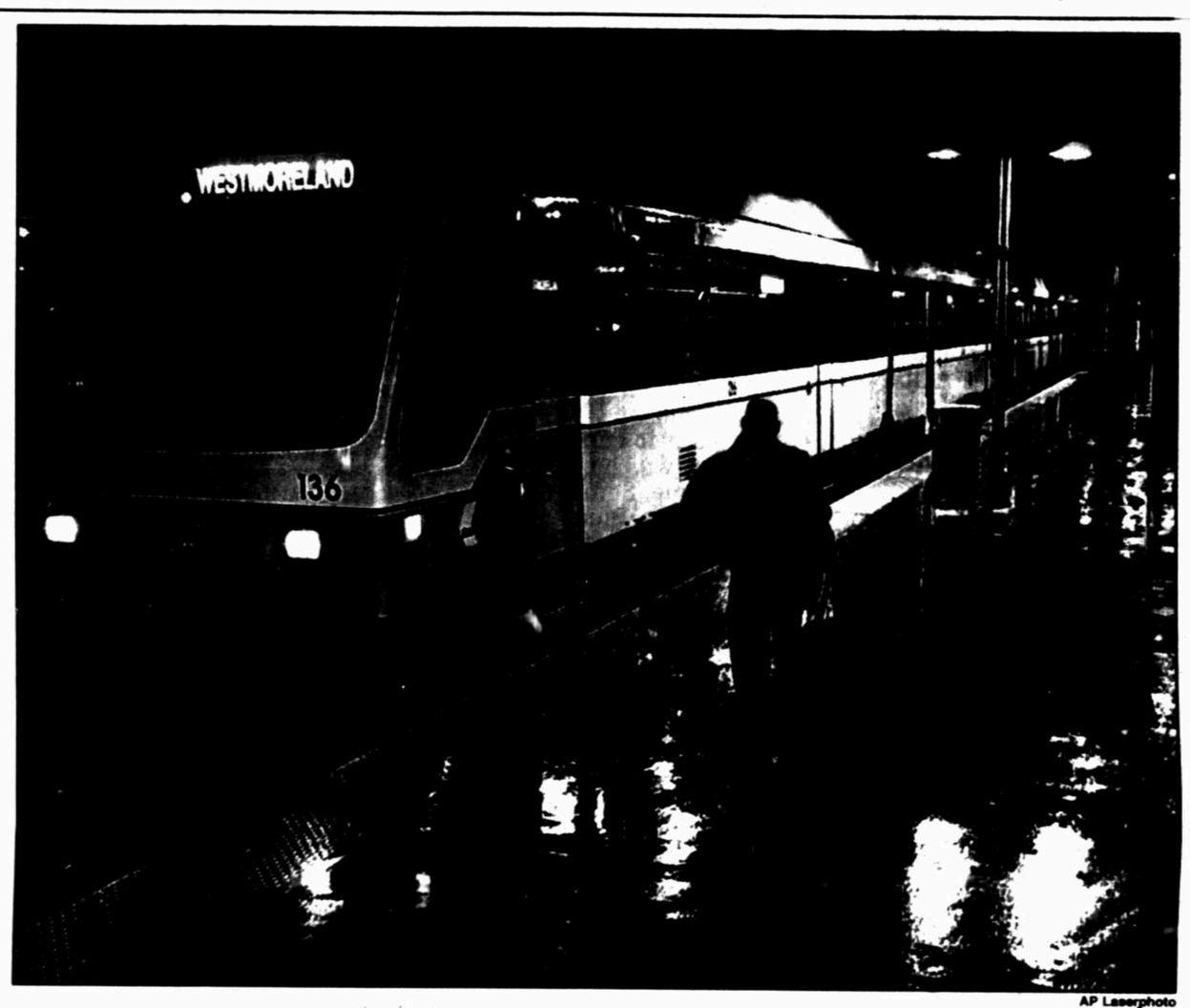
Boyd said that even though American isn't making as much from ticket sales, it may be gaining new customers.

And while other airlines also have tried to capitalize on travelers' vexation with American, travel agents say they apparently are not having the same success.

"The difference is the media attention," said Donna Johnson, owner of Redbird American Express Travel in Dallas.

"American was already in the spotlight because of the strike. They turned that into a lot of hype about low rates and discounts. No one else got the same attention, even though Delta Air Lines is actually offering lower rates in many cases."

Southwest Airlines spokeswoman Ginger Hardage said her company matched sales rates with American and in some cases already had lower fares.



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A passenger rushes through the early morning rain toward a DART light rail train at the Park Lane station in Dallas that will take him downtown. January ridership on the rail line exceeded projections by 33 percent.

Dallas drivers park cars to ride DART trains

■ New light-rail trains are full even in the wide open spaces of Texas.

Associated Press

DALLAS — Trench-coated commuters crowd the station platform, waiting for a southbound train and their daily ride to work in the city.

But this isn't New York City or Chicago. It's the wide-open spaces of Texas, where crowded commuter trains are still a novelty.

In order to wean people away from the independence of their cars — 500,000 cars typically clog Dallas highways during rush hour — the transit system has had to convince them that the light-rail trains are convenient, safe and reliable.

There is at least one transit officer on each two-car, squeaky-clean Dallas Area Rapid Transit train. Stations boast hand-set bricks and tiles, fancy metalwork, murals and poetry by neighborhood artists.

And the trains have been full. Ridership on its brand new north line has been beating projections by 22 percent since fare collections started on Jan. 20, following a 10-day free period.

Unlike two earlier lines connecting downtown to south Dallas and suburban Irving, the new north line reaches middle-class and affluent areas whose residents can afford downtown parking or have employers who pay for it.

"There were people who said no one would ever ride that train," said Andrea Parks, a spokeswoman for DART. "It's really a very pleasant surprise."

Supporters hope the light-rail system will bring significant business to downtown Dallas, whose 33 percent office vacancy rate ranks first among large U.S. cities.

The 20-mile system — with 17 miles now open — cost $860 million, or $43 million per mile.

Critics, including former city councilman Jerry Bartos, note the costs.

"In the long haul, it's not going to make a dent in the mobility needs of the region, and you're paying an awful lot of money for it," Bartos said.

Riders pay $1 for a ticket good for 90 minutes, less than a third the estimated $3.84 cost per rider.

Trains run every 10 minutes during peak times and every 20 minutes at other times.

Commuter Bill Sheehan, a 68-year-old judge, said he likes the DART train better than New York's subways or Washington's Metro.

"It's shorter, cleaner and they're on time," said Sheehan, who used to spend up to 45 minutes driving to work. "It's 22 minutes from my door to the courthouse door."

Scott Northcutt, a 33-year-old investment banker, said he prefers the train ride to congested roads.

"The only reason I agreed to transfer downtown was because the train was starting," he said. "Otherwise they never could have gotten me to do it."

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Legal documents specify where assets should go

By Eric Tyson

Q: I've heard about wills, trusts and estate planning, and it all seems like a bunch of jargon. Can you give me a plain English explanation of what these things are and whether I should do any of them?

Tyson

A: Because of the way our legal and tax systems work, it's often beneficial to have legal documents in place specifying what should be done with assets and other important details when we die.

A will is the most basic of such documents, and for most people — particularly those who are relatively young or don't have a lot of assets — the only critical one.

Through a will, you can direct to whom your assets will go upon your death, as well as designate who will serve as guardian for your minor children.

In the absence of a will, state law dictates those important issues.

Along with your will, also consider drafting a living will and medical power of attorney. Those documents can help your doctor and family members make important decisions regarding your health care should you be alive but unable to communicate your wishes.

Even if you have a will and supporting medical and legal documents, that might not be enough to keep the government out of your affairs. If you hold significant assets outside tax-sheltered retirement accounts, in most states those assets are subject to probate, the court-administered process for implementing your will.

If you establish and place your assets in a living trust, your estate can bypass the hassle and cost of probate and transfer directly to your heirs. Attorney probate fees can run quite high in some states — up to 5 percent of the value of the probated assets.

Finally, if your net worth exceeds $600,000 upon your death, significant estate taxes will be levied by the federal and perhaps your state's government. Estate planning can help to minimize the portion of your estate subject to taxation.

One simple but powerful estate-planning strategy is to gift money to your heirs before you die, thereby reducing your taxable estate. If you're in the fortunate position of having great wealth, you may gift up to $10,000 annually to as many recipients as desired.

Remember that wills, living trusts and estate planning are forms of insurance. It takes time and money to arrange such matters, and the benefits might be a long time off.

Q: Can you please explain what an annuity is? Does it have any advantages over other investments? I have two certificates of deposit expiring shortly, and both the banks where I have the CDs claim that an annuity is the way to invest.

A: An annuity is a type of retirement account, like an individual retirement account or a 401(k), that allows your capital to grow and compound tax-deferred. Its distinguishing feature is that it's backed by an insurance company.

If you, the annuity holder (investor), should die during the so-called accumulation phase (prior to receiving payments from the annuity), your designated beneficiary is guaranteed to be reimbursed the amount of your original investment.

Annuities have two big drawbacks that make them the absolute last resort for money earmarked for retirement. First, unlike contributions to other retirement accounts, annuity contributions are not tax-deductible. Second, they carry high annual operating fees because of the small amount of insurance that comes with them. The fees cut into your investment returns.

Put your CD money in an annuity only if you have maximized your annual contributions to an employer retirement plan and an IRA ... and even then only if you have at least 15 years before you need the money. The operating fees are especially expensive if you own the annuity for a short time.

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Starr's decision best for nation

Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr's decision to stay on until his investigative work and prosecutions of those indicted in connection with the Whitewater case are "substantially completed" is a critically important one.

Last week's unexpected announcement by Starr that he would leave the Whitewater investigation to become dean of the law school at Pepperdine University brought a burst of criticism from fellow Republicans who understandably viewed his leaving the Whitewater investigation at this point as showing a lack of commitment.

Why drop out of the race when it's three-quarters over and you're in the lead?

Starr apologized for that Friday, saying, "It has become clear that for the sake of continued public confidence in this investigation, it would be inappropriate to set any arbitrary date upon which to terminate my role as independent counsel."

Although the work of those conducting the Whitewater investigation is now in its third year and Starr is no doubt anxious to move on to some other challenges, his departure at this point with several indictments returned and others anticipated against some of the key figures in the case, likely would have caused many Americans to conclude that there was no reason to continue. Some may have even assumed that the work of the Whitewater investigators was meaningless.

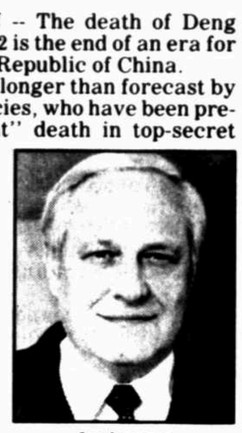
Without question, that would have been an erroneous conclusion. If this probe was worth conducting at all — and we believe it was — it is worth seeing to its conclusion. We're glad that Starr has decided to see this investigation through to the end.

JACK ANDERSON

China faces end of long era with death of Deng

WASHINGTON -- The death of Deng Xiaoping at 92 is the end of an era for the People's Republic of China.

Deng hung on much longer than forecast by U.S. intelligence agencies, who have been predicting his "imminent" death in top-secret intelligence reports since 1991. But he always was the ultimate survivor.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He was purged three different times in his long political career, suffering imprisonment and internal exile himself and causing hardships for his family. In his mind, Deng didn't go through it all to see the party he joined in 1924 toppled from power. So, despite ushering in unprecedented economic reforms, he never accepted political ones.

He was a blunt and candid man, but had a sense of humor that he put to good use in meetings with dignitaries. He often relaxed by taking long-distance spit shots into a spittoon, swimming or playing bridge. International bridge players ranked him as "world class," but he never played for money. In his game, the loser crawled under the table on all fours.

Deng was a complex character who refused to write his own memoirs. Information on his early life or his non-public later life has been sketchy at best, but we have pieced this profile together using Chinese and American sources, as well as three different "Top Secret" Central Intelligence Agency reports.

The CIA, in its classified reports, saw Deng as a man with an unadorned "zest for power," "a strong advocate of party domination of the affairs of state," a single-minded man who was "often abrasive" in his dealings with others. The agency added: "Deng has a well-deserved reputation as an efficient administrator, but he does not seem to possess (the late) Zhou Enlai's talents for conciliation and compromise."

The CIA noted that "he was purged and reviled in the Cultural Revolution (1966-76) and still bears the political scars." That was putting it mildly. Because Deng sought economic reforms of China's communist system even then, he was constantly criticized as the "No. 2 capitalist roader."

During that decade of Mao Zedong's insane social chaos, Deng was removed from party leadership and paraded around Beijing in a jeep with a dunce cap pulled over his ears as the radical Red Guards jeered. Imprisoned in solitary confinement for two years, he was then sent with his family to a southern province where, at 65, he performed manual labor in a tractor factory and served meals in a school mess hall.

Deng might have accepted such humiliation had it not also involved his family. One brother was purged from his post as deputy mayor of Chungking. Another brother was so hounded by the Red Guards that he committed suicide in 1967.

And Deng's oldest son, Pufang, was either forced to jump or was pushed by Red Guards from his fourth-floor student dormitory window, paralyzing him from the waist down. Later reports claimed the paralysis could have been reversed had he received prompt medical treatment.

After the Mao-led Communists took over China in 1949, Deng rose rapidly in power. Even so, Mao had mixed views about his underling.

For example, Mao once confided to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev during a 1954 visit that Deng was the only one of his comrades worth anything. One CIA report says Mao often called Deng "a man of extraordinary political insight."

Without political reforms to accompany the economic changes that Deng delivered, China has remained a backward, underdeveloped nation that has failed to produce a single Nobel laureate in science or literature.

His lifelong devotion to central control also means his legacy will be forever stained with the blood of the protesters who died in the Tiananmen Square massacre in 1989.

One persistent rumor, for example, is that the late leader of China was playing bridge while Beijing was burning.

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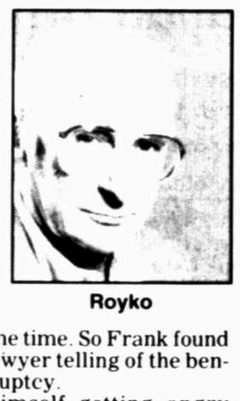
MIKE ROYKO

Hate crimes now extend to TV commercials

When we hear about hate crimes, they usually involve attacks on places of worship, burning crosses on lawns, threats painted on minority-owned homes or garages, and that sort of thing.

But is it possible to commit a hate crime against a TV commercial? Apparently so, much to the regret of a Chicago mope named Frank.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Frank's story begins late one night when he got home from his night job driving a cab. He has a day job, too, but he moonlights to make ends meet.

Everyone else was sleeping, and he was tired and tense, so he watched TV and had a few drinks to wind down.

As any insomniac knows, the commercials on late-night Tv differ from those in prime time. So Frank found himself listening to a lawyer telling of the benefits of filing for bankruptcy.

Frank, 52, found himself getting angry because he and his wife had been through bankruptcy and thought it was a devastating experience.

The TV lawyer gave his phone number for those who wanted to call and retain his services.

And Frank did something really stupid. He dialed the number, was connected to an answering machine and drunkenly ranted about why he thinks the lawyer's commercial message stinks.

He also gave his name, which serious hate-crime perpetrators seldom do.

I'm not going to repeat precisely what Frank said because if I did, it would cause even the slightest sympathy for him to evaporate. Take my word that it was disgusting, obscene, abusive, anti-Semitic and stupid.

Had he said these things to someone's face, chances are he would have been knocked flat on his back. But there's something about a telephone or a computer modem that brings out the worst woolly caterpillars in a person's brain.

When he finished the barrage of insults he gave his phone number in case Melvin Kaplan, the lawyer, wanted to call him back.

Then he hung up and flopped into bed for a few hours sleep before getting on with life's pains.

A few days later, the cops came to his Northwest Side house, but Frank wasn't home. Later, he got a call from a cop asking him to stop by the Jefferson Park station to clear up some "paperwork."

It sounded harmless enough, so Frank went. He was arrested, questioned about the call -- which he admitted making -- and cuffed and spent the night in jail before being bonded out.

He was charged with a felony: committing a hate crime.

When his court date came, Frank still didn't think it was a big deal because he hadn't threatened the lawyer, only insulted him. So he went to court believing it was a preliminary hearing and he would be granted a continuance to get a lawyer.

A mistake. According to Frank, everyone -- the judge, the prosecutor and a court-appointed lawyer -- seemed in a rush to get the case done. So, Frank says, his court-appointed lawyer urged him to accept a deal and plead guilty to a felony, which he did.

The deal, it turns out, wasn't much of a deal, but Frank says he didn't know it. He wasn't jailed, but he was ordered to perform 200 hours of community service. And, of course, the guilty plea made him a convicted felon.

All that for dumb, alcohol-laced, insulting phone message.

But the hate-crime law was written to please every conceivable minority. It can even be applied to a boozy phone call from someone who didn't like a TV commercial.

Having read a transcript of Frank's phone remarks, it occurs to me that I've missed a chance to have thousands of people charged with hate crimes for offensive calls they've made to me, my assistant or my voice-mail machine.

And Frank's legal troubles aren't over. The worst may be down the road. The Illinois hate-crime law says that hate victims can file civil suits. The law says: "The court may award actual damages, including damages for emotional distress or punitive damages. A judgment may include attorneys' fees and costs."

Not long ago, there was another knock on Frank's door. This time it was a process server from the sheriff's office. He gave Frank a legal document and a piece of friendly advice: "You'd better protect your house."

Frank had been sued by the lawyer. Nothing complicated. The suit says that Frank "left an anti-Semitic, harassing telephone message ... that said actions constituted a hate crime ... and a civil cause of action exists under subsection 1/8c 3/8 therof."

It asks for damages for Kaplan's emotional distress, punitive damages and attorney's fees.

I've done some superficial research, and this could be the first hate crime in Illinois directed at a TV commercial.

Also, it seems harsh to brand a man a felon for remarks he made to an office voice-mail machine. And, after he pleads guilty, to punish him further with a civil lawsuit.

I tried to reach Kaplan to ask how his emotional distress was going, but his office said he is out of town and wouldn't return callss.

Think about it: a felonious hate crime for insulting a lawyer in a late-night TV commercial.

What's next in our hypersensitive society? Hate crimes for yelling at a Bears quarterback or a Cubs pitcher?

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ANOTHER VIEW

Car phone chatting can cause crashes!

Sometimes it takes real effort and ingenuity to prove the obvious. Such is the case with the work of two University of Toronto researchers, who have published a report in The New England Journal of Medicine demonstrating that driving while talking on a cellular phone is a bad idea.

The Toronto study examined 699 drivers who had cellular phones and car crashes. After analyzing 26,798 cellular phone calls and comparing the timing of the calls with the timing of the crashes, the researchers concluded that the risk of having an accident while talking on the phone was four times higher than when the phone was not in use.

Dr. Donald Redelmeier compared that level of risk to driving with a blood alcohol level of .10, higher than New York's .06 intoxication limit.

Intuition alone, of course, would suggest that driving with one ear glued to a car phone can distract one's attention from the road. But it is nice to have scholarly confirmation anyway.

Interestingly, the data, though limited, suggest that hands-free car phones may not be any safer. It is the mental distraction that largely accounts for the increased risk. It is also worth making a point that the study did not make. Unseen conversation partners are much less useful than back-seat drivers. They can tell you what's for dinner, but they can't shout "Stop!"

The Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association, a trade group, accepted the study without complaint as statistically valid. But it steered reporters to the one section of the report that had something positive to say about the phones. Thirty-nine percent of the drivers who crashed used them to call for help.

— The New York Times

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 25th, the 56th day of 1997. There are 309 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 25th, 1793, the department heads of the U.S. government met with President Washington at his home for the first Cabinet meeting on record.

On this date:

In 1570, Pope Pius V excommunicated England's Queen Elizabeth I.

In 1836, inventor Samuel Colt patented his revolver.

In 1870, Hiram R. Revels, R-Miss., became the first black member of the U.S. Senate as he was sworn in to serve out the unexpired term of Jefferson Davis.

In 1901, U.S. Steel Corp. incorporated by J.P. Morgan.

In 1919, Oregon became the first state to tax gasoline.

In 1948, Communists seized power in Czechoslovakia.

In 1983, playwright Tennessee Williams was found dead in his New York hotel suite; he was 71.

In 1986, President Ferdinand E. Marcos fled the Philippines after 20 years of rule in the wake of a tainted election; Corazon Aquino assumed the presidency.

In 1990, Nicaraguans went to the polls in an election that resulted in an upset victory for opponents of the ruling Sandinistas.

In 1991, during the Persian Gulf War, 28 Americans were killed when an Iraqi Scud missile hit a U.S. barracks in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

In 1994, Jewish settler Baruch Goldstein opened fire with an automatic rifle inside the Tomb of the Patriarchs in the West Bank, killing 29 Muslims before he was beaten to death by worshippers.

Ten years ago: The U.S. Supreme Court upheld an affirmative action program in Alabama that provided for promoting equal numbers of black and white state troopers.

Five years ago: President Bush won the South Dakota Republican primary, Bob Kerrey the Democratic primary. Natalie Cole won seven awards at the 34th annual Grammys, including best album for "Unforgettable."

One year ago: Blasts set off by suicide bombers in Jerusalem and Ashkelon killed 27 people. A 12-

ART BUCHWALD

Airline strikes are a tough business to figure

By now you've all read about AirFree Airlines and the strike that wasn't because President Clinton insisted on a cooling-off period for everyone involved in the dispute.

But I'll bet you didn't know that it cost AirFree a bundle. Here's what happened to Joe Robert, the head of the airline. Joe, who is known as "Big Bird" in the industry, felt that the employees were making far too many demands, and he decided to hang tough, even if it cost AirFree $50 million a day. The employees also hung tough and voted to strike if Big Bird didn't come up with a contract to their liking.

Anderson

That was the simple part. The complication came when everyone predicted that there would be a shutdown of AirFree. The public panicked, particularly when Big Bird announced that the employees were just a bunch of ungrateful featherbedders who knew nothing about the people-moving business. Customers started canceling their reservations from Nepal to Hawaii.

The employees became embittered and claimed that the only flying Big Bird had done was in a golden parachute. By this time there was no way to avoid a strike. so passengers wrote off AirFree, including four hijackers who had intended to take a plane to Cuba.

It was at this point that the president stepped in because if AirFree didn't fly none of his defense lawyers could get to Washington. The prez signed a piece of paper postponing a strike for 60 days and ordering everyone back to work.

This made the employees furious. They had hoped to have their demands met by shutting down the airports at Dallas. Los Angeles and Nantucket.

Big Bird was ecstatic because he could still keep AirFree planes in the sky. But there was a problem.

Although the planes and pilots were available, there were no passengers and the terminal counters were deserted.

In order to entice his customers back Big Bird had no choice but to cut his fares by 50 percent. It wasn't enough, so he offered 75 percent discounts, and finally he announced that anybody who wanted to go AirFree could fly without charge.

In an effort to attract customers the airline had played havoc with its sales figures. While the strike would have cost AirFree $50 million a day, it was now costing the company $100 million a day to stay in business.

Big Bird was forced to go to the unions and ask them to strike so that he could save the company half of the $100 million it was costing him to keep his planes flying.

As far as the union was concerned it was a tough call because the longer they kept flying the sooner Big Bird would cry "uncle."

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Peru's president says police knew rebels were bringing arms to Lima

Associated Press

LIMA, Peru — Police knew rebels were bringing weapons into Lima and failed to stop them before they seized the Japanese ambassador's residence, President Albert Fujimori said, warning that some officials may be punished for negligence.

Government and rebel leaders, meanwhile, held new talks Monday aimed at ending the 2 1/2-month standoff at the residence and freeing the remaining 72 hostages.

Fujimori, in widely published comments Monday, said some National Intelligence Service and police officials shared responsibility for the hostage situation. He said investigations were continuing and those found guilty of negligence will be punished.

"The Intelligence Service gave information of a general character about the transport of arms ... from the jungle to Lima," Fujimori said during a visit Sunday to remote areas devastated last week by mudslides and flooding.

"Of course, it wasn't known where or in what opportunity" the arms would be used, he said. "There will be measures taken against those responsible."

Rebel leader Nestor Cerpa, who led the Dec. 17 takeover of the Japanese ambassador's residence, attended the talks Monday with his second in command, Roli Rojas Fernandez. The government was represented by Education Minister Domingo Palermo and attorney Jose Antonio Payet.

A white Red Cross sedan drove to the Japanese ambassador's residence, picked up the rebels and made the short trip across the street to the house requisitioned for the talks. The strains of the Tupac Amaru revolutionary hymn floated over the compound's wall as the car pulled out.

After 2 hours and 40 minutes, mediators announced a new round of talks would be held Tuesday.

"The discussion took place in a cordial atmosphere," said Canadian Ambassador Anthony Vincent, reading a statement from the mediators. "The discussion dealt with a number of important issues."

Over the weekend, Fujimori and the Tupac Amaru warned that the talks were still at the "preliminary stage."

Rebel spokesman Isaac Velazco said in a statement issued from the group's European headquarters in Hamburg, Germany, that the government "lacks the will to accept the minimum point we established, which is freedom for our imprisoned brothers."

Since Tupac Amaru guerrillas stormed the diplomatic compound during a cocktail party, they have insisted their main goal was gaining the release of hundreds of comrades in Peruvian jails.

Fujimori repeatedly has rejected the rebels' demand to free prisoners, but recently both sides have toned down their public rhetoric.

The rebel statement also said no more hostages would be released and those who are sick could be treated inside the ambassador's residence.

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Town cremates dead after fire kills at least 190

BARIPADA, India (AP) — Sharad Das stood near the entrance of the straw-and-thatch hall, watching electricians fiddle with wires.

"Suddenly, there was a flash and the roof was on fire," he said Monday, standing beside the charred bodies of his grandfather and uncle.

At least 190 people were killed Sunday when the blaze gutted the hall at a Hindu religious gathering in this town in eastern India.

More than 100 others, many covered with burns, were lying on the floor of Baripada's hospital Monday, overwhelming the town's single medical center.

Das, 30, said 2,000 people were in the hall when he finished lunch. He gazed idly at three men working with wires near the ceiling in the middle of the men's hall, one of three temporary structures on a sprawling playground.

Another building was a dormitory for women and the third housed the main auditorium, where Hindus listened to lectures on spiritualism, sang hymns and meditated. At least 12,000 devotees had gathered for the annual three-day ceremony to seek the blessing of the late Swami Nigamananda, a Hindu spiritual leader.

About 2:30 p.m. Sunday, the fire broke out.

"The roof in the middle of the hall was on fire within seconds. I tried to run in, because my grandfather and uncle were inside. But people were running out. They were pushing me," he said, adding that he stumbled and fell.

The two exits in the 100-by-100-yard hall were not enough to cope with the rush of people, he said.

"Everyone was screaming, 'Fire! Run!' There was one fire engine, but I didn't see any firefighters," he said. "Another fire engine came there later. Nothing was left."

The injured were lifted onto bicycles, motor scooters, cars and tractor trailers and rushed to the hospital. Rescue workers pulled nearly 150 bodies from the site.

"I recognized my grandfather immediately," said Das. "The body was intact. But my uncle's body was badly charred. I recognized a locket that he wore."

Police and relatives struggled to identify the bodies, but few had any identification papers and many were charred.

By evening, relatives had claimed 46 bodies. The rest were piled on logs of wood and cremated in a mass funeral, as Hindu priests chanted hymns.

"It is horrible," said Chaitanya Charan Das, 89, one of the main organizers of this year's gathering.

9 Zairian officers side with rebels

KINSHASHA, Zaire (AP) — Nine senior military officers said Monday they would join the rebels fighting to overthrow President Mobutu Sese Seko in eastern Zaire.

The officers were among those who were leading the Zairian army when Goma and Bukavu — key cities on the border with Rwanda — fell to Laurent Kabila's Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Congo-Zaire last year.

The officers said they were called back to the capital, Kinshasa, and were suspected of supporting the rebels. They recently fled across the Zaire River to Brazzaville, capital of neighboring Congo.

"We're here in transit," a former colonel who would only give his surname as Anti told The Associated Press from Brazzaville. "Our goal is to rejoin the front in the east and come to the aid of the commander of the liberation army, Mr. Kabila."

Anti said the senior officers joining the rebels included three other colonels, two majors and two captains. The rank of the ninth officer was not clear. Hundreds of other officers and rank-and-file soldiers already had switched sides and were in eastern Zaire to aid the rebels, Anti said.

Anti said they defected because of low morale, years of low wages and dismal living conditions. But what demoralized the senior officers most, he said, was a two-tiered army command — one from the armed forces and the other from a group of "underground" commanders close to Mobutu.

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Albright tells China to 'act constructively' on human rights

Associated Press

BEIJING — Declaring that U.S. relations with China are the key to world stability in the 21st century, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright warned Chinese officials Monday that they must "act constructively" and improve their country's record on human rights.

Otherwise, she said, China could face condemnation by the United States and its European allies.

"I said I would tell it like it is, and I told it like it is," Albright said of exchanges she held with President Jiang Zemin and other top Chinese officials on the eve of a memorial service for Deng Xiaoping.

She was the only Western leader permitted to visit Beijing during a six-day mourning period for the paramount leader. Albright said she considered that "an extremely good sign" that China will move toward even greater cooperation with the United States.

Jiang put aside a speech he was preparing for the service to talk to Albright for 45 minutes. Prime Minister Li Peng gave her an hour and Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, two hours and 45 minutes.

Albright, speaking first at the U.S. Embassy and then at a joint news conference with Qian, signaled the Clinton administration's commitment to improving relations with Beijing. But she noted differences over human rights and a growing trade deficit — $39 billion last year up from $33 billion in 1995.

"There is no question our relations with the Chinese are a key to stability as we go into the 21st century," she told some 100 U.S. Embassy workers and family members.

Albright, on her first foreign tour as secretary of state, was received with respect by Chinese officials. Deputy Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing greeted her with kisses on both cheeks at Capitol Airport.

But at the news conference, Albright said that "problems do remain" in China's sale of missile technology and chemical weapons ingredients to other nations — suspicions center on deals with Pakistan, Iran, Iraq and Libya — and that American and Chinese officials will meet in Beijing next month to go over them.

And she gave no indication the Chinese yielded to entreaties she made on human rights after American officials handed over a long list of jailed political foes. Only a have been released.

"We admitted we had a difference on it," Albright said of her plea that China treats its people better. "They understood the importance of the issue."

Albright said if China did not ease up on dissidents, the United States would join with European nations in sponsoring a resolution criticizing China's record at a U.N. conference next month in Geneva.

"But there is still time," she said, mindful that political opponents are sometimes released without notice after a top level U.S.-Chinese meeting.

■ More News/4B

Share prices surge at Scottish firm, but is cloning good business?

LONDON (AP) — Share prices rose Monday for a young Scottish biotechnology company that cloned a sheep, but it remains unclear whether the science can go from making sheep to making money.

While dazzling as a technological leap and a conundrum for ethicists, the practical applications of using adult mammals to make infant copies seem less impressive.

"It's more of a scientific event than anything with investment implications," said Hemant Shah of HKS & Co., an independent drug industry research firm in Warren, N.J.

Cloning could let companies precisely copy animals carrying proteins valuable in drug-making, or perfectly duplicate cattle that yield good beef.

But that already can be done with a fair amount of precision, according to analysts who aren't sure if it would be wise to wager too much money on PPL Therapeutics, based outside Edinburgh.

PPL worked with the Roslin Institute, also near Edinburgh, to clone a lamb, named Dolly, from an adult sheep. It was the first time an adult mammal had been cloned and has raised questions about the possibility of cloning humans.

A 15.7 percent jump in the stock of PPL in London was seen largely as a knee-jerk reaction to the headlines of the technological breakthrough.

The most likely commercial application for the cloning technology would involve copying animals that contain proteins for drug-making in their milk — a process where control of the elements is of vital importance.

Although the cloning pioneered by PPL Therapeutics could allow perfect copying of the animal, other firms, such as Genzyme Transgenics Corp. of Cambridge, Mass., are already doing something quite similar by placing the protein-producing genes they want into new goats.

This process has its risks — so-called "background genes" from either the mother or the father could interfere with the protein production in some animals.

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Habitat for Humanity dedicates 10th home

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Alvin Dunson was delighted Monday — thoroughly so, because his best friend, his smiling son, Brandon, was happy.

They now have a home.

Dunson, a 32-year-old single parent, and his 5-year-old son already have moved into their new southside home, which is Midland Habitat for Humanity's 10th house-building project since the program's inception in 1991.

The blessing of their home late Monday was moved to a downtown church because of the rain.

"A blessing, that's what it (the house) has been to me, that, and my boy, Brandon," Dunson said.

"It wasn't possible without you all, and I appreciate the blessing," Dunson told a Habitat-for-Humanity gathering at First Presbyterian Church's former parsonage.

Lana Hines, Midland Habitat for Humanity's executive director, noted Dunson's and the community's labor on building the house.

Dunson, who put in his "sweat equity," is buying the house under the grace of Habitat-for-Humanity's interest-free loan.

"The smile on Brandon's face, that is what it is all about," Ms. Hines declared.

The house was built from the shell of an old, weathered house, which Habitat for Humanity volunteers and Dunson

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

The Habitat for Humanity house of Alvin Dunson and his son, Brandon, 5, was blessed Monday afternoon.

BASIN BRIEFING

Midlander chosen

Gov. George W. Bush has appointed Midlander Ernie Angelo, an independent petroleum engineer, to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission, which preserves and promotes Texas' natural resources and oversees sporting and recreational opportunities in the state. Angelo, former mayor, is president of Enerstar Resources, L.C., and managing partner of Discovery Exploration in Midland. He serves on the board of the Midland Chamber of Commerce and is a past member of the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System. The appointment requires Senate confirmation.

Alzheimer's group

Permian Basin Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association is to meet 7 p.m. today at the offices of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission. The meeting will be an orientation session to familiarize families with the effects of the disease. For more information call 570-9191.

TODAY'S AGENDA

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

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

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

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

Battered Women's support group, 6:45 p.m., 683-1300 or 1-800-687-6888.

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

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

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

55-Plus Dance Club, 7:30-10 p.m., Eagles Club, 697-3131.

Midland West Rotary Club, noon, Furrs Cafeteria.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

welfare meeting, 4th tues. only

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dust Devil Divers Scuba Club, 7 p.m., COM swim complex, 570-8761.

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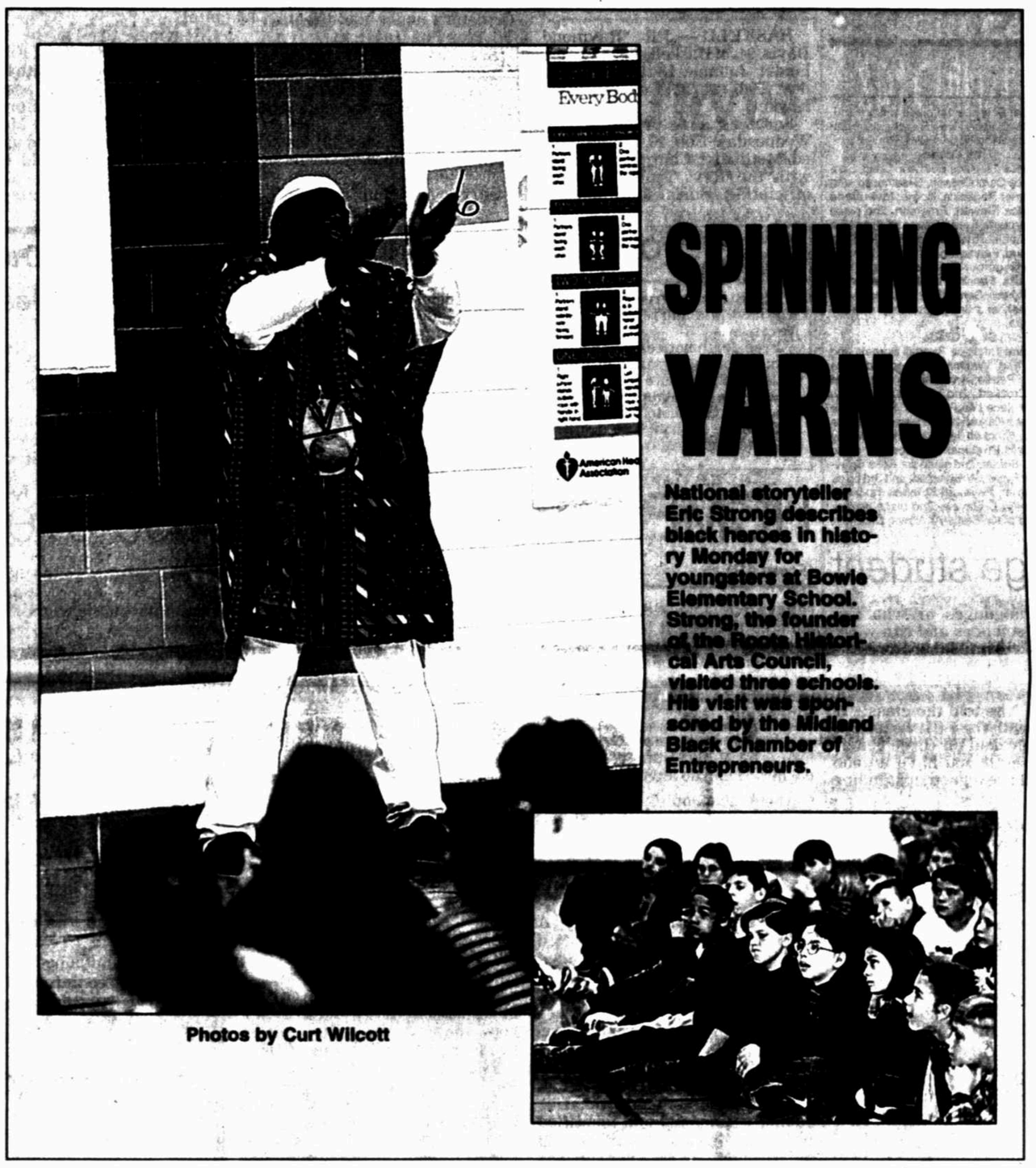

Photos by Curt Wilcott

FBI responds to 'prospective agent's' letter

■ Local student expresses interest in joining FBI, agents pay visit to school.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

FBI agents took time out from investigating crimes to visit Emerson Elementary School Monday.

Their visit was in response to a letter 10-year-old Kollin Hodge had written the local FBI office saying he wanted to become an FBI agent and was concerned about crime and drugs in his neighborhood.

"I wanted to come because Kollin took time out of his schedule and all the homework and studying he has to do to write the FBI a letter," Terry Kincaid, senior supervising agent with the FBI's Midland office, told Kollin's fifth-grade class.

"I so enjoyed his letter and how he talked about violent crime and drug dealing. He seemed so concerned about what's going on in his neighborhood and expressed his desire to stay in school and study hard and become an FBI agent. He also said he was our friend and that's important because we want you to think of us as your friend."

In his response to Kollin's letter, which he personally handed to the boy, Kincaid also expressed concern about the amount of violence in neighborhoods and encouraged his desire to become an FBI agent. He told Kollin that the FBI is always looking for new agents but those agents have to stay in school, study hard and earn college degrees.

"I think it's really neat," said a beaming Kollin. "This gives me the willpower to keep going and fulfill my dream."

His parents, Bob and Selena Hodge, were surprised first, that Kollin would write such a letter, and then at the FBI's response.

Mrs. Hodge was pleased with the response, saying it was great that they would encourage Kollin.

"It's also great for a 10-year-old to set a goal, even a long-term goal, that he can

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Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce endorses MISD school bond issue

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

The Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has come out in support of a $39.5 million bond proposal that would provide funds to renovate the city's public schools and provide technology cable service to every classroom in the district.

"The Hispanic chamber of commerce is really behind the school-bond issue and election," said Jim Rodriguez, co-chairman of education for the chamber.

The chamber has had a long-standing relationship vith education, and has provided more than $5,000 in scholarships to area youths, said Ruben Vargas, board chairman for the chamber.

Vargas and Rodriguez met with Midland Independent School District and city of Midland leaders Monday at Crockett Elementary School.

Chamber officials decided to openly support the bond proposal since economic progress is closely tied with education, Vargas said.

To get the education that allows them to compete, Midland's youth need sufficient teaching facilities, Rodriguez said. "Our chamber is very committed to education."

Having quality schools is essential to providing an attractive environment for incoming businesses, Rodriguez said. "If it's not up to par, they might go somewhere else," he said.

In addition, well-educated young people entering the work place is essential for providing employees with basic skills. "My company, Whataburger, regularly benefits from quality education in Midland," Rodriguez said.

Through the Partnership in Education program, Whataburger provided coupons for 2,000 kids' meals last year for use at Rusk Elementary School. With the availability of these rewards, teachers there have been able to better motivate their students, Rodriguez said.

Vargas said the district desperately needs this bond issue and expects that the community will rally to the needs of local students.

"I think this year we have a better chance than ever before," Vargas said.

Early voting for the bond election ends today; regular voting is scheduled for March 1.

College to offer natural resources academy

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

The Natural Resources Foundation of Texas and Midland College have joined together in bringing the latest science in the process of the protection and utilization of natural resources.

An intensive, 3 1/2-day program, called the Natural Resources Academy, has been established and is scheduled for June 15-18. The academy is aimed at high-school teachers and students. Teachers can receive continuing education credit for the course.

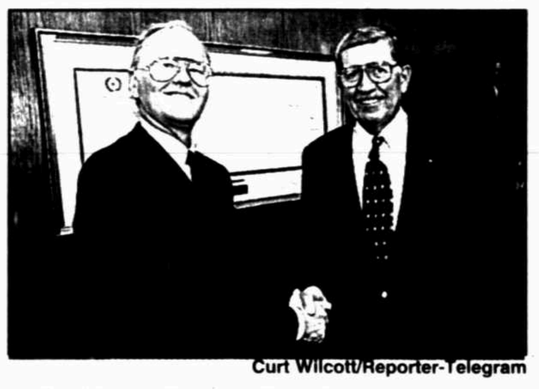
The curriculum is designed to enhance the understanding of natural- resource issues by bringing the latest research from 32 different colleges, universities and think tanks, said Mike Bradford, executive director of the Natural Resources Foundation.

The foundation was formed for the purpose of bringing science into the emotionally charged issue of natural resource conservation, according to Bradford.

"We have twelve full-time Ph.Ds who lend themselves to this activity," Bradford said.

The academy will provide current material on forestry, oil and gas, aquiculture, wildlife management, real estate finance, ethics, cost benefit analysis and other areas of interest, he said.

"Depletion (of natural resources) can take place, and if our generation does not inherit that — our children will," said MC President David Daniel.



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Midland College President David Daniel. right, and Mike Bradford announced Monday that the college will be offering a new summer program for high school students.

MC will host the first presentation of the academy; five other presentations are planned in cities across the state. Only two of those will be this year, however, Bradford said.

Because of a limited number of spaces, a committee will select the applicants invited to attend the

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Midlander Evans to chair UT board of regents

From Staff Reports

The University of Texas Systems Board of Regents on Monday elected Midlander Donald L. Evans to be chairman for the next two years.

Evans, president and chief executive officer of Tom Brown Inc., was appointed to the board by Gov. George W. Bush in 1995.

"Anyone who serves on this board or in the position of chairman does so with a tremendous amount of humility," Evans said. "I love the University of Texas, and I consider it to be one of the great treasures owned by the people of this state. To my colleagues on the board, let me say that I will do my best to serve you well and to serve the people of Texas well.

"When I reflect on the students, faculty, staff and administrators whom I've met in the past couple of years, I am convinced that we really have the best of the best. And when I consider the very constructive leadership that we have from the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the House, as well as the outstanding contributions made by all of the members of this board, it is clear that higher education and the UT Systems are in good hands."

Evans earned two degrees from UT Austin, a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1969 and a master's degree in business administration in 1973.

Evans succeeds Bernard Rapoport, whose board term expired Feb. 1.

The board also elected two vice chairs, Tom Loeffler of San Antonio and Rita C. Clements of Dallas.

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Police Reports

Midland Police Department
Sunday

Burglary of a business: Someone at Tommy's Supermarket, 1806 Rankin Highway reported a soft drink machine had been broken into. The report was made at 6:06 p.m.

Vandalism to a vehicle: Christy Cox reported at 11:17 p.m. a vehicle at 1608 W. Griffin Ave. had been vandalized.

Monday

Vandalism: A chain link fence National Auto Sales, 2605 Elizabeth Ave., was cut. It was reported at 12:48 a.m.

Burglary of a Building: Three windows at Rex, 4717 N. Midkiff Road were broken. Damage was estimated at $1,000. Taken was a boom box and two car amplifiers. It was reported at 3:03 a.m.

Vandalism of a vehicle: Susan Boyiddle reported at 4:39 a.m. that tires on a vehicle had been slashed at 2700 N. Midland Drive.

Vandalism: Someone at Subway, 4324 Andrews Highway reported a window was broken.

Burglary of a residence: Richard Smoker reported at 8:01 a.m. that a vacant apartment at 415 W. Scharbauer Drive had been broken into.

Vandalism: The window of a business at 1500 Cottonflat Road had been broken. It was reported at 9:11 p.m.

Midland County Sheriff
Monday

Burglary of a residence: Mike Ortega reported at 1:22 p.m. that a 32-inch television, an AM/FM cassette and CD player, computer, printer, monitor and keyboard were taken from 3714 S. County Road 1195.

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

Science Fair Winners

From Staff Reports

Midland Independent School District recently conducted its annual science fair. Projects were displayed at Midland Park Mall and winners were named Saturday.

Honorees — and their schools — are:

Third Grade

Earth Science 1st place Drew Harris, Fannin, 2nd place Alexis Singleton, Burnett, and 3rd place Susan Schleuter, Bowie; **Life Science** 1st place Stephanie Strauss, Jones, 2nd place Courtney Dover, Santa Rita, and 3rd place Daniel Toller, Long; **Physical Science** 1st place Lisa Guisinger, Santa Rita, 2nd place, John Speight, Bush, and 3rd place Kenneth O'Donnell, Greathouse; **Physical Science** 1st place Clair Barker, Houston; 2nd place Tyler Hagen, Houston, and 3rd place Natalie Swanner, Emerson.

Fourth Grade

Earth Science 1st place Jenea Pharr, Houston, 2nd place Kimberly Skopak, Rusk, and 3rd place Zach Peterson, Henderson; **Inventions**, 1st place Evan Sewell, Houston, 2nd place Reed Stevens, Fannin, and 3rd place Scott Rogers, Parker; **Life Science**, 1st place Adrian Diaz, Houston, 2nd place Sarah Maurer, Jones, and 3rd place Elizabeth Myers, Rusk; **Physical Science** 1st place Rebecca Reid, Bonham, 2nd place, Noelle Dragisic, Lamar, and 3rd place Shawn Broyles, Jones; **Physical Science** 1st place Emily Fortuna, Bonham, 2nd place Ryan Biembaum, Henderson, and 3rd place Natalie Bird, Parker.

Fifth Grade

Earth Science 1st place Beth Ann Craig, Santa Rita, 2nd place Carol Gossett, Greathouse, and 3rd place Summer Ragsdale, Bowie; **Inventions** 1st place Jessica Stewart, Emerson, 2nd place Martha Scarborough, Santa Rita, and 3rd place Christopher Burnett; **Physical Science** 1st place Andrew Leonhard, Fannin, 2nd place tie: Danielle and Allison Haggerty, Greathouse, and 3rd place Megan Duke, Fannin; **Physical Science** 1st place Andrea Powell, Santa Rita, 2nd place Marc Hall, Scharbauer, and 3rd place Andrea Ferdinand, Santa Rita.

Sixth Grade

Earth Science 1st place Randall Burnett, 2nd place Chris Green, Washington, and 3rd place Michael Bird, Pease; **Inventions** 1st place Amber Zant, Crockett, 2nd place Kate Denny, South, and 3rd place Les Freeman, Pease; **Life Science** 1st place Katy Mitchell, Pease, 2nd place Tracey Jolliffe, Crockett, and 3rd place Abbey Bergman, Milam; **Physical Science** 1st place Josie Martinez, Burnet, 2nd place tie: Ross Crawford and Ben Brewster, Washington, and 3rd place Lee Baker, Burnet; **Physical Science** 1st place Jason Crownover, DeZavala, 2nd place Jerrod, Pease, and 3rd place Blake Andrews, Crockett.

FBI: Agents encourage student

(From 1B)

achieve if he's not shot down," she said. "We try to encourage him all we can."

Kollin's father added that, after watching youth Kollin's age worry about fitting in with their peers or about drugs, "for Kollin to say he's not interested in that, that he wants to be an FBI agent is great. He has an excellent sense of right and wrong."

After presenting Kollin with a "Junior G-Man Badge" and his classmates refrigerator magnets, pencils or rulers, Kincaid and the two agents accompanying him answered the students' questions.

FBI agents, Kincaid told the class, are required to have college degrees because the agency is looking for agents trained as lawyers, accountants, who speak multiple languages or who are trained in sciences and can work in the FBI's crime laboratories.

"You have to start now if you want to be an FBI agent or a policeman," he told the class. "If you apply with the FBI, we look at your background for three generations to see if you have a good record and are a good upstanding student."

He also described what crimes the agency investigates, what drug trafficking is and, yes, how much an FBI agent earns. (Agents start out at $40,000 a year.)

As he prepared to leave after promising to speak at Emerson Elementary during Drug-Free Week and other occasions, Kincaid told the class, "You are important to us and we think enough of you and your future to come see you."

CLASS: College offers academy

(From 1B)

academy.

The academy will be offered free of charge to those applicants who are selected to attend, Bradford said.

To apply to the academy, send a letter to the Natural Resources Academy Committee, P.O. Box 51722, Midland, 79710.

The letter should include the applicant's age, occupation, (grade-level taught in the case of a teacher), home town and an essay of 50 words or less describing why this applicant should be allowed to attend the academy.

The deadline for applicants is May 1.

The Midland-based Natural Resources Foundation is a nonprofit, educational foundation.

Among the organization's goals are working to heighten awareness of the value of natural resources and to promote good stewardship of those resources; to create a broader understanding of the role that active management plays in regeneration, conservation and enhancement of renewable natural resources; and to "recognize the symbiotic relationship between healthy, properly managed natural resources and the economic sustainability of communities," Bradford said.

BOARD: Evans chosen as chair

(From 1B)

Arthur H. Dilly was reappointed as executive secretary to the board.

The board reorganizes every two years after new appointees by the governor have been confirmed by the Senate.

Monday's meeting was the first for new regents Patrick C. Oxford of Houston, A.R. Sanchez Jr. of Laredo, and A.W. Riter Jr. of Tyler.

The next scheduled meeting of the regents will be May 8 in San Antonio.

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Death Notices

Rev. C.B. Wallace

PARIS— Former Midlander, the Rev. C.B. Wallace, 65, of Paris, died Thursday, Feb. 20.

Services have been set for 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Love Civic Center with the Rev. W.J. Wallace officiating. Burial is to follow at Restlawn Garden Cemetery under the direction of Maxey Funeral Home in Paris.

He was born Sept. 25, 1931, in Roxton.

He attended Southern Bible Institute and was pastor of a church in Midland before becoming minister of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church. He was vice president and past president of the Lamar County Ministers' Alliance.

Survivors include his wife, Everlene Glover Wallace; a son, Reginald Wallace of Paris; three daughters, Sherry Lynn Wallace, Andrea LaJoyce Ferguson and Charlotte Yvonne Muse; five brothers, the Revs. W.J. Wallace, D.R. Wallace, Johnny Wallace, Harvey Wallace, Curtis Wallace, Gerald Wallace and A.R. Wallace; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

J.R. Davis

HASKELL — J.R. "Raymond" Davis, 94, of Haskell, father of Midlander Johnnie Lytle, died Monday, Feb. 24, at a care home in Haskell.

Services are to be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at First United Methodist Church in Haskell with the Rev. Truett Kuenster officiating. Burial is to follow at Howard Cemtery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home in Haskell. Visitation is to be 6-8 p.m. today, Feb. 25, at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 9, 1903, in Robertson County.

He married Lillian Pirkle Jan. 8, 1922 in Haskell.

He was a farmer and a member of the Paint Creek Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife on Sept. 1, 1998.

Other survivors include two other daughters, Retha Region of Abilene, and Frankie Boase of Hawley; three sons, Boyd "Red" Davis of Hobbs, N.M., Taylor Davis of Clyde, and Jerry A. Davis of Wichita Falls, 16 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren and 18 great-great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be directed to West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas, 79605.

Ethyl Norman

Ethyl J. Norman died Thursday, Feb. 20, at her Midland residence.

Services have been set for 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at Thomas Funeral Home Chapel. Burial is to follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 16, 1916, in Pine Hill.

She moved to Midland in 1957 and worked for many years at S&Q Clothiers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Norman, in 1970.

Survivors include a sister, Gay Sheffield of Newark, Calif.; a stepdaughter, Carmen Radin of South Carolina, and many nieces and nephews.

Ethel Metzel

Ethel Metzel died Sunday, Feb. 23, at a local hospital.

Graveside services are to be 11 a.m. today, Feb. 25, at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. The Rev. Bob Porterfield of West Kentucky Baptist Church will officiate.

She was born April 22, 1922 in Ogden, Utah. She lived in Colorado before moving to Midland in 1977. She worked as a restaurant cook.

She was preceded in death by her children, Norene Jones in October 1991 and Dennis Shiner in 1981.

Survivors include two grandsons, Richard Jones of El Paso and Brad Jones of Midland; two granddaughters, Joanna Jones of Arizona, and Donna Whitworth of Dripping Springs; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Juanell Green

Midlander Juanell Green, 59, died Sunday, Feb. 23, at a local hospital.

Services are to be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at First Baptist Church in Plains with the Rev. Jim Mosley officiating, assisted by the Rev. Bill Wright. Burial is to follow in Terry County Memorial Cemetery in Brownfield under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 21, 1937, in Yoakum County.

She graduated from Jessie Lee's Hair Design Institute. She married Bennie Joe Green June 19, 1955, in Tokio. She moved to Midland in 1971 and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Midland.

Survivors include her husband of Midland; two sons, Tommy Allen Green of Benicia, Calif., and Kenneth Joe Green of Midland; one daughter, Sherrie Kay Green of Lubbock; a brother, Noel Clanahan of Plains; a sister, Joyce Bearden of Tokio; and five granddaughters.

Laura, Dillian and Quentin Houze

ODESSA — Services for infant triplets, Laura, Dillian and Quentin Houze, children of Jack and Kate Houze, are pending with Odessa Funeral Home and Angeles Memorial Chapel.

Laura died Thursday, Feb. 20 and Quentin and Dillian died Friday, Feb. 21, at an Odessa hospital.

George Barr

Services for George Barr, 57, are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, Feb. 23, at a Dallas hospital.

J.A. Fowler

Services for J.A. Fowler, 73, are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Monday, Feb. 24, at his Midland residence.

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 associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

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

Obituaries

Jeane Hamlin

Memorial services for Jeane Hamlin of Midland are set for 1 p.m. Tuesday in Memorial Christian Church with Dr. Jim Rudd officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hamlin died Saturday in a Midland hospital.

HOME: Group hands house over to Midlander

(From 1B)

renovated. The old house was donated to Habitat for Humanity by KNFM-FM radio station, and the lot on South Colorado Avenue was donated by the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Ms. Hines said.

"I finally have something of my own," an elated Dunson had said earlier. "I can do anything with it."

About 50 people, including 16 Habitat for Humanity student-volunteers from Concordia College in Minnesota, attended the blessing.

Concordia student Renee Palmerville, in reading Scripture, said "Let us not love in words but with action" and in deed and truth.

Building for Habitat for Humanity "touches your heart," Ms. Palmerville said.

The Habitat for Humanity slogan is "Building houses in partnership with God's people in need."

Dunson, who works in the seafood section at H-E-B, noted that he had helped build and rebuild his house "right from the get-go."

In lieu of Mayor Bobby Burns, City Councilman Lee Wood wished Dunson and his son "luck and congratulations on your new home."

TU Electric Co.'s Ricky Thame allowed that he and his work crew "had a wonderful time" in working on the Dunson house. "It was nice to meet new friends."

There were others, including the Scripture-reading Maggie Cornelius, who paid tribute to God's goodness, to Habitat for Humanity's mission, and to Dunson and his son.

Alvin Dunson's mother, Bertha Dunson, who was accompanied by her husband, Ralph Dunson, offered the invocation and benediction.

"We are so happy that he was able to get into Habitat for Humanity," Mrs. Dunson said.

Indeed. And so happy, too, was Brandon, her smiling grandson.

FBI downplays search for possible bomb-carrying U-Haul

HALTOM CITY (AP) — A report that two men were spotted driving a U-Haul truck loaded with bomb components prompted an intense search Monday, but indications Monday night were that the episode was a misunderstanding.

The Dallas Morning News, in early Tuesday editions, cited a federal law enforcement official as saying FBI agents had identified two men driving the truck and determined that their cargo was legitimate.

But agents still want to interview the men, the source said.

"It looks as though they were going about legitimate business," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "But we won't know for sure until we talk to the two men and examine the truck."

FBI spokeswoman Marjorie Poche said Monday night that the agency was sticking to a statement released earlier in the day.

The statement said a witness told police that the men were loading diesel fuel into containers in the back of the truck with out-of-state license plates at a Texaco station Saturday. Local police, however, said at a news conference that the witness saw three men at the station in Haltom City, a suburb north of Fort Worth.

Someone else at the station observed that the truck held three blue plastic containers that appeared to be filled with ammonium nitrate fertilizer, the FBI said.

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DEAR ABBY

Narcotics Anonymous helps those in despair

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter about the heroin addict who killed herself after writing "King Heroin Is My Shepherd." Her note mentioned "the doctor who told my family it would have been better, and indeed kinder, if the person who got me hooked on dope had taken a gun and blown my brains out."

VanBuren

Abby, I think the doctor who said that was partially responsible for the death of this young woman. She did not need a message of hopelessness and despair, especially from a person of authority and respect.

If only the doctor had encouraged her to hurry to Narcotics Anonymous, she might be alive today. Please print this so that other addicts may find new "courage, strength and hope." Narcotics Anonymous can be reached at 1-800-896-8896. — CLOSE CALL IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR CLOSE CALL: That letter generated a flood of mail from readers whose lives have been touched by drugs, filled with important messages like your own. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to "A Saddened Mom" who believes "it takes a village." It really does. I'm glad someone seems to understand that children involved with drugs need to be helped by the whole community. I'm 17 years old, and I've already had a close friend (who was on drugs) commit suicide. I wish people would understand that people don't take drugs because they are stupid or naive, as convenient as that would be to believe. People take drugs because they are depressed and believe they have nothing better to do with their lives.

I know a lot of kids who are on drugs and none of them really feel they are truly valuable people. If a parent, relative or close adult had really given them a reason to believe they were worthwhile, special and needed, they wouldn't have needed drugs.

"Straight" kids are taught to stay away from "bad" kids, which is too bad — because peer pressure works just as well in reverse. Peer groups are oftentimes enough to save a child. Fortunately, most of my friends have been saved from drugs by peer pressure. I shudder to think how rare that is. — YOUNG ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER IN NEW ORLEANS

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for the reworded 23rd Psalm, "King Heroin Is My Shepherd." It is powerful testimony against drug abuse. It's a shame that an educated, talented 23-year-old young lady had to give her life to produce it. What a difference she could have made in the lives of others if she had been allowed to reach her potential. The loss is incalculable.

Neither my wife nor I has ever used illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco. We have raised six children who, to our knowledge, have never used any of those substances either. For this success I give a great amount of credit to the reading of articles like this one to our children as they were growing up. They always knew where their parents stood and we tried to be totally up-front, honest and fair with them.

I am a volunteer high school teacher. I have already used this column as a teaching tool. Rarely do I have every student's undivided attention, but when I read your column to them, no one even blinked. There was dead silence afterward. I know it helped to reinforce the commitment of some to stay off drugs and help their peers to stay off drugs, too.

Thank you, Abby, and thanks to the 23-year-old's family for sharing that sad suicide note with the world. I hope some good may come of it. — DENNIS J. DAVIS, GLENDORA, CALIF.

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 VanBuren's column is distribued by Universal Press Syndicate.

Bomer says Texas' auto liability requirement is not enforceable

AUSTIN (AP) — A state law requiring Texas drivers to carry at least liability insurance is unenforceable, the state's top insurance regulator says.

Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer on Monday said insurance companies don't want to sell liability insurance and Texans driving without it don't want to buy it.

"It's a difficult situation," Bomer said.

He said the law could be changed to require insurance companies to notify the Texas Department of Public Safety each time an insurance policy is opened and each time policies are canceled. That would give DPS officers up-to-date information, Bomer said.

Nearly 25 percent of Texas motorists don't carry the minimum insurance as required. Bomer said many buy one-month or three-month policies to meet requirements that they have the insurance when registering their vehicles.

They then cancel the policies, but continue to show the insurance cards as existing insurance, he said.

"It's been in effect for a long time," Bomer said of the law. "It's unenforceable."

Bomer said the only drawback to his idea is the cost. In 1995, state officials said it could cost $10 million a year.

Bomer said other ideas to force more drivers to carry required insurance would be to prohibit those without liability insurance from suing other drivers who hit them and cause physical injuries.

High court will hear Texan's case

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Texas jail official convicted of taking bribes from an inmate who was allowed conjugal visits with his wife won a Supreme Court hearing Monday.

The justices said they will study the federal bribery and racketeering conviction of Mario Salinas, former chief of detention in Hidalgo County, Texas.

At issue is whether the federal laws used to prosecute Salinas actually applied to the allegations against him. The case will be argued sometime next fall, and a decision is expected in 1998.

Salinas was sentenced to three years in prison and fined $5,000 in connection with bribes allegedly paid by a federal prisoner, Homero Beltran-Aguirre.

Under a contract with the federal government, the Hidalgo County Jail occasionally housed federal prisoners. Beltran was held at the county jail from June 1991 to April 1992 and from November 1992 to April 1993.

Federal prosecutors said that Beltran arranged for a series of bribes to be paid to Salinas and then-Hidalgo County Sheriff Brigido Marmolejo Jr. so he could have regularly scheduled conjugal visits with this wife. Prison rules disallowed such visits.

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Negligence reported in citizenship issues

■ Two House Republicans accuse the government of not performing background checks on new citizens.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration allowed more than 180,000 immigrants to become American citizens before checks for criminal records were completed, two House Republicans said on Monday.

In a citizenship drive that Republicans say was motivated by election-year politics, 1.3 million legal immigrants applied to become citizens from August 1995 to September 1996. An audit that the Justice Department ordered last year is trying to determine how many of the 180,000 unchecked immigrants had convictions for felonies like murder or rape that would have disqualified them.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service has said it rejected 18 percent of the more than one million applicants whose backgrounds were checked last year. Those rejected included people with criminal convictions. So in theory several thousand convicted felons could have been among the 180,000 who were naturalized without proper screening.

Of the remaining immigrants whose applications were checked, the Justice Department has told Congress that 71,557 people with arrest records became citizens, as well. Of that total, 10,800 were arrested for felonies. If further checking finds some were convicted of felonies, they may be disqualified from citizenship, said Carole Florman, a Justice Department spokeswoman. The remaining 60,757 were found to have been arrested for so-called administrative violations or misdemeanors that would not disqualify an applicant for citizenship.

Republican lawmakers have accused the administration of disregarding procedural safeguards to meet its goal of naturalizing 1.3 million legal immigrants in time to vote in the elections last November.

"In its unprecedented push to rush through a million new citizens, potential voters all, the INS may have allowed dangerous criminals on to our streets," said Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., who heads a House Government Reform and Oversight subcommittee that is investigating the immigration service's handling of the matter.

The immigration service has denied the accusations, saying its Citizenship USA program had tried to deal with a surge in applications that had tripled, from 342,000 in 1992.

Agency officials on Monday cautioned against drawing too many conclusions from what they said were preliminary audit figures, but they pledged to take away the citizenship of anyone who did not deserve it.

"In any cases we find where someone was wrongly naturalized, we'll revoke that citizenship," said Eric Andrus, a spokesman for the immigration agency.

That may be easier said than done. In fiscal year 1995, the latest year with available figures, the agency revoked the citizenship of 20 people in procedures that typically took months to complete. If the citizenship of hundreds or thousands of people need to be revoked, that could pose an administrative nightmare.

The immigration service acknowledged last fall that tens of thousands of immigrants became citizens before the requisite checks were completed, including 30,000 in New York City.

But the numbers released on Monday by the two House Republicans far surpassed the estimates that even the administration's harshest critics had made.

"It's worse than I expected," said Lamar Smith, R-Texas, who heads the Immigration Subcommittee of the House Judiciary. "This is a complete outrage and a travesty of what should be a completely honest, straightforward and nonpolitical process."

The subcommittees led by Hastert and Smith plan to hold a hearing on March 5 to investigate the problem.

Those figures were reported by Copley News Service on Monday.

In response to the congressional criticism in the fall, the immigration service took steps aimed at correcting the problem. In December, the agency announced that citizenship would not be granted until the FBI had completed an applicant's fingerprint check. In the past, the bureau had 60 days to complete the task, a deadline that was extended to 120 days in June. If the FBI had not returned the fingerprints within that time, the immigration service assumed the applicant had no problems and was cleared to become a citizen.

But in the last several months, employees of the immigration service have complained that the system was badly flawed. An clerk in Los Angeles reported that the fingerprint cards of 4,000 to 6,000 citizenship applicants had been thrown in the garbage. The clerk's superviser denied her accusation.

As a result of the criticisms, the Justice Department ordered the immigration service to review the more than one million applications processed since the citizenship program started. KPMG Peat Marwick, the accounting firm, along with the inspector general of the Justice Department and the General Accounting Office, were directed to oversee the review.

The assistant attorney general for administration, Stephen Colgate, is supervising the review and has briefed the congressional committees two times, Justice Department officials said.

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FDA approves 'morning-after' contraceptive pill

WASHINGTON (AP) — American women who are raped, whose birth control fails or who just forget in the heat of the moment can use high doses of ordinary birth control pills to prevent pregnancy, the government said Monday.

The Food and Drug Administration said six brands of birth control are safe and effective "morning-after pills," the first federal acknowledgement of the emergency contraception that European women have been prescribed for years.

"The best-kept contraceptive secret is no longer a secret," said FDA Commissioner David Kessler. "Women should have the information that this regimen is available."

The decision opens the door for companies to specially package birth control pills for women to have on hand in case of an emergency, just as the pills are routinely sold overseas.

Contraceptive manufacturers so far have refused to sell what the government terms emergency contraception here, citing litigation and political fears.

So while it is legal for doctors to prescribe emergency birth control — and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology in December endorsed it — few physicians know the proper doses and few women even know to seek it.

The FDA's decision could change that. One small company, New Jersey-based Gynetics, is developing a specially packaged version of birth control that it hopes to sell for emergency use next year.

And the FDA's instructions were purposefully detailed enough to tell family-planning clinics and private doctors the right dose to hand to women today.

"This should be in everyone's medicine cabinet," said Janet Benshoof of the Center for Reproductive Law and Policy.

The FDA announced Monday that high doses of six popular birth-control brands, when taken within three days of unprotected sex, are 75 percent effective at preventing pregnancy.

For every 100 women who have unprotected sex during the second or third week of their menstrual cycle, eight would normally become pregnant — but only two would if the women took emergency contraception, explained Dr. James Trussell of Princeton University.

His research convinced the FDA that emergency contraception could prevent up to 2.3 million unplanned pregnancies a year, 1 million of which now end in abortion.

"We're going to see a really big change here," said Trussell, who helped set up a hot line and Internet service that offers women information about emergency contraception and addresses of nearby doctors who already prescribe it.

To work, two to four birth control pills are taken anytime up to 72 hours after sex — not just the "morning after" — and then the same dose is taken again exactly 12 hours later. The brands include Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories' Ovral, Lo/Ovral, Nordette and Triphasil, and Berlex Laboratories Levlen and Tri-Levlen.

The pills prevent a fertilized egg from implanting into the uterus so that it can grow into an embryo. If a woman already is pregnant, the pills will have no effect.

Emergency contraception is different from the controversial abortion pill RU-486, which is awaiting final FDA approval and ends pregnancy by expelling an already growing embryo from the uterus.

The emergency contraceptive's side effects are nausea and vomiting, sometimes severe enough to prevent the pills from working. Over 4 million women have taken emergency contraception in Britain alone, and studies there have shown no serious side effects.

The FDA stopped short of forcing Wyeth-Ayerst and Berlex to relabel their contraceptives to add the emergency use, deciding instead to take the information directly to consumers and physicians.

It is highly unusual for the FDA to declare new uses for a drug when the manufacturer hasn't asked. The agency did name potassium iodide a radiation therapy after the Three Mile Island nuclear accident.

Legally, the FDA action is a request for the manufacturers to seek permission to advertise morning-after contraception — essentially a pre-approval pending the filing of the proper paperwork.

Wyeth-Ayerst reiterated Monday that it won't sell emergency contraception here and said it opposes any efforts to relabel its products. Berlex declined comment.

Litigation concerns aside, the companies also fear a backlash from abortion foes.

"We're outraged" by the FDA action, said Judie Brown of the American Life League, which opposes any use of birth control pills but particularly objects to emergency birth control. "Our concern is over the fate of the preborn child."

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'Army of God' claims bombs at clinic, club

ATLANTA (AP) — The FBI received a letter Monday claiming responsibility for both the abortion clinic bombings in Atlanta last month and Friday's bombing at a gay and lesbian nightclub.

The letter, purportedly from a group called the Army of God, was mailed to the Reuters news agency Saturday and was turned over to the FBI on Monday.

FBI spokesman Jay Spadafore would not comment on the authenticity of the letter. Robert Basler, Reuters' domestic news editor in Washington, D.C., described it as "handwritten, 2½ pages long, and unsigned."

The letter threatened "total war" against the federal government, said abortion would not be tolerated and promised future attacks on homosexuals. It also sought to set up a system so that claims of responsibility could be confirmed after future bombings, Reuters reported.

"We're taking it seriously. We're looking into the validity of the letter and the claims that they're making," said Pamela Swanson, a spokeswoman for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

The Army of God has produced an underground manual that describes how to blow up abortion clinics.

A nail-laden device exploded Friday on a rear patio area of The Otherside Lounge, injuring five people. Police found a second bomb shortly after arriving at the scene. It was detonated with a remote-controlled robot.

Authorities continue to investigate possible links between the nightclub bombing, the two blasts at a Sandy Springs abortion clinic on Jan. 16, and a bomb explosion at Centennial Olympic Park last summer.

Shrapnel and parts of the bomb were being "discovered several hundred feet away" from the nightclub, including on the tops of buildings, said Bobby Browning, spokesman for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

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Shootings prompt tough security questions

■ New security measures were installed in the Empire State Building, one day after a gunman opened fire, killing one and injuring six.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Empire State Building was fitted with an airport-style baggage scanner and two metal detectors Monday, a day after a Palestinian gunman went on a fatal shooting rampage. The mayor blamed the shootings on laws that allowed the man to buy a gun just weeks after he came to America.

Seven tourists were shot Sunday, one fatally, on the 86th-floor observation deck of the famous landmark, long a symbol of romance and tourism. The gunman, Ali Hassan Abu Kamal, then killed himself.

That Kamal — a 69-year-old Palestinian in the country only two months — could buy a Beretta semiautomatic handgun "is totally insane," Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said at a news conference.

Police Commissioner Howard Safir described Kamal as "one deranged individual working on his own."

An anti-terrorist task force was still part of the investigation, Safir said, but so far it had found no evidence that Abu Kamal was aligned with any terrorist group.

In Abu Kamal's hometown of Gaza City, relatives said he had been distraught over losing his life savings of more than $300,000 and had no ties to Palestinian radical groups. Abu Kamal called home Sunday and said he could not send tuition money to one of his sons, who is studying civil engineering in Russia, a son-in-law said.

A security camera showed that Abu Kamal concealed his weapon under a long coat while entering the Empire State Building. He took an elevator to an observation deck visited by 3 million tourists each year.

Some witnesses said he was asking people where they were from, then said he was from Egypt before opening fire on a group of tourists, many of them foreign. As panicked sightseers stampeded toward exits, Abu Kamal shot himself in the head, police said.

The Empire State Building was closed to tourists Monday. Visitors Tuesday will be screened by the metal detectors at the second-floor elevator to the observation deck, and will have to check their bags through the scanner.

At City Hall, Giuliani attempted to shift the focus toward gun control. He was accompanied by Rep. Carolyn McCarthy, D-N.Y., whose husband was killed and son wounded in the 1993 shootings on a Long Island Rail Road commuter train that killed six people and wounded 17.

In both that incident and Sunday's shooting, the gunmen circumvented New York's strict gun control laws by traveling out of state to buy the murder weapons, officials said.

"New York State, New York City have great gun control laws," McCarthy said. "But as the mayor said, we cannot control all the guns that are coming in from other parts of the country and that's what has to be stopped."

Officials said Abu Kamal established residence in Florida by using a motel address shortly after he arrived in the United States on Dec. 24 from Cairo. He obtained a temporary resident identification card on Jan. 30 — the same day he went into a gun shop to buy the semiautomatic, which costs about $500 and holds 14 bullets.

Police said he was required to wait three days and received the weapon on Feb. 4. The waiting period turned into five days because a weekend fell during the three-day waiting period.

"It makes no sense," Giuliani said. "He was living in a fleabag motel and you hand him a Beretta. It is totally insane."

Federal law requires aliens like Abu Kamal to be a resident for 90 days before getting a gun, although gun buying forms don't specifically say that.

Of the six survivors, one remained in critical condition with a gunshot wound to the head. The rest were in serious but stable condition.

Institute: Three-drug 'cocktail' effective against AIDS

WASHINGTON (AP) — AIDS patients live longer and have fewer infections with a three-drug combination that includes a new protease inhibitor drug, a federal health agency announced Monday.

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases said that in a drug trial of AIDS patients with advanced disease, those taking a combination of zidovudine, lamivudine and indinavir had only half the cancers, infections and deaths of patients who were taking only a two-drug combination.

Dr. Scott Hammer of Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital at Harvard Medical School in Boston, the chairman of the national drug test, said all patients in the study are now being given the opportunity to switch to the three-drug combination o. to other experimental regimens.

"We have moved very quickly on this," he said.

A committee determined last Tuesday that the three-drug combination was very beneficial and recommended the study stop so that all the patients in the drug trial could switch if they wanted to.

Hammer said that by last Friday letters had gone out to all of the centers and patients in the drug trials, notifying them of the findings and offering patients the chance to select a new drug combination.

He emphasized, however, that no patients should change their medication routine until they have consulted with their doctors.

Zidovudine is also known as AZT and lamivudine is known as 3TC. They are in a class of drugs known as reverse transcriptase inhibitors. The third drug, indinavir, is one of a new class of compounds called protease inhibitors. The two classes of drugs attack HIV, the AIDS virus, in different ways.

The drug trials, said Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, "confirm the importance of including protease inhibitors in treatment strategies for patients with advanced HIV disease."

"Significantly, the current study provides additional evidence that combination approaches using protease inhibitors can reduce the risk of death," said Fauci, director of the NIAID, the agency that supported the drug trial.

Hammer said officials directing the national study moved swiftly after an independent data and safety panel monitoring the trials of the three-drug combination recommended early termination and closure of the trials because of the significant benefit for patients taking all three drugs.

The trial had tested a total of 1,156 HIV patients at 33 different hospitals or clinics across the nation. The patients had been enrolled in the study for up to a year, with a median participation of 38 weeks.

Patients in the study were randomly assigned to receive either all three of the drugs, or AZT, 3TC and a placebo.

"Survival and a delay in disease progression were significantly better in patients receiving the triple combination therapy," the NIAID reported.

Among patients on the triple drug combination, there were 33 instances of disease progression while there were 66 instances among patients taking only AZT, 3TC and a placebo.

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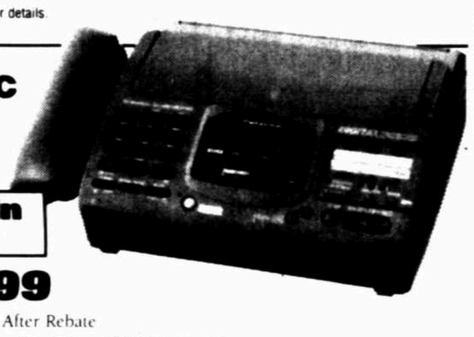

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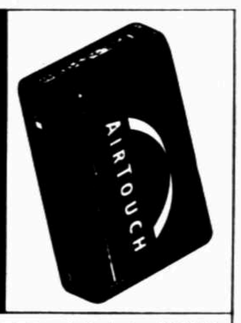

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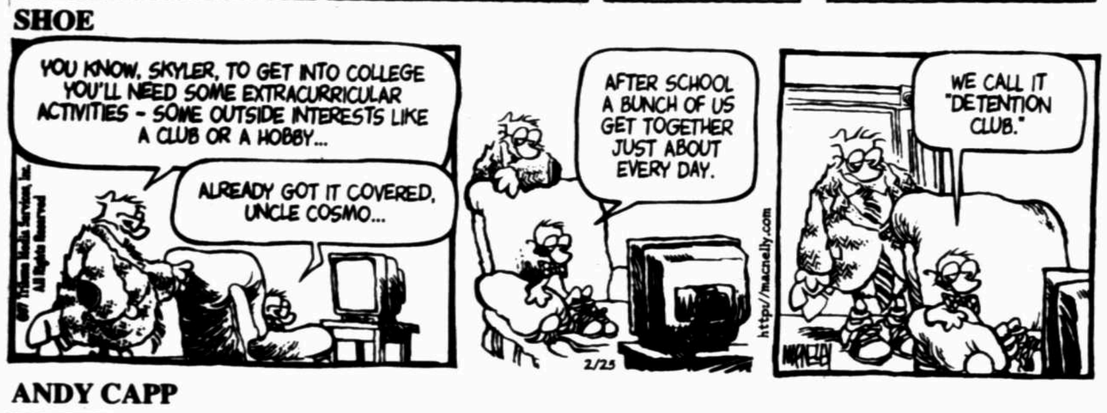

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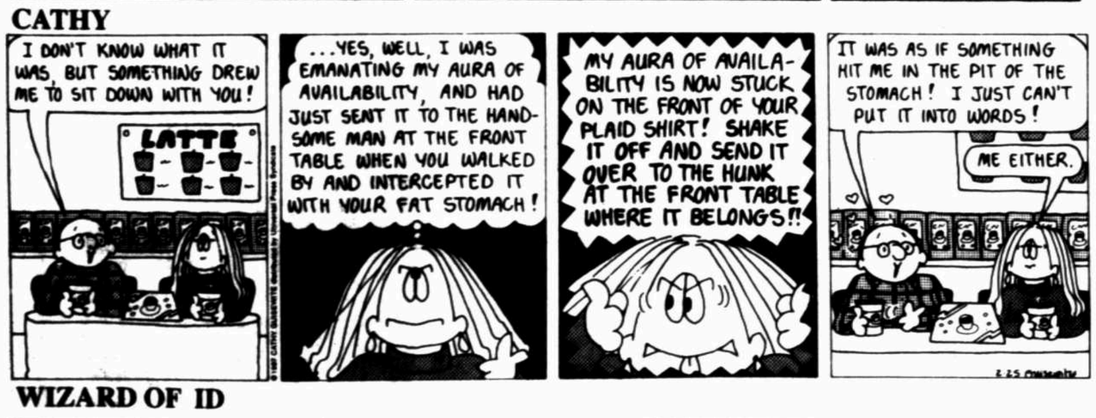

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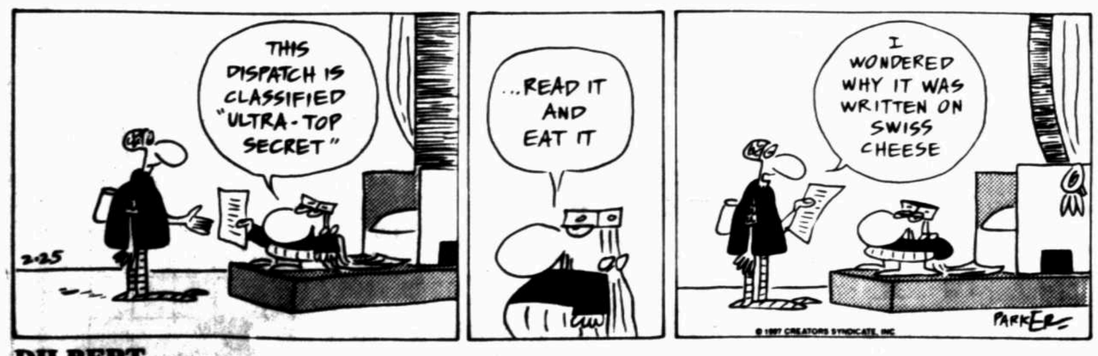

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Your desire to help others will get a good workout. Do what you can without jeopardizing your own security. A plan made late in 1997 can be implemented this coming June. Jobs open up in both the health field and the entertainment industry. Financial progress is slow but steady. Be patient. You and your loved one will eventually have what you want most. A round of dazzling social events will make December especially fun. Get back to work after the holidays.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: talk show host Sally Jessy Raphael, former Beatle George Harrison, legendary tenor Enrico Caruso, basketball player Kurt Rambis.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A give-and-take attitude will strengthen a key alliance. Forge new links to people who share your concerns. Tonight's forecast shows clear sailing for romance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A new acquaintance could be hiding something. It is better not to be too open about your assets. Intellectual pursuits are favored over purely physical feats.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Keep all career and business negotiations strictly aboveboard. You could fall in love suddenly. Trust your instincts; they are right on target.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be careful not to make a nuisance of yourself while trying to win the object of your desire. A teen-ager looks to you as a role model. Do your best to set a good example.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Someone offers you a unique opportunity to demonstrate your leadership skills. Step up to the plate and hit a home run! A bank loan will be approved or extended.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your thrifty ways give you an advantage now. Use your writing talents to earn extra income. Getting involved in a dispute between two longtime friends would be a mistake.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Higher-ups are assessing your work. Careful management of your time could win you a promotion. Your ability to perform under pressure is an asset.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An innovative group project will plant the seeds for new community spirit. Although moving to another city is tempting, you could gain more by staying put.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A house guest could overstay his welcome. End the visit as politely as you can. A tense discussion with a colleague could turn out fine if you remain calm.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Minor delays are likely while traveling to or from work. Refuse to let a co-worker take advantage of you again. You need to take a stand when you know that you are in the right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A good day to buy clothes to wear to your job. An ultimatum may succeed if you phrase it carefully. Give the other person a way to save face.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may have to end your relationship with someone who drains you emotionally. An older individual is ready to help you realize a dream. Make phone calls to key people late in the day.

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NORTH
♠ K Q 5
♡ K Q 6 3 2
◇ A 9
♣ 8 7 3

WEST
♠ J 10 9 2
♡ 7 4
◇ 8 6 4 3 2
♣ K J

EAST
♠ 7 6 3
♡ 5
◇ Q 10 7 5
♣ 10 9 6 5 4

SOUTH
♠ A 8 4
♡ A J 10 9 8
◇ K J
♣ A Q 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	3♡	Pass
4NT	Pass	5◇	Pass
6♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♠

There is more than one way to take even a simple finesse. Consider this deal from a team game.

The bidding might be old-fashioned, since North-South were still employing forcing jump raises. However, no purist could possibly quibble with the result — at worst, the slam would depend on a finesse. Six hearts was reached at both tables, and at each the opening lead was the jack of spades.

One declarer looked no further than the club finesse. After winning the spade lead in hand, declarer drew trumps in two rounds, cashed the remaining spades and king-ace of diamonds, then led a club to the queen. West won and exited with a club, and in the fullness of time declarer had to concede another trick in clubs for down one.

That declarer was on the right track, but the opposing South at the other table demonstrated another way to take the club finesse. Here, too, declarer won the spade in hand, drew trumps and cleared the spades. But before stripping the diamonds as well, South added a key maneuver to the campaign — the ace of clubs was cashed!

Declarer proceeded to play off the king and ace of diamonds, then led club to the queen. Had East held the king of clubs, the queen would have won the trick and all would have been well. As the cards lay, though, West's king captured the trick, but now declarer's extra chance paid a huge dividend. Out of clubs, West was forced to return a spade or a diamond. Whichever the defender chose, declarer was able to ruff in one hand while discarding the losing club from the other. Six hearts bid and made!

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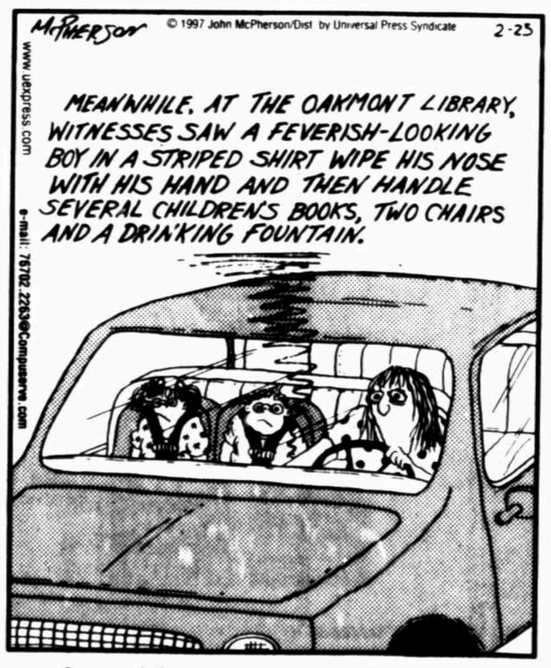

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TUESDAY EVENING — February 25, 1997 (For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings)

Broadcast	O	C	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) KMID	2	3	News 380	Wheel of Fortune	Roseanne 9944	Drew Carey Show	Home Improvement	Spin City 5019	NYPD Blue: What a Dump! 1903		News 52038	Cheers 38468	Nightline 6106	Politically Incorrect
(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	The World's Scariest Police Chases 48903		When Disaster Strikes II 57651		Psi Factor: Chronicles of the Paranormal		Mad About You	In the Heat of the Night (Part 1 of 2) 972274		Martin 88836
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 7125	Entertain. Tonight	Touched by an Angel (Part 2 of 2) 71699		Night Sins (Part 2) ('97) (Valeria Bertinelli, Harry Hamlin) 81836				News 8269293	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 7903	Seinfeld 1583	Mad About You	Something Right	Frasier 1800	Caroline in the City	Dateline NBC 13699		News 7538816	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	The Light of the Southwest 479477			Robinson	John Hagee 42767		Praise the Lord 511748					
(13) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 128212		Nova: Curse of T. Rex 679361		Frontline: What Jennifer Saw 695309		Black America: Facing the Millennium 675545		Adventure, Journey	To Be Announced 899458		
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(8) CNBC		8	Money Club	Steals and Deals	Equal Time	Chris Matthews	Rivera Live 3156922		Late Night With Conan O'Brien 3143458		Charles Grodin 3146545		Rivera Live 3386564	
(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	BZZZT! 608361	Dick Tracy (PG, '90) ★★★ (Warren Beatty, Madonna) 276468				News 134729		Wiseguy: Where's the Money? 137816	In the Heat of the Night (Part 1 of 2) 879467		
(11) WTBS		11	Golf: Senior Slam at Los Cabos, Day Two 861651								The Final Countdown (PG, '80) ★★★ (Kirk Douglas, Martin Sheen) 857999			
(16) BRAV		18	The Man (6:30) 389466		Un Coeur en Hiver ('92) ★★★ 574057				MediaTV	The Diary of Anne Frank ('59) ★★★ (Millie Perkins) 688699				
(20) BET		20	Hit List 207274		Planet Groove 691699				Comicview 787835		Talk	Sanford	Rap City 153274	
(21) DISN		21	Honeymoon in Vegas (PG, '92) ★★ (Tom McGowan, Aaron Schwartz) 897635		Disney Movie: The Jungle Book (7:05) (PG, '94) ★★ (Jason Scott Lee) 1167187		Letters From Africa				Separate but Equal (Part 1) (PG, '91) ★★ (Sidney Poitier) 8972383		Movie (11:05)	
(23) FAM		23	The Waltons: The Hero 926274		Highway to Heaven 561903		Rescue 911 570651		The 700 Club 567187		Carson's Comedy	Carson's Comedy	The Three Stooges	The Three Stooges
(35) CNN		35	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Burden	Larry King Live 886699		The World Today		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	Showbiz
(36) ESPN		36	SportsCenter (5:30)	College Basketball: Illinois at Penn State 679922				College Basketball: Kentucky at Tennessee 305835				SportsCenter 813564		Strongest Man
(37) USA		37	Highlander: Epitaph for Tommy 398632		Murder, She Wrote 862019		Boxing: Jeremy Williams vs. Phil Jackson, Heavyweights 875583				Wings 677038	Wings 653458	Silk Stalkings: Bad Blood 820293	
(38) FX		38	Mission: Impossible		A-Team 4355075		Miami Vice 2355895		In Color	In Color	Picket Fences 5705516		Miami Vice 7414584	
(39) A&E		39	The Equalizer: The Child Broker 742816		Biography 219903		Silent Witness: Long Days, Short Nights 239767				Law & Order: Profile 218274		Biography 291767	
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(43) LIFE		43	Designing	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries		Circle of Violence: A Family Drama ('86) 887941				M. Stewart	Unsolved Mysteries 745564		
(48) OUTDR		47	Profiles of Nature	Global Family	Skiing: World Nordic Championships, 15K Men's Free Pursuit 2197631		Ecoview 9062854				Skiing: World Nordic Championships, 15K Men's Free Pursuit 9079477			
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(15) AMC		15	His Majesty ... (6:10)		Burt Lancaster 688019		The Killers ('46) ★★★★ (Burt Lancaster) 894888				Burt Lancaster 670080		All My Sons 3484487	
(16) TNN		16	Dukes of Hazzard		Waylon Jennings		Prime Time Country		Ralph Emery		Dallas 438922		Dukes of Hazzard	
(17) TNT		17	In the Heat of the Night		NBA Basketball: L.A. Lakers at Houston Rockets 920309					Inside NBA	National Lampoon's Vacation (R, '83) 715699			
(22) MAX		22	Warlock (6:10) (PG-13, '89) ★★		Pet Sematary (R, '89) ★★ (Dale Midkiff, Fred Gwynne)				The Export (R, '92) ★ (Jeff Speakman, James		Bad Boys (1995) (R, '95) ★★ (Martin			
(29) VC1		29	The Island of Dr. Moreau (PG-13, '96) 8727916				Timeline Impossible (PG-13, '03) ★★ 6777916				WCW Superbrawl VII 8611816			
(30) CHTS2		30	Mission: Impossible (R)		Mission: Impossible (R)		Mission: Impossible (PG-13, '96) ★★ 3161477						Mission: Impossible	
(31) CHTS1		31	Phenomenon (PG, '96) ★★ 3169408				Phenomenon (PG, '96) ★★ 3169408				Phenomenon (PG, '96) ★★ 6229999			
(32) TMC		32	Birdy (6:30)		Mississippi Burning (R, '88) ★★★		Air Force One (R, '97) ★★★ (Harrison Ford, Gary Oldman, Glenn Close) 4748361				Air Crazy (R, '93) ★★★ (Steve Wilder, Richard Pryor) 1555135		Movie (11:05)	
(33) SHOW		33	Total Eclipse (R)	On the Set	Operation (R, '95) ★★ (Kim Coates, Michael Madsen) 948599				Scorpion (R, '96) ★★ (Larry Poindexter, Michelle Bonnard) 1127497		Women: Passion 143496	Love Street 143496	Gigapaper	
(34) HBO		34	Murder in Mississippi (6:15) (NR, '91) 6512748		Mad Dog Time (R, '96) ★★ (Jeff Goldblum, Richard Dreyfuss) 4999511				Deadly Voyage (R, '96) (Omar Epps, David Strathairn) 2773922		George Carlin: Doin' It Again (10:35)		Sex Bytes (11:40)	
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"It's true that Vanna will no longer turn letters. Instead, she will turn them on," said "Wheel of Fortune" producer Harry Friedman.

A new puzzle board allows Miss White to touch a switch to display correct letters picked by contestants on the syndicated show produced by Columbia TriStar Television.

"The new puzzle board was designed especially for me," said Miss White, 40. "I've always felt that I have the most fun job on television. Now, it's going to be even better."

Shows with the new switches were to start airing Monday.

PARIS — Director **Milos Forman** is taking down French posters for his film, "The People vs. Larry Flynt," which were too revealing for some French Catholics.

"Flynt" director Forman is losing stars-and-stripes poster.

The posters show the film's star, Woody Harrelson, wearing a stars-and-stripes loin cloth and arms outstretched as if crucified, superimposed on the groin of a bikini-clad woman. The film opened Feb. 19.

American posters don't use the image, instead showing Harrelson hugging co-star Courtney Love or wearing a flag taped on his mouth.

The French posters will be taken down "in the spirit of appeasement and to cut short" any opponents' efforts to profit from the controversy, Columbia Pictures attorney Magali Thorne told a French appeals court Monday.

A lower court last week had rejected a Catholic group's request to ban the posters, plastered on thousands of kiosks around France. The group appealed.

LOS ANGELES — America's favorite bus driver, **Sandra Bullock**, and charismatic TV doctor **George Clooney** have made Hollywood's most important people under age 40 list.

The Hollywood under-40 top 40 compiled by Los Angeles magazine also lists **Claire Danes, Leonardo DiCaprio, Matthew McConaughey, Gwyneth Paltrow, Jada Pinkett, Brad Pitt, Will Smith and Kate Winslet** in its actor category.

"What we were looking for was talent that has not yet reached its full potential and promises to define the next generation of actors," writers writers Nancy Griffin and Holly Sorensen explained in the March issue of Los Angeles.

NEW YORK — **Cheryl Tiegs** is very proud that she's kept her figure well beyond her supermodel days.

"People always said, 'Oh, you were just born that way,'" the 49-year-old Ms. Tiegs said in the March issue of Living Fit magazine. "Well they can't say that anymore — I could have let myself a long time ago."

Ms. Tiegs says she still likes to show off her 6-foot, 134-pound figure.

"I still wear tight clothes, short skirts and long hair," she said.

HAMILTON, Bermuda — **Michael Douglas** had such a good time in Bermuda, he bought into it.

The star of "Wall Street" and "Fatal Attraction" dug into his pockets and plunked down a "substantial" sum to help the Ariel Sands resort's $5 million renovation project, the hotel's general manager Jason Powell said last week.

Douglas digs deep to boost favorite resort.

Douglas and pal Jack Nicholson visited the British colony last year, on the advice of Douglas' Bermudian-born mother, Diana Dill. After a few rounds of golf, Douglas also took her advice to help rescue the historic beachfront resort.

The resort now plans to market itself as the actor's "exclusive private hideaway," with memorabilia from Douglas' film career plastered above its antique bar.

ARLINGTON, Va. — **Toni Braxton** doesn't let her religious upbringing keep her from singing about sex.

Braxton's new album, "Secrets," has several tracks with sexual lyrics, including "You're Makin Me High."

"Coming of age was what it was for me," Braxton, 29, told Monday's USA Today. "I was learning about myself and letting people know that even though I'm a P.K. (preacher's kid), I am my own woman."

The Grammy-winning singer wasn't allowed to listen to secular music until she was 16, and then "very low and in the privacy of my own home."

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

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32 Mythological guard of a treasure
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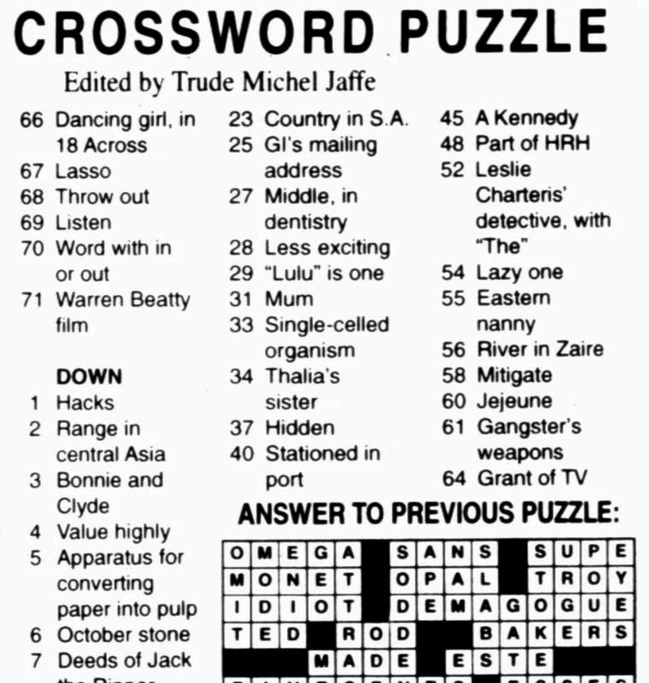

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U.S. funneled cash to POWS

Money destined for U.S. prisoners held by Japan was channeled through a secret Swiss account set up by the Japanese.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Desperate to help prisoners of war held by Japan, the U.S. and British governments funneled aid through a secret Swiss bank account set up by the Japanese during World War II, according to Red Cross records and long-classified War Department documents.

A historian who found two crucial War Department documents doubts the POWs got all the aid.

Overall, 21 million Swiss francs, or about $5 million at the time, was funneled through Geneva for POW relief packages containing food, medicine and other supplies, according to a 1948 report of the International Committee of the Red Cross. The report didn't say how much of the total might have gone through Japan's secret Swiss bank account, which was set up in 1944.

The Red Cross confirmed through receipts that $3.7 million was used for POWs. The rest couldn't be accounted for, mostly because Japan was uncooperative and refused to allow Red Cross access to POW camps.

Edward Keefer, chief State Department historian in the Asian and American section, said it is conceivable that the Allies would have done almost anything to save POWs, who were dying by the thousands across East Asia.

"This would be just another way to get money to them," said Keefer, who said he was unaware of any such secret fund. "This could be just another forgotten chapter of World War II history."

World War II historian and author Linda Goetz Holmes doesn't believe the POWs received all the aid. Holmes, who wrote "4,000 Bowls of Rice" about 46,000 POWs who slaved to build the infamous Burma Railway, said 16,000 died after subsisting on one bowl of rice a day.

"Did we let the Japanese keep our unspent relief millions?" she asked. "They were letting POWs die. They didn't care."

It was Holmes who discovered two War Department documents, declassified in 1980, that mentioned Japan's secret Swiss bank account.

Interest in the wartime activities by Swiss banks has increased because of charges they dealt in looted Nazi gold and assets of Holocaust victims.

The War Department documents are "intercepts" of Japanese diplomatic messages. In one, dated Aug. 1, 1944, the writer says he understands "a clearing agreement, based on funds supplied to English and American prisoners, has recently been concluded between Japan and Switzerland."

The second intercept, dated Nov. 13, 1944, details how the Yokohama Specie Bank planned to set up and administer account transactions.

"The Swiss Minister will open a Swiss Minister's Special Account at the Tokyo branch of our bank. Our bank will open a Yokohama Specie Bank Special Account at the Banque Nationale Suisse, Zurich," the central bank.

Further, the memo says, "agency costs and expenses in connextion (sic) with the Red Cross to be remitted to Japan or to places in Great East Asia will be paid into the Yokohama Specie Bank Special Account."

The dispatch cautions, "The details of this agreement are secret from all but the officials concerned and care is to be taken that they do not leak out."

The 1948 Red Cross report noted that given the overseas obstacles, the only way to get relief to Japan-held POWs was to buy supplies locally. This "became essential in practice," it said.

The Geneva-based Red Cross distributed POW supplies. And neutral Switzerland — a "protecting power" — served as a conduit between enemy nations, and thus the idea of a Japanese Swiss account grew.

"The necessary funds came from the Allied Governments, from the Allied Red Cross Societies and other relief organizations.

Clinton asks for ethical review of sheep cloning

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reacting to the "startling" news that scientists in Scotland have successfully cloned a mammal, President Clinton asked a bioethics advisory commission on Monday to review the implications for human beings.

"This represents an remarkable scientific discovery, but one that raises important questions," Clinton said in a letter to Dr. Harold Shapiro, the commission chairman.

"While this technological advance could offer potential benefits in such areas as medical research and agriculture, it also raises serious ethical questions, particularly with respect to the possible use of this technology to clone human embryos," the president said.

He asked the commission to report back within 90 days with recommendations on "possible federal actions to prevent its abuse."

The development, in which scientists cloned an adult mammal for the first time, produced a lamb named Dolly and the disturbing implication that the cloning of a human being might eventually be possible.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton asked the commission to carefully review "the ethical and legal issues associated with this development in technology."

He called it "startling."

Clinton acted earlier in his administration to deny federal funding for human embryo research financed by federal dollars, McCurry said.

He said the commission will examine "whether private research ought to be sensitive to these issues" and whether there are policy ramifications for the federal government to address.

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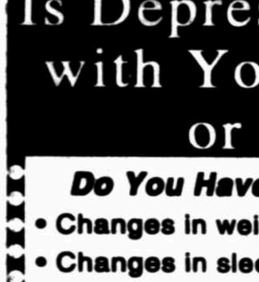

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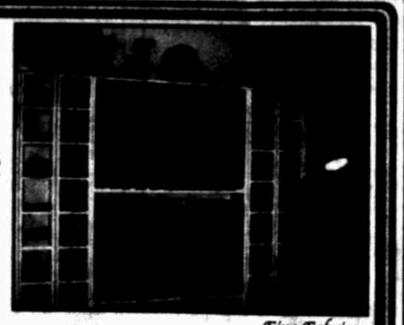

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THE NEWS LEADER

Bulldogs return to regionals

■ Midland High boys come alive in fourth quarter to beat El Paso Eastwood.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

PECOS — It looked for a time here Monday night at the Pecos High School gym that the El Paso Eastwood Troopers were going to dance through two Midland teams on the way to this weekend's Region I basketball tournament at Chaparral Center.

It was an illusion.

Midland High is always just one step away from an explosion and the 74-64 win they turned in here against Eastwood should be another 'X-Files' investigation for the FBI.

The Bulldogs, who won for the 19th consecutive time while notching their 30th victory of the season in 33 games, went on a dazzling 25-6 run that eliminated a Trooper squad that thought it had its sights set on the No. 8 ranked team in the state.

Eastwood, which put on an amazing passing display that left some of the Bulldogs flat-footed and mouths open for three quarters, once held a 51-41 lead with 1:20 left in the third quarter.

To make matters worse, Midland High had starters Kirby Lemons and Jay Christian on the bench with four fouls. But leave it to a sophomore to turn the tide.

Charles Tatum, who was having a sophomore-like night with a 1-of-10 shooting night until late in the third quarter, hit a couple of baskets underneath that only Houdini could dream of, snaking in two shots while almost laying on his back. The Bulldogs were never the same again. And Eastwood, 25-6 for the season, was heading home, and not to Midland.

"I have to admit that a couple of those shots that went in for me were just pure luck," Tatum said, "but they seemed to spark us. None of us wanted to lose this game. We all wanted to fulfill our dreams and make the region tournament."

Then MHS coach Jack Stephenson placed the sophomore Christian back into the game with his four fouls where he drained eight of his 14 points on the night in the fourth quarter as the Bulldogs climbed from 10 down

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Ndiaye's 42 breaks Lady Chap record

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

ODESSA — Out of breath and out of sight.

What a night Ndiasse Ndiaye had in her last game at the Odessa College Sports Center on Monday night. Every time she looked up, the ball seemed to be in her hands. The sophomore from Dakar, Senegal wasted no time handling the ball as she poured in a Midland College-record 42 points in the 92-60 win over Odessa College.

Ndiaye

With the game pretty much tucked away late in the fourth quarter for the Lady Chaparrals at 90-56, MC coach Ron Jones opted to put his 6-1 superpost back in the game. A layup with less than a minute remaining in the game broke the record of 41 points previously held by Joanna Kailahi during the program's inaugural 1994-95 season. Ndiaye finished the game going 19-of-20 from the field and 4-for-4 from the free-throw-line.

"Normally I wouldn't have put her back in but she's a great kid and she's done a great job in the last couple of years. I just wanted to put her back in to see if she could break it," Jones said after the game.

Jones wasn't even aware of the record until MC Sports Information Director Jim Chase told him about the chance to break Kailahi's mark. Ndiaye was just as unaware as her coach was but was grateful that she had the help of her teammates.

"They were just helping me," she said. "They know my strengths and were just working on it.

"We've got a good team and we're good inside and outside. When we go in we have some outside people that can come help. I guess they (Lady Wranglers) were just concentrating on the outside

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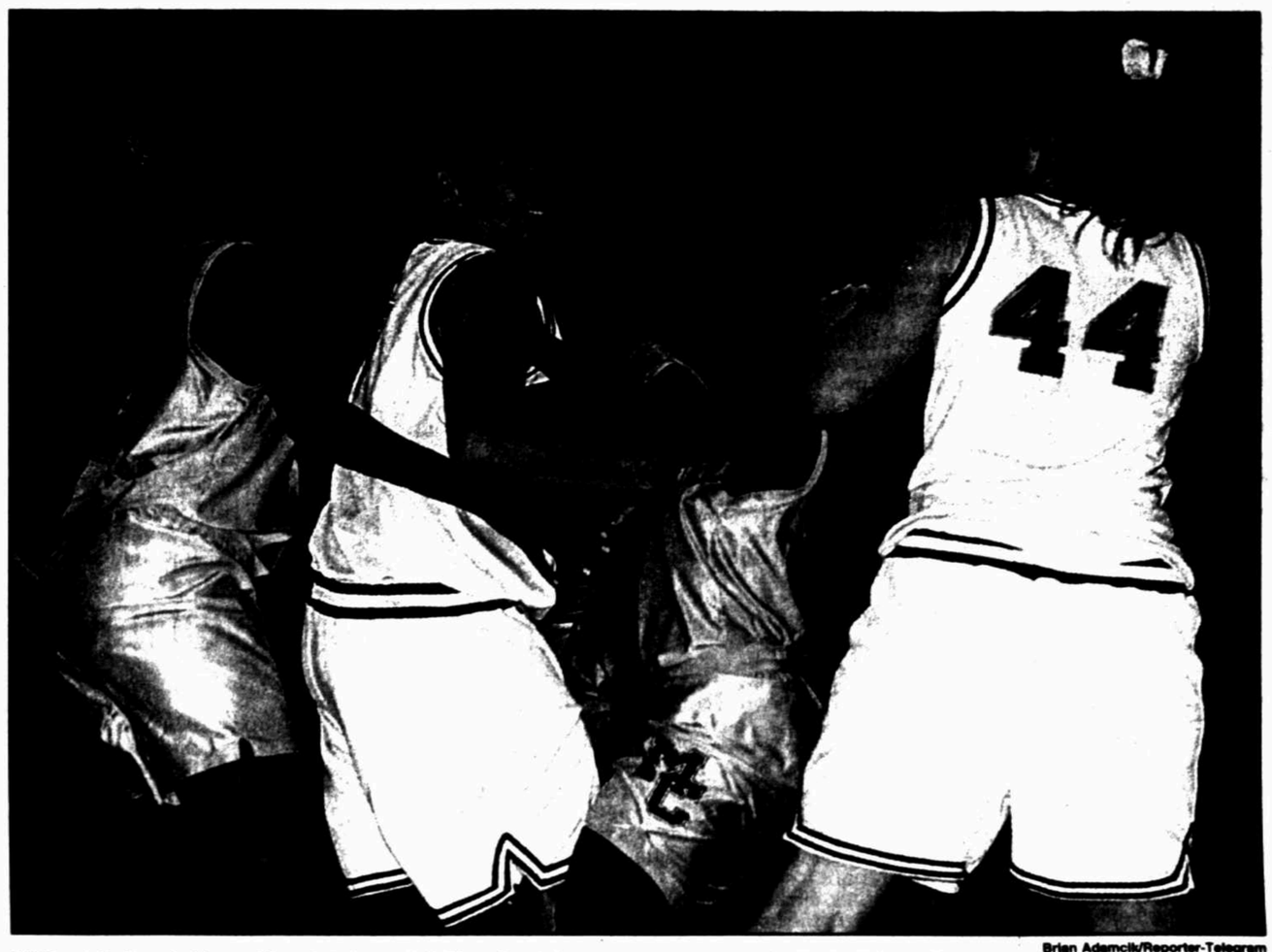
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Midland College's Fatou Cisse', left, and Kellina Bradshaw, center, try to strip the ball from Odessa College's Rolaura Deanda as OC's Heather Matthews (44) and MC's Ndiasse Ndiaye, background, look in on the action Monday night in Odessa.

Goodwin shot shocks Wranglers

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

ODESSA — With 16 seconds, it looked as though the Midland College basketball team had been bitten once again. Odessa College's Nathaniel Bailey just sank a free throw to complete a 3-point play to give OC a 69-68 lead.

It looked like another in what had been a series of heart break losses this season after coming back from double digit deficits twice in the game.

But in one memorable moment, Ceedric Goodwyn turned heartache into celebration as he grabbed an errant shot by Edward Kirk and turned it into the last two points of Midland College's 70-69 Western Junior College Athletic Conference win Monday night at the OC Sports Center. Bringing a hysteria to a team that has long been eliminated from the playoffs.

"I saw it in the air and went to get it," said Goodwyn, who had a game-high 28 in the win. "A lot of people probably think that we were crazy celebrating like we did, but this one feels good. I wouldn't trade this team for anyone. We said we would play with pride, and we didn't stop tonight."

The shot with one second remaining was a long time coming for Rafferty and a heck of an ending to an epic MC-OC war. The win is even more credible as OC was playing for the outright WJCAC title while MC was playing for something just as important to its coach.

"Tonight, we were not playing for the trophy. We were playing for respect and

Please see MEN/2C

AP Laserphoto
Kentucky's Ron Mercer announced Monday that he will forgo his final two seasons of eligibility and opt for the NBA draft, making the third underclassman to leave coach Rick Pitino.

Kentucky's Mercer to go to NBA

■ Leading scorer in Southeastern Conference gives up final two seasons of eligibility to go professional.

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Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Kentucky forward Ron Mercer, the leading scorer in the Southeastern Conference, is giving up his last two seasons of eligibility to enter the NBA draft.

Kentucky coach Rick Pitino, who predicts Mercer will be one of the top four picks in the draft, said it was important for the decision to be announced now.

"If you say you're going, then he can concentrate on the NCAA tournament and help us win another championship," Pitino said.

Mercer would not comment about his plans before practice Monday. He is to discuss the matter at a news conference Wednesday.

However, he says he has taken out an insurance policy to cover him until the NBA draft in June.

"I did it because anything can happen to any person," Mercer said. "I talked to my parents and we decided we need to go ahead and get it."

Mercer, a 6-foot-7 sophomore from Nashville, Tenn., is averaging 18.0 points and 5.2 rebounds for the No. 3 Wildcats. He is second in the SEC in field goal shooting, hitting 49.3 percent of his shots.

He is a finalist for the Naismith Player of the Year award.

STEWART DOREEN

Cooper game what MHS girls have been waiting for

While Jack Stephenson's boys basketball team readies itself for its most important weekend since 1994, the MHS girls soccer team is preparing itself for possibly the biggest game of the program's history.

Doreen

Thursday at the MHS Soccer Field, the Lady Bulldogs will take its 10-0 District 7 record and try to get through the biggest and baddest of foes; that would be the three-time defending champion Abilene Cooper Lady Cougars.

There is so much that this battle appears to be. Like a tale of the old days, MHS is the young warrior who has fought through horrible beatings just to get a taste of greatness. Now in one day, if they defeat the unconquerable ruler, they get all the riches, titles and such that belong to the champion of the land.

"My girls still perceive them (Lady Cougars) as the king of the hill, and this is the final punch that would knock them off," MHS coach Scott Hodkinson said.

This rise to the top has been all about changes for the better. Last season, MHS went from a 2-10 district record in 1995 to 10-2 in 1996. That record gave MHS a portion of the tri-championship shared by Midland Lee and Cooper. A share but not the whole enchilada.

Give the Lady Bulldogs some credit, they have gone out and taken the feats, which previously belonged to Cooper, and made them their own.

For instance, going into 1996, no team had won more consecutive district games and district home games than Cooper. Last season, a 22-game district winning streak ended with a 3-2 loss at MHS. This season, the Lady Bulldogs pulled off a 1-0 win in Abilene to hand Cooper its first home loss since 1993. Now, both streaks are held by the Lady Bulldogs (15 and 11 respectively).

They are great accomplishments but without ending two more streaks, MHS could be leaving the district party as an honored guest but not the host of honor.

First, there is the district title streak, and for all intents and purposes, that is what Cooper can always hang its crown on. A win today against MHS would mean that Cooper's crown is still in place as the two teams (barring a big-time upset) would end the season tied for the title. Again, leaving MHS with just a taste of the big time and not the seven-course meal.

Secondly, Cooper has never been swept by any team since the district was realigned to its current formation.

Oh, by the way, the last time a team went undefeated through district was none other than Abilene Cooper (12-0) in 1995. Which produces another reason to feel that so much more rides on this game than on others.

"We have several streaks and the girls are developing pride in the system of the Midland High soccer team," Hodkinson said. "The district title and perfect season are sitting out there as goals. It (the game) is the one we have been waiting for."

This game has been moved to Thursday from the regular Tuesday slot, like all the other district soccer and softball action, due to Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) testing around the district. This has given the team a few more days to think about the upcoming matchup, although you have the feeling that MHS has been looking forward to this game since defeating Lee to open the district's second half.

Would the season end with a loss on Thursday? Probably not. The Lady Bulldogs have already clinched a playoff spot.

However, this is great chance to see what this team will do in a game with so much pressure. It might not be do or die, but getting it done should mean a great deal to a team that was picked on and kicked around during its infancy stage. And now to prove they have come of age and are ready for what lies ahead, a win Thursday would be the ultimate.

Stewart Doreen is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

SPORTS BRIEFING

TV Sports

GOLF — PGA Senior Slam, final round (same-day tape), 6:05 p.m., TBS.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Illinois men at Penn State, 6:30 p.m., ESPN.

Kentucky men at Tennessee, 6:30 p.m., ESPN.

ABL — Playoff semifinal, 6:30 p.m, FSS.

NBA —Los Angeles Lakers at Houston Rockets, 7 p.m., TNT.

Charlotte Hornets at Dallas Mavericks, 7:30 p.m., FSS.

BOXING — Heavyweights, Jeremy Williams, (26-2-0) vs. Phil Jackson (38-4-0); middleweights, Glen Johnson (28-0-0) vs. Sam Garr (18-0-0), 8 p.m., USA.

Texas Scores

NBA — Charlotte Hornets 96, San Antonio Spurs 84.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — No. 4 Utah at Rice, late.

PREP BASKETBALL — Class 5A boys regional quarterfinal, Midland High 74, El Paso Eastwood 64.

Sports Today

PREP BASKETBALL – Class 3A boys area, Sonora vs. Tulia, 7:30 p.m., Chaparral Center.

WJCAC Women

	Conf. W	L	PCT.	Season W	L	PCT.
Midland College	14	3	.823	24	5	.827
Howard College	14	3	.823	25	4	.862
South Plains	14	3	.823	25	3	.892
New Mexico JC	9	8	.529	12	16	.428
Frank Phillips	4	13	.235	5	22	.185
Odessa College	3	15	.166	4	26	.133
Western Texas	2	15	.117	5	20	.200

Monday's Games
Midland College 96, Odessa College 60; New Mexico JC 62, South Plains College 58; Frank Phillips 50, Western Texas 48. Howard was open.

Thursday's Games
South Plains at Midland College; Howard College at Frank Phillips; Western Texas at NMJC.
End regular season

WJCAC Men

	W	L	PCT.	W	L	PCT.
Odessa College	6	4	.750	21	7	.750
Frank Phillips	7	4	.636	17	10	.630
South Plains	7	4	.636	21	7	.750
Howard College	6	5	.500	18	10	.630
N. Mexico Military	5	6	.454	15	13	.536
Midland College	4	7	.363	15	13	.536
New Mexico JC	2	9	.181	7	20	.259

Monday's Games
Midland College 70, Odessa College 69; South Plains 94, New Mexico JC 68; Frank Phillips 82, NMMI 68; Howard was open.

Thursday's Games
South Plains at Midland College; Howard College at Frank Phillips; NMMI at New Mexico JC; Odessa College is open.
End regular season

Hale to Tech

LUBBOCK— Clovis Hale, a former Southern Methodist and Texas Tech assistant coach, has returned to the Red Raiders to resume his duties as offensive line coach.

He succeeds Ted Unbehagen, a 10-year Tech veteran who left to join Houston's staff.

Hale coached Tech's offensive line from 1984-86 before serving five seasons at Texas. After a stint with the Detroit Drive of the Arena Football League, Hale has spent the last five seasons at SMU.

"He brings many years of expertise, experience and success to our program," Tech coach Spike Dykes said.

The Lorraine native began his career as a Lubbock High assistant in 1966 before Dykes hired him away at Big Spring. Hale succeeded Dykes at Big Spring before taking over at San Angelo Lake View.

He coached under Hayden Fry at North Texas and Iowa before his first stop at Texas Tech.

Irwin leads Slam

SAN JOSE DEL CABO, Mexico — PGA Seniors champion Hale Irwin shot a 7-under 65 Monday to take the lead after the first round of the Senior Slam.

Senior Players champion Raymond Floyd shot a 70, while U.S. Senior Open winner Dave Stockton was third at 72. Jack Nicklaus was fourth at 73 on the Las Palmillas course, which he designed.

Floyd beat Nicklaus by three strokes in last year's Senior Slam.

The two-day tournament is for winners of the four senior majors championships. First place is worth $250,000.

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MC's Young good in cold weather

■ Scotland native didn't seem to mind bad conditions in leading Tyler Junior College Invitational.

Staff report

CANTON — It was not a very good day for golf at the Van Zant Country Club Monday afternoon, but you couldn't tell by the play of Steve Young.

The Midland College sophomore shot a 68 in the first round of the Tyler Junior College Invitational, three strokes better than anybody else on a day dominated by cold, wind and rain which were hardly conducive to outstanding scores.

Young's performance helped the Chaps to a 303 score, good for second place after the first day, five strokes behind first-place McLennan. The final round will be played today, weather permitting.

As bad as the weather was Monday, it didn't seem to bother Young.

"Steve Young played sensationally under adverse conditions," Midland College coach Delnor Poss said. "I'd say it was an exceptional round."

Young sat three strokes in front of Chris Lowe of Tyler's 'B' squad, the only other player to break par on the par-72 course with a 71. The host Tyler squad has two teams entered in the tournament. Tyler is a three-time defending National Junior College Athletic Association champion.

Young was the only Midland College individual who was in the top 10 at the end of the first round.

Results from the first round of the Tyler Junior College Invitational at the Van Zant Country Club:

Team Scores: 1, McLennan 298; 2, Midland College 303; 3, Tyler 'A' 305; 4 (tie), Navarro and Tyler 'B' 309; 6, Shelton State 310; 7 (tie), Paris and San Jacinto 311; 9, Lon Morris 'A' 318; 10, Bevill 319; 11, Temple 324; 12 (tie), Weatherford, Bossier and Lon Morris 'B' 326; 15, Hill 328; 16, Grayson 334; 17, St. Gregory's 348.

Midland College Individuals: Steve Young 68; Fraser McLaughlan 77; James Clive 78; Ryan Hogue 80; Shawn Reeves 82.

Medalist Scores: Young, MC, 68; Chris Lowe, Tyler 'B' 71; Greg Vondrak, SJ, 73; Matt Naylor, McLennan, 73; Mark Wilson, McLennan, 74; Jeff Hughes, McLennan, 74; Brian Wackerly, Paris, 74; Cameron Conway, Tyler 'A', 74; Ben Smith, Navarro, 74; Mark Gray, SJ, 75; Scott Moore, Bossier, 75.

Jack Murphy Stadium to get new name

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The city and Qualcomm Inc. reached an agreement Monday to rename Jack Murphy Stadium after the high-tech company in exchange for $18 million in cash needed to complete expansion of the facility.

Under the deal, which still must be approved by the City Council, the stadium would be called Qualcomm Stadium at Jack Murphy Sports Complex. Final approval was expected Tuesday.

"Qualcomm will pay the city $18 million in cash. It's the only naming rights negotiated in country where dollars are paid upfront," said Mayor Susan Golding during a news conference.

The cash also means the city would avoid "an enormous" interest cost that would arise if bonds were used to pay for the expansion, she said.

The Qualcomm's deal should be the final chapter of a controversial $78 million saga that had threatened to move the 1998 Super Bowl to Pasadena and the San Diego Chargers to the Los Angeles area.

In 1995, the city struck a deal with the Chargers hoping to keep the team in town through 2020. The agreement included a 10,000-seat expansion, skyboxes and other improvements to Jack Murphy.

Houston athletic director to leave school

HOUSTON (AP) — University of Houston athletic director Bill Carr, who oversaw construction of the school's $29.1 million athletic complex and entrance into Conference USA, announced Monday he is leaving March 31 by mutual agreement.

School president Glenn Goerke, who will be replaced next month by Arthur Smith, praised Carr's efforts in rebuilding the athletic program.

Carr, athletic director at the University of Florida from 1979 to 1986, said he felt it was the right time to move on.

"You can look down the road and see a fork, you say 'Are we going to wait until we get there or do something now?'" Carr said. "This is a time of transition for the university and it just seemed right for this situation."

Carr took over at Houston in 1993. He helped the Cougars through an NCAA investigation and the transition from the Southwest Conference into Conference USA.

"With a bare-bones program, he and his staff did a remarkable job of coming from where we were to where we are," Goerke said. "This program is on its way back."

Carr denied he was leaving because the new president would not extend his contract, which has one year remaining.

"I really was not seeking an extension," Carr said. "I really talked to him (Smith) about the future. We talked conceptually about the future and it (leaving) seemed to be the logical thing to do."

During his tenure, Carr made more than 60 personnel changes, including hiring Kim Helton as football coach. Last season, the Cougars won the first C-USA title and played in the Liberty Bowl.

Carr also added baseball coach Rayner Noble and golf coach Mike Dirks.

"Now, almost without exception, we have exceptional, bright people with character," Carr said. "That's what I feel the best about."

Carr said his successor will be able to take the next step in Houston's rebound.

"The next athletic director will be in a position to do some selling," Carr said. "I spent most of my time building a product to sell."

WOMEN: Ndiaye breaks MC scoring mark

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people and were forgetting about the people inside."

Ndiaye did get a little help from some friends as in Mandi White with 13 points and Jill Davis, who had all her 11 points in the first half before leaving with a slightly sprained ankle. Davis was OK but Jones said he held her out in the second half as a precautionary measure.

Ndiaye's record-breaking night not only improved the Lady Chaps' record to 24-5 overall and 14-3 in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference but also sets up Thursday night's big meeting with South Plains College. Thanks to a 62-56 home upset to New Mexico Junior College Monday, MC, Howard and the Lady Texans all have three losses in conference play. A win at home on Thursday would give the Lady Chaps a co-championship with the Lady Hawks, who play at Frank Phillips on Thursday.

Even though MC had beaten the Lady Wranglers (4-26, 3-15) quite handily twice before, Jones said the game was sort of a tough one to prepare for.

"I think we kept our focus pretty good. In the last 8-10 minutes we were getting pretty sloppy and we were waiting for the game to be over. I told them that from here on out there aren't any more games where we can afford to lose our focus," said Jones referring to the Region V tournament which starts Tuesday in Cisco.

"It was difficult to prepare for them because we knew we could beat them," Ndiaye said. "We just didn't know what their motivation was, considering it was their last game."

Even though the thought of trying to get a high seed in regionals is in the back of the Lady Chaps' minds, there has to be a concern about facing what must be an angry South Plains team on Thursday.

"Every game we've had with them has been competitive except for the one we had up there earlier this year," Jones said. "We don't feel like we need to really change anything, we just need to do things a little bit better. They do a good job on the offensive boards and we still need to concentrate on getting our turnovers down."

Ndiaye, who will be playing in her last home game along with sophomores White, Kellina Bradshaw and Fatou Cisse, knows the importance of putting the next focus on South Plains.

"Now we can focus on all the rest because we don't have any more games like this. It's tough from here on out. We're just going to do our best, get a win and be ready for regionals," she said.

Ndiaye may be happy that she doesn't have to face OC again but you can bet the Lady Wranglers are more than relieved to see her go.

Midland College 92, Odessa College 60

Midland College (24-5, 14-3): Kellina Bradshaw 4-8 0-0 9, Amy Allen 0-1 0-0 0, Jody Finley 0-6 0-2 0, Jannell Bennett 0-3 0-0 0, Fatou Cisse 3-11 1-4 7, Mamie Ndoye 1-2 0-0 2, Jill Davis 4-7 1-2 11, Candy Mitchell 3-6 0-0 6, Mandi White 5-8 2-2 13, Holly Turnbough 0-2 2-2 2, Ndiasse Ndiaye 19-20 4-4 42. **Totals 39-72 10-16 92.**

Odessa College (4-26, 3-15): Rolaura Deanda 2-12 2-2 6, Natalie Franklin 1-4 0-0 2, Pashon Murray 7-22 8-14 23, Mary Flores 1-3 0-0 2, Heather Matthews 2-4 0-0 4, Jennifer Alaman 10-18 0-1 20, Jodi Greve 1-3 1-2 3. **Totals 24-66 11-19 60.**

Halftime: MC 52, OC 23. **3-Point Goals:** MC 4 (Davis 2, Bradshaw 1, White 1), OC 1 (Murray). **Total Fouls:** MC 18, OC 13. **Fouled Out:** Deanda. **Technical Fouls:** OC bench.

MHS: Bulldogs return to Midland a winner

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to 13 ahead (70-57).

"Tatum just kind of took the game over for a time," coach Stephenson said. "We had those two big guns (Lemons and Christian) on the bench for a long time, but I've said all along that we have 19 kids who can play this game. If some of our starters have trouble with fouls, we can come in with a lot of good players.

"Chap Center ought to be jumpin' Friday night."

The Bulldogs, the first owner of a Region I berth, also own the 7:30 p.m. slot Friday in the Region I semifinals against either Arlington Bowie or Duncanville, who play tonight in Fort Worth.

"This is one of the best feelings I've ever had," said MHS senior guard Jon Stephenson, who is in his third playoff run. "Winning 12 games in a row in district doesn't mean diddly-doo if you don't do well in the playoffs."

The Bulldogs did look ripe for a pickin' for a time in that third quarter as the small lineup of the Troopers used dazzling passes from Joe Griffith and Ben Karam to work their way past the taller Bulldogs. Eastwood was getting a lot of easy layups off the passing attack, but the Troopers also wilted down the stretch as the sleeping giant woke up.

"I haven't ever seen a team that could pass like that," Jon Stephenson said. "They did a good job with that and you have to give them credit, but we also played nearly three quarters without Lemons and Christian. When they came back, we got our inside game going and they couldn't stop us. We didn't hit well from the outside. Charles (Tatum) and I both didn't really have a good shooting night."

MHS' 6-7 post Russell Gardner, a senior who had 12 points, said he never felt any real panic even at the 10-point high water mark of Eastwood.

"We've been there so many times before this season, that I didn't think much about it," Gardner said. "I think in half our games we've been behind at the half. But this is a great one to win."

The Bulldogs trailed after every period of play except the fourth quarter where it counted. But it wasn't bad play on the part of MHS as much as it was the high quality of play from Eastwood. It was obvious that to beat this MHS team, it would take a full four quarters of that type of effort to get the job done. And the Bulldogs had a say in that.

"I thought we played about as good as we can play for three quarters," Eastwood coach Gary Pippen said. "Midland High has a lot of weapons and it's hard to keep them down forever. The ball stopped going in for us in that last quarter."

Tatum, Christian and Lemons all had 14 points for the Bulldogs. Lemons, who had 36 points against El Paso Franklin Friday, had 10 of his points in the first period and looked to be on the way to another big night, but he got his fourth foul with 7:22 still left to play in the third quarter. Gardner, who had 12 points, had eight in the first half to help keep the Bulldogs in range for when the explosion arrived.

Patrick Anderson also came off the bench with some solid play as did Treg Manning, who hit a big three-poing goal in the third quarter.

MHS is now a member of the Sweet 16 for the second time since 1994 and will be making its third Region I appearance since the tournament moved to Midland. MHS is 2-1 overall in Region I play and owns one title.

Now they shoot for title No. 2 this weekend.

Midland High 74, El Paso Eastwood 64

El Paso Eastwood (25-6): Ben Karam, 5-14 0-0 10; Joe Griffith, 4-7 2-5 10; Tom Linney, 2-7 1-2 5; Jeremiah Light, 1-3 0-0 2; Jason Plummer, 4-5 2-2 11; Gabe Hernandez, 2-4 4-6 8; Jerry DeLaPena, 7-12 3-8 18. **Totals: 25-55 12-23 64.**

Midland High (30-3): Charles Tatum, 4-14 6-8 14; Jay Christian, 6-8 2-2 14; Kirby Lemons, 7-9 0-1 14; Jon Stephenson, 1-7 3-4 6; Russell Gardner, 4-5 4-7 12; Jerome Eldridge, 0-0 1-2 1; Lee Dunn, 0-0 0-0 0; Ross Nobles, 0-1 0-0 0; Camar Jackson, 0-1 0-0 0; Treg Manning, 1-2 2-2 5; Josh Fernau, 0-0 0-0 0; Blake Johnston, 0-0 2-2 2; Roosevelt Erving, 0-1 0-0 0; Walker Moody, 0-0 0-2 0; Patrick Anderson, 2-3 0-0 4; Brent Winters, 1-1 0-0 2; Justin Wilson, 0-0 0-0 0; Antoine Lathan, 0-0 0-0 0; Alex Tarango, 0-0 0-2 0. **Totals: 26-52 20-32 74.**

EP Eastwood	25	11	17	11—64
Midland High	18	14	18	24—74

Three-Point Goals: Eastwood 2-8 (Karam 0-1, Griffith 0-1, Linney 0-1, Light 0-1, Plummer 1-1, DeLaPena 1-1); MHS 2-15 (Tatum 0-6, Christian 0-1, Stephenson 1-5, Nobles 0-1, Erving 0-1, Manning 1-1). **Total Fouls:** Eastwood 24, MHS 19. **Fouled Out:** Eastwood: Hernandez, Griffith; MHS: none. **Rebounds:** Eastwood 23 (Karam 6), MHS 33 (Tatum 6, Christian 6, Lemons 6, Gardner 6). **Turnovers:** Eastwood 19, MHS 18.

MEN: Chaps pull off thriller at Odessa College

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pride," Rafferty said. "Our courage showed up and made up for that. It has been (a long time since we won a close game). You look at the other ones (victories) and they have been substantial."

Rafferty went on to say that the last meeting between the two schools (a 74-65 OC win) showed him then that there was a "reference point" not how his team could look for the rest of the season. Tonight, it showed in full force.

"It goes to the approach," Rafferty said. "Earlier it may have been wrong that you point out games as being must-wins. We were playing in fear of losing. We knew we had to stay positive, play with purpose and the wins would take care of themselves. Tonight, we withstood charges and did not panic."

The Chaps (15-13 overall, 4-7 in conference) did not go under. With 13 minutes to go in the second half, the Wranglers led by as much as 15 (58-43). That is when the bottom fell out. OC started to miss, miss and miss again. The cold spell of outside shooting allowed the Chaps to peck away and establish their game in the interior. A 17-2 run saw Goodwyn establish himself for the second time in the game with 12 points during the eight-minute run. The sophomore had scored 14 in the first half. What also helped Rafferty was the contributing efforts by Mark Reed, who netted 11 of his 17 in the second half.

"They (the Chaps) put together a full 40 minute game and we did not," OC coach Orlando Ontiveroz said. "Mentally we were not doing what we needed to. We were shooting too much from the outside and got intimidated by Kainga instead of taking it right at them."

Rafferty said that getting OC into a half-court game was the key for the comeback.

"We made it a half-court game and widdled away," Rafferty said. "We wanted to make them play with people in front of them."

That made Kainga, who pulled down 15 boards in the game, a factor in the second half. The sophomore post made the paint his own during that stretch while the perimeter defense kept the Wranglers at bay, going 0-for-10 during that run. That was a necessity as the Wranglers were drilling 3-point field goals with consistency in the first half. For the game, OC made 27 of 72 shots from the field. Bailey hit for 13 while Marvin Dixon netted 10.

The Wrangler coach wanted a win to take to the Region V tournament in Waco but will have to settle for a little less.

"We wanted to try to get momentum," Ontiveroz said. "Now, we have to see how tough we are and we have to play better than we did tonight."

But for the Chaps this game was about the present. Sophomores Todd Jones, Goodwyn and Kainga played a ton of minutes while freshman Edward Kirk performed at high levels, having to deal with a tough as nails OC press that forced a 19-4 OC run in the first half. Rafferty called it a warrior-like performance by every one.

With this win, maybe the marquee win of the year for Rafferty's bunch, the Chaps head home for Thursday's game with South Plains College. At the game, former Chap and current Cincinnati Bearcat, D'Juan Baker will be honored. For rest of the seniors, it can be one more chance to keep the respect that they earned on the OC Sports Center floor.

Midland College 70, Odessa College 69

Midland College (15-13, 4-7): Edward Kirk 3-9 3-4 9, Todd Jones 3-7 1-4 7, Devon Warmack 1-3 0-0 2, Silvester Kainga 1-5 4-4 6, Ceedric Goodwyn 11-15 6-7 28, Mark Reed 7-7 3-4 17, Bradley Waters 0-0 1-2 1, Levi Hayes 0-0 0-2 0, Dennis Ondeng 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals 26-46 18-28 70.**

Odessa College (21-7, 8-4): Marvin Dixon 5-8 0-1 10, Quarry Johnson 2-7 0-0 5, Rashad Wolfe 3-11 0-0 8, Chad Crouch 0-3 0-0 0, Nathaniel Bailey 5-10 1-3 13, Kivestin Fountain 4-9 0-0 8, John White 0-0 0-0 0, Maurice Hancock 2-3 2-2 6, Will Mayfield 0-2 0-0 0, Jacoby Johnson 0-5 3-4 3, Ron Banks 1-4 2-2 4, Kelwin Jackson 3-3 0-0 8, Quentin Lewis 1-3 0-2 2, Dustin Franklin 1-4 0-0 2. **Totals 27-72 8-14 69.**

Halftime OC 44, MC 38. **3-Point Goals:** OC 7 (Bailey 2, Wolfe 2, Jackson 2, Johnson 1). **Rebounds:** MC 33 (Kainga 15), OC 38 (Dixon 5, Johnson 5, Franklin 5). **Total Fouls:** MC 16, OC 25. **Fouled Out:** None. **Technical Fouls:** Banks.

LOCAL SPORTS

MC's Koss named district MVP

Midland Christian's John Koss, a 6-foot-6 center who led the Mustangs in scoring this season, was named the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools District 1-4A Most Valuable Player for the 1996-97 boys basketball season.

Koss was one of three Midland Christian players named to the first team along with seniors Andrew Hufford and Alex Awtry. The Mustangs, who finished 18-10 and reached the quarterfinals of the Class 4A playoffs, also had three players named to the second team in seniors Colby Lee and Jerod Womack and junior Geoff Chinn. Sophomore Josh Miller was an honorable mention selection.

For the Midland Christian girls, Bethany Spradlin was named to the TAPPS 1-4A all-district team. Amy Riedel was a second-team selection for Midland Christian.

TAPPS 1-4A All-District Basketball Teams

BOYS

MVP — John Koss, Sr., Midland Christian

First Team — Matt Paden, Jr., Lubbock Christian; Lance Echols, Sr., Lubbock Christian; Andrew Hufford, Sr., Midland Christian; Eric Hughes, Sr., Trinity Christian; Craig Roberson, Sr., Trinity Christian; Travis Epperson, Sr., Lubbock Christian; Alex Awtry, Sr., Midland Christian.

Second Team — Colby Lee, Sr., Midland Christian; Jerod Womack, Sr., Midland Christian; Geoff Chinn, Jr., Midland Christian; Adam Crawford, Jr., Lubbock Christian; Justin Sellers, Jr., Lubbock Christian; Jared Duyck, So., Trinity Christian; Matt Wester, Fr., Trinity Christian.

Honorable Mention — Josh Miller, So., Midland Christian.

GIRLS

Rebecca Dahlstrom, Lubbock Christian; Kristy Stevens, Lubbock Christian; Sarah Pritchett, Lubbock Christian; Lara Rinehart, Lubbock Christian; Kathleen Frisbie, Lubbock Christian; Sarah Hill, Trinity Christian; Bethany Spradlin, Midland Christian; Lyndsay Hill, Trinity Christian.

Lee tennis takes Lake View title

The Midland Lee tennis team scored over 100 points Friday to win the Lake View Invitational Tennis Tournament.

The boys doubles team was the most dominant, as Lee teams took the top two spots in the tournament. In a finals matchup of Rebels, Conner Austin and Wesley Hunt defeated Matt Lewis and Mike Descioli 7-5, 6-3. The duo of Alex Clinton and Kurt Kieffer finished fourth for Lee.

In girls doubles, Lee's Lili Vo and Stephanie Hofer finished fourth while Emily Oekerman and Marisa Lannom finished fifth. Nicole Haggerty and Rekha Reddy took seventh place for the Lee girls.

In boys singles, Lee's Brian Breithaput defeated teammate Trent Broach 7-5, 6-7, 7-6 for third place. For the girls, Deborah Ho finished third in the singles competition.

Abell girls soccer blanks Goddard

The Abell Junior High eighth grade girls soccer team defeated Goddard 1-0 Sunday to post its second win of the season. Rebecca Chimahusky scored the only goal of the game.

Goddard tennis sweeps doubles

The Goddard Junior High seventh grade tennis team swept the doubles competition of the Odessa Invitational Tennis Tournament this weekend. Haley McClung and Kelly Moomey won the girls bracket while the team of Paul Cadrera and Anthony Kent won for the boys.

Midlanders place well in enduros

Two motorcycle racers from Midland had outstanding showings Sunday at the Sidewinder Enduro Race in Bastrop County. Michael Deutsch won the 250 C novice class in a three-hour race covering over 60 miles.

Russell Leak, an 11-year-old, placed second in the 16 and under class of the mini cross country category.

Richardson, Broyles salaries frozen after violations admission

■ In letter to NCAA, Arkansas denies it lost control of men's basketball program.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — The University of Arkansas froze the salaries of athletic director Frank Broyles and basketball coach Nolan Richardson after admitting four violations of NCAA rules, but denied allegations it has lost control of its men's basketball program.

The school also said it would forfeit a basketball scholarship this year and next, and deny scholarships to junior-college transfers for two years.

In a 100-page-plus response to the NCAA, the university said it froze salaries for Broyles, Richardson and four other athletic department employees for a year.

The university, which won the NCAA championship in 1994, did not elaborate on the reason for the salary freeze for the 1996-97 fiscal year, beyond saying they were disciplinary actions.

The admitted violations include improper typing assistance by Kim Wood, daughter of Arkansas Chancellor Dan Ferritor, and the separate allegation that she lied to NCAA investigators. Wood resigned Aug. 26 as academic adviser for men's basketball.

The school also admitted "the inadvertent and technical administrative miscertification," of junior college transfer players Jesse Pate and Sunday Adebayo.

The school voluntarily declared Pate and Adebayo ineligible last February, shortly after the NCAA investigation began. Pate is playing minor-league pro basketball and Adebayo transferred to Memphis, where he is a starter.

The university also admitted that Brad Dunn, one of Richardson's assistants whose salary was frozen, improperly transported a friend of a student-athlete about two miles.

The response will be presented to the NCAA Infractions Committee and the school asked that its case be heard April 18.

Chuck Smrt, director of enforcement for the NCAA, said the organization would not comment "because it's a normal part of the process for a school to make a response."

The school said it had or would name someone to deal specifically with certifying eligibility, move the academic adviser's office out of Bud Walton Arena, and suspended a summer-employment program for athletes at the Springdale Country Club. There were other corrective measures.

Schools typically announce self-sanctions with the hope of drawing less-serious penalties from the NCAA.

"In most cases where there are allegations of violations, the University was careful in following what it thought was the appropriate regulation," Ferritor said in a 1 1/2-page statement. "Some violations were found and self-reported by the university and accepted by the NCAA. ... The majority of the differences lie in interpreting and applying the rules."

The NCAA letter to Arkansas said that the case "appears to be 'major' in nature," but Ferritor said a majority of the violations were secondary.

Chiefs work out QB Grbac; plan to check out Plummer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Chiefs worked out Elvis Grbac on Monday and planned to try out Arizona State quarterback Jake Plummer on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Grbac had visited the Chiefs last week but did not go through a workout. He then went to Atlanta to meet with new coach Dan Reeves, before making another visit to Kansas City.

The Falcons on Monday traded two draft choices to the Houston Oilers for Chris Chandler.

The Chiefs had also looked at Chandler and at Heath Shuler of the Washington Redskins.

Kansas City had also considered Jeff George, who was waived by the Falcons after the sideline argument with coach June Jones.

Grbac's agent said the Chiefs had indicated Grbac, who has been the backup to the Steve Young with San Francisco, was on the top of their list.

"From a talent perspective, he's their No. 1 choice," agent Jim Steiner said. "Now, they have to be consistent on that with the dollars. We've talked in some generalities and parameters on salary. But we haven't talked specifics. We're on the same page. We've got a little way to go, but that's the challenge in negotiations, to bridge the gap."

There were reports in the local media that the Chiefs would offer Grbac $4 million a year.

Grbac had said on his initial visit that he felt the Chiefs were a tight end and wide receiver away from being a Super Bowl contender.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NFL Draft Order

NEW YORK (AP) — Order for the 1997 NFL draft (x-to be determined by coin flip:

1. New York Jets
2. New Orleans
3. Atlanta
4. Baltimore
5. Detroit
6. St. Louis
7. New York Giants
8. Tampa Bay
9. Arizona-x
10. Oakland-x
11. Seattle (from Chicago)
12. Seattle
13. Houston
14. Cincinnati
15. Miami
16. Tampa Bay (from San Diego)
17. Washington
18. Kansas City
19. Indianapolis
20. Minnesota
21. Jacksonville
22. Philadelphia
23. Buffalo
24. Pittsburgh
25. Dallas
26. San Francisco
27. Carolina
28. Denver
29. New England
30. Green Bay

World Cup Soccer

Qualifying
ASIA
First round
Winners Advance
Group Six

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
South Korea	1	0	0	2	0	3
Thailand	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hong Kong	0	1	0	0	2	0

Saturday's Game
At Hong Kong
South Korea 2, Hong Kong 0
Sunday, March 2
At Bangkok, Thailand
South Korea at Thailand
Sunday, March 9
At Bangkok, Thailand
Hong Kong at Thailand
Sunday, March 16
At Hong Kong
Thailand at Hong Kong
Thursday, May 28
At Seoul, South Korea
Hong Kong at South Korea
Sunday, June 1
At Seoul, South Korea
Thailand at South Korea

Ski Report

New Mexico

Angel Fire — 11- new packed powder 52 base 58 trails 6 of 6 lifts 100% open

Pajarito Mtn — Operate Wed/Sat/Sun

Red River — 8- new packed powder 30-47 base 58 trails 6 of 6 lifts 100% open sm

Sandia Peak — 2- new packed powder 48 base 28 trails 5 of 7 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Santa Fe — 6- new packed powder 94 base 36 trails 7 of 7 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Sipapu — packed powder 43 base 19 trails 2 of 3 lifts 100% open

Ski Apache — packed powder 40-65 base 53 trails 11 of 11 lifts 96% open 8:45a-4p

Ski Rio — Plan to re-open Feb 27

Taos — 11-14 new powder 88-104 base 72 trails 11 of 11 lifts 100% open

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — 1- new powder 71 base 61 trails 5 of 5 lifts 100% open

Aspen — 3- new powder 67-73 base 76 trails 8 of 8 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Aspen Highlands — 1-2 new powder 73-76 base 98 trails 8 of 8 lifts 100% open

Beaver Creek — packed powder 52-75 base 15 of 15 lifts 9a-4p

Breckenridge — 1- new powder 70-85 base 138 trails 19 of 22 lifts 8:30a-4p

Buttermilk — 1-2 new powder 56 base 45 trails 7 of 7 lifts 100% open

Copper Mtn — 1- new packed powder 68 base 20 of 21 lifts

Crested Butte — 4- new packed powder 70-80 base 13 of 13 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Eldora Mtn — 2- new powder 70 base 9 of 9 lifts

Howelsen — packed powder 55 base 3 of 3 lifts

Keystone — 1- new packed powder 72-73 base 91 trails 15 of 20 lifts 100% open 8:30a-9p

Loveland — 2- new powder 70 base 8 of 10 lifts

Monarch — 4- new powder 87 base 4 of 4 lifts

Powderhorn Resort — 1- new powder 55 base 2 of 4 lifts

Purgatory — 3- new packed powder 74-79 base 75 trails 9 of 10 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Silver Creek Resort — powder 48 base 33 trails 5 of 5 lifts 100% open 9a-4p, 5p-9p

Ski Cooper — 4- new powder 70 base 3 of 4 lifts

Snowmass — 1-3 new powder 65-84 base 76 trails 16 of 17 lifts 96% open

Steamboat — packed powder 79-107 base 118 trails 22 of 22 lifts 100% open 8:30a-4:30p

Sunlight — 3- new powder 65 base 2 of 3 lifts

Telluride — 7-9 new powder 83-87 base 65 trails 12 of 12 lifts 100% open

Vail — 1- new packed powder 75-84 base 29 of 30 lifts 8:30a-3:30p

Winter Park — packed powder 70-84 base 121 trails 17 of 20 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Wolf Creek — 8- new powder 118-122 base 50 trails 6 of 6 lifts 100% open 9a-4p

Presidents Cup

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Standings for the 1998 Presidents Cup Match to be played at Royal Melbourne Golf Club in Melbourne, Australia. U.S. player points are based on official money earnings from the start of the 1997 season through the 1998 World Series of Golf, while the International team will be determined by Sony World Rankings at the conclusion of the 1998 World Series of Golf and will not include any player eligible for the European Ryder Cup team. The top 10 earn positions on their respective teams, while two spots are selected by team captains.

Through Feb. 23
United States

1.	**Mark O'Meara**	**710,460**
2.	Steve Jones	491,127
3.	Tiger Woods	403,450
4.	Paul Stankowski	353,698
5.	John Cook	315,350
6.	Jim Furyk	266,994
7.	Mark Calcavecchia	244,611
8.	Jeff Sluman	238,104
9.	Tom Lehman	230,586
10.	Craig Stadler	228,481
11.	David Duval	226,577
12.	Lee Janzen	165,287
13.	Mike Reid	141,843
14.	Don Pooley	134,126
15.	Donnie Hammond	130,907

International Team

1.	**Greg Norman**	**11.70**
2.	Ernie Els	8.70
3.	Jumbo Ozaki	7.58
4.	Nick Price	7.24
5.	Steve Elkington	5.58
6.	Vijay Singh	5.26
7.	Mark McNulty	5.15
8.	Frank Nobilo	4.25
9.	Robert Allenby	3.46
10.	David Frost	3.27
11.	Peter Senior	2.98
12.	Shigeki Maruyama	2.90
13.	Craig Parry	2.71
14.	Yoshinori Kaneko	2.39
15.	Peter Lonard	2.35

Fight Schedule

Feb. 24

At Great Western Forum, Inglewood, Calif., Arthur Johnson, East St. Louis, Ill., vs. Sammy Stewart, Los Angeles, 12, for Johnson's NABF flyweight title; Ed Mahone, Los Angeles, vs. Bomani Parker, Cincinnati, 10, heavyweights; Demetrio Ceballos, Panama, vs. Isagani Fumar, Stockton, Calif., 10, lightweights.

Feb. 25

At the Long Beach (Calif.) Pyramid, Jeremy Williams, Long Beach, Calif., vs. Phil Jackson, Miami, 10, heavyweights; Glen Johnson, Miami, vs. Sam Garr, Stone Mountain, Ga., 10, middleweights.

At Punta Gorda, Fla., Freeman Barr, Naples, Fla., vs. Andres Arellano, Charlotte, N.C., 12, for the vacant IBC Americas middleweight title.

NBA Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	42	13	.764	—
New York	40	15	.727	2
Orlando	28	25	.528	13
Washington	24	30	.444	17 1/2
New Jersey	16	38	.296	25 1/2
Philadelphia	14	39	.264	27
Boston	11	43	.204	30 1/2

Central Division

Chicago	49	6	.891	—
Detroit	40	14	.741	8 1/2
Atlanta	36	18	.667	12 1/2
Charlotte	35	21	.625	14 1/2
Cleveland	30	23	.566	18
Indiana	25	28	.472	23
Milwaukee	25	29	.463	23 1/2
Toronto	19	35	.352	29 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	38	15	.717	—
Houston	36	19	.655	3
Minnesota	27	27	.500	11 1/2
Dallas	18	34	.346	19 1/2
Denver	17	39	.304	22 1/2
San Antonio	13	41	.241	25 1/2
Vancouver	11	47	.190	29 1/2

Pacific Division

Seattle	38	15	.717	—
L.A. Lakers	38	16	.704	1/2
Portland	29	27	.518	10 1/2
Sacramento	24	30	.444	14 1/2
L.A. Clippers	22	29	.431	15
Golden State	20	33	.377	18
Phoenix	20	36	.357	19 1/2

Monday's Games
Orlando 93, Detroit 84
Atlanta 106, Golden State 100
Chicago 116, Portland 89
Charlotte 96, San Antonio 84
Tuesday's Games
Sacramento at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Houston, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Denver, 8 p.m.
New York at Utah, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Hornets 96, Spurs 84

CHARLOTTE (96): Rice 11-25 7-8 33, Mason 11-14 2-4 24, Divac 5-12 2-4 12, Smith 1-4 0-0 2, Bogues 3-8 2-2 10, Pierce 6-10 1-2 13, Royal 0-1 2-2 2, Delk 0-1 0-0 0, Rose 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-75 16-22 96.

SAN ANTONIO (84): Wilkins 9-24 2-5 20, Herrera 6-16 0-0 12, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Del Negro 9-13 5-5 24, Johnson 6-9 5-6 17, Perdue 4-8 1-2 9, Feick 1-4 0-0 2, Alexander 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-75 13-18 84.

Charlotte	**33**	**18**	**27**	**— 96**
San Antonio	**19**	**20**	**19**	**26 — 84**

3-Point goals—Charlotte 6-17, (Rice 4-8, Bogues 2-5, Delk 0-1, Divac 0-1, Smith 0-2), San Antonio 1-6, (Del Negro 1-3, Wilkins 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 47 (Mason 16), San Antonio 42 (Perdue 13). Assists—Charlotte 22 (Bogues 12), San Antonio 18 (Johnson 12). Total fouls—Charlotte 14, San Antonio 19. Technicals—Charlotte coach Cowens, Charlotte illegal defense, 2. A—13,092 (20,557).

Magic 93, Pistons 84

DETROIT (84): Hill 5-11 4-7 14, Thorpe 3-7 1-2 7, Ratliff 8-10 1-3 17, Dumars 5-10 0-0 12, Hunter 4-18 0-0 10, McKie 3-3 4-4 13, Mills 1-7 0-2 3, Long 2-6 0-0 4, Curry 1-4 1-2 4. Totals 32-76 11-20 84.

ORLANDO (93): Scott 4-11 0-0 9, Grant 4-6 0-0 8, Seikaly 6-11 7-9 19, Anderson 3-8 2-2 9, Hardaway 11-16 3-5 29, Wilkins 1-2 3-3 5, Strong 3-11 0-0 6, Shaw 2-5 4-4 8. Totals 34-70 19-23 93.

Detroit	**23**	**16**	**25**	**20 — 84**
Orlando	**28**	**28**	**24**	**13 — 93**

3-Point goals—Detroit 9-21 (McKie 3-3, Dumars 2-4, Hunter 2-9, Curry 1-2, Mills 1-3), Orlando 6-20 (Hardaway 4-6, Scott 1-5, Anderson 1-6, Seikaly 0-1, Shaw 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 53 (Hill 8), Orlando 40 (Seikaly 8). Assists—Detroit 18 (Hill 6), Orlando 20 (Scott, Grant 4). Total fouls—Detroit 21, Orlando 21. A—17,248 (17,248).

Hawks 106, Warriors 100

GOLDEN STATE (100): Mullin 10-11 2-2 24, J.Smith 9-16 6-9 25, Spencer 2-5 1-2 5, Sprewell 7-14 4-5 18, Coles 3-5 0-0 6, Fuller 0-1 2-6 2, Price 3-8 4-4 11, Burrell 2-5 0-0 5, DeClercq 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 38-68 19-28 100.

ATLANTA (106): James 4-6 2-2 13, Laettner 10-16 5-6 25, Mutombo 4-11 3-6 11, S.Smith 8-15 3-6 21, Blaylock 7-12 2-2 18, Corbin 2-7 1-4 6, Henderson 3-3 1-4 7, Recasner 2-2 0-0 5. Totals 40-72 17-30 106.

Golden St.	**22**	**27**	**31**	**20 — 100**
Atlanta	**35**	**25**	**23**	**23 — 106**

3-Point goals—Golden State 5-15 (Mullin 2-2, J.Smith 1-2, Price 1-4, Burrell 1-4, Coles 0-1, Sprewell 0-2), Atlanta 9-22 (James 3-4, S.Smith 2-6, Blaylock 2-6, Recasner 1-1, Corbin 1-5). Fouled out—Spencer, Laettner. Rebounds—Golden State 41 (J.Smith 8), Atlanta 43 (Blaylock 9). Assists—Golden State 20 (Sprewell 10), Atlanta 21 (Blaylock 8). Total fouls—Golden State 25, Atlanta 22. A—15,660 (16,378).

Bulls 116, Trail Blazers 89

PORTLAND (89): C.Robinson 1-8 2-2 4, Trent 7-14 0-0 14, Sabonis 3-11 6-8 12, Augmon 6-10 1-4 13, Anderson 5-9 1-1 12, R.Robinson 1-5 0-0 2, M.Brown 4-8 2-2 13, Dudley 2-2 0-0 4, Wallace 5-8 1-1 11, Wingfield 0-3 1-2 1, O'Neal 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 35-82 15-22 89.

CHICAGO (116): Pippen 9-12 3-3 22, Rodman 1-2 2-2 4, Longley 0-6 0-0 0, Harper 5-11 0-0 11, Jordan 13-27 8-9 37, Parish 3-8 0-0 6, Kerr 4-6 0-0 10, Buechler 0-2 0-0 0, Kukoc 6-11 0-0 13, R.Brown 1-3 0-0 2, Caffey 2-7 3-3 7, Simpkins 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 46-99 16-17 116.

Portland	**26**	**23**	**18**	**22 — 89**
Chicago	**32**	**35**	**28**	**21 — 116**

3-Point goals—Portland 4-21 (M.Brown 3-4, Anderson 1-5, Wingfield 0-1, R.Robinson 0-2, Trent 0-2, C.Robinson 0-3, Sabonis 0-4), Chicago 8-17 (Jordan 3-7, Kerr 2-3, Pippen 1-2, Kukoc 1-2, Harper 1-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Portland 46 (Trent 9), Chicago 62 (Rodman 15). Assists—Portland 22 (Anderson 8), Chicago 33 (Pippen 11). Total fouls—Portland 19, Chicago 16. Technicals—Rodman. A—23,841 (23,841).

Tennis Roundup

Italian Indoors

MILAN, Italy (AP) — Results Monday in the $815,000 Italian Indoors tournament at Assago Forum (seeds in parentheses):

Singles
First Round

Daniel Vacek, Czech Republic, def. Fernon Wibier, Netherlands, 6-3, 7-6 (8-6).

Bohdan Ulihrach, Czech Republic, def. Alex Corretja (8), Spain, 7-5, 6-0.

Karol Kucera, Slovakia, def. Cristiano Caratti, Italy, 6-4, 6-2.

Nicolas Kiefer, Germany, def. Guy Forget, France, 6-1, 6-4.

Javier Sanchez, Spain, def. Carlos Costa, Spain, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Sergi Bruguera, Spain, def. Richard Krajicek (2), Netherlands, 4-6, 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (15-13).

Advanta Champ.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Results Monday of the $714,250 Advanta Championships tournament:

Singles
First Round

Sjenj Schalken, Netherlands, def. Jason Stoltenberg (5), Australia, 6-2, 6-4.

Ken Carlsen, Denmark, def. Thomas Carbonall, Spain, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Doug Blach, Alpharetta, Ga., def. Sebastien Lareau, Quebec, 6-4, 6-3.

Paul Haarhuis, Netherlands, def. Jiri Novak, Czech Republic, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

Thomas Johansson, Sweden, def. Greg Rusedski, England, 6-4, 6-2.

Justin Gimelstob, Morristown, N.J., def. Michael Joyce, Los Angeles, 6-0, 6-3.

ATP Tour

The leading money winners on the ATP Tour through Feb. 23:

1	Pete Sampras	$500,178
2	Thomas Muster	$273,254
3	Goran Ivanisevic	$267,145
4	Carlos Moya	$263,969
5	Michael Chang	$242,899
6	Todd Woodbridge	$237,268
7	Tim Henman	$213,412
8	Marc Rosset	$199,973
9	Jim Courier	$172,360
10	Thomas Enqvist	$153,760
11	Mark Woodforde	$139,068
12	Jonas Bjorkman	$128,151
13	Marcelo Rios	$123,513
14	Javier Sanchez	$101,085
15	Jim Novak	$93,744
16	Paul Haarhuis	$91,329
17	Albert Costa	$90,613
18	M.Kevin Goellner	$90,309
19	Petr Korda	$89,037
20	Sandon Stolle	$84,662
21	Felix Mantilla	$84,193
22	Sergi Bruguera	$83,825
23	Alex O'Brien	$81,640
24	Jeff Tarango	$78,517
25	Christian Ruud	$75,450
26	Martin Damm	$73,951
27	Jonathan Stark	$70,924
28	Greg Rusedski	$69,869
29	Sebastien Lareau	$65,435
30	Jacco Eltingh	$64,299
31	Brett Steven	$63,812
32	Wayne Ferreira	$63,260
33	Jan Kroslak	$62,666
34	Magnus Larsson	$62,346
35	Patrick Galbraith	$60,072
35	Ellis Ferreira	$60,072
37	Hicham Arazi	$57,039
38	Olivier Delaitre	$57,020
39	**Scott Draper**	**$54,748**
40	Dominik Hrbaty	$54,725
41	Filip Dewulf	$52,471
42	David Adams	$50,982
43	Andrei Medvedev	$50,890
44	Leander Paes	$49,373
45	Alex Radulescu	$49,354
46	Hernan Gumy	$49,291
47	David Prinosil	$49,187
48	Sander Groen	$49,175
49	Chris Woodruff	$48,486
50	Magnus Norman	$48,299

WTA Tour

Through Feb. 23

1.	**Martina Hingis**	**$828,615**
2	Mary Pierce	$230,529
3	Lindsay Davenport	$160,891
4	Natasha Zvereva	$140,807
5	Iva Majoli	$136,864
6	Amanda Coetzer	$132,773
7	M.Joe Fernandez	$125,394
8	Anke Huber	$113,957
9	Kimberly Po	$96,953
10	Irina Spirlea	$90,645
11	Lisa Raymond	$88,447
12	Sabine Appelmans	$86,815
13	D. van Roost	$85,288
14	Steffi Graf	$83,601
15	B. Schultz-McCarthy	$79,315
16	Chanda Rubin	$72,722
17	Jana Novotna	$72,325
18	Karina Habsudova	$67,624
19	Conchita Martinez	$64,660
20	Elena Likhovtseva	$63,600
21	Larisa Neiland	$61,534
22	Manon Bollegraf	$61,069
23	Ruxandra Dragomir	$56,442
24	Gigi Fernandez	$54,519
25	A. Sanchez Vicario	$49,700
26	Yayuk Basuki	$48,183
27	Silvia Farina	$43,959
28	Kristie Boogert	$43,461
29	Jennifer Capriati	$42,067
30	Anne-Gaelle Sidot	$40,475
31	Asa Carlsson	$38,959
32	Ai Sugiyama	$38,820
33	Rika Hiraki	$38,387
34	Nicole Arendt	$38,018
35	Nana Miyagi	$37,468
36	Patty Schnyder	$35,102
37	Naoko Kijimuta	$34,821
38	Shi-Ting Wang	$33,239
39	Barbara Schett	$32,349
40	T. Tanasugarn	$32,327
41	Helena Sukova	$32,222
42	Mirjam Oremans	$31,772
43	Sandrine Testud	$29,950
44	Alexandra Fusai	$29,748
45	Henrieta Nagyova	$29,100
46	Barbara Rittner	$27,018
47	Florencia Labat	$26,633
48	Lori McNeil	$25,512
49	M. Maleeva	$25,150
50	Judith Wiesner	$24,752

NHL Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	35	17	9	79	198	152
New Jersey	29	18	12	70	156	139
Florida	28	19	14	70	170	143
N.Y. Rangers	28	26	9	65	204	176
Tampa Bay	23	29	7	53	165	183
Washington	23	30	7	53	154	171
N.Y. Islanders	20	30	10	50	162	177

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	32	19	10	74	180	151
Pittsburgh	31	24	5	67	216	195
Hartford	24	28	8	56	172	190
Montreal	22	29	11	55	191	220
Ottawa	20	27	13	53	168	175
Boston	20	33	8	48	173	217

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	36	22	4	76	189	153
Detroit	29	19	12	70	191	143
St. Louis	28	27	8	64	188	193
Phoenix	27	30	4	58	174	189
Chicago	25	28	8	58	164	160
Toronto	23	36	2	48	180	216

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	38	14	8	84	206	141
Edmonton	29	27	6	64	193	184
Calgary	25	30	7	57	167	181
Vancouver	27	31	2	56	193	207
Anaheim	25	30	6	56	176	184
Los Angeles	21	33	8	50	163	206
San Jose	21	33	6	48	155	202

Monday's Games
Boston 3, Washington 3, tie
Detroit 5, Phoenix 3
Tuesday's Games
St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Bruins 3, Capitals 3

Boston	**1**	**0**	**2**	**0 — 3**
Washington	**2**	**1**	**0**	**0 — 3**

First Period—1, Boston, Roy 4 (Tocchet), 3:26. 2, Washington, Carter 2 (Gonchar, Brunette), 5:58 (pp). 3, Washington, Cole 4 (Konowalchuk, Miller), 16:47.

Second Period—4, Washington, Carter 3 (Allison, Brunette), 3:41.

Third Period—5, Boston, Donato 23 (Bourque, Oates), 1:48 (pp). 6, Boston, Staois 3 (Mallette), 11:28.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Boston 7-10-8-1—26, Washington 11-16-15-3—45.

Power-play Opportunities—Boston 1 of 2, Washington 1 of 4.

Goalies—Boston, Ranford 11-16-7 (45 shots-42 saves). Washington, Carey 16-17-3 (26-23).

A—18,130 (18,130).

Red Wings 5, Coyotes 3

Detroit	**4**	**0**	**1**	**— 5**
Phoenix	**1**	**1**	**1**	**— 3**

First Period—1, Phoenix, Roenick 17 (Janney, Tkachuk), 1:53. 2, Detroit, McCarty 15 (Shanahan, Lanonov), 5:50 (pp). 3, Detroit, Shanahan 39 (Yzerman), 11:50 (pp). 4, Detroit, McCarty 16 (Lanonov, Shanahan), 17:27. 5, Detroit, Kozlov 20 (Sandstrom, Yzerman), 17:59.

Second Period—6, Phoenix, Roenick 18 (Tkachuk, Khabibulin), 3:14.

Third Period—7, Phoenix, Maciver 4 (Roenick, Janney), 10:54. 8, Detroit, Shanahan 40, 18:18.

Shots on goal—Detroit 16-9-10—35, Phoenix 15-18-9—42.

Power-play Opportunities—Detroit 2 of 6; Phoenix 0 of 7.

Goalies—Detroit, Osgood 19-10-6 (42 shots-39 saves). Phoenix, Khabibulin 19-27-3 (35-30).

A—16,210 (16,210).

Transactions

BASEBALL
American League

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with LHP Eddie Guardado on a two-year contract.

National League

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with LHP Michael Mimbs and RHP Scott Ruffcorn on one-year contracts.

Northeast League

ALBANY-COLONIE DIAMOND DOGS—Signed INF Fausto Ramirez.

ALLENTOWN AMBASSADORS—Named Joe Calfapietra assistant coach.

ELMIRA PIONEERS—Signed LHP Derek Hmiel to a two-year contract. Signed Rick Sellers as a player-coach.

Prairie League

GRAND FORKS VARMINTS—Named Jim Swanson general manager.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS—Activated F Tyrone Corbin from the injured list. Placed F Ken Norman on the injured list.

CHICAGO BULLS—Activated G Randy Brown from the injured list. Placed C Bill Wennington on the injured list.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Signed F Larry Krystkowiak to a 10-day contract.

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Placed G Mitchell Butler on the injured list. Signed G Rumeal Robinson to a 10-day contract.

Continental Basketball Association

FLORIDA BEACHDOGS—Placed G Dave Johnson on the injured reserve list.

GRAND RAPIDS HOOPS—Signed G Greg Grant. Waived G Charles Thomas.

YAKIMA SUN KINGS—Activated F Mario Bennett from the injured list. Traded G JoJo English to the Fort Wayne Fury for 1997 third- and seventh-round draft picks and future considerations.

Women's National Basketball Association

NEW YORK LIBERTY—Named Maureen Coyle director of public relations.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Acquired QB Chris Chandler from Houston for two undisclosed 1997 draft picks.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed CB Clifton Abraham, LB Ray Jacobs, WR Chris Zachery, P Brian Gragert, LB Errick Herrin, CB Michael Reed, and CB Tim Sensley. Re-signed RB Anthony Johnson and NT Greg Kragen. Extended the contract of C Mark Rodenhauser.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed CB Clayton Holmes to a one-year contract.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Named Mike Gillhamer offensive quality control coach and Craig Stoddard assistant strength and conditioning coach.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Agreed to terms with OL Kevin Gogan on a six-year contract.

International Hockey League

FORT WAYNE KOMETS—Traded W Brian Farrell to Chicago for W Dan Currie.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Recalled C Craig Fisher from Carolina of the AHL.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Reassigned G Tommy Soderstrom to Rochester of the AHL. D Shawn Anderson to Manitoba of the IHL and C Jim Dowd to St. John of the AHL.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Sent LW Vladimir Vorobiev and RW Jeff Nielsen to Binghamton of the AHL.

International Hockey League

FORT WAYNE KOMETS—Loaned D Kevin MacDonald to the Hershey Bears of the AHL.

LONG BEACH ICE DOGS—Acquired RW Chris Jensen from the Quebec Rafales for future considerations.

East Coast Hockey League

BATON ROUGE KINGFISH—Traded F Kevin McKinnon to Mississippi for D Mike Muller. Traded F Todd MacIsaac to Roanoke.

JOHNSTOWN CHIEFS—Traded F Trevor Converse to Mobile for future considerations.

LOUISVILLE RIVERFROGS—Placed D Jason Hanchuk on the 14-day injured reserve list.

MOBILE MYSTICKS—Traded G Stuart Dunn to Tallahassee for cash.

PEORIA RIVERMEN—Traded F Mike Barnie to Birmingham for D Brendan Creagh and F Max Williams.

RICHMOND RENEGADES—Traded F Chris Pittman to Louisville for F Tom MacDonald.

SOUTH CAROLINA STINGRAYS—Traded D Doug Wood to Raleigh for D Brad Dexter. Traded F Marc Genest to Raleigh to complete an earlier trade. Traded D Scott Boston, F Kyle Ferguson and future considerations to Louisville for F Chris Rowland.

TALLAHASSEE TIGER SHARKS—Activated F Jason Tryznski from the injured reserve list and traded him to Louisville for D Tim Chase.

West Coast Hockey League

SAN DIEGO GULLS—Loaned D Jason Courtemanche to Long Beach of the IHL.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer

COLUMBUS CREW—Re-signed G Brad Friedel to a three-year contract.

COLLEGE

NCAA—Awarded Patriot League football champion an automatic berth to the NCAA Division I-AA Football Championship.

CAMPBELL—Named Jeff Pittman women's soccer coach.

TEXAS TECH—Named Clovis Hale offensive line coach.

CBA

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pts	Ppg
Florida	28	14	186.0	4.4
Grand Rapids	24	20	168.0	3.8
Rockford	24	21	156.0	3.5
Quad City	21	23	152.0	3.5
Connecticut	17	27	132.0	3.0
Fort Wayne	16	27	122.5	2.8

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pts	Ppg
Sioux Falls	36	5	208.5	5.1
Oklahoma City	24	23	170.0	3.6
Yakima	17	25	126.5	3.0
La Crosse	16	27	129.0	3.0
Omaha	17	27	130.5	3.0

NOTE: Three points awarded for a victory, one for each quarter won during a game and one-half point for each quarter tied.

Monday's Game

Grand Rapids 93, Fort Wayne 83 (5, 2)

Tuesday's Games

Fort Wayne at Florida
La Crosse at Grand Rapids
Connecticut at Rockford
Sioux Falls at Quad City
Omaha at Yakima

NASCAR Leaders

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The top 20 drivers and money winners on the NASCAR Winston Cup circuit through the Feb. 16 Daytona 500:

Winston Cup Points

1. Jeff Gordon, 360. 2, Ricky Craven, 320. 3, Terry Labonte, 316. 4, Jeff Burton, 300. 5, Ricky Rudd, 298. 6, Mark Martin, 285. 7, Dale Jarrett, 274. 8, Jeremy Mayfield, 265. 9, Sterling Marlin, 263. 10, Bill Elliott, 262. 11, Ernie Irvan, 251. 12, Ted Musgrave, 251. 13, Ward Burton, 236. 14, Bobby Labonte, 221. 15, Brett Bodine, 221. 16, Mike Skinner, 220. 17, Morgan Shepherd, 210. 18, Lake Speed, 209. 19, Dale Earnhardt, 205. 20, Geoff Bodine, 203.

Money

1, Jeff Gordon, $550,114. 2, Terry Labonte, $280,439. 3, Ricky Craven, $218,064. 4, Dale Jarrett, $205,359. 5, Mark Martin, $182,904. 6, Bill Elliott, $179,489. 7, Dale Earnhardt, $174,134. 8, Sterling Marlin, $166,319. 9, Rusty Wallace, $160,519. 10, Ernie Irvan, $154,239. 11, Jeff Burton, $145,889. 12, Jeremy Mayfield, $137,544. 13, Ricky Rudd, $136,889. 13, Ward Burton, $133,729. 14, Ted Musgrave, $128,509. 15, Bobby Labonte, $118,584. 16, Mike Skinner, $117,404. 17, Johnny Benson, $113,764. 18, Bobby Hamilton, $113,044. 19, Darrell Waltrip, $102,344. 20, Morgan Shepherd, $101,519.

College Basketball

Scores

Men
SOUTHWEST

Kansas 70, Oklahoma 68
Lyon 62, Harding 59
SW Oklahoma 86, Panhandle St. 68
Texas Wesleyan 94, Mary Hardin-Baylor 84

EAST

Bates 65, Colby 60
Bryant 83, Bentley 76
Cent. Connecticut St. 60, Youngstown St. 52
Houghton 100, D'Youville 63
LeMoyne-Owen 72, Assumption 66
Pitt.-Bradford 108, Hilbert 60
St. Anselm 69, American Intl. 66
Swarthmore 70, Muhlenberg 67
Syracuse 91, Providence 82, OT
Yeshiva 73, Pratt 30

SOUTH

Athens St. 121, Knoxville 56
Bethel, Tenn. 88, Martin Methodist 79
Bethune-Cookman 74, Md.-E. Shore 61
Birmingham-Southern 86, Williams Baptist 77
Delaware St. 84, Florida A&M 80, OT
East Carolina 59, William & Mary 58
George Mason 79, American U. 70
Howard U. 73, N. Carolina A&T 70
Lipscomb 91, Union, Tenn. 83
Mississippi Col. 92, Rust 67
Morgan St. 80, S. Carolina St. 76
Old Dominion 72, James Madison 66
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These days, it seems every sports team from soccer to softball has their own banner. Banners also announce special promotions and trade shows, new locations, milestone birthdays (30, 40, etc.) and other occasions. Century Graphics and Sign can now provide durable, sharp looking banners from their own new location at 1011 North Midkiff, next to Don's Deli and across from Furr's Cafeteria.

One reason banners are so popular is that they're very economical, say Century owners Roger Lindsey and Marshall Fox. They can also be produced rapidly.

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Marshall Fox, Co-owner
Century Banners

Hugh Blair (left) of Blair's plumbing inspects one of the magnetic signs he ordered from Century Graphics and Sign's Roger Lindsey. Magnetic signs are a versatile, economical and attractive way to promote your business.

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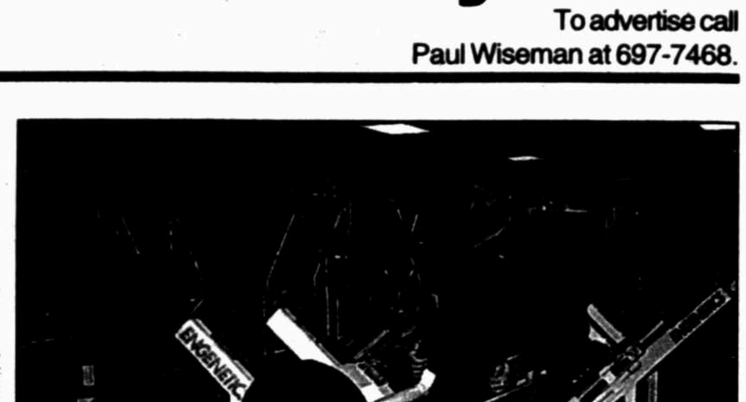

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The *dos* and *don'ts* of retirement planning

By Daniel Watts

Funding a comfortable retirement is no easy task. It takes time, patience and sound investment advice. There are, however, steps you can take or NOT take to make your retirement planning process run more smoothly.

DO

Daniel Watts

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Lose patience. Retirement planning is synonymous with long-term investing.

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Most of a home's energy loss occurs through improperly sealed windows and doors. These areas also admit dust and other outdoor allergens, especially in West Texas' windy springtime weather.

Here's how to use this year's tax refund. Tip Matthews (left) and Hillary Kilpatrick of American Home Improvement demonstrate how easy it is to clean their insulated, tilt-in windows. Since these windows pay for themselves in energy savings in about five years, Hillary suggests using your income tax refund to install these in place of your current drafty, hard-to-open windows. "That way, you're using your refund to make a real investment in your home," she suggests.

Maple Leaf Gardens officials defend action in sex scandal probe

TORONTO (AP) — Maple Leaf Gardens officials defended their actions Monday in the sex-abuse scandal involving the storied hockey arena.

Brian Bellmore, counsel for the Gardens board of directors, said the arena was not legally bound to go to the police over allegations that some of its employees were operating a sex ring in the building involving youngsters.

Bellmore, speaking at a news conference after an emergency directors meeting, said a $60,000 out-of-court settlement in 1993 did not preclude Martin Kruze from reporting his allegations to police.

"Going to police was a matter for Mr. Kruze," Bellmore said. "We did not feel on the basis of the information we uncovered that we had any reason to do so."

Kruze, 34, went public last week with allegations that employees of the Gardens had coerced him and other boys into sex acts in exchange for tickets and hockey souvenirs.

Kruze's lawyer wrote to the Gardens in 1993, seeking damages for the alleged abuse. The parties agreed to settle for $60,000.

Two men who worked at the arena have been charged with indecent assault and gross indecency, and police say they are investigating dozens of other claims.

Since the story broke, Gardens management has been assailed in the Toronto media for responding to Kruze's threatened suit by having its insurance company investigate the allegations, rather than reporting them to police.

Bellmore and Cliff Fletcher, general manager of the Maple Leafs hockey club, reiterated Monday the internal investigation did not substantiate the allegations.

"We believed then and we believe now that we did the right thing," Bellmore said. "We came to the conclusion that there was no evidence" to support Kruze's allegations.

Asked why the payment was made, Bellmore said Gardens lawyers advised that defending a suit would cost as much as settling it.

St. Louis Blues upbeat about days on the road

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The St. Louis Blues aren't complaining about getting booted out of their arena for two weeks.

And it's just as well. All season the Blues have been a better team on the road than at Kiel Center.

Some point to injuries and ice conditions and playing style. But ultimately it's a mystery.

"I really don't know the answer," coach Joel Quenneville said. "We've been trying to figure it out."

The Blues left town Monday and won't return until March 9 because of college basketball at Kiel Center. The Missouri Valley Conference has the place for four days starting Friday, then Conference USA moves in for four days through March 8.

After that, because of other arena commitments, the Blues have another 11 days away from home before their next game, March 20 against Hartford.

Sunday's 5-3 loss to Calgary concluded a 2-3-2 homestand, but the Blues have a seven-game unbeaten streak (5-0-2) on the road entering Tuesday's game at Tampa Bay.

The Blues are the NHL's third best road team (15-10-5) and their current streak ties the franchise record. At home, they're 13-17-3 and unpredictable enough to stage a stirring comeback from a two-goal deficit to tie Detroit on Saturday, then blow a two-goal lead against so-so Calgary on Sunday.

Changing coaches has helped the Blues rise above .500. But at home, Quenneville's record is actually worse than Mike Keenan's.

"I really can't put a finger on why the record is that much different," said Quenneville, who is 10-7-2 since replacing Keenan but only 4-6-2 at home.

Goalie Grant Fuhr blames it on inconsistent and often poor ice conditions. True, if there are puddles and ruts both teams have to skate through it, but he said the Blues are penalized more.

"It's not the easiest building in the world to play in," Fuhr said. "The ice varies from night to night, and there's enough talent here that good ice makes this team better."

Defenseman Marc Bergevin wasn't blaming the arena. Last season he played for the Detroit Red Wings, who lost only three of 41 home games. Bergevin said good teams find ways to win.

"We need to stop with the excuses and find solutions," Bergevin said. "How come we go to Chicago or Vancouver, good nice buildings, and play well in there?"

Something about the new place isn't working, though. Over their 30-season history, the Blues are 604-385-182 at home. But in the last three seasons at the Kiel, they're only four games above .500.

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Senate bill could help UT expand Royal-Memorial

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas' plan to expand its football stadium got a boost with a Senate vote to exempt the project from a law protecting views of the state Capitol.

The Senate voted 31-0 Monday for an exemption bill sponsored by Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria. The measure now goes to the House for consideration. University of Texas regents last year approved the expansion plan for Royal-Memorial Stadium, which is north of the Capitol. For the plan to go forward, lawmakers must agree to waive protection of the Capitol views the expansion would obstruct.

"It would be true that all the people in Texas own the Capitol and would like to see the views protected?" Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, asked Armbrister during Senate debate. More than 30 views are protected under the current law.

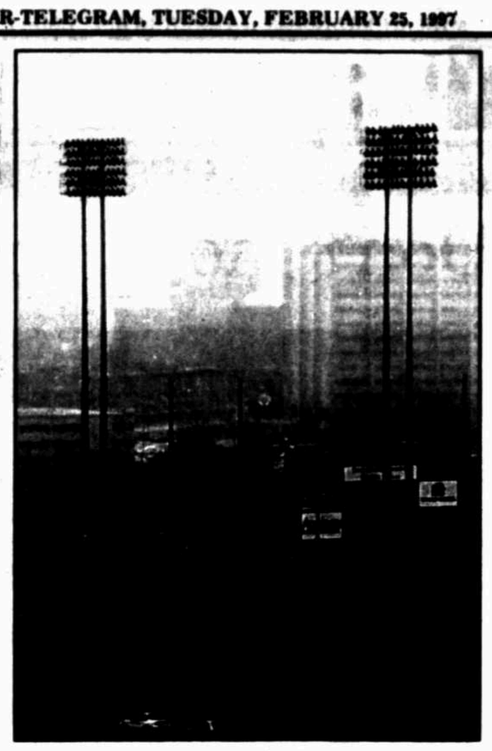
Armbrister said, "As they also own .. the Darrell K Royal Stadium."

A deck on the stadium's east side, scheduled to be finished next year, would affect protected views from the plaza of the Lyndon B. Johnson Library at UT. It would not obstruct views from the library's eighth floor, where former President Johnson had an office.

The university also plans to add a second deck to the north and south ends of the stadium, an expansion that would interfere with the view from East 38th and Red River streets.

The Capitol only can be seen from the center of the intersection, according to photographs proffered by UT. There is no completion date for the second deck. The expansion project has the go-ahead of Lady Bird Johnson, the former first lady. Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock also has said he supports the stadium expansion, citing Texas' entry into the Big 12 conference.

The view obstruction bill is SB438.



The view of the Capitol building from behind Texas' Royal-Memorial Stadium.
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Packer begins sentence for three-year-old crime

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Green Bay Packers cornerback Tyrone Williams reported to jail Monday to begin serving a six-month sentence for shooting at a car two college championships and a Super Bowl ring ago.

Procedural delays enabled Williams to play at Nebraska and in the NFL after he was charged in the Jan. 30, 1994, shooting.

A two-time All-Big Eight cornerback at Nebraska, Williams pleaded no contest to charges of third-degree assault and unlawful discharge of a gun in Lincoln. He was convicted of firing two shots that struck the rear quarter panel of a car carrying Kevin Porter, then a player for the New York Jets, and university student Brooke Bohac. No one was injured.

After helping Nebraska to win consecutive titles in 1994 and 1995, Williams joined the NFL, where he had 25 tackles during the regular season and three more during the playoffs. He broke up four passes during the playoffs and made a critical interception late in the first half of Green Bay's 30-13 NFC championship victory over Carolina.

A spokesman for the Packers declined to comment Monday on Williams' future.

AP Laserphoto
Tyrone Williams, center, begins his sentence for third-degree assault.

Training camp for the Packers will begin in mid-July. Under Nebraska's good time law, the earliest Williams could get out would be July 1 — after 126 days in jail.

In sentencing Williams, Lancaster County District Judge Bernard McGinn said that if the football player did not get a jail sentence, others might think that shooting at an occupied car could lead to nothing more than probation.

Oilers trade Chandler for two draft picks

SUWANEE, Ga. (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons acquired quarterback Chris Chandler, a player whom coach Dan Reeves thinks will turn around the beleaguered team, from the Houston Oilers for two undisclosed 1997 draft choices Monday.

"We believe he gives us a chance where we can win immediately," Reeves said. "We feel like he gives us the ability to compete. He's a guy who can get the job done."

Reeves replaced June Jones after the Falcons went 3-13 last season.

Asked if Chandler would be the starter, Reeves said, "Right now he's the only one we've got."

Last year's early season starter, Jeff George, was suspended and subsequently released by the Falcons after a sideline shouting match with Jones during a nationally televised game Sept. 22. Earlier this month, George signed a five-year, $27.5 million contract with the Oakland Raiders.

Bobby Hebert, who succeeded George last season, now is contemplating retirement.

The Falcons had talked to San Francisco backup quarterback Elvis Grbac. "We will not pursue Grbac now," Reeves said.

Chandler, a 10-year pro, has two years remaining on his contract.

In two seasons at Houston, Chandler completed 409 of 676 passes for 4,559 yards with 33 touchdowns and 21 interceptions. His 60.5 completion percentage moved him past Ken Stabler as the club's all-time career leader.

Chandler's 33 touchdown passes in two years with Houston were only eight shy of the 41 he threw during his first seven years with the Colts, Buccaneers, Cardinals and Rams.

Chandler has been bothered by injuries in the past. "We hope he can play the full 16 games," Reeves said. "He has performed at a high level when he was healthy."

Reeves noted Chandler's ratio of touchdowns over interceptions. "We saw skills in him," Reeves said. "He does throw the ball well. He can throw the deep ball well."

Virginia Tech sets tougher rules

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — After an embarrassing string of arrests involving football players, Virginia Tech adopted a plan to reduce lawbreaking that includes tougher sanctions, tighter recruitment and expanded counseling.

From now on, the athletic director will be responsible for disciplining athletes who are accused of breaking the law. In the past, coaches decided the punishment.

Players charged with a felony will be suspended immediately and remain off the team until the charges are dropped or dismissed. If they are convicted of a felony, they will be automatically kicked off the team and their scholarships will be taken away.

"We will be hard line," athletic director David Braine told the university board of visitors. "We will not be embarrassed any more."

The plan also provides more support services to assess the character of students being recruited and to keep them on track once they arrive on campus. It also lays out a clear set of rules for behavior.

During the past three school semesters, 19 current and former Virginia Tech football players have been charged with offenses ranging from attempted malicious wounding to rape. Thirteen players have been arrested since last July.

School president Paul Torgersen asked Braine at the end of the football season in January to develop recommendations for reducing misbehavior among athletes.

"People tell me this is a national problem," Torgersen said. "It may be a national problem, but Virginia Tech has been cited as an example of the national problem. We're confident the plan will minimize the likelihood that we will have another year like the one we had last year."

Boxing makes comeback on network TV

By John Nelson
AP Sports Writer

With CBS and ABC renewing commitments to the sport, boxing is trying to make a big comeback in a small way on network television.

"That's the battle we're always fighting," said CBS Sports programming vice president Rob Correa. "Do you want the marquee fighter in a one-sided fight, or the lesser-known fighter in a more competitive fight."

For sure, broadcast networks usually aren't going to get two big names in a great fight. They just can't pay like the casinos, and they just can't make the kind of money from advertising that pay-per-view makes from home sales.

On Monday, CBS announced an eight-fight series sponsored by Budweiser. CBS' first show features former world champion Buster Douglas on the afternoon of Sunday, March 30.

"Fortunately we have a sponsor this year, which we didn't have last year," Correa said.

At the same time, ABC has vowed to show at least 10 fights on its "Wide World of Sports" anthology as it flashes a little of the footwork that helped make the anthology so popular in the first place.

"We got away from it a little in the past three years," said ABC boxing analyst Alex Wallau.

ABC will televise its first boxing show on Saturday, featuring two lesser-known fighters, WBC lightweight champion Jean-Baptiste Mendy against Steve Johnston of Denver. With Sugar Ray Leonard making his comeback the same day in Atlantic City, ABC also plans to showcase two of his greatest fights of the past — against Marvelous Marvin Hagler and Thomas Hearns.

Why the interest in boxing again?

As popular as figure skating has become, it doesn't deliver the young, male demographic that boxing provides advertisers like Budweiser. With the possible exception of Tonya Harding, figure skaters don't do well with the beer-guzzling set.

"It's an audience that's become increasing hardly to reach," Wallau said, "and that's a good analysis of why this is happening."

As the network that introduced American audiences to Leonard, Hagler, Roberto Duran, Alexis Arguello, Oscar De La Hoya and many of the other greats, ABC's return to boxing seems particularly appropriate. Wide World did just three boxing shows last year.

"We've just had an awful lot of boxing tradition on Wide World, and it's great to be getting back to our roots," Wallau said.

Either network should be happy with ratings in the mid-2s to low 3s.

Jury hears Shoemaker arguments

■ **Former jockey files $50 million lawsuit against doctors who treated him after automobile crash.**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The paralyzing injuries that left former jockey Bill Shoemaker a quadriplegic were ignored by numerous doctors in the hours after a traffic crash, Shoemaker's lawyer told jurors on Monday.

Shoemaker, 65, filed a $50 million Superior Court negligence suit against eight doctors and Glendora Community Hospital, claiming he wasn't immediately treated for his neck injuries and doctors may have aggravated the damage by moving his neck in the course of other medical procedures.

Shoemaker, the winningest jockey of all time, was driving alone on April 8, 1991, when he lost control of his vehicle. It rolled over three times as it tumbled over an embankment in suburban San Dimas.

Paramedics immobilized his neck and much of his upper body before taking him by ambulance to the hospital, but doctors there removed the restraints and failed initially to discover he had seven broken bones in his neck, attorney Neil Papiano said.

Defense lawyers were expected to make their statements during the afternoon session.

Shoemaker had a blood-alcohol level of 0.13 percent at the time of the crash, and the California Highway Patrol believed he fell asleep at the wheel. The legal limit to drive in California is 0.08 percent.

Papiano didn't mention that in his opening remarks.

Don Pierce, a trainer and former jockey, said he and Shoemaker had had drinks together after playing golf. Pierce said Shoemaker had "a couple beers" 2 1/2 hours before the accident.

AP Laserphoto
Former jockey Willie Shoemaker is wheeled into the courtroom Monday in Los Angeles.

Shoemaker wasn't prosecuted for drunken driving because no one else was hurt and due to the severity of his injuries.

Papiano told the jury that a series of doctors, including a neurologist, examined Shoemaker after the accident. X-rays of various injuries were taken and CAT-scans were performed on his chest and head, but not his neck.

Shoemaker even underwent an unnecessary operation, the lawyer said.

"Mr. Shoemaker was taken to the operating room to be operated on for internal bleeding, which he did not have," Papiano said. "It was an unnecessary operation. All the while his neck was broke, his bones were broken.

"The doctors were so unworried about his condition that they took time to remove other things."

Papiano said doctors removed an extra piece of tissue attached to Shoemaker's bowel that wasn't causing any problems. Some people are born with the extra tissue, he said, and never know they have it.

Shoemaker, who appeared in court in a wheelchair, now must have an attendant bathe and dress him, Papiano said.

"If the proper precautions, the proper actions, had been taken by the doctors and the hospital, Mr. Shoemaker would be able to do all of those things," Papiano said.

After winning 8,833 races during his career as a jockey, Shoemaker retired and began a new career as a trainer prior to the accident.

Track meet directors offering prize money

NEW YORK (AP) — With major track and field meets rapidly drying up in the United States, the remaining promoters are left with a dilemma: offering appearance fees or awarding prize money.

"Prize money is the name of the game," John Cook, meet director of the Mobil Invitational at Fairfax, Va., said Monday. "I think it's the way to go."

Cook, also the track and field coach at George Mason, had been paying appearance fees for the first nine years of the Mobil Invitational before switching to prize money for last Saturday's meet.

"I used to plaster the streets with money," Cook said by telephone hookup at the New York Track Writers' luncheon. "I was as guilty as the others (directors)."

Cook admits he was "terrified" at making athletes earn their money by performing well rather than collecting their fees just for showing up.

"I could have had a lot of no-shows," he said.

As it turned out, only two athletes rejected the idea of prize money — Joetta Clark, winner of a total of 15 U.S. titles, indoors and outdoors, in the women's 800 meters, and Fali Ogunkoya of Nigeria, the 1996 Olympic silver medalist in the women's 400.

Cook offered prize money of about $57,000 for 14 invitational events, and not all of it was collected. Two winners, miler Julius Achon of George Mason and high jumper Amy Acuff of UCLA, cannot receive prize money under NCAA regulations.

Three other athletes were contracted to compete by USA Track & Field, the national governing body, as part of a national television package. They were Allen Johnson, the Olympic gold medalist in the men's 110-meter hurdles; Gwen Torrence, the Olympic bronze medalist in the women's 100 meters; and Lawrence Johnson, the American outdoor record-holder in the pole vault.

Gail Devers, the two-time Olympic gold medalist in the women's 100, was paid appearance money by the meet sponsor, after USATF failed to sign her to the TV package because of a financial misunderstanding.

Cook also paid travel, food and lodging expenses for all the athletes.

"If you pay appearance fees, a lot of athletes will take you for a ride," Cook said. "A lot of foreign athletes are not in shape in January or February. They don't mind limping around the track for appearance money. For prize money, they've got to run."

Cook recalled a Mobil Invitational in which he paid $5,000 to 1987 800-meter world champion Billy Konchellah, and the Kenyan ran a pedestrian time.

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MOST ACTIVE ($1 or

Name	Vol (00)	Last
MicrnT	84603	36⅞
Kmart	57251	11⅝
CentenT s	53087	4½
AT&T s	50140	41⅛
PepsiCo s	49232	34⅛

GAINERS ($2 or mor

Name	Last	Chg
CentenT s	4½	+2
SecurCT	45⅜	+7⅞
DianaCp	9½	+1½
PennTr	4⅞	+⅝
RayCsh	2⅛	+¼

LOSERS ($2 or mor

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Mitel g	6¼	−1⅛
Alstinv	3⅝	−½
BostTech	26¾	−3½
SanmApl	2⅛	−¼
Inpical	6⅛	−½

DIARY

Advanced	
Declined	
Unchanged	
Total issues	
New Highs	
New Lows	
Volume	560,8

Div	Name	Last	Chg
	A B C		
72	ACE Ltd	u65¼	+⅝
90a	ACMIn	u10½	
57	ACM Op	7½	
90	ACM Sc	9⅜	−⅛
86	ACMSp	8⅞	
26	ACMMD	13⅛	
	ACNiels n	15⅜	
	ADT	21¾	+⅛
	AES Cp	66¾	+½
40	AFLAC	41¾	+⅜
04	AGCO	29⅝	−¼
1.08f	AGL Res	19¾	+⅛
1.44	AJL	16¼	
60	AK Steel	36¾	+⅜
	AMR	82⅝	−¼
	APT Sat n	13¾	+½
2.80	ARCOCh	47⅝	+¼
1.20	ASA Ltd	37⅛	+⅜
1.32	AT&T s	41⅛	+1¼
1.22f	AVX Cp	22⅞	−1⅜
.13	Aames s	27¾	+1
1.08f	AbtLab	58⅛	+⅝
	AberFit n	17⅝	+1
40	Abitibi g	17	+⅛
	AccuStff s	22	+¼
	Acuson	29⅜	+1⅞
1.72e	AdaEx	21	+⅛
	Administf n	u24⅜	+1⅜
	AMD	36⅜	+1⅝
	Advocat	9½	+¼
80	Aetna Inc	85¾	+¾
	AffCmpS s	21	...
10e	Agnico g	14¼	
11	Agrium g	14½	−⅛
88	Ahmans	42¼	+1⅛
1.10	AirProd	75¼	+⅝
.30	AirFrt	28⅞	+½
	Airgas s	19¾	−⅛
	AirTouch	27⅝	+¼
3.74	AirTch pfB	29½	
2.90	AlaPC pfR	24⅝	
	AlaskAir	24⅞	+⅝
42f	Albnyln	23	−¼
20	Alberto s	u30⅛	
20	AlbCulA s	u24⅞	−⅜
60	Albertsn	36¼	+1⅛
60	Alcan	35⅞	+⅛
31e	Alcatel	20⅝	+⅛
68f	AlexBrn s	59¼	−2¼
1.72f	AlgPow	30⅞	+¼
64	AllegTeldy	26⅜	
40	Allegnc n	24½	+⅜
	AllenGp	21¾	−⅛
52	Allergn	34½	+⅛
	AlnEnt	17⅜	
1.42a	AllWrld2	13¾	−⅛
1.04f	AlldSgnl	74	+⅞
20	AlmrFn	39⅞	+⅛
96f	Allstate	66¾	+⅝
2.30	Allst 98	47¼	+¼
1.99	Allst pfA	25⅝	+¼
1.10	Alltel	u35½	+⅞
	Allwaste	5¾	+½
	AlpineGr	8¼	+¼
	Alumax	38	
90a	Alcoa	71	−⅛
	Alza	30⅛	+⅜
	AmaxG	7⅜	+⅛
66	Ambac	69	−¼
60	AmHes	58⅝	+¼
	AmOnline	35½	+⅝
	AmWest	15	+⅜
	AmBknt	37⅜	
2.00	ABrand	52⅜	+½
2.40	AEP	42⅛	+¼
90	AmExp	66⅛	−1⅛
1.40f	AGenCp	43⅞	+⅜
1.53	AGnHosp n	27¼	
12a	AGIP	6¼	
1.64	AHome s	66¾	+1⅜
40	AmIntG	125⅜	+⅜
65a	AmMuTr	10¼	−¼
	AmRadio	36¼	+⅛
	AmStd	u47	+1⅛
64	AmStores	u45½	+⅝
99	AmSIP2	11⅜	
76f	AmWtr s	24¼	
	Amercrd	18⅜	+⅜
2.26f	Ameritch	u64⅞	+⅜
2.80f	Amoco	86¼	−⅞
1.04f	AMP	39⅞	+⅝
	Amphnl	25¼	−⅛
1.68	AmSouth	53¾	+1⅜
.09	AmvestF	17¼	+¼
.88f	AmwyAs	43¼	−⅞
.30	Anadrk	58⅞	−⅜
	Analog s	22¼	−⅛
.96	Anheus s	44¾	+⅞
	Anixter	13³⁄₃₂	−1⅛
	AnnTayl	20½	+⅛
1.44	Aon Cp	64⅝	+⅝
.28	Apache	33⅜	−⅝
1.65f	Aptinv	27¾	
	ApplMg	53	−2¼
	Apria	17⅝	−⅛
.29e	Aracruz	9¼	+⅛
.40	Arcadn	26⅜	+¼
1.47	Arcadn pf	24⅝	+½
.20b	ArchDan	19⅜	+⅜
.36p	ArdenRlt n	26⅞	+¼
.33e	ArgentFd	u13¾	+¼
	Armco	4¼	
1.60	ArmWl	69¾	+½
	ArowE	57⅞	
.80	Asarco	31	+¾
1.10	Ashland	43⅝	+½
.50e	AsiaPc	12⅝	
.03e	AsiaTigr	11⅛	+⅛
.38	Asetinv	3⅝	−½
.40	AscFCap n	49⅛	−½
	AstraAn	48½	+½
1.54	AtlEnrg	17⅛	
5.50	AtlRich	127¼	−1⅛
2.23	AtlRich97	227⅛	
1.00f	ATMOS	24	+⅛
.46	AutoDt	42⅞	+⅝
	AutoZone	24⅞	+½
1.52	AvalonPr	27½	+¼
.68	AveryD s	40½	+⅞
.60	Avnet	64	+¾
1.08f	Avon s	60⅞	+⅜
	Aztar	7⅝	
	BAMrch n	15¼	
	BBN Cp	21¼	+⅝
2.72	BCE g	51⅜	
.72	BEAInco	8	−⅛
	BEC Gp n	4¾	+⅛
	BJS	40⅝	−⅛
06f	BMC	28⅞	−¼

Div	Name	Last	Chg
	AMC	17¼	+1⅛
1.75	AMC pf	30¾	+1⅜
	ARC	4¾	−⅛
2.00	ASR Inv	22½	+⅛
2.77e	ATT Fd	u90¼	+1
	AVIC Gp n	4¼	−⅝
.36	Acadiana n	17½	
.02	AckGrp s	12⅝	+⅛
1.07f	AdmRsc	13¾	−⅜
	AdvMed	5	
	AdvPhot	2⅜	−⅛
	AirWat	5¾	
1.44	AHaagen	15¾	+⅜
	Aflin	17⅛	+⅛
	AlldRsh	8¼	−⅛
	AllouH	6⅝	+⅛
	Alphaln	6⅛	+⅛
	Amdhl	11¼	+⅛
	AExpl	12⅛	
2.18e	AIM 86	11⅜	+⅛
	AmerPag	4⅝	+⅛
86f	AREInv	9⅜	+⅛
	AScIE	13⅞	−⅛
	Ampal	5⅝	
	Ampex	7¹¹⁄₁₆	+⅛
	Andrea	11	−⅜
	Anuhco	7¹³⁄₁₆	−⅛
	ArmorH n	8	−⅛
	Astrotc	6⅛	
	Audvox	8¾	−⅛
	Autotote	15⅝	−⅛
	AvivaPet	3⅛	−⅝

THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
MicrnT	84803	38⅞	+2½
K mart	57251	11⅝	+⅜
ContenT s	53087	4½	+2
AT&T s	50140	41⅛	+1¼
PepsiCo s	49232	34⅛	–⅜

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ContenT s	4½	+2	+80.0
SecurCT	45⅜	+7⅞	+21.0
DianaCp	9½	+1½	+18.8
PennTr	4⅞	+⅝	+14.7
PayCsh	2⅛	+¼	+13.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Mtel g	6¼	–1⅛	–15.3
Adsttinv	3⅝	–½	–12.1
BostTech	26¾	–3½	–11.6
SonicApl	2⅛	–¼	–10.5
Physical	6⅛	–½	–7.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,511
Declined	1,065
Unchanged	800
Total issues	3,376
New Highs	168
New Lows	16
Volume	560,807,100

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Harken	12491	4¼	–⅛
ViacB	11191	35⅛	+¼
EchoBay	10483	7¾	+3/16
SPDR	7873	81 21/64	+61/64
GldStarR	5080	14¼	–1½

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Softnet	6⅝	+1¼	+23.3
HiShearT	6 7/16	+13/16	+14.4
ecIntlgC	2¼	+¼	+12.5
FtCntrl	2¼	+¼	+12.5
Globlink	3 7/16	+⅜	+12.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SkyChili	7 11/16	–1 5/16	–14.6
SabaPet s	17¾	–2 9/32	–11.4
PC Quote	2⅝	–5/16	–10.6
MSNik 97wt	3½	–⅜	–9.7
GldStarR	14¼	–1½	–9.5

DIARY

Advanced	269
Declined	283
Unchanged	192
Total issues	744
New Highs	24
New Lows	11
Volume	22,458,290

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Cisco	235782	59	+⅝
Intel	164990	149¼	+2⅞
CascCm	95229	28⅝	+2⅞
Microsft s	85749	100⅛	+5⅛
US Robt s	62205	59⅛	+2¾

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DigPwr wt	2¼	+¾	+50.0
Pixar	21	+6⅞	+48.7
Microenr pf	5½	+1¾	+46.7
WatsGen	2 1/16	+ 7/16	+26.9
USData	5	+1	+25.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
US Ch un	4½	–2	–30.8
DigVid un	7¾	–2¾	–26.2
CDRadio	3⅞	–1¼	–24.4
Telepad n	2⅛	–41/64	–23.2
HeurDv un	5⅝	–1⅝	–22.4

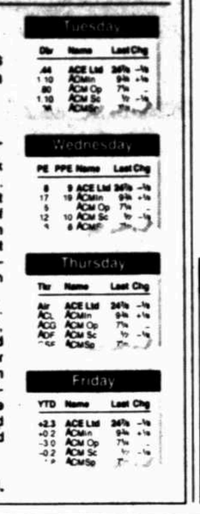
DIARY

Advanced	1,977
Declined	2,086
Unchanged	1,678
Total issues	5,741
New Highs	171
New Lows	121
Volume	574,057,200

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 926 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.
Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ...



Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S.$. n – New issue in past 52 weeks. q – Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-week high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i– Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p – Initial dividend, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

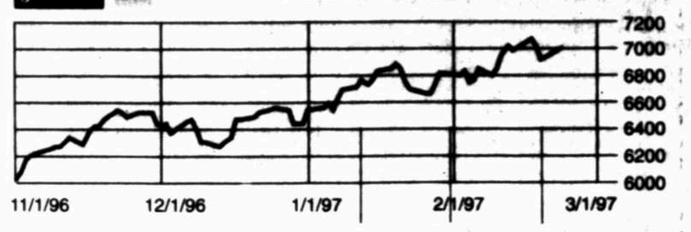
Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

Daily market roundup

February 24, 1997

Dow Jones ▲ 7008.20 +76.58

High	7,049.76	Highest close	7,067.46
Low	6,968.50	*February 18, 1997*	



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
7,073.62	5,182.31	Dow Jones Industrials	7,008.20	+76.58	+1.10	+8.66	+25.93
2,378.66	1,922.92	Dow Jones Transportation	2,376.19	+22.50	+.96	+5.34	+14.28
243.29	203.32	Dow Jones Utilities	231.13	+1.39	+.61	–.60	+3.21
427.83	326.55	NYSE Composite	424.48	+3.47	+.82	+8.20	+22.35
618.96	508.94	Amex Index	598.07	+.78	+.13	+4.50	+5.19
1,400.53	1,008.44	Nasdaq Composite	1,345.06	+10.76	+.81	+4.19	+20.85
817.68	605.88	S&P 500	810.26	+8.51	+1.06	+9.39	+24.57
373.17	258.82	Russell 2000	366.45	+.06	+.02	+1.06	+12.65
7,792.28	6,099.34	Wilshire 5000	7,727.40	+58.44	+.76	+7.35	+21.08

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Div	Name	Last	Chg
	A B C		
.72	ACE Ltd	u65¼	+⅝
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	AccuStff s	22	+¼
	Acuson	29⅜	+17⅜
1.72e	**AdeEx**	**21**	**+1⅜**
	AdminstR n	u24⅜	+1⅜
	AMD	36⅜	+1⅝
	Advocat	9½	+¼
.80	Aetna Inc	85¾	+¾
...	**AffCmpS s**	**21**	...
.10e	Agnico g	14⅛	...
.11	Agrium g	14½	–⅛
.88	Ahmans	42¼	+1⅛
1.10	AirProd	75¼	+⅝
1.30	AirFrt	28⅞	+½
	Airgas s	19¾	–⅛
	AirTouch	27⅝	+¼
3.74	AirTch pfB	29½	...
2.90	AlaPC pfR	24½	...
	AskAir	24⅞	+⅝
.42f	Albnyln	23	–¼
.20	Alberto s	u30⅛	...
.20	AlbCulA s	u24⅞	–⅜
.60	Albertsn	36¼	+1⅛
.60	Alcan	35⅞	+⅛
1.31e	Alcatel	20⅝	+⅛
1.68f	AlexBrn s	59¼	–2¼
1.72f	AligPow	30⅞	+¼
.84	AlliedTeldy	26⅜	...
.40	Allegnc n	24½	+¾
	AllenGp	21¾	–⅛
.52	Allergn	34½	+⅛
	AlmEnt	17⅜	...
1.42a	AlltWrld2	13¾	–⅛
1.04f	AlldSignl	74	+⅞
	AlmrFn	39⅞	+⅛
1.96f	Allstate	66¾	+⅝
2.30	Allst 98	47¼	+¼
1.99	Allst pfA	25⅝	+¼
1.10	Alltel	u35½	+⅞
	Allwaste	5¾	+½
	AlpineGr	8¼	+¼
	Alumax	38	...
90a	Alcoa	71	–⅛
	Alza	30⅛	+⅜
	AmaxG	7⅜	+⅛
.66	Ambac	69	–¼
.60	AmHes	56⅝	+¼
	AmOnline	35½	+⅝
	AmWest	15	+⅜
	AmBkInt	3⅞	...
2.00	ABrand	52⅜	+½
2.40	AEP	42⅛	+¼
.90	AmExp	66⅛	–1⅛
1.40f	AGenCp	43⅞	+⅜
1.83	AGnHosp n	27¼	...
82a	AGIP	61¼	...
1.64	**AHome s**	**66¾**	**+1⅜**
.40	AmIntG	125⅜	+⅜
.65a	AmMuTr	10¾	–⅛
	AmRadio	36¼	+⅛
	AmStd	u47	+1⅛
.64	AmStores	u45½	+⅝
.99	AmSIP2	11⅜	...
.76f	AmWtr s	24¼	...
	Amercrd	18⅜	+⅜
2.26f	Ameritch	u64⅞	+⅜
2.80f	**Amoco**	**86¼**	**–⅞**
1.04f	AMP	39⅞	+⅝
	Amphnl	25¼	–⅛
1.68	AmSouth	53¾	+1⅜
.09	AmvestF	17¼	+¼
.88f	**AmwyAs**	**43¼**	**–⅞**
.30	**Anadrk**	**58⅞**	**–¾**
	Analog s	22¼	–⅛
.96	Anheus s	44¾	+⅞
	Anixter	13¾	–½
	AnnTayl	20½	+⅛
1.44	Aon Cp	64⅝	+⅜
.28	**Apache**	**33⅜**	**–⅝**
1.85f	Aptinv	27¾	...
	AppIMg	53	–2¼
	Apria	17⅝	–⅛
.29e	Aracruz	9¼	+⅛
.40	Arcadn	26⅜	+¼
1.47	Arcadn pf	24⅝	+½
.20b	ArchDan	19⅜	+⅜
.36p	ArdenRlt n	26⅞	+¼
.33e	ArgentFd	u13¾	+¼
	Armco	4¼	...
1.60	ArmWl	69¾	+½
	ArowE	57⅞	...
.80	Asarco	31	+¾
1.10	Ashland	43⅝	+½
.50e	AsiaPc	12⅝	...
.03e	AsiaTigr	11⅛	+⅛
.68	Asetinv	3⅜	–½
.40	AscFCap n	49⅛	–½
.40	AstraAn	48½	+½
	AtlEnrg	17⅛	...
5.50	AtlRich	127¼	–11⅜
2.23	AtlRich97	22⅞	...
1.00f	**ATMOS**	**24**	**+⅛**
.46	AutoDt	42⅞	+⅛
	AutoZone	24⅞	+½
1.52	AvalonPr	27½	+¼
.68	AveryD s	40½	+¾
.60	Avnet	64	+¼
1.06f	Avon s	60⅞	+⅜
	Aztar	7⅝	...
	BA Mrch n	15¼	...
	BBN Cp	21¼	+⅝
2.72	BCE g	51⅜	...
.72	BEA Inco	8	–⅛
	BEC Gp n	4¾	+⅛
	BJS	40⅝	–¼
.06f	BMC	28⅞	–¼
2.26e	BP Pru	16¾	+¼
1.38f	BRE s	24¼	+⅜
	BT Off	8½	...
.46	BakrHu	35⅜	–½
10f	Ballard	20⅞	...
1.60	BaltGE	27⅞	...
1.52f	BancOne	46⅛	+⅜
60r	BncoFrn	u30⅞	+⅞
1.11e	BGndo pr	24¼	+¼
	Banctec	u23¾	+1¼
1.76	BkBost	75⅜	+1¼
.07e	BkTokyo	17¼	+½
96f	BkNY s	40⅜	+1
2.44f	BankAm	120	+2¼
4.00	BankTr	94	+⅞
68	Bard	27⅞	–⅜
	BarnNbl	30⅝	–¼
1.08	Barnett s	48⅝	+⅝
	BarrettRs	34⅝	–1¼
14	BarrickG	27⅝	+⅝
05	BatlMt	7⅜	+¼
1.04	BauschL	38¼	+1
1.13	Baxter	47¾	–¼
1.60	BayApt	35¾	–¼
	BayNtwk	19	...
1.85	BeaconPr	35½	+½
60b	BearSt	31⅛	+⅛
52	BectDk s	50⅜	–⅜
1.04	BedfrdP s	17¾	–⅜
20	Belden	36¼	–¼
	Bell&Howl	24	–¼
2.88	BellAt	70⅞	+⅞
1.44	BellSo	46¾	+⅛
2.08	BenefCp	70⅜	–¼
	BengtB	9½	+1/32
48	BergBr	31⅜	+⅛
...	**BerkHa A**	**36100**	**+100**
90	BerkRty	10⅝	+⅛
.40	**BerryP**	**14½**	...
	BestBuy	9¼	–⅜
	BethStl	7¾	–⅛
	Bevrly	14¾	...
	Biovail	26⅞	+⅜
48	BlackD	32¼	–½
1.42f	**BlkHlCp**	**27¾**	...
50	Blk1998	9½	...
40	Blk2001	8	–⅛
56	BlkIT	u6⅝	+⅛
79a	Blk2008	14½	+⅛
58	BlkIQT	7⅞	–⅛
61	BlkMTar	10⅜	...
84	BlkNA	10⅛	–⅛
48	BlkStr	7⅞	–⅛
58	BlkTT	9	...
80	BlckHR	30⅛	+⅛
	Blythind	34	–⅛
1.12	Boeing	105½	–2⅜
60	BoiseC	33¾	+1½
2.35	**BoiseC pfF**	**26⅛**	**+⅛**
	Bombay	4⅜	–⅛
35e	BordCh	11⅝	...
	Borders	42½	–1
60	BorgWAu	39¼	–½
1.88	BostEd	26⅝	...
	BostSc	64⅞	–1⅞
	BostTech	26¾	–3½
80	Bowatr	43¼	+1⅜
1.80	BoykinL n	22¾	–⅜
1.32	BradRE	19¼	...
87e	Brazil	25⅞	+½
02e	BrazilEF	15⅜	+½
28	BredTch	22½	–½
1.08	BrigStrat	45	–⅜
	Brinker	12	–¼
3.04f	**BrMySq**	**133⅞**	**+3⅞**
4.64e	BritPt	131⅞	–¾
71e	BritSky	60⅝	...
1.97e	BritTel	24⅝	+⅞
3.82e	BritTel	71⅛	+1⅞
1.08f	**BrwnFA**	**43½**	**–⅛**
1.08f	**BrwnFB**	**44**	**+1**
1.00	BrwnGp	16⅛	–¾
68	BrwnFr	31⅞	+¼
50	Brnwk	u28⅞	+⅜
44	BrshWl	17¾	+¼
	Brylane n	d23⅜	–⅜
	BAEmb	3⅜	...
	BurCoat	14¾	+⅛
1.20	BurlNSF	85⅞	+1½
55	BrlRsc	44¼	–⅝
	CANTV n	31½	+¼
1.68	CCB Fn	67	+⅞
	CDI	32½	+½
3.20	CIGNA	157⅜	–1¾
81a	CIGHt	8¾	...
05	CKE Rst s	24¾	–¼
12	CMAC s	35¼	+¼
04	CML Gp	d2⅝	–⅛
1.08	CMS Eng	33⅜	+⅛
1.64	CPC	81½	+½
1.04	CSX	47⅝	+⅝
	CUC Intl s	23⅞	+¼
44b	CVS Corp	45⅞	+1⅛
1.60f	CWM Mt	23⅛	+1⅛
62e	CabWire	u25⅜	+¾
	CabItrn s	30⅜	+¼
40	Cabot s	24¾	+¼
16	CbtOG	16	–¼
	Cadence s	36⅛	–⅝
	vjCaldor	1⅞	...
	Calenergy	34⅛	+⅜
32	Calgon	11¼	–⅛
1.80	CalRlty	32½	–¼
72	Caliber	23⅜	...
2.28	CalFPC pf	25¾	–⅛
	CalRE	4⅞	+¼
28f	CallGolf	32½	+⅞
40	Calmat	18½	...
1.90	CamdnP	27⅝	...
	CmpR g	15⅜	+1⅜
1.54f	CampSp	u9⅞	+1
92	CdnRy gn	37¾	...
48	CdnPc g	26⅛	+⅛
32	CapOne	41¼	+⅜
2.26f	Capstd s	24½	+¼
1.86f	CapstCT	23⅜	+⅜
	Capsure s	11⅛	...
10	CardnlH s	63⅛	...
	Carbinr n	51½	–17⅜
44	CarnvCp	34¾	...
1.88f	CaroPw	37⅛	+¼
1.75	CarrAmR	30	+⅞
20	CaseCp	52¼	+½
05	CashAm	9⅜	+⅛
	CatMkt s	51	–⅜
	Catelus	14¾	–⅛
1.60	Caterp	80⅞	+1¼
12	CavalrH s	11½	+⅛
	ContenT s	4½	+2
80	CentEn	10⅝	...
20	Centex	40⅞	–⅞
1.74	CenSoWst	25	+⅛
1.90e	CentEur	22¾	+⅛
1.54	**CenLAEl**	**26¾**	**–⅛**
90	CeMPw	11⅛	...
76	CtrNws	45¼	–⅜
36	CntyTl	30⅜	–⅛
	Ceridian	39½	–⅜
	ChmpE s	19⅝	+⅛
20	Chmpln	44¼	+2¼
2.24	**ChaseM**	**104⅝**	**+2⅛**
1.89	Chse pfJ	26	+⅛
2.03	ChsePC pf	25¾	...
	Checkpnt	20	+⅜
	ChesEng s	23	–¼
2.16	**Chevron**	**66⅛**	**–⅝**
89e	Chile	24⅛	...
1.18e	Chilgener	24⅜	...
	ChinaEA n	20¼	+2¼
08e	ChinaFd	13½	...
20	Chiquta	14⅝	–⅛
	ChoiceH n	15½	+⅜
1.60f	Chrysler s	35¼	+⅛
1.08	Chubb s	58⅞	+⅞
44	ChrDwt	u28¼	+⅝
	Chyron s	d5¼	–⅛
80	CinnBel	64⅜	+¼
36	CinMil	22⅜	–¼
	CineOd	1⅜	–1/16
1.80	CINergy	35	+⅛
	CirCCar n	20	...
14	CircCtyCC	31	–⅜
	Circus	31½	–⅝
2.10f	Citicorp	123½	+1⅝
1.58	Citcp pfG	23 15/64	+11/64
1.40e	Citcp pfH	23 29/32	+9/32
75t	CitzUtA	12	–⅛
75t	CitzUtB	12⅛	+⅛
44f	CityNC	24¼	...
12	ClairStr s	13½	–½
08	ClaytH s	14⅞	–⅛
	ClearC s	41⅞	–⅜
93e	ClemGlb	8½	+¼
2.32	Clorox	123⅝	+2½
2.20	Coachm s	20⅝	+1⅛
40	Coastal	47⅞	–½
	CstlPhys	2	+⅛
	Coastcst	15⅝	...
.56f	**CocaCl s**	**u62⅞**	**+⅞**
10	CocaCE	u65½	+1½
15	Coeur	17⅞	...
03p	Cogniznt n	34⅛	+⅞
	Colemn s	13¼	+⅜
1.88	**ColgPal**	**102⅞**	**–⅜**
55	ColHln	8⅛	...
68a	ColHl	7⅜	–⅛
51	ColMu	75⅝	–⅛
	Coltec	18⅞	–⅛
60	ColumGas	63⅜	–⅜
.08	ColtCCA s	43	–⅜
28	Comdisco	31¾	–⅜
1.72f	Comeric	62⅝	+⅜
1.20	CmclNL	15½	+⅛
	CmpUSA s	20¾	...
14i	ChileTel s	29¼	+⅛
	Compaq	80½	+¾
10	CmpAsc s	45¾	–⅝
	CompSci	73⅜	+1⅞
10	CmpTsk	43¼	–2⅛
04	Cmptvsn	6	...
78	Comsat	24¼	+¾
	CmstkRs	9⅝	–¼
1.09	ConAgr	54⅜	+⅛
1.32	**ConnEn**	**24⅜**	**+⅜**
1.90	Conrail	104¾	+¼
12	Conseco s	42	–⅛
2.10f	ConEd	31⅞	+⅜
40b	ConsFrt	u26	–1
	ConsGph s	27⅝	–1
1.94	ConsNG	53½	+⅜
1.68	ConPap	50¼	+½
	ConStor s	35½	–⅜
	CtlAir B s	29⅝	+¼
	ConCMix n	d17¼	–1
	Converse	26⅜	+1½
	CoopCa	66⅛	+⅜
	CoopCo	u22½	+1
1.32	Cooper	45⅞	+⅛
81	Cooper99	17	–½
34	CooprTr	20½	...
	CoramH	5½	...
1.88	CoreStF	53¾	+½
	CornPrp n	22¼	+⅛
72b	Corningln	38⅛	+⅛
	CorctCp s	28⅝	–¼
32	CntwCrd	29⅛	–¼
	Covance n	19¾	–⅝
	CoxCm	23	–¼
50	Crane s	33⅜	...
55r	Credicp	u22¼	+¼
2.64	CrescRE	55⅝	–⅜
1.08	Crestar s	36⅞	+⅛
1.28f	CrimsMa	16½	...
54	CrmpKni	19	+⅛
.30	**CrosTmb**	**26¾**	**+1**
1.50e	**CrosTim**	**14⅞**	**+⅛**
80	CrwnAm	8	...
1.00	CwnCork	57	–⅛
2.10	CwnPac	22⅞	+⅛
	CullgnWtr	40	+½
13	Culp Inc	18⅝	–½
1.00	CumEng	53¾	+1½
	CypSem	12⅞	+¼
80	Cyprus	23⅞	+⅜
	Cytec s	40⅞	+1⅛
	D-E-F		
1.36f	DPL	24⅝	–⅛
1.36f	DQE	29⅞	...
	DST Sys	33⅜	+⅜
2.06	DTE	30⅜	...
	Dal-Tile n	18⅛	+⅝
14f	DalSam	27	+½
1.00	DanaCp	31½	+¼
10	Danaher	43¾	–⅛
18	Daniel	13	–⅜
08	Darden	7	...
	DataGn	19¾	+¼
64	DaytHud s	u41⅛	+1⅝
76	DeanFd	33⅝	+⅜
56	DWDisc s	40⅝	–⅝
60	DWGl	8⅜	...
80	Deere	42¾	+¼
1.54	DelmPL	19¾	+⅛
20	DeltaAir	82⅞	+1
	DeltaFn n	23¾	–¼
1.48	Deluxe	31⅝	–½
	Dept56	18⅞	–⅛
	DescSA	u28¼	+⅜
	Destec	20⅝	+⅛
	DetDiesl	d17⅞	–½
1.91	DetE26 n	u24⅝	+¼
	DeutTel n	19	+⅛
2.52f	DevlDv	36½	–⅛
32	Dial n	15¼	+¼
	DiaOff	61¼	–⅜
	DianaCp	9½	+1½
50	Diebold s	43¾	+¾
	Digital	34½	+⅞
2.22	Digital pf	25¼	...
16	Dillard	28¼	–⅛
	DimeBcp	17⅜	+⅛
60f	Dimon	u26	...
	DiscAut	15¼	–½
.53f	**Disney**	**75⅜**	**+¼**
40	Dole	39	+⅝
20	DollarG s	27	–⅜
2.58	DomRes	41¼	+⅞
3.37e	DmRsBW	22⅜	+¼
76	Donlley	31	+½
68	Dover	51⅝	+½
3.00	**DowCh**	**80¾**	**+1½**
96	DowJns	39¼	–⅜
68	Dressr	31	–⅛
68	DryStn	8½	–¼
66	DrySM	10	–⅛
2.28	DuPont	109⅛	+1½
72a	DufPlUtil	9	+⅛
1.18	DufPUC	13⅛	–⅛
2.12	DukeP	45½	...
2.04	DukeRlty	39⅞	...
88	DunBrd s	25	...
	Dycom	11¼	–⅛
	Dynatech	32	–1⅛
	EAInds s	4⅝	–¼
	ECC Int	5¾	+⅜
56	EGG	22⅝	+½
	EMC	39⅝	+2⅝
1.60	EastEn	34¼	+⅜
1.66	EastUtl	18¼	–¼
1.76	EastChm	55¾	+¼
1.76f	EKodak	91½	+1⅜
1.60	Eaton	72⅜	...
88	Echlin	34	+⅝
	Eckerd s	32	+½
64f	Ecolab	38⅞	+¼
	vjEdisBr	1⅝	...
1.00	Edisonint	22¼	...
72f	Edwards	37⅝	–⅛
1.46f	ElPasNG	54⅝	+⅜
4.13	ElPast pf	u54	+½
	Elan s	34⅜	–¼
.04f	**Elcor**	**u24¼**	**+⅛**
60	EDS	45¾	+¼
1.26e	EffAquit	48¼	+⅛
1.91	**ElfOv pfB**	**247⅛**	**+⅛**
02e	EmgGer	8⅜	...
1.65	EMinco2	15⅝	...
10e	EmMex	8⅛	+⅛
2.18f	EmrsEl	101¾	+¼
1.28	**EmpDist**	**19**	**–¼**
1.06e	EEICh le	19	+⅛
1.55e	Endesa	60⅞	–1⅝
	Empica	u17⅞	–½
13e	ELaMod	23	–⅜
	EnrgyGp n	36⅞	...
	EngyVen	56¼	+2¼
1.23e	Enersis	33⅝	+¼
36	EnglCp	22⅛	...
1.06	Enova	22⅞	...
.90	**Enron**	**41¼**	**–⅜**
2.00	**EnrLLC pf**	**25½**	**+⅛**
12	**EnrnOG**	**20¾**	**–¼**
	ENSCO	47⅜	–1⅜
.20	**Ensrch**	**21**	...
1.45e	Enscp pfE	u23⅝	+⅜
	EnsExp	9⅞	...
1.80	Entergy	26¼	+⅛
1.90	**EottEng**	**21¾**	**+⅛**
33	Equifax	29⅞	–¼
20	EqtCos	31⅝	+½
60	Eqtlowa	31½	–⅛
1.18	EqtResc	30½	–⅛
1.12	Eqtylnn	13½	...
2.50f	EqtyRsd	45⅜	+⅛
1.74	EssexPT	u30⅛	+¼
34	EsteeLdr	48¼	+¼
16	EthanAln	46⅛	+1
50	Ethyl	9½	+⅜
76p	EurWtFd	14¾	+¼
1.60	EvanWtr	20⅝	+¼
12	EverestRe	80¼	+⅛
...	**ExcelCm n**	**18⅝**	**–1**
1.84	ExcelRl	23⅜	–⅛
1.28f	Exel s	44⅜	–⅛
08	ExideCp	20⅜	+⅛
3.16	**Exxon**	**102⅝**	**–1⅛**
	FAC Rlty	6¼	...
	FMC	69⅞	–⅛
1.92f	FPL Gp	46	+⅜
	FalconDr	34½	–⅛
48f	FamDlr	22⅝	–⅜
84f	FanniMae	41⅜	+1¼
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ACC Cp s 20 –⅛
ADC Tel s 31½ +1
APACT 35 –1½
APS Hld 8¾ –⅛
ASA Hold 23⅛ –⅛
ASM Intl s 13⅞ –⅞
ATC Com d5 7/16 –9/32
AavidTh 14⅞ –⅛
Abacan 9⅝ –⅛
Abaxis 3 —
Abrasco 11½ —
AccessHlt 27⅜ +1⅛
Acclaim 4⅛ —
AcresGm 9⅜ –⅛
Actel 19¾ –⅛
ActPerf s u24¼ +1⅜
Activisn u16¼ +⅜
Actrade 14⅛ +½
Acuson s 14⅜ –1⅛
Adaptec s 38½ +⅜
AdobeSy 36½ –⅜
AdrianR 2⅛ +⅛
Adtran 37⅜ +⅛
AdvPara n 15⅛ –2⅛
AdvFCm n 40 –1⅜
AdvMicD n 16⅛ +2⅛
AdvMR ⅜ –⅛
AdvTass 13 +⅛
Advanta 43⅛ +⅜
AdvantB 42⅝ –⅜
Aflymet n 31½ –⅜
Agourn 87⅜ +1⅛
AgriNutr 1⅜ +⅛
Aksys 73⅛ +⅜
Alanco 1 7/16 —
AlgosPh n u20 +1
Alkerm 27⅛ +⅜
AlkFG n 3½ –⅛
AlsanPh 12⅝ –⅛
AlsSem 9⅛ –1/32
AltaMic 2⅜ +⅛
AltaGld 3 29/32 +⅛
Altera s 43⅛ +1⅛
AltResc 18⅛ +⅛
Altris s 5⅜ —
Amati 14 3/16 –13/16
AmDentl 1½ —
AmerEco 8⅜ –⅛
AGreet 30⅜ +⅛
AHlthcp 13⅛ +⅛
AHomPat 21½ –1⅜
AminPt 3⅝ +1/64
AmiS 17⅞ —
AmMbSat 12 3/16 +3/16
AmOilDv 12⅜ +½
AOncol s 10⅜ —
APwrCnv 22⅛ +⅜
AmTele 4⅛ +1/16
Amerign d4⅛ –⅞
Amerign wt d4 1/64 –31/64
AmesDS 8 13/16 –⅛
Amgen 63 +⅛
Amresco 19⅞ +⅛
AmtchCp 6 15/16 +1/16
Anadigc s 30 –½
AnchGm 35⅜ –½
AncorCm 7⅛ +⅛
Andrew s 54½ –⅜
Anergen 4 13/32 +5/32
Ancom s u10⅝ +⅜
Antec 9¼ –⅜
ApexPC n d8 3/16 –13/16
ApolloG s 26½ —
AppleC 16⅝ +⅛
AppISou 13 +1/16
Applebee 25 3/16 – 7/16
Apyrase 9⅝ –⅛
Aquila 11⅛ –⅛
Arabic 3⅜ —
Arbor 11⅜ –⅛
Arcadia 3⅜ —
ArkDsg s 18¾ +⅛
Arkoma 38½ +1⅞
ArmHld 4⅞ —
Arrhythm 11⅜ –⅛
AscendCm 60⅛ +⅜
AshfdT n 7⅞ +1/16
AspctTel s 24½ +½
AstorInF s u42¼ +2⅛
AtlTele 12⅜ +½
AtlasAir 24⅝ –⅜
Atmel 39⅜ +2⅛
AuraSky 2 15/16 +1/32
Auspex 11 15/16 +1/16
Autodesk 35⅛ +⅜
AvidTch 11 —
BE Aero 25⅝ –⅜
BISYS 31 —
BMC Soft s 45⅜ +1⅛
Baan s 46⅜ +¼
BnkGalcu 25 5/16 +1 9/32
BnkUntd n 31½ +⅛
BanyanSy d3½ –⅛
BayVw 56½ –¼
BedBath s 25⅝ —
BeldBk 21⅛ –⅛
BellMic 11¼ —
BentOG 15 5/16 +1/16
Bll Info n 25⅜ +1
BioPhar 59⅜ +3⅜
Biostrl 27½ +1/32
Biogen s 49 11/16 +15/16
Biomet 14 19/32 +9/32
Biomune 1 11/16 +1/32
Biopsys n 31 +1½
BioToG 16¾ —
BlackBx 27⅜ +2¾
BoneCre n 8 –⅛
Borlnd 6 15/16 –⅛
BostChk 33 15/16 +15/16
BydWhls d6¾ –1 3/32
BreXMin gn 14½ –1
BristlT n 12⅞ —
BristlT wt 7⅜ —
BrodSft 30 +⅜
Broktrt s 19½ –⅜
BrnswkT n 9½ –⅛
BrushCrk 13/32 +1/32
Buffets 7¼ –⅛
BurrBr u32 3/4 +31/4
BsanObj s 11 –⅛
C-CUBE 30⅜ +5
C-Phone 9½ –3 15/64
CAI Wire 2 9/16 +3/16
CDRadio 3⅞ –1/16
CDW Cpt s 56 –½
CFI Pro 18¾ +1⅛
CMC Ind 9¾ +1/16
CNS 14⅜ –1⅛
COHR 26 +1/16
CSL Lgt 1⅛ +1/16
CableCo n 9⅜ —
Casre 10 +⅛
CalAmp s d4 15/16 –⅜
CmbTch s 25 +1
Camelot 9 15/32 +3/32
Candies 5 25/32 –1/32
Carasstr 27⅞ –1⅛
CardPth n 9⅞ +⅛
Carngtn d5 13/16 –⅜
CascCm 28⅝ +2⅞
CasinoAm 3⅛ +1/16
CasinoD 5 25/32 –9/32
Catalyt 10⅞ –⅜
CatoCp 5⅛ –1/16
CelebrEnt d3⅜ –1/32
CellStl 15½ –1/32
Cellstor 25⅜ +⅛
CellVisn 11⅛ +⅛
Centgrm 13⅜ —
Centocor 38⅝ +⅛
Centrgm 33½ —
CeramBio 18 15/16 +1/16
CerusMda 33⅛ —
CFlsBk s 30 +¾
Cephlm 23½ –1⅜
Cerwaser 18⅛ +1 15/16
Chantal 11 1/16 –⅛
ChrmSh 4½ —
ChtCtneF u49½ +1⅛
ChtPrtt n 22–1 9/16
Checkers 2⅛ +5/16
Chkfree 16⅛ –⅛
Cheeseck 23 —
ChmTrk 1 9/16 —
ChiMini s 19⅛ –⅜
ChipsTc 13⅜ +⅛
Chiron s 19⅜ –⅛
Chronimd 11½ –⅛
CienaCp n 40 +3⅛
Cinergi 1 15/32 –1/16
Cirrus 14⅛ –⅛
Cisco 59 +⅛
CitrixS 32 +1⅛
Clarify 26½ +⅝
ClayEng 13⅜ –⅜
Cognex 18⅜ –⅛
Cognos gs 22⅝ –⅛
Coherent 48⅞ +⅜
ColbCtn n d7¾ –1
Comair 20½ —
Comcast 18 5/16 +1/16
Comc sp 19 +1/2
CmlHdgs n 4 –⅛
Commin nd1 13/16 –1/16
CmtyCr wt 3⅜ +3/16
ComCare 3½ +⅛
CompBnc 46 +1⅛
CmpuSrv n 10⅛ –1/2
Cmpcm 7¾ —
CptConc 29/32 –1/32
CmpPr 17¾ –⅛
Compuwr 63⅜ +1½
Concepts 13⅛ –⅜
CncEFS 21¼ –½
ConoCm 2 7/32 —
CnsFrtC n 8¾ –1/16
ConPort s 10⅛ –1/16
Coors B 21 +1
Copytel s 6½ +1/16
CorTher 11½ –⅞
CoreCp g 6 11/16 —
CorpExp s 20⅝ +15/16
CorrecSv 10⅜ –⅜
Cortex 3⅝ –1/16
Corvas 7 +1 1/16
Costco 25 –½
CostEner n 13⅝ —
Cott Cp 9 15/16 –1/32
CtryStr 9⅛ –1/32
Coventry d7½ –⅜
CrterBrl 28½ +⅛
CrBioMol 11⅜ –⅜
CreTcLtd 12⅞ +⅜
CredSys 21⅜ +⅞
CrdAcp 23⅜ +1⅝
Cryomed 15/32 —
CMathes 1 9/32 +1/64
Cygnus 14 –⅛
Cymer n 42⅝ –⅜
Cyrix Cp 29⅜ +⅛
Cytogn 5 7/16 —

D E F

DSC 20⅜ +⅛
DSPCm s 18 13/16 –1⅛
Datcon 7⅝ –1/16
Dentsp 45⅛ –⅛
DtaDmn n u55⅛ +3⅛
DataRce 13½ –1⅛
DaveB 22 +1⅛
Dawson 12⅜ –⅛
Delphi 14 1/16 +⅛
DelCmCa s 73 +1⅞
DelphiF 1 9/16 +1/16
DialCpA n 4½ +⅛
Diamnd 14 +⅛
Digex n 10 15/16 +1/16
DigitGen 6⅜ +⅛
DigLght n 9⅝ –⅛
DigMic 33 +⅛
DigVd wt Ad 1 31/32 –13/32
DocuCn 1 1/32 –3/32
DomBridge 1 11/16 +1/16
DonnEnt n 10⅛ –⅛
Donkeny d3½ –1/16
DresB 16⅜ +⅜
DuraPh s 37½ –⅛
Duramed 10⅝ +½
DynHlth u7¾ +⅜
ETrade n u22 3/16 —
ECi Tel 22 25/64 +15/64
ECO2 3/16 —
ECOS Gp 19/32 —
EPL Tch n 5 7/16 + 7/16
ESSTech n 26⅛ –½
EgilHrd 18½ +⅛
EgleUSA s u31⅛ +1⅛
Eshwnd n 7 +1
EchoStar 18 +3
EinstnN n 26 9/16 —
ElectGas n 9 15/16 —
Elctrgis 17 15/16 +1/16
ElcArt 29⅞ +⅛
ElcClear 2 +3/32
ElcCm wt 13/16 —
EFII s 45 +1⅛
Elexsys 18⅞ –1
ElronEl 14⅛ +⅜
Eltron 21⅛ –3/16
EmCare 29¼ —
EmsTch u25⅜ +2⅛
EmplySl s 28 –⅜
Encad s 33 +1⅛
Encore 1 13/16 +3/16
EncoreW u22 +2⅜
EntrSys 26⅛ +1½
Envoy 28⅜ +½
Enzon 31¼ –1/16
EpicDes 26 15/32 –29/32
EqCompr 1 9/16 —
EricTel 32 –⅜
EtecSys 44⅜ +⅛
EvgrMda s 31⅝ –1
Exabyte 12 –⅜
ExclTch 9 9/16 +⅝
Excte n 16½ –1
ExtStA s 20 1/4 —
FEI Co 9¾ +⅛
FPA Md 23½ —
FSI Intl 15 5/16 –5/16
FamGolf 29 +1 3/16
FamStk 1 +1/32
Farallon n 57⅜ +⅞
Fasteni 36⅜ –⅜
FifthThrd 83 5/16 –1/16
FilBsmt u7¼ +⅛
FilmRm n 3 1/16 + 7/16
FineHost n 26 3/16 —
FinLine s 20 3/16 +⅝
FtATn 67¼ –¼
FComcaC 45 1/16 +1 1/16
FstAlert 4 9/16 +1/16
FstFed n 19.27 + 13 +0.9
Special p nt14 43 — –0.6

CrestFunds:
IBdTr n 9.82 –.01 +1.5
ValueTr n13.89 +.13 +3.2

DG Investor:
Equity 17.01 +.21 +4.4

Davis Funds A:
NYVen A 19.13 +.15 +5.1

Davis Funds B:
NYVen B 18.98 +.15 +5.0
NYVen C 19.04 +.15 +5.1

Dean Witter:
AmVl t 29.35 +.23 +3.1
CalTFt 12.60 –.01 +1.6
CapAp r p 12.95 –.11 –5.5
CapGr t 15.12 +.03 –0.8
Convt t 13.33 +0.8
DevGr t 22.26 –.05 –4.0
DivGt t 47.36 +.38 +3.5
Divln t 9.44 +.01 +0.7
Eurot 16.75 +.13 +1.3
GlbDv t 13.46 +.10 +2.4
GlobUt t 12.91 +.06 +2.2
FedSec t 9.22 ... +1.7
HltnSc t 15.48 –.06 +0.7
Hlnc p 9.97 +.01 +1.6
HiYld 6.86 +1.6
Info p 10.04 +.03 –4.5
MCapGt t 14.59 +.08 +1.0
NtlRs t 13.60 –3.1
PacGr t 19.33 –.10 –0.7
ST USp 9.92 –.01 +0.8
Strat t 16.92 +.06 +2.6
TaxEx 11.82 –.01 +1.8
USGvt t 8.95 –.01 +1.5
Util 15.86 +.09 +1.8
ValAd t 30.44 +.23 +3.9
WldW t 17.79 +.09 +2.5
TCCort 16.60 +.19 +1.2
TCLat t 12.44 +.17 +9.9
TCNor p 8.38 –.01 +1.8
TCSCp t 16.45 –.11 –7.8

Del Grp Instl:
Dec t l 19.84 +.19 +4.9

Delaware Group A:
TrendAp 16.37 +.08 –1.2
DelcpAp 26.03 +.17 –1.4
DecInAp 19.85 +.19 +4.9
DeTRAp 16.66 +.19 +5.2
DelawAp 21.02 +.08 +3.9
DelchA 8.46 +2.3
LtdGvAp 8.80 +0.9
TxUSAp 11.70 –.01 +1.6
TxPaAp 8.28 –.01 +1.8

Del-Pooled Trust:
GloFix 11.01 +.03 +0.6
IntlEq 15.51 +.07 +2.9

Dimensional Fds:
IntSmVa n 9.80 +.11 +0.2
US Lrg n 24.30 +.25 +5.3
USLgVa n16.47 +.14 +2.8
USLgVa3 n16.11+.14 +2.8
US Sm n 11.81 +.01 +0.1
USSmVal n17.48+.04 +1.3
US 6–10 n13.95 +.01 –0.1
IntlSmCo n9.54 +.11 NA
Cont n 14.83 +.17 +1.2
Fixd n 10.22 +0.6
IntVa n 11.21 +.10 +1.3
2YGlFxd n10.26 +0.8

Diversified Funds:
Balance p 13.94 +.06 +3.3
EqGrow p 15.30 +.17 +1.3
Eqlncp 16.66 +.15 +5.2
GvCorp p 11.82 –.01 +1.6
Grolncp 15.00 +.12 +4.6
AggrEq p 9.41 +.01 –4.7
SAFAgg 10.72 +.06 +1.1
SAFCon 10.56 +.01 +1.8
SAFVal p 11.40 +.10 +4.5
HiQual p 10.99 +0.7
IntlEq p 11.57 +2.9
IntlGvt p 10.33 +1.2
SAFMod 10.63 +.03 +1.5
SpecEq p 16.97 –.04 –3.4

Dodge&Cox:
Balan n 62.26 +.39 +2.7
Inco n 11.83 –.01 +1.9
Stock n 84.57 +.91 +3.3
DomlSoci 12.34 +.14 NA

Dreyfus:
ABasic n 14.56 –.01 +2.4
Aprec n 28.34 +.29 +6.1
Baincd n 16.89 +.09 +3.7
CalTx n 14.43 –.01 +1.8
CorVlv p 32.59 +.25 +4.5
DiscpP 28.86 +.28 +4.7
Dreyf n 11.39 +.08 +2.9
Dr500Int 24.35 +.25 +5.4
FL Int n 13.54 –.02 +1.5
GNM p n 14.68 +1.6
GnCAn 13.31 –.01 +1.9
GMBd p nt14.60 –.01 +1.6
GNY p n 19.76 –.01 +2.1
Grlnc n 18.85 +.09 +1.6
GthOp n 10.41 +.11 +4.3
Interm n 13.97 –.01 +1.5
MunBd n 12.49 –.01 +1.8
NJ Mun n 13.06 –.01 +1.8
NatLd r n 40.88 +.12 –0.6
NY Tax n 15.06 –.01 +2.1
NYTE p 18.19 –.02 +1.6
SP500 Ir 17.44 +.18 +5.4
ShtGv n 10.88 +0.9
ShInT p n 13.00 +0.7
SpGr p 17.24 –.24 –0.2
Strlnco n 14.62 –.02 +2.3
Thrd Cn 9.54 +.07 +3.0

Dreyfus Premier:
AggGro 14.92 –.10 –2.2
CTMAt 12.00 +1.8
MDMA 12.86 –.01 +1.8
MuBdA 14.35 –.01 +1.6

Dupree Mutual:
KYTF n 7.52 –.01 +1.8

Eaton V Traditional:
HYMun p 10.72 +1.1
TradGv 10.65 –.01 +1.0
TrdTot p 8.34 +.02 +0.5

Eaton V Marathon:
HiYldMu 10.68 +1.1
China t 14.25 +.05 +1.5
CalMun t 9.74 –.01 +2.5
FLTxFI 10.86 +1.6
Hlnc t 7.48 +.01 +2.2
MATxFI 10.46 +1.8
NJTxFI 10.62 +1.4
NYTxFI 11.08 +.01 +2.0
NatMun t 10.06 +1.5
OHTxFI 10.74 +1.5
PATxFI 10.64 +1.5

Evergreen Funds:
BalY n 13.52 +.07 +2.9
EvrgrnB 19.07 + .10 +3.0
EvrgrnY 19.27 + .10 +3.0
FoundB 16.85 + .07 +3.4
FoundY 16.96 + .08 +3.5
GrolncB 23.40 + .02 +2.4
GrolncY 23.56 + .02 +2.5
IncoGrB 22.06 + .17 +2.1
IncoGrY 22.20 + .18 +2.2
ShInBY n 9.91 +1.3
ValuAp 22.10 + .22 +3.7
ValueY n 22.11 + .22 +3.8

Excelsior Funds:
Equity 27.63 + .19 +3.1

FFTW Funds:
USShrt 9.85 +0.5

FPA Funds:
Capit 33.53 + .10 +3.7
Nwinc 11.01 +1.4
Parnt 14.94 + .13 +3.0

Federated A:
AmLdrA 22.45 + .20 +5.3
EqInAp x 16.29 + .07 +2.9
GrStratA 26.37 + .18 +2.3
HiInBdA 11.66 + .02 +2.2
MuSecA 10.54 – .01 +1.8
US GvtA 7.86 +1.3
UtilFdA x 13.42 + .05 +2.5

Federated B:
ALdrB t 22.41 + .19 +5.2
EqincB x 16.29 + .07 +2.9
HiInBB t 11.66 + .01 +2.2

Federated F:
BondF rx 9.78 – .07 +2.1
GlSi Fr 8.70 – .01 +1.5
MunOpp t 10.53 +1.6
UtilF rx 13.41 + .04 +2.4

Federated Instl:
Arm t 9.75 +0.9
GnmaIS 11.17 +1.4
Gov1–3i 10.36 +0.8
Gov2–5i 10.51 – .01 +1.1
Hi Yld 9.43 +2.3
IncTrS 10.19 +1.4
MxCapI r 17.51 + .19 +5.4
StockTr 34.64 + .32 +5.3

Fidelity Advisor B:
EqPl t 23.05 + .18 +3.4
HiYld t 12.42 + .02 +2.1

Fidelity Advisor I:
EqGr n 45.15 + .41 +2.3
EqPl n 23.33 + .18 +3.4
GrOppI n 37.82 + .40 +4.3
IStkIGv 9.42 – .01 +1.0

Fidelity Advisor T:
Balanc p 17.46 + .12 +4.9
EqGr p 44.59 + .41 +2.3
EqPl p 23.14 + .18 +3.4
GrOpp p 37.87 + .40 +4.2
HiMu p 11.88 – .01 +2.0
HiYld p 12.45 + .02 +2.2
IntBd p 10.51 – .01 +1.2
NatRes 24.11 + .02 –4.5
Ovsea p 15.75 + .03 +2.9
ST Fip 9.35 – .01 +0.8
StrOpp p 22.70 + .07 +1.7

Fidelity Invest:
AgMun r n11.45 – .01 +1.9
AMgr n 17.29 + .13 +3.2
AMgrGr n17.43 + .18 +3.9
AMgrIn n 11.87 + .03 +2.0
Balanc n 14.82 + .08 +3.5
BluCh 35.11 + .31 +3.9
CA Mun n11.86 – .01 +2.0
CapAp 18.53 + .16 +1.8
Cplnc r n 9.50 + .04 +1.4
Contra 42.87 + .15 +0.6
CnvSc n 17.98 + .09 –0.1
Destl 21.52 + .23 +4.4
Destll 12.46 + .14 +4.4
DisEq n 23.72 + .19 +3.4
DivIntl n 15.14 + .06 +2.6
DivGth n 21.14 + .18 +3.2
EmGr r 26.26 + .14 –0.9
EmrMkr 18.65 + .17 +5.6
Eq Inc n 45.77 + .34 +4.1
EQII n 25.03 + .21 +3.5
Eqldx n 29.55 + .31 +5.4
ECapAp r 14.15 + .09 +1.7
Europe r 27.25 + .19 +2.3
Exch n 174.45+1.47 +5.2
Export 17.25 + .09 –1.7
Fidel n 26.47 + .21 +4.6
GNMA n 10.75 – .01 +1.5
GovtSc n 9.69 – .01 +1.4
GroCo n 42.87 + .33 +1.9
Grolnc n 32.91 + .29 +4.4
InsMun n 11.99 – .02 +2.0
IntBd n 10.09 – .01 +1.2
IntGr n 19.77 + .08 +2.0
IntVal n 11.80 + .02 +2.8
InvGB n 7.13 – .01 +1.5
LatAm r 15.39 + .23 +9.2
LtdMun n 9.74 – .01 +1.7
LowPr 22.00 + .11 +1.2
MageIn 84.68 + .56 +2.0
MktIn r n 58.55 + .81 +5.4
MA Mun n11.54 – .02 +1.9
MI Mun n 11.38 – .02 +2.0
MidCap n 15.05 + .02 +0.1
MN Mun n11.01 – .01 +1.8
MtgSec n 10.91 – .01 +1.5
MunBd n 8.26 – .01 +1.9
Munlnc n 12.35 – .01 +1.9
NwMkt r n13.94 + .08 +5.1
NwMid 20.99 + .10 –0.2
NY InsM n11.79 – .02 +1.9
NY Mun n12.43 – .02 +2.1
OTC 33.26 + .19 –1.2
Oh Mun n11.48 – .01 +1.9
Ovrsea n 31.63 + .05 +2.9
PcBas r 14.09 – .05 +0.9
Puritn n 18.38 + .13 +4.8
ReaEst n 18.36 – .01 +0.7
RetGr n 18.39 + .13 +3.3
STBF n 8.72 –0.9
SmCap 13.58 + .05 –0.9
SEAsia r 15.21 – .09 0.0
StkSlc n 25.47 + .12 +2.7
Trend n 57.68 + .09 –0.8
USBI n 10.57 – .01 +1.5
Utility n 17.69 + .10 +3.1
Value n 53.66 + .31 +2.9
Wrldw n 16.18 + .11 +4.5

Fidelity Selects:
AGold r 27.54 – .17 +8.9
Biotch r 34.83 + .05 +4.1
Comp r 52.10+1.02 –2.1
DivCm r 20.57 + .07 –7.6
Electr r 39.99 + .65 –1.7
Energy r 22.05 – .04 –8.3
EngSvr r 21.03 – .10 –7.8
FinSvr r 85.18 + .40 +8.1
Health r 104.94 + .91 +7.0
HomFr r 45.81 + .30 +8.1
Leisr r 48.40 + .15 +2.0
RegBnk r 33.63 + .31 +9.3
Softwr r 40.46 + .26 –4.2
Tech r 59.60 + .45 –2.4
Telcm r 41.61 + .25 –1.4
Transr 22.81 + .08 +0.6
UtilGr r 46.59 + .24 +4.6

Fidelity Spartan:
CAMun r n10.64 – .02 +2.0
CTMun r n11.21 – .02 +1.8
FL Mun r n11.21 – .01 +1.9
GNMA n 10.04 +1.5
Govln n 10.20 – .01 +1.5
Highl r n 12.86 + .03 +2.3
InvGrBd n10.14 – .01 +1.6
LtdGv n 9.75 +1.3
Munlnc r n10.51 – .01 +1.9
NJ Mun r n11.22 – .01 +1.8
NYMun r n10.70 – .02 +2.0
PAMun r n10.56 – .01 +1.8
StrtMu n10.05 +1.1
ST Bd n 9.05 +0.8

First Amer Fds C:
Balance n13.76 + .07 +2.5
DivrGw n 15.14 + .13 +1.7
Eqldx n 17.75 + .18 +5.3
Fxdlnc n 10.84 +1.5
MNIntTx n 9.99 +1.3
RegEqI n 17.81 – .04 +0.5
SpecEq n20.26 + .04 +3.0
Stock n 24.03 + .21 +3.3

First Investors A
BlChpAp 21.07 + .17 +4.2
GlobiAp 6.76 +.03 +1.8
IncoAp 4.34 +.01 +1.5
TxExAp 10.20 – .01 +1.8

First Omaha:
Equity x n14.09 + .04 +2.7

Flag Investors:
Telln p 16.41 + .06 +2.6
Value p 18.17 +.05 +4.1

Fortis Funds:
CapitlAp 22.45 + .02 +0.8
GrwthAp 33.07 + .09 –3.8
USGvtE 9.04 – .01 +1.6

Founders Funds:
Bal p 11.06 + .04 +2.5
BlueC 7.61 + .04 +3.3
Discv 24.13 – .12 –4.1
Frntr 31.15 + .04 –3.6
Gwth 16.84 + .15 +1.8
Special p 7.74 + .03 –1.1
WldGr p 22.26 + .12 +2.1

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MniBdA 12.14 – .01 NA
QualGr 16.00 + .12 +4.7

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AgLuS p 9.42 +1.1
AZTF I p 11.29 – .01 +1.7
Balinv p 30.22 + .05 +3.4
CalInsI p 12.29 – .01 +1.6
CalTFI p 7.21 +1.5
Equityl p 9.22 + .04 +1.1
Eqinc p 17.64 + .14 +3.4
FedTF I 12.06 +1.6
FLTFI p 11.63 – .01 +1.4
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Goldl p 14.08 + .16+10.4
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Incoml p 2.42 + .02 +2.8
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NJTFI 11.65 – .02 +1.5
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TAGov p 10.59 +1.7
TxAHY p 9.14 +2.4
USGovI p 6.80 +1.4
UtilsI p 9.88 + .08 +2.0
VATFI p 11.69 – .01 +1.5

Franklin Class II:
Incomll p 2.42 + .01 +2.7

Fremont Funds:
Global n 14.28 + .04 +2.2

GAM Funds:
Intl 24.82 – .15 +8.1

GE Elfun S&S:
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S&S PM n49.51 + .44 +4.9
TaxExn 11.69 – .02 +2.1
Trusts n 50.00 + .44 +4.0

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CHlC3 12.77 NA
CHlBd3 12.25 – .02 +2.0
DmBdIII 10.26 – .01 NA
ECD3 r 14.44 + .17 +8.6
EmMkt3 r 12.62 + .06 +8.4
For3 10.89 + .02 NA
GlEqIII tf 10.39 – .01 NA
Growth3 5.31 + .06 +4.1
IntCore3 24.59 + .14 +1.2
RetG r 12.86 – .02 NA
SCGIII r 10.02 + .01 NA
SmCV3 r 16.11 + .05 +2.2
Value3 15.15 + .16 NA

GS Institutional:
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AmerB 19.85 + .05 –4.9
Euro p 13.24 + .04 +2.0
GrlncAp 7.54 + .07 +2.2
GrlncB 7.53 + .06 +2.0
Pacif p 13.26 – .01 +1.6

GT Global Income:
HilncB 16.39 + .06 +5.2
StratB 12.35 + .04 +2.4

GT Global Theme:
HiCr p 25.42 – .05 +1.2
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Gwth p n 26.27 + .21 +5.6
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Galaxy Funds Trust:
EqGro n 21.19 + .14 +2.1

Glenmede Funds:
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HutchT s 36½ +⅜
HyprSt 22⅜ —
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ICOS 9⅛ +1/2
IDEC 24⅜ +1⅛
IdexxLb 36 +1½
IFS Intl pf 17¾ +1⅜
INSO 32⅛ +1⅜
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Belle makes Sox debut on Friday

Associated Press

■ Spring Training

Albert Belle wants to play for Chicago as soon as possible, so he plans to make his White Sox debut in Friday's exhibition opener against Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla.

Manager Terry Bevington had said earlier that Belle probably would wait until Saturday's home opener against Texas at Sarasota. But a chat with Belle convinced him otherwise.

"He wanted to go. You know he wants to play," Bevington said.

"Fort Myers isn't that far away," Belle said of the little-over-an-hour trip. "I pretty much want to get in the habit of playing every day. If I can go down there and get a couple of at-bats to get the kinks out, that's what I'm going to do. Toward the end of the spring, I will tone it up and get ready with about a week to go."

Frank Thomas and Robin Ventura don't plan to make the trip Friday.

Yankees: One year later, Kenny Rogers almost got hit with a line drive again. This time, the ball hit the screen instead of him.

"I got out of the way," Rogers said after Sunday's near-mishap at Tampa, Fla. "Things are going better."

Rogers had a miserable 1996 after signing a $20 million, four-year contract with the New York. He was struck by a line drive off the bat of Tony Fernandez during spring training last year, nearly demoted from the starting rotation and slumped to a 12-8 record with a 4.68 ERA.

He then failed to get past the third inning of postseason starts against Texas, Baltimore and Atlanta, putting together a 14.14 ERA. He had shoulder surgery during the offseason.

"There's nothing he has to make up for," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We won last year. The most important thing is he went through everything last year and it didn't cost us anything. There should be no baggage to carry."

Yankees catcher Joe Girardi was hospitalized for several hours Monday with a severe migraine.

Torre said Girardi, 32, was also dehydrated and nauseated. Girardi was taken from his apartment to St. Joseph's Hospital by Yankees trainer Gene Monahan, underwent tests and was released.

"They're not sure what's causing it," Torre said. "We'll hopefully know something in the morning."

Braves: As the junior member of the best pitching rotation in baseball, Denny Neagle was surprised to learn he would get the honor of throwing the first pitch at Turner Field.

Manager Bobby Cox plans to start Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz in the season opener April 1 at Houston. Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine will follow Smoltz to the mound for the three-game series against the Astros.

When the Braves return to Atlanta on April 4 to meet the Chicago Cubs, Neagle gets to start the first game at the new 49,000-seat stadium.

"It's really surprised me a little bit," Neagle said at West Palm Beach, Fla. "But I guess that's the way Bobby is. He sets the rotations and wherever it falls, it falls."

Reds: Barry Larkin was appointed captain of the Reds on Monday, the first Cincinnati player to hold the post since Dave Concepcion retired in 1988.

"Barry is the foundation on which this organization is built," said manager Ray Knight. "The man is a winner, and everything here starts with him."

Larkin, an eight-time All-Star, grew up in Cincinnati and is starting his 12th season with the Reds. Last year, he became the first shortstop to hit 30 homers and steal 30 bases in the same season. He has won seven Silver Slugger awards and three Gold Gloves.

"This is his house, and we're just sharing his house on his way to the Hall of Fame," general manager Jim Bowden said.

Blue Jays: Joe Carter hit a home run off Roger Clemens during batting practice Monday, and the ball cleared both outfield fences and landed across the street at the Englebert Complex in Dunedin, Fla.

"You hit my bat, man," Carter yelled out.

Padres: San Diego and St. Louis expect to receive word Tuesday that they will play the first major league regular-season games in Hawaii.

The National League is expected to approve the Padres' proposal to play a doubleheader April 19 at 50,000-seat Aloha Stadium in Honolulu and an afternoon game April 20, to be broadcast on ESPN.

San Diego-Jack Murphy Stadium is undergoing contruction in April, and the Padres want to get out of the way as much as possible.

St. Louis swept the Padres in the first round of the playoffs last year.

Pirates: Pittsburgh will automatically renew the contracts of any unsigned players Sunday. Fourteen unsigned Pirates weren't eligible for salary arbitration, meaning the team can unilaterally renew them from March 2-11.

The minimum salary rose from $109,000 to $150,000 thus year, but veterans renewed at the minimum would make the same as rookies. First baseman Mark Johnson made $127,500 and catcher Jason Kendall made $109,000.

The minimum rises to $170,000 next season and $200,000 in 1999.

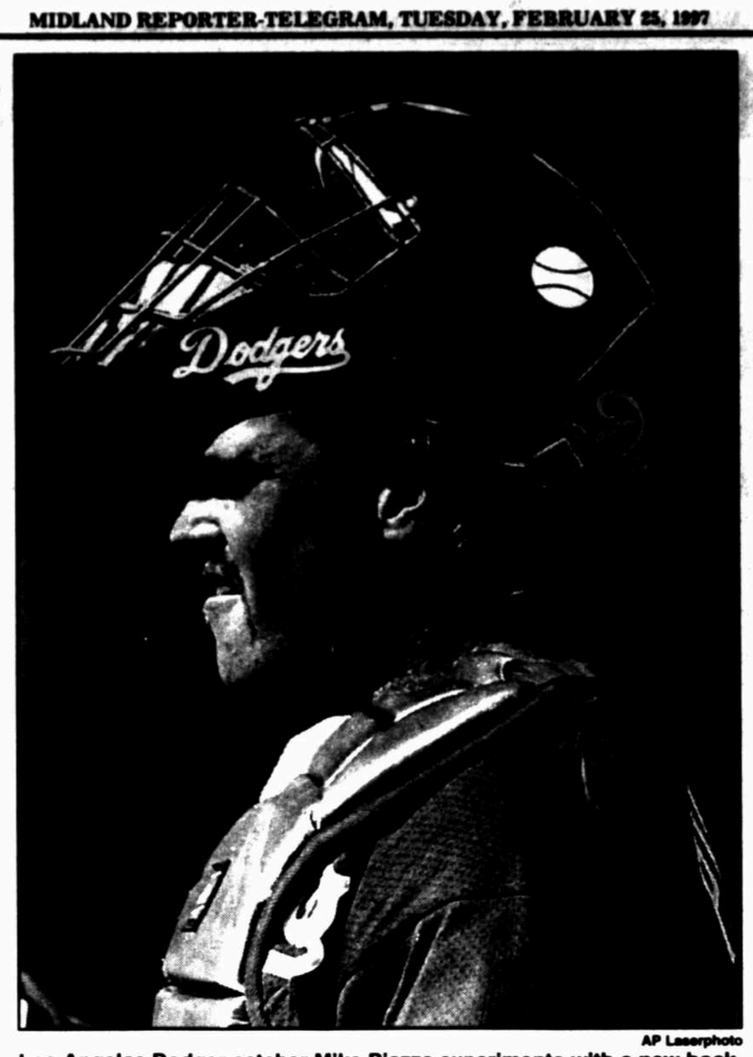
Cardinals: Pitchers Danny Jackson and T.J. Mathews sustained minor injuries when struck by line drives during workouts Monday at St. Petersburg, Fla. Jackson was hit on his left (pitching) elbow, and Mathews was struck on the right foot. Both were taken to Edward White Hospital, where preliminary X-rays showed no breaks.

Another pitcher, Lance Painter, had an MRI on his left elbow after experiencing discomfort the last few days. Results will be available Tuesday.

Phillies: When the day started Monday, four outfielders were competing for two backup jobs with Philadelphia. Then Tony Longmire all but eliminated himself from consideration.

Longmire, who has missed two whole seasons with injuries during his four years with the Phillies, said he doesn't expect to be with the team this season.

"I don't think it would have mattered what I would have done this spring," Longmire said Monday. "They already know what they're going to do. They already know who's going to make the team."



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Los Angeles Dodger catcher Mike Piazza experiments with a new hockey goalie-style mask during spring training.

Piazza's new goalie mask gives more vision, better jaw protection

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Mike Piazza is going with the new trend.

A few days ago, Piazza received the hockey goalie-type catcher's mask Toronto catcher Charlie O'Brien made famous last year.

Piazza's helmet is blue with the Dodgers logo printed along the right side and the back.

"I think (Piazza) looks better," Dodgers first baseman Eric Karros said. "I think he'll be a better catcher just because of that mask."

Maybe not, but Piazza said he hasn't decided if he would wear the mask full-time.

"It's kind of cool but I'm just trying it for a little while," he said. "I haven't decided anything yet. I won't know anything until I try it out in a game — see how it protects you."

Dodgers bench coach and former catcher Mike Scioscia said the new mask provides more vision and better protection along the jaw line.

"It's different," Scioscia said. "If I were still playing, I would have given it a shot."

Piazza said he didn't know how long the trial would last.

"That's the good thing about spring," he said. "It gives you time to experiment."

Atlanta tries to make room for 5 outfielders

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — For now, the Atlanta Braves don't have a problem.

It's OK for David Justice and Jermaine Dye to shag fly balls together in right field during spring training workouts. There's enough time for both Andruw Jones and Ryan Klesko to take their swings in the batting cage.

But unless a trade is made by April 1, the Braves have a problem: five outfielders for only three positions.

Marquis Grissom is set in center, which leaves two established veterans — David Justice and Ryan Klesko — and two promising youngsters — Jermaine Dye and Andruw Jones — battling for the openings in left and right.

"I've proven myself," said Klesko, who hit .282 with 34 homers and 93 RBIs last season. "I don't need to go out and battle for a job in spring training like I did the first three or four years I was in camp."

But there's no guarantee that Klesko will be in left field at the start of the season.

Atlanta's camp is consumed by rumors of a trade involving either Justice or first baseman Fred McGriff. If McGriff moves on, Klesko would shift from left to first, the position he played throughout the minor leagues.

Klesko would prefer to keep the current lineup intact. He's not ready to jump on the Dye-Jones bandwagon, even though both youngsters appeared to demonstrate last season they are ready to play in the big leagues.

Dye took over in right field after Justice sustained a season-ending shoulder injury and hit over .300 much of the year before, finishing at .281, with 12 homers and 37 RBIs. Jones, only 19, is considered a superstar-in-waiting, beginning 1996 at Class A Durham and finishing up by becoming the youngest player to homer in the World Series.

Third baseman Naehring takes pay cut in Boston

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Tim Naehring did something very strange for a Red Sox veteran. He took less money to stay in Boston and didn't take a parting shot at management.

Roger Clemens and Mike Greenwell leveled their criticism during the last week of the 1996 season. Jose Canseco waited until the following week when his buddy Kevin Kennedy was fired as manager.

Canseco was traded to Oakland, while Clemens went to Toronto and Greenwell to Japan as free agents. Naehring, grateful the Red Sox stuck with him through some serious injuries, never wanted to leave.

Now the Red Sox player with the most seniority, he said he respects Clemens and Greenwell but "they have their own views about different things. I'm not a big person to throw darts anywhere.

"I proved to a lot of people that it's not just about words," he added. "My actions were that I was going to stay loyal to the Red Sox and, now all of a sudden, I proved that by coming back here."

Cleveland offered the free agent $10 million over three years but he would have had to switch from third base, where he was starting to make a name for himself, to second. Boston, which drafted him in 1988, originally offered $3 million for two years. He said he was 15 minutes away from signing with the Indians when that was increased to $5.5 million over two seasons and a team option for one year that could raise the value to $9.5 million.

It wasn't as much as Cleveland offered, but it was enough. Suddenly, a very difficult decision became easy.

"When I started thinking about the dollar amounts that were thrown at me, it's kind of unrealistic," Naehring said. "The $10 million that Cleveland said that they would pay me for three years is an outrageous amount of money."

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Player, team	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Vernon Maxwell, San Antonio	247	646	.382
[illegible], Toronto	357	934	.382
Allen Iverson, Philadelphia	359	918	.391
[illegible], Philadelphia	329	817	.403
Malik Sealy, L.A. Clippers	224	556	.403

Source: Elias Sports Bureau

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Rice burns Spurs with 33 points in Hornet win

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

SAN ANTONIO — Glen Rice scored 33 points to lead Charlotte to a 96-84 victory over the San Antonio Spurs Monday night, extending the Hornets' winning streak to a season-best five games.

Rice scored 10 points in the fourth quarter as Charlotte held off a slight Spurs threat. San Antonio moved within 89-82 with 2:37 remaining on a field goal by Dominique Wilkins, but the Spurs could get no closer the rest of the way.

The Hornets have won 10 of their last 12 games.

Anthony Mason added 24 points and 16 rebounds for Charlotte, and Vlade Divac had 13 rebounds and nine blocks.

Vinny Del Negro led the Spurs with 24 points, and Wilkins added 20.

The Spurs trailed by 12 points at halftime, but closed to 53-45 with 8:59 left in the period on Avery Johnson's layup after a steal.

When Johnson made a jumper with 4:29 left in the third to bring the Spurs within 59-52, the sparse Alamodome crowd cheered as though their team was winning a heated playoff battle.

But the rare celebration would be short-lived as Charlotte stayed in control and took a 69-58 advantage into the fourth quarter.

Bulls 116, Trail Blazers 89

CHICAGO — Michael Jordan scored 30 of his 37 points in the first half as Chicago extended its winning streak to seven games with a victory over Portland.

Scottie Pippen added 22 points, 11 assists and nine rebounds for the Bulls, who are 49-6 overall and 26-1 at the United Center. They have won 19 consecutive home games.

The Trail Blazers were without second-leading scorer J.R. Rider, who missed the game due to the death of his cousin. In addition, Rasheed Wallace didn't start because he was late for Portland's morning shootaround. Gary Trent led the Blazers with 14 points.

Magic 93, Pistons 84

ORLANDO, Fla. — Penny Hardaway scored 29 points and Orlando remained unbeaten under interim coach Richie Adubato by ending Detroit's six-game winning streak.

The Magic improved to 4-0 since Adubato replaced Brian Hill, who was fired last week.

Hardaway atoned for a poor performance in a road loss at Detroit on Feb. 12 by going 11-for-16 from the field, including 4-of-6 from behind the 3-point arc. Rony Seikaly was the only other player in double figures for Orlando, finishing with 19 points and eight rebounds.

Theo Ratliff led Detroit with 17 points. Grant Hill, who had a triple double with 31 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists the last time the teams played, struggled with 14 points, eight rebounds and six assists this time.

Hawks 106, Warriors 100

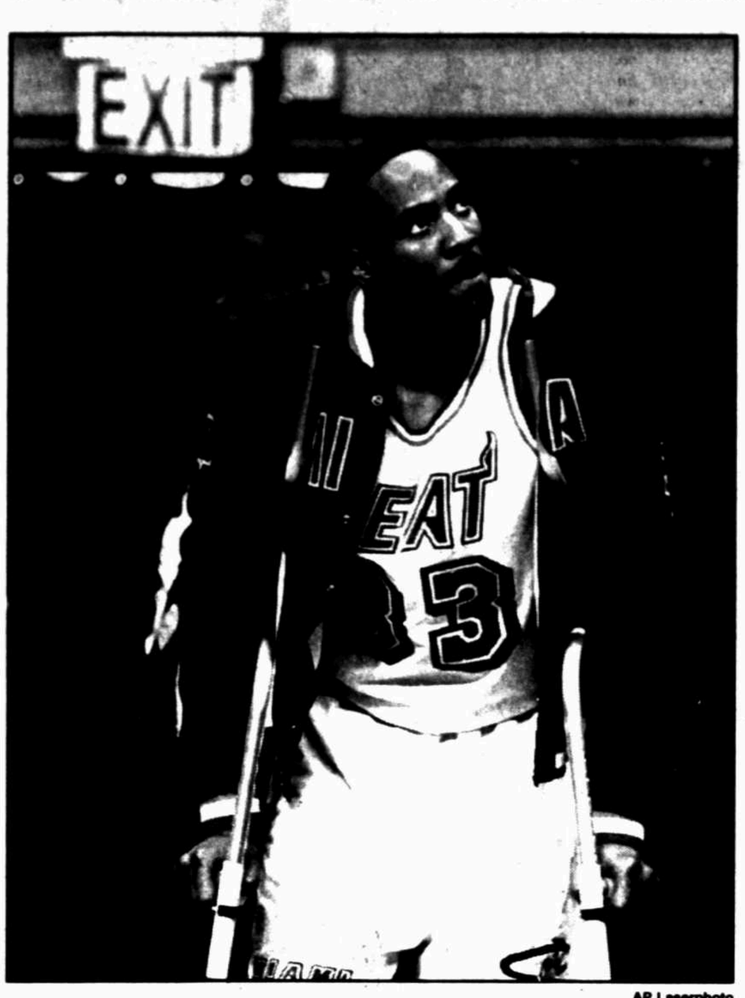
ATLANTA — Christian Laettner scored 25 points and Mookie Blaylock just missed a triple-double as Atlanta beat Golden State.

Blaylock finished with 18 points, nine rebounds and eight assists as the Hawks won for the 23rd time in 25 home games.

Laettner hit a jumper to give the Hawks a 98-96 lead with 2:30 left. Then Blaylock took over, scoring four points and making two steals for the Hawks down the stretch.

Joe Smith scored 25 points and Chris Mullin added 24 for the Warriors, who have lost eight of their last 11 games.

Heat tries for balance without Zo



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Miami center Alonzo Mourning will miss about six weeks because of a torn tendon in his right foot, making his Heat teammates and coach Pat Riley figure out how to keep winning without him.

Associated Press

■ NBA Injuries

MIAMI — Tim Hardaway began his postgame ritual, placing his feet in a bucket of ice water. Then came a confession.

He's cold.

The Miami Heat guard missed 15 of 20 shots in Sunday's victory over Denver. He misfired 13 of 17 times Friday in a loss to Portland. That puts him at 24 percent shooting over the past two games.

Hardaway's slump coincides with the departure of center Alonzo Mourning, who tore a tendon in his right foot Friday and will be sidelined about six weeks.

"I'm probably putting too much pressure on myself, trying to do too much and thinking about it," Hardaway said.

"We can't rely on one guy," coach Pat Riley said. "Tim felt more of a burden, and I don't want him to take on all the responsibility."

The win over Denver established a blueprint the Heat will try to follow during Mourning's absence. Seven players scored in double figures, including reserves Keith Askins and John Crotty.

"We had balance, and that's what we need," Riley said.

With one All-Star out and another All-Star off, the Heat nonetheless retained a two-game lead over second-place New York in the Atlantic Division. Riley figures it may take 60 victories to win the division, meaning Miami would have to finish 18-9.

"We're still in first place, and we want to stay there," Hardaway said.

Isaac Austin, who replaced Mourning in the starting lineup, plans to do his part. He has 31 points and 23 rebounds in the past two games.

"I have to respond. That's what they pay me for," Austin said. "I feel that I can do the job and hold the fort until Mourning gets back."

The 6-foot-10 Austin, who lost 70 pounds in the past year, has been a remarkable reclamation project for Riley. But Austin can't completely fill the void created by Mourning's injury.

Although Mourning leads the Heat in scoring, his absence will be felt the most on defense. He's the primary reason Miami leads the NBA in opponent field-goal percentage.

Williams' surgery

NEW YORK — Jayson Williams, the NBA's third-leading rebounder, underwent season-ending surgery Monday to repair a ruptured ligament in his right thumb.

Dr. Charles Melone Jr. performed the one-hour operation at Beth Israel Hospital North, team officials said. Williams will have to wear a soft cast for four to six weeks, then will undergo rehabilitation.

Williams said he would have the surgery following the Nets' 109-93 win over Boston on Sunday. Williams left the game late in the first quarter and did not return.

Williams, who averaged 13.8 points and 13.8 rebounds, sustained the injury in December but still kept playing.

No. 1 Kansas barely holds off unranked Sooners

Associated Press

■ Top 25 Men and Women

NORMAN, Okla. — Top-ranked Kansas, after seemingly taking control with a 28-6 run in the first half, had to hang on Monday night to beat Oklahoma 70-68 in front of the largest crowd in Oklahoma history.

Jacque Vaughn scored 16 points, Raef LaFrentz had 14 and Paul Pierce 14 as the Jayhawks (28-1, 14-1 Big 12) ended a two-game losing streak in Norman. They were ranked No. 1 when they lost here 76-73 in 1995, and were No. 3 in losing 75-79 last season.

Oklahoma (16-9, 8-7) twice drew within a point in the second half after trailing by 15 at halftime. The final time was 69-68 on a drive inside by Corey Brewer with 17.2 seconds left.

After Vaughn made one of two free throws with 16.4 remaining, Oklahoma had three shots in close to tie. But Nate Erdmann missed twice and Eduardo Najera also missed. All three shots were in heavy traffic.

Kansas gave the Sooners life by missing five of 10 free throws in the final 1:26.

Erdmann, averaging 22 points in conference play, had only a 3-pointer in the first half when he went 1-for-7. But he scored seven of his 20 in the opening minutes of the second half to help get Oklahoma back into the game.

No. 19 Colorado 65, Wofford 58

BOULDER, Colo. — Chauncey Billups scored 15 points and Colorado reached the 20-victory plateau for the first time since 1968-69 with a win over Wofford.

The Buffaloes (20-7), who are 12-1 at home this season, had to battle back from a seven-point deficit early in the game. Wofford (7-19) took a 13-6 lead with 13:17 left in the first half. The Buffaloes then scored 12 of the next 13 points, taking the lead for good at 16-14 on a three-point play by Ronnie DeGray.

No. 6 La. Tech women 98, No. 8 Tenn. 80

RUSTON, La. — Alisa Burras had 31 points and 15 rebounds and Louisiana Tech, despite its coach fainting in the first half, beat Tennessee. Coach Leon Barmore briefly passed out with Tech leading 16-14 with about 11 minutes left in the first half. He was treated at courtside, where he remained for the rest of the game.

Few changes in men's, women's Top 25 polls

Associated Press

The last time St. Joseph's was ranked was 24 years ago. The school hasn't been in the NCAA tournament since 1986.

The longer streak ended Monday when the Hawks cracked the Top 25 at No. 23 and the other appears ready to end courtesy of a 19-6 record and an extremely impressive spot in the latest computer index.

Second-year coach Phil Martelli had talked to the team about St. Joseph's possibly entering the poll for the first time since a one-week appearance in March 1973.

"I told them Sunday night that it was possible and all it would do was put a bigger target on them," he said. "But I also told them if they felt it was that important and that they had worked so hard for it, they won't want to give it away."

The first test will be a tough one — Massachusetts at home tonight.

"It will be complete hysteria here," Martelli said, referring to 3,200-seat Alumni Memorial Fieldhouse, an intimate arena also known as "Hawk Hill."

"The student newspaper is calling it the game of the century. Only problem is most 18-year-old kids think the century started in 1980."

The Hawks are 15th in the latest RPI, the highest ranking of the five Atlantic 10 teams in the top 32. Having won 12 of their last 14 games with both losses to Temple, it seems the Hawks are a sure bet for the NCAA field.

"We may not be in and that's the party line and I like that," Martelli said. "This is a really special week but we have to continue to play the way that made us successful and that's very unselfish and very aggressive defensively."

Kansas (27-1) was again the runaway choice of the national media panel, receiving 68 first-place votes and 1,748 points to hold the No. 1 spot for the 13th consecutive week.

Minnesota (24-2) held the school's highest ranking for the second week in a row with two No. 1 votes and 1,658 points. Kentucky (26-3) won two road games last week to stay third.

Utah and Wake Forest switched places at fourth and fifth, and the Top Ten was rounded out by South Carolina, Duke, North Carolina, Cincinnati and UCLA.

New Mexico led the Second Ten and was followed by Clemson, Iowa State, Xavier, Arizona, Maryland, Louisville, Villanova, Colorado and College of Charleston.

The last five teams were Illinois, Indiana, St. Joseph's, Michigan and Stanford.

North Carolina, which beat Wake Forest and Maryland last week, and UCLA, which beat Duke on Sunday, both returned to the Top Ten for the first time since the first poll of the regular season.

In the women's top 25 poll, Connecticut made it 10 straight weeks at No. 1, and Purdue arose from the mess left by the Lin Dunn firing to make the Top 25 for the first time this season.

With 38 of 42 first-place votes from a national media panel, Connecticut (26-0) remained an overwhelming choice for the top spot and appears to be a lock for a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

The Huskies' 67-54 victory over Villanova on Saturday was their closest game in the Big East this season. They finish the regular season at Syracuse on Wednesday, then have the Big East tournament on their own floor.

Old Dominion (26-1), a winner of 25 straight, remained second, and Stanford (27-1) held on at No. 3.

Purdue (16-9) was the only newcomer, making the poll at No. 24 after beating Illinois on Sunday to gain a share of the Big Ten championship with the Illini and Michigan State.

No. 4 Georgia and No. 5 North Carolina traded places, as did No. 6 Louisiana Tech and No. 7 Alabama. Tennessee remained eighth, LSU jumped four places to ninth and Florida stayed at No. 10.

AP Laserphoto

McArthur Court, the 71-year-old basketball arena at the University of Oregon, could soon be just a memory for the 10,000 fans that it seats.

End finally in sight for oldest campus arena

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — When it's packed with rowdy fans, 71-year-old McArthur Court is a noisy shrine to college basketball and a nightmare for visiting teams.

When it's empty, it's just a homely gray gym far past its prime.

"From the outside, it has to be the ugliest building in America," Oregon coach Jerry Green says.

Built in 1926 and named for the university's first student-body president, McArthur Court is the oldest on-campus basketball arena still in use in the United States. More than 10,000 people can be crammed inside, all of them virtually on top of the court.

Most of the seats are stacked in three balconies, reachable only by narrow wooden stairways. The very top balcony has just three rows of seats.

"People in the top balcony have to walk down three flights of stairs just to go to the restroom. But once people are in their seats and making noise, it's a sight to behold," Oregon athletic director Bill Moos said.

The hysterical environment has been known to cause visiting teams to play poorly. When Jim Harrick was at UCLA, he seemed perpetually on the verge of a nervous breakdown in the intimidating din. Another UCLA coach, Gene Bartow, referred to the rowdy fans at Mac Court as "deranged idiots."

In a home game several years ago against Stanford, the fans' stomping shook the backboard so hard that a crucial free throw bounced off the pulsating rim.

The seats nearest the court go to students, who can taunt opposing players from a few feet, sometimes a few inches, away. This year, there have been allegations that fans spat on Washington women's coach June Daugherty and hurled racial insults at UCLA players after Oregon upset the Bruins.

To protest the behavior of some of their schoolmates, student leaders roped off a section of wooden bleachers beneath one basket for last week's game against Arizona. After the Ducks upset the Wildcats, students rushed the court anyway. Green joined them, was hoisted onto students' shoulders and pumped his fist in triumph.

It's all part of the storied legacy of the place affectionately known by locals as "The Pit."

But not even Mac Court lasts forever. Moos said that once an indoor football practice facility is completed, the next big project will be a new arena.

"The years of putting 10,000 people into that structure are fast coming to an end," he said. "We realize that we're going to do something. A new arena is on the horizon."

Arizona coach Lute Olson, who became the Pit's latest upset victim last week when the Wildcats lost to the Ducks 78-72, understands the love-hate relationship that Green has with Mac Court. When Olson was at Iowa, his team played in a fieldhouse built in 1927.

"I made the statement then that let's build a new place to recruit to, and then play games in the old fieldhouse," he said, "because the homecourt advantage on game night is unbelievable. But then try to bring a recruit in when there's not a crowd and the game action and tell them this is better than Pauley Pavilion. There's no question it's a real deterrent when it comes to the recruiting end of it."

Guard play best aspect of Big 12 men's teams

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — If guard play were the selection committee's only interest, the Big 12 would place 9 or 10 teams in the NCAA tournament.

Athletes like Chauncey Billups, Jacque Vaughn, Tyronn Lue and Reggie Freeman — to name a few — make the Big 12 the most guard-rich league in the country, many coaches believe.

"Some are literally carrying their teams," said Texas' Tom Penders, who has Freeman averaging better than 21 points a game.

"That little kid at Nebraska (Lue) is a great point guard," Penders said. "He's one of the elite point guards in the country, yet you don't ever hear about him. Freeman is a great all-around player. Without him, we'd probably be 4-20."

The main reason Colorado is ranked among the nation's elite teams and headed for its first NCAA tournament bid in almost two decades is Billups. The 6-foot-3 point guard is averaging almost 22 points and five assists and ranks third in the Big 12 in steals.

"Chauncey Billups is probably an NBA pick because of his ability to score and play defense," said Texas A&M coach Tony Barone. "They are not simply specialists. I think this league has the old-time guards. They're not just point guards or off-guards. They can play both positions. I'd have to really look to see if any other league in this country comes even close to the guards in this league."

Naturally, in a league that's loaded at one position, some of the best hardly get noticed.

"Jacy Holloway is one of most underrated players in the country," Nebraska coach Danny Nee said of Iowa State's 6-0 senior point guard, who leads the Big 12 with 87 assists. "He's magnificent at what he does."

Of course, Nee is partial toward his own super-quick Lue.

"He's been the focal point of everybody's defense," Nee said. "I think he is an all-conference player. He can score. He can defend. He can pass. His speed can break down defenses, buckle their ankles and get penetration."

"If you're going to take any conference in America, I'm not sure the Big 12 doesn't have as many quality guards as any conference in America," said Oklahoma State's Eddie Sutton. "When you put together an all-star team, it's hard not to put a bunch of them on there."

By the same token, most coaches feel it ought to be hard for the selection committee not to put a bunch of Big 12 teams into the NCAA tournament. Last season, five Big Eight teams went into the tournament in the final year of that conference.

No. 1 Kansas, No. 13 Iowa State and No. 19 Colorado are all a cinch to get bids. Texas and Texas Tech, which were both ranked earlier in the season, also could be in good shape. But most coaches think at least six Big 12 schools out to get bids.

"I hope that we have a number that would exceed what we had in the Big Eight," said Missouri coach Norm Stewart. "We picked up four teams (Texas, Texas Tech, Baylor, Texas A&M). Two or three of those teams are playing very well and have got a number of wins."

Completing his 30th season at Missouri, Stewart was the dean of Big Eight coaches and is now the dean of Big 12 coaches. He's never been one to hide his opinion of how the conference was being marketed.

"This league has always, I think, done the best job of downgrading itself, if you will, of any league in the country. That's one thing we've done a great job of. We've got outstanding teams ... we've got some of the best players in the country. I hope the number selected for the NCAA exceeds the number we were getting with just eight teams."

Teams making up girls state tournament include six from last year

AUSTIN (AP) — It's deja vu for six teams in the field for this year's state girls' basketball tournament.

None of last year's five state champions qualified for this year's University Interscholastic League tournament, but six teams from the 1996 field return this week.

Heading that list is Alief Elsik (36-1) in Class 5A. Elsik has only two starters back from last year's team, but it still managed to become the first team to win consecutive Region III championships since Houston Yates took five straight from 1982 to 1986.

Also returning in Class 4A are Cedar Hill, which lost to Canyon, 60-34, in last year's final, and Waco Midway. Cedar Hill edged Waco Midway, 52-51, in the semifinals a year ago.

Gunter and Poth, which both lost to 2A champion Ozona in 1996 return and will play in the 2A semifinals on Friday.

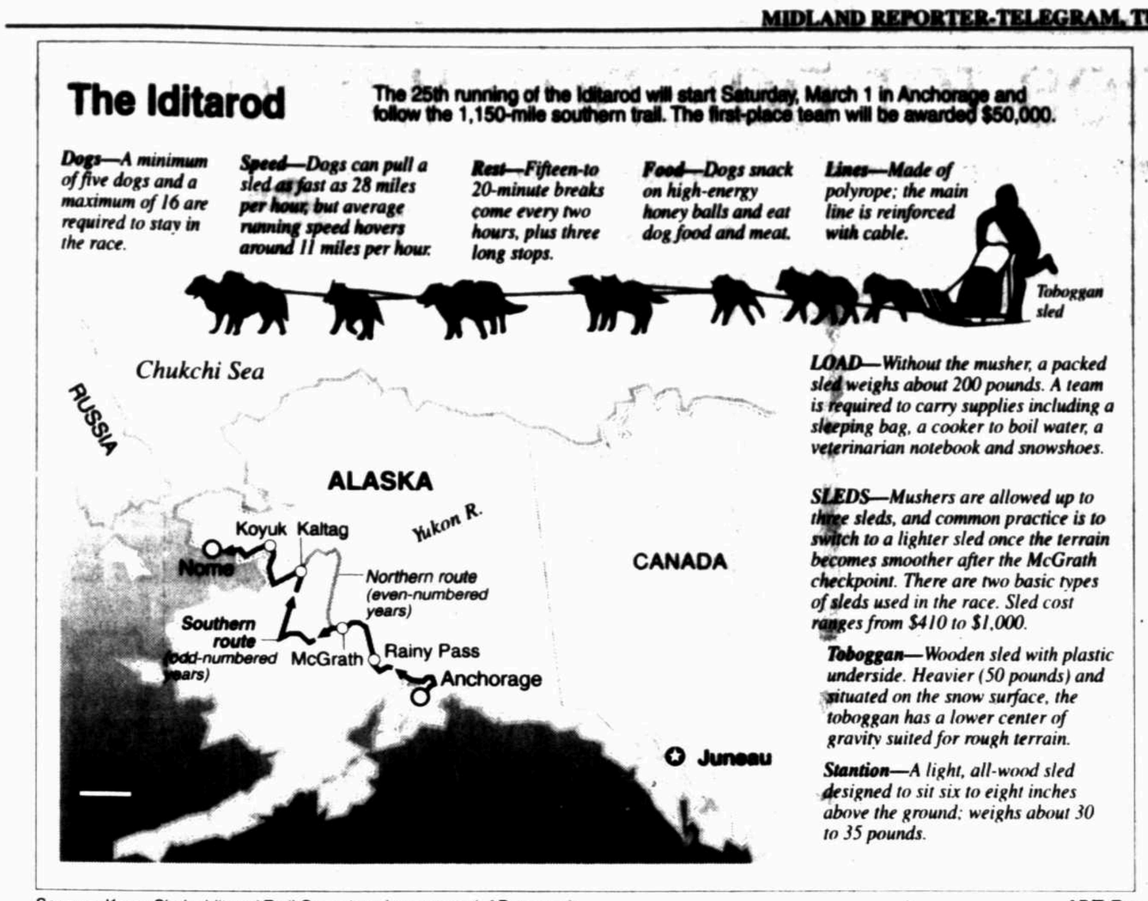
Celeste, which lost to Nazareth, 43-30, in last year's finals, is the only returning Class 1A team.

The 20 qualifying teams in the 1997 tournament field have combined for24 previous state championships. They are led by Class 4A's Waco Midway and Levelland, with six each, and Class 5A's Duncanville with four.

Class 3A Barbers Hill and 1A Celeste have won two each, while 5A Longview, 3A Dripping Springs, 2A Winnie East Chambers and 1A Henrietta-Midway have one title apiece.

Duncanville is making its record 18th appearance at the state tournament.

Play begins Thursday morning at the University of Texas Frank Erwin Center, with finals on Saturday.



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Soccer players union to stage exhibition

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Diego Maradona, president of the recently formed soccer players' association, said Monday his group will play an exhibition game in April in Barcelona to publicize the union.

The Argentine soccer star spearheaded the creation of the International Association of Football Professionals in response to player dissatisfaction with FIFA, the sport's international governing body.

Maradona said the union's membership is growing and he expects FIFA to eventually accept the Paris-based association as part of the sport.

"We have our rights and we'll defend them," Maradona said.

The April 27 game will be held in Barcelona's Olympic Stadium. Maradona says he will play, and the names of other participants will be "very agreeable for the public."

"This match will be the league's official presentation," Maradona said.

West Texas Sports

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland High Softball Booster Club** will meet the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in conference room A. The public is welcome to attend...

The **Midland Lee Softball Booster Club** is meeting March 6 at 7 p.m. at the cafeteria. The public is welcome to attend...

The **Midland High boys and girls soccer booster club** will meet next on March 3 at 7 p.m. at MHS. The meeting was changed from its regular second Monday of the month date because of spring break...

Coaches Luncheon for the Chap Athletic Club will take place on **Feb. 26. The Luncheon allows** coaches to interact with club members and will take place from noon to 1 p.m. at the Roadrunner Room in Midland College's Scharbauer Center...

Skiing...

The **Flatlanders Ski Club** has current plans for trips to Taos, N.M. (Feb. 28-March 2) and Sugarloaf, Maine (March 8-15). Other club activities include rafting and golfing events. For more information, call Donna at 550-5665 or Sam at 580-7600...

Basketball...

The **March Madness Three-on-Three basketball tournament** is scheduled for March 1 at Crane High School. There are two divisions of competition, Division I for players ages19-30 and Division II for ages 31 and up. There is a $45 entry fee for a team of four. Deadline in Feb. 26. For more information, call 558-2621...

The **AAU Girls 12-Under tryouts** for the West Texas Stars will begin March 19 at 5:45 p.m. at Abell Junior High. Girls who are 12 or turned 13 after Jan. 1, 1997 are eligible to tryout. Ten Players will be selected. Call Mike Hinsley at 697-3018 for more details...

The **"Three for All" 3-on-3 national tour** will stop in Abilene on April 5-6. The tournament will be held on Cypress Street between 5th and 6th streets. It is open to male and female participants eight years of age and older...

Tennis...

The **USTA adult season** runs from April 15-June 1. **MXD season** is from May-July. For more information call Juannell Fort at 686-0277 or Lance Armstrong at 687-4046...

The Midland College Tennis Center is offering **individual and group lessons** for all ages. Call Toby at 687-4046 for information...

The Green Tree Country Club is conducting **tennis clinics** from Feb. 25-March 28 during Spring Session I. The clinics are for pee wee, beginner, advanced beginner, advanced intermediate, championship and spring break competitive edge levels of play. There is a limit of 16 students per class. For more information, call Mike or David at 697-7806...

The Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club is offering **junior, pee wee and adult tennis programs** starting March 3. Deadline is March 2. For information call Luiz at 683-5360...

Bicycling...

The **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets every third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Coors Hospitality room. For more information, please call 697-0248 or Peyton's Bike Store at 699-1718...

Softball...

The **Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association** is now recruiting any interested individuals wishing to umpire slow and fastpitch softball this spring and summer. For further information please contact Howard King at 684-7595, Joe Guerra at 686-8445 or Freddie Ezell...

The inaugural **Midland Softball Sandblaster Tournament** is scheduled for March 15-16. Entry fee is $110. for more information, call 683-8741, 694-5508 or 689-6978...

Sweetwater's NCMSA Rattlesnake Classic softball tournament is March 8-9. Entry fee is $110. Entry deadline is March 4. For information call Danny Escobar at 1-915-235-9202...

The **12th Annual Merchants /TPC Spring Classic Men's Softball Tournament** will be held in Andrews on March 14-16. There is a $110 fee and the tournament is limited to the first 16 paid teams. Call Marvin (915-523-3014), Steve (915-5236031) or Mike (915-3535-2212), for more details...

MUGS is looking for fastpitch umpires for league play which begins April 14. Anyone 16 or older is eligible to participate. The first meeting will be in the umpire building of the Bill Williams Complex at Hogan Park on March 12 at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Mack Gipson at 520-5961...

The **Sox Softball Club Tournament** is scheduled for March 7-9 in Crane. There is a 15 team limit with a $110 entry fee. For more information, call Rusty Corley at 558-3463, Gordon Tindol at 580-5878 or Tony Rice at 368-4566...

The **Steamroller March Madness Season Opener Drillers Softball Tournament** is March 8-9 at Mackenzie Park in Lubbock. Entry fee is $110. Call Mike Allen at (806) 797-0073 for more information...

Baseball...

The **Midland Junior Baseball Association sign-ups** continue until March 1 at Stadium Sports, across the street from Memorial Stadium, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Sign-ups include T-Ball (ages 5-6), Machine Pitch (8-9), Texas League (9-10), American League (11-12), National League (10-12), Juniors (13), Seniors (14-15) and Big League (16-18). Call Bill Rigney at 687-3133 for information...

Golf...

McCamey Country Club will host a 2-person 18-hole select shot tournament March 15 for $35 per person; a 1-person 18-hole scramble on April 12 at $25; a 4-lady 18-hole select shot tournament on April 19 for $35 per person and lunch included after play; and the Charlie Shepard Memorial 2-man low ball event is May 17-18 for $130 per team. Call 1-915-652-8904 for more information...

The **University of Texas Longhorn Golf Tournament** with coaches and U.T. staff representatives such as football coach John Mackovic, basketball coach Tom Penders, women's basketball coach Jody Conradt and athletic director DeLoss Dodds. It will be held April 15 at Mission Dorado Golf Course. For more information call Dr. Frank Kasman at 520-0220 or 1-800-942-6926...

Hogan Park Golf Course is holding a two-person tournament on March 8 with tee times starting at 10 a.m. The format is over 27 holes, with a nine-hole scramble, nine-hole low ball and nine-hole alternate shot. The entry fee is $40. Players put together their own two-man teams and partners handicaps must be within six strokes of each other. Entries are limited to the first 40 paid teams. All players must have established USGA handicap. Entry deadline is March 5 at 6 p.m. Entry forms are available at Hogan Park Golf Shop. Pairings for tee times will be made by Hogan Park staff...

The **12th annual Spring Trans-Pecos SPE Scholarship Tournament** is April 14 at the Midland Country Club. The tournament is a four-man scramble with shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. The entry fee is $320 per team by April 9, $400 afterward. Each team consists of an A, B, C and D player. For more information, call Fran Johnson, Shanna Guevara or Al Sutton at 682-4305 or 683-0260...

Soccer...

The **Midland Soccer Association Adult Registration** is going on through March 21. The fee is $44 and can be paid from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 1909 W. Wall, Suite N. For further information, call 528-2890 and leave a message or call MSA at 684-5425...

Texas Christian University will be the site of a **No. 1 Goalkeeper Camp and a No. 1 Striker Camp** June 1-6 or June 7-12. Camp is available for beginner, intermediate and advanced players. Call 1-800-MACHNIK or (203) 483-9839, e-mail at no1camps@snet.net or check the Website at www.no1soccercamps.com for more information...

Cheerleading...

A **cheerleading clinic** sponsored by the Midland High Cheerleaders with criteria established by the Greater Midland Football League will be conducted at the MHS gym from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. March 1-2. Prices, which include both sessions, are $25 for early registration and $35 at the door. It is open to students in the third through fifth grades and will prepare them for GMFL cheerleading tryouts. Call 685-3438 for more information...

Running...

The **Big Spring State Park Fun Run Fundraiser**, including 5K and 10K races, is set for April 19 at 8 a.m. Cost is $5 per person. There is also a park entrance fee of $2 per person ages 13 and up with exception to Texas Conservation Passport and Parkland Pass holders. Call 263-4931 for more information...

Track and field...

The **West Texas Christian Track Meet** is May 10 at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Opening ceremonies are at 7:45 a.m. and events, including running long jump, softball throw and races and relays of several distances, begin at 8 a.m. Entry fee is $5 by April 18. Please call 563-9333 for more information...

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110 Lodge Notices

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Breakfast 7:30 am.
Rusty Hill, W.M.
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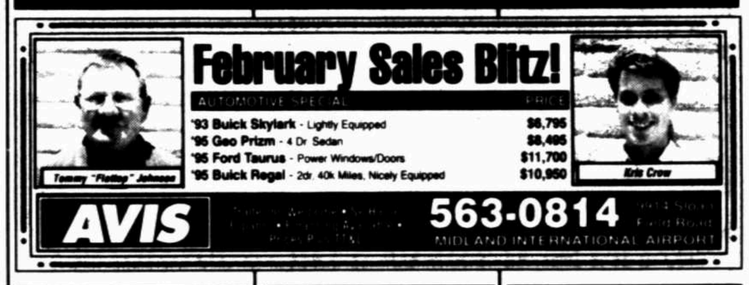

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Midland Shrine Club
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150 Lost & Found

❤ $500 REWARD! Missing Cat. Grey Tabby female cat, 5 months, declawed. totally short hair. Cessna/ Neely area. All shots. 520-3080.

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LOST: Burgundy color planner with large sum of money in Wal-Mart. Please contact (915)354-2275.

LOST: Female Sheltie. 5 Years old. Midkiff & Illinois area. Call (915)520-8853.

LOST: Teacup Poodle, white female, vicinity Versailles/ Midland Drive. Little boy is crying for his dog! Reward. Please call before 2:30 697-5619, after 6 520-3129.

LOST: GRAY MINIATURE Schnauzer, male, wearing light blue collar, Grasslands area. Please call 694-6312.

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FOUND: Zippered briefcase on Midkiff Road, Feb. 20. To identify- 697-6881, leave message.

Maxine Archie

FOUND: Domestic long hair neutered male adult black and white cat. Also- domestic short hair black and white female (possibly spayed) declawed cat. Call Midland Animal Control, 685-7420.

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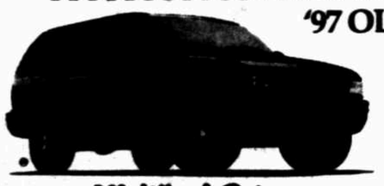

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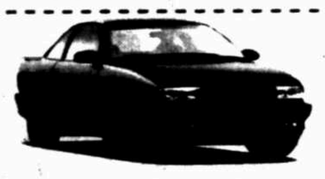

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Students interested in getting out service cards to people you know on Saturdays this winter & spring, report to the Firestone Store, 709 North Big Spring AT 6:30 pm SHARP FRIDAY EVENING FEB. 28th ONLY. You will be at the store 30 minutes. Paid Daily. Bring your friends. NO PHONE CALLS. Bring a pencil.

EVERYONE APPLYING WILL BE HIRED

Carlos Dusek

CASHIERS with experience to work part time. Apply in person at 2210 N. Big Springs, Midland, Texas.

CHILD CARE. Responsible loving Christians are needed to care for young children in the church nursery program at F. P. C. Must be over 18, previous nursery experience a plus. Part time hours, includes primarily Sunday mornings, also weekdays and evenings. Contact First Presbyterian Church (915)684-7821.

DELIVERY. Dependable car, good driving record. Delivering Tuesday through Friday. Call (915)520-0090.

DOZER/ MAINTAINER Operators- oil field experienced. Please call H & M Dirt Contractors Inc. in Post, Texas (806)495-3293, ask for Jack or Mike.

DRIVER- LOCAL FUEL And Lubricants distributor is in need of a full- time driver. Responsibilities include deliveries and warehouse duties. Must have a CDL with all endorsements.
11501 Co. Rd. 125 West
Midland, TX
563-0848

INVENTORY ANALYST

We are a leading supplier of electrical submersible pumping systems experiencing worldwide growth and have an opening for an Inventory Analyst in our Midland, TX location. Qualified candidates must have knowledge and experience to quickly identify inventory requirements in a formal planning system. Must be well versed in MRP, DRP and order points. Be very familiar with forecasting, planning, and ordering of inventory in a multi-million dollar environment. Be proactive and possess good communication and human relation skills. Candidate must effectively function as a team player. The qualified candidate will be key in the guidance, motivation, training and development of personnel in customer service, inventory and production control, as well as interface with management. Minimum 5 years experience required.

We offer an attractive benefits and pay package.

Interested and qualified candidates should mail or fax resume with salary history to:

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Fax: (915) 694-9512

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FINA

Fina Oil and Chemical Company, a Fortune 500 Energy corporation is currently recruiting to fill two engineering vacancies for our West Texas oil and gas operation.

The position of **Development Engineer** would be located in our North Houston office. The successful applicant will be responsible for the design and implementation of all phases of development plans for our West Texas properties. Primary duties include waterflood and EOR project evaluation and management, economics and reserve evaluation and exploration support.

The position of **Operations Engineer** would be located in our Midland office. The successful applicant will be responsible for the design and implementation of all phases of well operations, including drilling, completions, workover, production and performance monitoring. In addition this individual would be responsible for the engineering design, installation, operation, and improvement of all lease and well facilities. This includes artificial lift, separation, water and CO2 injection and gas compression equipment.

The key qualifications are identified below for each position:

DEVELOPMENT ENGINEER - HOUSTON

- B.S. Degree in Engineering (Petroleum preferred)
- Minimum of 5 years of experience with a concentration in Reservoir Engineering
- Experience with San Andres and Clearfork reservoirs
- Proven problem solver and analytical thinker
- Excellent computer skills (MS Office, economics, analytical and database applications)
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Results oriented team player
- Additional experience with CO2 flooding, facilities and hydraulic fracturing a plus

OPERATIONS ENGINEER - MIDLAND

- B.S. Degree in Engineering (Petroleum preferred)
- Minimum of 8 years of well rounded experience in Permian Basin Secondary and Tertiary operations
- Proven problem solver and analytical thinker
- Excellent computer skills (MS Office, economics, analytical and database applications)
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Results oriented team player

Fina offers a professional environment with a competitive salary and benefits program. We provide a smoke-free work place and are committed to a drug-free work force. If you meet these qualifications forward confidential resume to: FINA OIL AND CHEMICAL COMPANY, P.O. Box 2990, Midland, TX 79702, Attn: Ms. Debbie Long. Fina is an equal opportunity employer.

Questa Software Systems

Local Oil and Gas Software development firm has the following career opportunities available:

SOFTWARE/CUSTOMER SUPPORT- Telephone support, some travel required. Strong Enertech Oil and Gas Accounting Systems experience highly desireable.

SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER/RECEPTIONIST- Must be self motivated. Strong bookkeeping and good organizational skills required. Enertech Oil and Gas Accounting Systems experience a plus.

Send resumes to:
Questa Software Systems
P.O. Box 50745, Midland, TX 79710
Contact Jean Junker for interview times at 687-2901.

PROGRAMMER

Independent, growing company seeking aggressive, self-starting person with background or experience in the following areas:

1) Programming in Visual Basic
2) Windows '95 and/or NT
3) Access and/or SQL
4) Client/Server

If you have experience in these areas and want to work in an exciting and challenging environment, please sent your resume to:

Box E-01006
c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram
P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

310 General Help Wanted

DRIVER/ MERCHANDISER- National magazine & book division has opening for full time in the area. $385 Per week. Fax resume (915)592-9116 or call (915)592-9190.

DRIVERS- Staying busy! Line haul, flatbed. Benefits available, guaranteed earnings. (800) 749-1181, 563-0464.

FIELD MECHANICS and truck mechanics needed. Many benefits. Salary DOE. EOE. Phone day 915-332-0721, night 915-366-1764.

FULL TIME assistant maintenance tech needed for fast paced apt. community. Must be a team player, goal oriented, flexible and energetic. Pre- employment Drug and Background Screening. E. O. E. Apply in person at Windtree Apts. 3500 W. Loop 250 N.

GENERAL

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS
Light Industrial workers
No experience necessary for these long-term jobs. Dedicated, hard workers can earn good pay. Never an applicant fee. Call or stop by between 12-4 this Sunday only or 8-5 Monday through Friday. Kelly Services, 689-9801, 6 Desta Drive, Suite 1260, ClayDesta Plaza.
An equal opportunity employer.

RESTAURANT. El Chico now taking applications for Servers, Busers & Dishwashers. No experience necessary. After 2 pm anytime. Wadley & Garfield.

310 General Help Wanted

GENERAL- Caring people to teach community living skills to person with developmental disabilities in a group home setting. Day and night positions available. Must have high school diploma and valid TX drivers license. Criminal history check required. Apply 2215 N. Big Spring, 9 am- 2 pm.

GENERAL- Premier Parking at Midland Terminal, now hiring. Must have valid Texas Drivers license. 18 years or older. Drug screen required. Apply in person.

HOTEL- La Quinta Inn is now accepting applications for front desk. No experience necessary. Must be available to start immediately and must be highly dependable. Apply in person: 4130 W. Wall, Midland.

LABORERS
Earn up to $500 Weekly
Long Distance Phone Co. is seeking people to service store front promotional box route.
1-800-354-7331

LINEN ROUTE Salesperson needed. Good driving record required. Honest, dependable. Apply in person only, Snowwhite Laundry & Cleaners, 303 S. Terrell.

PART TIME crew positions being filled now at Little Ceasar's Pizza. Please apply at either Midland location.

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SUN COUNTRY

310 General Help Wanted

MAINTENANCE POSITION Available. The Colorado River Municipal Water District has an immediate opening for a maintenance worker in our Martin County Crew based at our Martin County Pump Station located on FM 1212 approximately fourteen (14) miles West Northwest of Stanton. Company benefits include paid vacation, sick leave, retirement plan, group insurance, and paid holidays. The District is an equal opportunity employer. Applications are available at the District's office located at 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas, or call (915)267-6341.

MAKE READY- Saddle Club Apartments is seeking a full-time make ready technician. Excellent benefits and growth opportunity. E. E. O. C. Employer. Apply in person at 5101 North A Street.

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RESTAURANT- Now taking applications for all positions Monday through Thursday, 2-3:30 pm only. No phone calls please. Golden Corral, 4709 N. Midkiff.

MARKETING- Finance experience. National company has immediate opening for marketing representative. Must have finance experience, be willing to travel. Salary, expenses, opportunity for advancement. Apply Bidco Corporation, 312 E. 2nd, Odessa.

Marvin J. Dixon

OIL FIELD- Technical Service Representative. Need experienced full time Tech Service Representative to work in lab in oil field services. Position will consist of field surveys with oil field related lab assignments. Must be computer literate. Please send resumes and salary requirements to Box T-05009, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

OIL FIELD- Warehouse person needed for pipeline construction company. Minimum 3 years experience with computer skills. Excellent pay, benefits and 401K retirement plan offered. Call (505)394-2588.

OPTICIAN needed, with frame styling, edging, and dispensing experience. Mail resume to 2101 N. Midland Drive, #8, Midland, TX 79707. No Walk ins.

PART TIME Delivery Drivers! $6/ hour + tips! Flexible hours. Apply at either Little Caesar location.

PRINTING SALESMAN- Apply in person with Bob Sellars, Arrow Printing, 109 N. Hancock, Odessa.

PROFESSIONAL needed for Thrift Store. Part- time. Apply in person 304 S. Baird.

RESTAURANT MANAGER TRAINEE- $22K - $30K

$50K + in 2 + years. Texas Positions:

1-903-463-9690

RESTAURANT- Midland Country Club now taking applications; experienced fine dining wait servers and bus staff. Applications Tuesday-Thursday 2- 4 pm only. No calls please. 6101 North Highway 349, Midland.

RESTAURANT- Now accepting applications for all positions. Apply at Luby's Cafeteria between 8- 10 am only.

SALON. Lease station available Classic Hair Designs. 697-8900 ask for Terri Moss.

Sonja Kay Doss

STATION ATTENDANT- full time. Apply in person at Midland Drive 66, 4321 W. Illinois. No phone calls please.

310 General Help Wanted

WAREHOUSE PERSON. Partech seeks honest and hardworking individual for warehouse position. Knowledgeable of shipping and receiving operations. Forklift experience. Class "A" Commercial drivers license required. Apply at Partech, 4501 S. County Rd. 1310, Odessa, Texas 79765.

311 Medical Help Wanted

CERTIFIED NURSING Assistant- must be certified in the state of Texas. Good benefits. Make application to Manor Park, 2208 N. Loop 250 W., Midland, TX 79707 Attention: Donna Parker. EOE M/F

EMT'S- part time. Mitchell County Emergency Medical Service is accepting applications for 911 emergency service. For more information call (915) 728-3431 extension 351.

Faye Daily

Laura Edge

LVNS Needed- $2,288 monthly, plus benefit package. Apply at Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage St. Monday through Friday 8 -5.

PHYSICAL THERAPY Technician- full time position. Bilingual abilities, lifting required. Experienced-professional person with ability to learn new skills and work directly with patient population. Respond at Midland Physical Therapy, 301 Dodson.

THERAPISTS- PT, OT, ST needed for SNF in the Midland/ Odessa area, salary range 55-65K DOE. Fax resume to 702-849-1290 or call 800-869-0869.

312 Professional Help Wanted

OIL FIELD- SMALL aggressive independent is looking for Exploration Geologist. Must have West Texas and Southeast New Mexico experience. Must be a self starter, imaginative and familiar with Paragon or Geographics format. We offer a competitive salary, health insurance, ORRI and/ or a participation. Please send resume to: P. O. Box 2086, Midland, TX 79702.

DIRECTOR- City Of Lamesa has a position open for Director of Utilities. Requires a TNRCC "B" Water and "C" Wastewater certification with 5 years experience, prefer double "B" certification. Responsible for managing utility operations; planning, directing, operating and maintaining water and wastewater systems. Mail resume to City of Lamesa 601 S 1st, Lamesa, Texas 79331 (806-872-2124). EOE/ ADA

FINANCIAL MANAGER for small, growth oriented, independent oil and gas producer, Wichita, Kansas. Will have firsthand responsibility for financial reporting, gas processing and plant sales, taxes, insurance and employee benefits. Must be proficient in the utilization of computer accounting systems including supervision of JIB, revenue distribution, gas balancing and marketing. Work directly with CEO on corporate finance, budgets and economic forecasting. Send resume to Box T-05011, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

FURNITURE/ DECORATOR SALES

Career opportunity in interior design and sales. If you have excellent taste and sense of style, outstanding communications and selling skills, opportunities exist now to represent one of the nations finest home furnishings gallery in this area. Call Phillips Interiors at (915)335-0900 or 563-1776 for an appointment.

OIL FIELD SERVICE Company seeking individual for entry level Lab Analyst position. Required: science degree. Excellent medical, dental, and 401K benefits. EOE. Send resume to: Core Laboratories, 2001 Commerce Drive, Midland, TX 79703.

QMRP to develop and ensure implementation of program plan for people with mental retardation. Degree in human service and 1 year experience. Valid Texas drivers license required. Mail resume to: Rockhouse Inc., 2215 North Big Spring, Midland, TX 79701.

Kathryn Eglin

HALLIBURTON

COIL TUBING OPERATOR

Halliburton Energy Services, a major oil and gas service company, has an immediate opening for an experienced coil tubing operator to be located in Odessa, Texas. We currently seek a safety oriented person to operate coil tubing equipment and execute on site coil tubing services for our customers in the Permian Basin area. We offer strong growth potential, a challenging work environment, comprehensive benefits package and competitive salaries. The duties and skills include the following:

- Operate 30K and 60K Coil Tubing units
- Understand and exhibit customer service work ethic
- Work in a team environment with other experienced coil tubing operators
- Have 2 - 5 years experience in coil/reel tubing operations and services.
- Prepare and present on-site invoicing and paper work to customer.
- Have the understanding to interpret and enforce processes associated with job procedures, safety, and job improvement.

This position requires a self motivated leader with good verbal communication skills, good organizational skills and good leadership skills. Salary will be based on experience.

Halliburton Energy Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer, M,F,D,V. We support a drug free workplace through pre-employment chemical testing.

All resumes and salary requirements must be received no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday, March 5, 1997.

Resumes may be sent in confidence to:

HALLIBURTON ENERGY SERVICES
HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
4000 N. BIG SPRING, SUITE 200
MIDLAND, TX 79705

312 Professional Help Wanted

GEOLOGIST

Aggressive independent oil and gas company has immediate opening for experienced Exploration/Development Geologist in its Denver office with the following qualifications:
•8+ years industry experience, some experience with major oil company preferred (not required)
•5+ years Rocky Mountain experience
•Prospect generator

Fax or mail resume with salary requirements to:

BTA Oil Producers
555 17th Street, Suite 835
Denver, Colorado 80202
Fax: (303)297-0666
Attn: Anita Gutierrez

Jennifer Fierro

OIL FIELD- TDS, Inc. seeking Loggers & Geologist for TX, NM and LA. 888-380-9090

TRAVEL AGENT. Part- time or full- time. Sabre experience for busy, growing travel agency in Midland. Send resumes to Box D-3, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, PO Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES- Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits. (915) 686-9722.

CLERICAL- Openings for exp. Oil & Gas office personnel. Call OLSTEN today, 683-5677.

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Kelley May

LAND ASSISTANT- Small independent oil and gas company is looking for a land assistant with experience in secretarial work and handling of all phases of land operations. Send resumes to: LAND DEPARTMENT, P.O. BOX 2840, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79702. All resumes will held in confidence.

LEGAL SECRETARY

Position available for secretary in a small law firm who has knowledge of WordPerfect 6.1, general bookkeeping, land work, probate and corporate law. If you are interested in this position and its benefits, please send your resume, along with salary history to:

Box T-05005,
c/o Midland Reporter
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

Michael Hochman

PART TIME TELLER

Needed for client company. Bank and or credit union experience helpful. Good ten key and number skills required. Hours are 8-5, Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Work hours could vary between 24-40 hours per week. Pay is $6+ DOE. Bring resume and references to Fran. No Fee.

Temporary Resources
1601 W. Texas.

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

RECEPTIONIST- Sherry Owen, State Farm Insurance is expanding the office to include a entry level receptionist. Previous work experience, computer skills and two years college are a plus. Please present your resume in person at 2611B N. Midland Drive. Previous applicants will be considered.

SECRETARY needed for small non- smoking company who has an accurate typing speed of 75- 80 wpm, transcription, phones, filing, and light bookkeeping. Would prefer a candidate who is familiar with oil and gas leases, title opinions, land work, corporate and legal documents. Please send resume to Box T-05007, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SECRETARY- COMPUTER OPERATOR

Immediate opening for dependable individual with secretarial and organizational skills. Must be proficient with Word and Excel. Job will require extensive computer use. Excellent benefits and salary DOE. Send Resume and Salary Requirements to: P.O. Box 3579, Midland, TX 79702.

316 Sales Help Wanted

SALES REPRESENTATIVE Subscription Marketing

Easy to learn program canvassing homes to offer delivery of the Midland Reporter- Telegram. No newspaper delivery involved. All you need is an outgoing personality, an automobile, and a desire to earn $8 to $15 per hour. We will provide hands- on assistance to help you succeed! Call Mr. Irvin, 682-5311 or 1-800-542-3952.

INSURANCE. Career opportunity as a local representative for one of the nations largest insurance companies. No previous experience necessary, complete training program, earn while you learn. Benefits package, opportunity for advancement. Call Fred Cosper, American General Life & Accident Insurance Company, (915) 563-1055. Equal Opportunity Employer. M /F /H /V.

318 Management Help Wanted

Dreyfus Carter

MANAGER NEEDED Marble Slab Creamery. Prior management experience necessary. Good salary plus benefits. Apply in person, located in Midland Park Mall.

SALES- EXPERIENCED SALES person with established contacts in either oil industry or water utility business needed for expanding electronics and automation company. Must be computer literate. Fax resume to: (210) 824-5096.

Tasha O'Neal

Virginia Stoner

320 Skilled Trades

MACHINIST WANTED

Experienced engine & VTL operators able to read & work from Blue Print. Good benefits & working condition. Salary DOE. Apply at 11500 W. Hwy. 80, Midland, TX 79711.

AIR CONDITIONING Technicians, Plumbers, Electricians wanted. Part or full-time. Terms, incenitives, bonuses available. 682-3542.

APARTMENT- EXPERIENCED Maintenace Staff needed. Apply in person 5244 W. Loop 250 North. No phone calls please.

320 Skilled Trades

D.A. Eiband

DOZER & Maintainer Operator needed. Must be experienced. Call (915)682-7548.

FULL TIME Maintenance person. Only AC Certified need apply. No phone calls. Apply in person 3212 W. Wadley.

Jack G. Irion

LICENSED PLUMBER Experienced in commercial and new construction. Apply at Permian Air Conditioning, 311 W. 42nd, Odessa.

MACHINISTS NEEDED

Engine Lathe Operator, CNC Operator (minimum 2 years experience) Must be able to read blue prints, must have own tools. Benefits include: paid vacation, uniforms, holidays and medical insurance. Salary DOE 686–0405.

OIL FIELD Service Truck Driver wanted. Minimum 2 years experience moving & setting pumping units and pumping unit repair. Must have class A CDL and pass drug test. Experienced only need apply. Call 682-2217.

SERVICE TECHNICIAN. Experieced telephone technician with voice mail experience. Call 570-4279.

330 Employment Wanted

9 YEARS EXPERIENCED- A/P, AR, JIB, RD, G/L, Payroll, 401-K. Reply: Box T-05008, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Trena Simmons

335 Adult Care Needed

Lorrie Jansen

John Valdala

336 Adult Care Providers

IS YOUR Loved one getting the care they deserve? If not, call me. I have 3 beds to fill at my private & loving home. Several years experience in caring for the sick & elderly. 3 Home cooked meals & snacks. Transportation to stores, doctors, etc. Comparable rates. 520-7639.

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340 Child Care Needed

Gustavo G. Salinas

BABYSITTER wanted for Monday through Friday, until late evenings. Bilingual preferred. (915)689-9916. Beeper 499-6331.

CHILD CARE needed in my home. 3 days per week, references required. Please call 520-8311 or 580-8280.

PART TIME Childcare in our home. Some morning availability a must for twin 3 month olds. Non- smoker preferred. References required. 683-2773.

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Daisy Flores

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Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.

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400 Auctions

Roe Garrett

Nancy J Davidson

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PUBLIC AUCTION Every Monday 7 PM. 601 S. Terrell. All consignments are welcomed. Mobile #553-9179. Toby Engle lic. #11918.

410 Misc. Sales

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SATELLITE for sale. Asking $2,800 or will negotiate for best offer. Call 915-573-2226 or 570-5236.

GAS HEATERS, mowers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, washers, dryers, furniture, couches, recliners, dining/ suites., TVs. 570–4851.

7 DAYS, 6 Nights Grand Bahama Cruise plus 4 day/ 3 night Orlando. Meals & lodging included. No air. $400. (915)694-8159.

COMPLETE TWIN Bed. $65. Duncan Phyfe drop leaf table, 6 chairs, $425. White desk & chair, $75. Dooney & Burke purse, cost $450, asking $200. 5 pair 8 1/2 Colehaan men's loafers, $20/ pair. 362-2746.

SAFE- heavy duty, combination, approximately 12 x 12 x 14. Excellent condition. $250. Call 8- 5, 682-1761.

INDIAN ARTIFACTS. Arrowheads, spears, knives, axes, etc. Call after 5 pm, ask for Steve, (505) 394-2883.

CHINA CABINET. Very nice, $400. 8 Place settings Haviland china plus serving peices, $300. 2 Nice endtables, $25 each. 694-3601.

BATTERY POWERED Wheel Chair, $2,000. Manual wheel chair $250. Call 366-6316.

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★BIBLE TALK: "What Music are Christians Authorized to Offer in Worship?" 520-0381. Free recorded message.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINE ticket round trip, $300. Call 682-8261 or 682-0793.

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Albert Ibarra

USED CARPET, room size 13x16, brown tones, $50 or best offer. 683-9478, 570-9325.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

Nancy Jumper

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Octavio Valenzuela

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590 Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

On February 11, 1997, there was tendered for filing with the FCC in Washington, DC an application for assignment of the license of Station KBAT, 93.3 MHz, Midland, Texas from KWEL, Inc. to New Frontier Communications, Inc. The sole owner and principal of KWEL, Inc. is Bob Hicks. The officers, directors and stockholders of New Frontier Communications, Inc. are Tommy Vascocu, Michael Owns, Sonja Erskine, Larry Daniels, Robert Podolsky, and Alan Edgar Owens. A Copy of the application, amendments and related materials are on file for public inspection at 3306 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas.

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 0.000 km of replacement of guide signs at various locations district wide on interstate covered by IM 20-1(132)000 in Ector County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., March 12, 1997, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

This contract is subject to all appropriate Federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award. Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Russell Whitworth, Area Engineer, Pecos, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Local Employee Committee for the State Employee Charitable Campaign will begin accepting applications beginning on February 25, 1997 from health and human service organizations desiring to be the Local Campaign Manager for the 1997 Odessa/ Midland State Employee Charitable Campaign. Agencies desiring to apply should contact (915) 332-0941 for an application. All applications must be received by the Local Employee Committee at the Local Campaign Manager Office, 128 East Second, Odessa, TX no later than 5:00 pm, March 11, 1997.
#285

PUBLIC NOTICE

On February 11, 1997, there was tendered for filing with the FCC in Washington, DC an application for assignment of the license of Station KQIP, 96.9 MHz, Midland, Texas from KWEL, Inc. to ICA Media I, Inc. The sole owner and principal of KWEL, Inc. is Bob Hicks. The officers, directors and stockholders of ICA Media I, Inc. are Investment Corporation of America, Ed Lasater, John Bushman, John Nichols, Sherry Ingram, and Joyce Snedegar. Investment Corporation of America is owned by C&J Revocable Trust and Ed Lasater. The officers and directors of Investment Corporation of America are John Bushman, Robert Vaughn, Sherry Ingram, and Carol Bushman. C&J Revocable Trust is controlled by Carol and John Bushman, Trustees. A copy of the application, amendments and related materials are on file for public inspection at 3306 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The Texas General Land Office, the School Land Board, and the Board for Lease of the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice will hold a sealed bid Oil and Gas Lease Sale for Permanent School Fund Lands and agency lands at the General Land Office in Austin, Texas on April 1, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. For a list of lands to be offered call (512)475-1512, or write to Mineral Leasing, Rm. 600, 1700 N. Congress, Austin, TX 78701-1495.

590 Legal Notices

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#284

595 Public Notices

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that A.B.L.E. Center for Independent Living is seeking financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Section 5310 grant program. Grant funds will be used to purchase a lift-equipped van to transport persons with disabilities to and from home to the A.B.L.E. Center for independent Living located at 208 W. 23rd. Street, Odessa, Texas, for the purpose of participation in the services and activities offered at the A.B.L.E. Center. Copies of the grant proposal are available for inspection by the public at 208 W. 23rd. Street, Odessa, Texas.

If requested in writing by March 18, 1997, a public hearing will b held by A.B.L.E. Center for Independent Living at 208 W. 23rd. Street on March 21, 1997 at 5:30 p.m. to accept comments on the proposed initiation of elderly and disabled transportation services within a twenty miles radius of A.B.L.E. Center, Odessa, Ector County, Texas. Written comments on the proposed project may be submitted to A.B.L.E. Center, Odessa, Texas 79761 prior to March 28, 1997.

Jeri Kounce
Executive Director

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$195 - 1 Bedroom
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625 Houses Unfurnished

NICE 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 garage. $525 monthly. Available March 1st. Agent 694–9853.

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NORTH of Friendly Pontiac; 2 bedroom, 1 bath, some carpet, carport, trees. No pets please. Call 682–0706.

SEVERAL nice homes & townhomes, $200-$900. Jeannie Printz, Agent 684-8202.

2 BEDROOM upstairs duplex. Small yard. Refrigerator, stove furnished. $375 monthly, $375 deposit. Call 694–7168.

4614 W. STOREY. 3 Bedroom. $525 monthly, deposit required. Call (915)683-5161 or (915)687-3413.

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath, large gameroom, 3 car carport, 2 story barn, 3 horse stalls fenced. Refrigerator, dishwasher, disposal, washer, dryer, central air/ heat. 1 1/2 acre country living in city limits/ Melody Acres. Bring your horse! $1,200 plus deposit.520-5157.

Anthony Quigley

711 DORMARD. $725 Monthly, $725 deposit. Appointment only. Available March 15th. Owner/ Agent, 685-3380.

2 BEDROOM, den, central heat/ air, washer, dryer connections. $475 monthly, $200 deposit. 694-0849.

WONDERFUL WALLACE Patio townhome. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, excellent condition. Large kitchen & breakfast, lots of storage. All bedrooms roomy. Light & bright. 1 Year minimum lease at $1,300. 689–3920 or 686-2057.

3 BEDROOM, 1 3/4 bath, 2 story duplex. Fireplace, washer and dryer connections, private backyard, covered carport. Water paid. 4245 Siesta. $600 per month. 694-2811.

FOR LEASE: Attractive home. 5201 Ric. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 garage. $695 monthly, $350 deposit. Contact Tammy Edwards, Agent with Wiley Brown Real Estate (915)520-7719 or Cindy Brown, Broker with Realty Unlimited, (915)550-9706.

NICE 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse with 2 car garage, $675. Available March 15th at 3513 Andrews Highway. Call 520-8630.

FOR LEASE: Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace, fans, small yard. All electric, energy efficient. $650 Plus deposit. 694-8714.

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Patricia Lenford

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NEWLY CONSTRUCTED Duplex. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. $700 monthly, $300 deposit. (915)683-5497.

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3 BEDROOM, 2 car garage house for lease. 333 Rocky Lane. $650 per month, 550-6412.

4 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath. Clean, central heat, fresh paint. $475 monthly, $200 deposit. 687-1214.

3611 APACHE- North of Thomason- 3 Bedrooms, 1 1/2 Baths. $500 monthly. Call Roy Proctor, Owner- Broker, Associate Langston Realtors, 685-4141.

635 Condo Townhome Furn.

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640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

FAIRGATE Townhomes- 4400 Fairgate Drive. 2 & 3 Bedrooms 12 and 6 month leases. $700 & up. 1,600 sq. ft. Approx. All appliances furnished, fireplaces, garage. Northwest side. 697-9566.

TOWNHOMES/ Apartments 1 bedroom $265 and up, 2 bedroom $530 and up. Garage washer/ dryer, pool, ceiling fans. 689–8115.

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1 & 2 BEDROOM Dens, 1,007 to 1,391 sq. ft. Garage, washer- dryer connections, pool, ceiling fans. 689–8116.

2 BEDROOMS, 2 1/2 BATH. 1340 sq. ft. -1651 sq. ft. 2 car garage, washer/ dryer connections, microwave, ceiling fans. $650/ up. 697–9768.

NEW Listings

OFFERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON **MARCH 5th 1997**

HOMES FOR SALE

VA OFFER ACCEPTANCE STATUS HOTLINE 1-800-827-1000
Information is available after 3:00 p.m. each Thursday and all day Friday ONLY.
PMH NUMBER IS REQUIRED. The current Cash Equivalent Factor (CEV) to be shown in Item 3-D of the VA Form 26-6705C (Addendum To Offer To Purchase and Contract of Sale) is 98%.
INTEREST RATE 7¼% (8% APR)

OWNER OCCUPANTS NO DOWN PAYMENT - INVESTORS 10% CASH DOWN PAYMENT

PMH #	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	PRICE	BED/BATH/GARAGE	REQUIRED STATEMENTS
602484	510 BROWNWOOD	MIDLAND	79703	$49,000	3/2.0/2	SR 2
536715	3401 W. LOUISIANA	MIDLAND	79703	$46,000	4/2.0/0	SR 2 LBP IS
603168	3312 EDGEMEONT	MIDLAND	79707	$89,000	3/2.0/2	SR 2

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655 Mobile Homes Unfurnished

2 BEDROOM Mobile home. Partly furnished. Nice & clean! Water & garbage provided. $250 month plus deposit. (915)683-8508.

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Cory Richards

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Between Midland & Int'l Airport
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665 Bus. Prop./ Office Rentals

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Gar. .....Garage
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Cond. .....Condition
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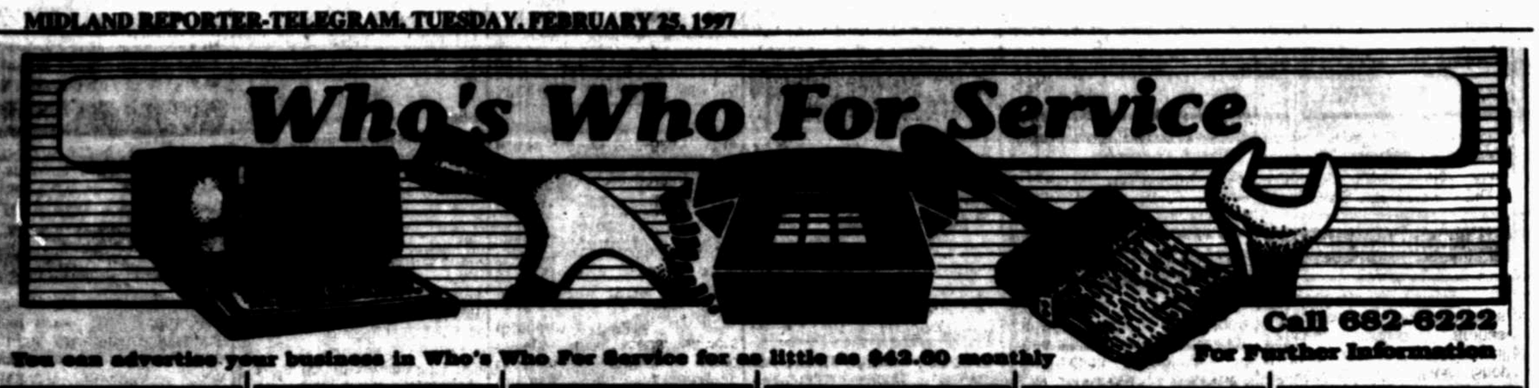

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