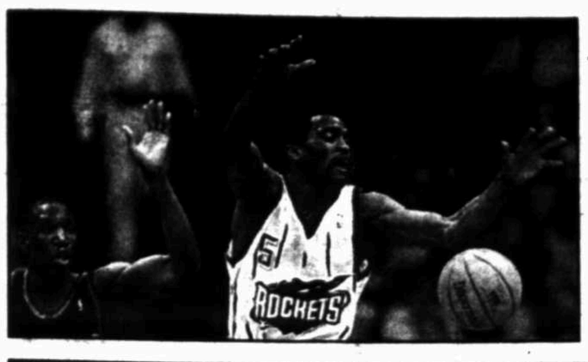


SPORTS

Rockets win

Hakeem Olajuwon had 20 points and Scottie Pippen scored 10 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter as the Houston Rockets handed the Denver Nuggets their fifth straight loss, 84-75 Tuesday night./**3C**

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TODAY
Partly cloudy with high in mid-70s. Weather on 4A



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Accident

A three-vehicle accident on Big Spring Street and Cuthbert Avenue left four Midlanders with minor injuries Tuesday afternoon. Traci Olson, 28, was northbound on Big Spring Street approaching the Cuthbert Avenue intersection driving a Ford Mustang, police said. A brown Buick Skyhawk, driven by Maria Vejar, 17, was southbound on Big Spring Street, turning left onto Cuthbert Avenue in front of Olson's vehicle, police said. Olson's vehicle struck the Buick knocking it up on the curb, headfirst into the traffic light pole on the northeast corner of the intersection, police said.

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RJR tobacco

NEW YORK — RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp., the food-and-tobacco conglomerate whose brands include Camels and Winstons, Oreo cookies and Ritz crackers, is getting out of the cigarette business. RJR said Tuesday it will sell its international tobacco business to Japan's biggest tobacco company for $7.8 billion and spin off its domestic tobacco operations as a separate company. The moves come amid rising legal challenges to cigarettes and falling numbers of U.S. smokers — something tobacco opponents were quick to note.

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Teen Beat:

School dress code is not enforced, so why bother having one?

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Out-of-towners drop dollars in city

■ Visitors for sporting events, conventions pumped $845,000 into the Midland economy over the weekend.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Traffic on Midland streets was a little heavier and the wait at local restaurants a little longer this past weekend, and by Sunday evening, the Midland economy had received a boost of about $845,000.

Several sporting events — the Texas Age Group Swimming Short Course Championship, Boys High School Regional Basketball Playoffs, Tournament of Champions baseball tournament and Tall City Invitational Girls Golf Tournament — helped pack local restaurants, hotels and shopping centers. Also bringing in visitors were several conventions held by the Texas Association of Private Schools, Permian Basin Doll Artisan Clubs and Middle Eastern Dance Organization.

The sporting events brought in 3,900 visitors and direct visitor spending of $800,000 said Shura Lindgren, director of convention and visitor development for the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. The other events brought in 210 visitors and $45,000.

"It was very good for our economy," she said. "And I think we're especially appreciative of that right now."

Richard Ross, director of sales and marketing for the Hilton Midland and Towers, said that his hotel worked closely with other hotels, the CVB and its Athletic Commission to attract several of the sporting events and other diverse business to Midland.

"One of the greatest rewards when the TAGS meet was held was the economic impact for hote-

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Visitors boost Midland economy

Sporting Events
Texas Age Group Swim Meet
Boys High School Regional Basketball Playoffs
Tournament of Champions Baseball
Tall City Invitational Girls Golf Tournament

Visitors	Hotel Room Nights	Direct Visitor Spending
3900	3300	$800,000

Conventions
Texas Association of Private Schools
Permian Basin Doll Artisan Club
Middle Eastern Dance Organization

Visitors	Hotel Room Nights	Direct Visitor Spending
210	165	$45,000

Source: Convention and Visitor's Bureau — Bobbie Scott/Reporter-Telegram



Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

Cindy Chambers gets a wet lick from her new dog Hope, who she and her children found partially mutilated. Ms. Chambers said she is planning to keep the dog at her house.

Keeping HOPE alive

Woman rescues mutilated dog, gives her new home

By Rick López
Staff Writer

Hope entered Cindy Chambers' life in a peculiar way.

Their paths crossed as Ms. Chambers drove into south Midland County to pick up her teen-age stepdaughter, Candis, for a day of shopping and beauty salon pampering.

At County Road 118 and South Midkiff Road, Ms. Chambers noticed a reddish-orange, mixed German shepherd peeking from a field of parched weeds.

From a distance, she could see three boys running from the spot, which struck her as unusual — until she took a second look at the dog.

The whimpering pooch limped toward Ms. Chambers as she stood aghast at its mutilated body. Eight inches of skin had been ripped from her chest, exposing her shiny, white subcutaneous tissue through the diamond-shaped incision. Blood dripped from a six-inch slit across its throat.

"She was scared, but she came up to my car anyway," Ms. Chambers said. "When I saw her gaping hole, I didn't know what to do."

Her only thought was to save the dog from death, so she lifted it into her late-model sedan and drove it home. Over the weekend, Ms. Chambers tried her best to nurse the dog back to health.

But her efforts didn't work.

On Monday, she finally followed a friend's suggestion to take the dog to the humane society, where the center arranged to operate on the dog if she kept it as her pet.

"I was fixing on writing a bad check if I had to. I didn't care. I just wanted Hope to live," Ms. Chambers said.

A new hope

Ms. Chambers couldn't resist but give her new pet a most-deserving name: Hope.

Hope spent Monday and Tuesday in the office of veterinarian Linda Smetak, where she was fed antibiotics and ridded of a tick infestation.

The surgery was a challenge, Ms. Smetak said. To avoid a serious infection, Ms. Smetak pulled togeth-

Please see **HOPE**/4A

MISD expects enrollment to keep dropping

By Daniel Arp
Staff Writer

The snapshots contrast between the years.

Last year, during the first week of March, enrollment in Midland public schools was at 22,938, two higher than it had been a week before. This year, during the first week of March, enrollment numbers were more than 500 below that, and 30 lower than the week before.

Enrollment has been declining in Midland Independent School District virtually on a weekly basis ever since it peaked at 23,042 students overall last September.

And MISD officials expect those numbers to continue to drop next year, when the projected peak enrollment is 700 below last year's projections, at 22,710.

Most say it is too early to statistically gauge the reasons but that common sense points to two main factors: people moving out of the area to escape a hurting economy and a declining birth rate due to demographic shifts.

"I would anticipate that the rising unemployment due to layoffs may affect that," said Dennis Clayton, economic development director at the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

District officials say that people leaving the school system — an average of about 30 per week since the end of January — are supposed to inform MISD why they are leaving but do not always do so.

Still, moving is the most common reason given when supplied, officials said.

Area Realtors maintain, though, that they are having no trouble selling houses.

"We do have some people moving out, but we also have some people moving in," said Kay Sutton, a local Century 21 Realtor.

Ms. Sutton did note a change in the demographics, however. "We have more retired people moving in than we have in the past," she said.

But if Midland has been getting older, it is not showing up dramatically in birth rate numbers for the past few years. In 1995, there were 1,730 births in Midland County, according to the County Clerk's office. Last year, there were 1,766.

District officials have said that while the Anglo population is getting older, a substantial in-migration of younger Hispanics has, to a certain extent, counterbalanced the trend.

But all this begs the question: Why the drop in enrollment? Some speculate it could have to do with a demographic

Please see **MISD**/4A

Inmate walks away from Big Spring minimum security correction facility

By T.E. Jenkins
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Federal, state and local law enforcement agents are searching for an inmate who walked away from the Big Spring Federal Correctional Institute (FCI) Inmate Camp Minimum Security Facility Monday night.

Authorities are searching for Daniel Renteria-Nunez, 24, who is originally from Odessa. Officials said that preliminary investigations show he was last seen around 7 p.m. and turned up missing at the 10:15 p.m. count.

Prison officials said Renteria-Nunez is serving a five-year sentence for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

Big Spring FCI Public Information Officer Alan Booth said although "walk aways" are rare, they can happen.

"The last time the Big Spring facility had a walk-away was about three to four years age," Booth said. "These guys have a lot more to lose by walking away than they do by staying, and finishing their sentences."

Please see **ESCAPE**/4A



Alan Booth, public information officer with the Federal Correctional Institution in Big Spring, talks in front of the Satellite Camp where a prisoner walked away late Monday afternoon. The Satellite Camp is a minimum security unit with no fence line or locks on the doors.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

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Controversial Hitler exhibit attacked by bombing

SAARBRUECKEN, Germany (AP) — A powerful bomb exploded Tuesday outside a traveling exhibit on the role of Hitler's regular soldiers in Nazi war crimes. Police said they suspect right-wing extremists who have repeatedly protested the show.

No one was injured in the predawn explosion, which caused millions of dollars worth of damage to the college building housing the exhibit. Little harm was done to the displays.a

The bombing was the most serious attack yet on the controversial show, which has provoked sharp debate and sometimes violent street clashes between neo-Nazi protesters and radical leftists since it began touring four years ago.

The exhibit challenges widely held beliefs that Nazi SS units were primarily responsible for Holocaust crimes and wartime atrocities.

Through photos, military papers, letters and diary excerpts, the exhibition documents the involvement of regular Wehrmacht soldiers in the killings of Jews, Gypsies and prisoners of war in the Soviet Union and the Balkans from 1941-44.

"It's not that things we're showing are especially new," said Regina Klose-Wolf, spokeswoman for the private institute in Hamburg that put the show together. "But we've broken a taboo in talking about it, and it hits a sensitivity in a large part of the German population."



AP Photo

A man walks away from the scene of a bomb blast at a school in Saarbruecken, southwestern Germay, early Tuesday where a controversial traveling exhibit on the involvement of Hitler's army in war crimes is on display.

Conservative politicians have attacked the exhibit throughout its tour as an unfair and defamatory attack on all German soldiers.

Two conservative Christian Democratic politicians, whose fathers fought in the Wehrmacht, took out a newspaper ad this week calling the exhibit an attack on "love for the Fatherland." The ad was printed under the title: "Our Fathers were Not Murderers."

The two politicians took out the ad on their own, but they got support Monday from the party's state leader, Peter Mueller, who called the exhibit "historically one-sided and tendentious."

"Of course, terrible crimes were committed out of the Wehrmacht," Mueller said, adding "even though it is necessary to also talk about the cruel acts of the Wehrmacht, every soldier should not be made into a criminal."

Social Democrats called Mueller's criticism unjustified, saying the exhibit is careful not to paint the entire Wehrmacht with one brush.

In the wake of the blast, organizers said the ad gave comfort to neo-Nazis, who claim the exhibit is full of lies.

"Extremists feel encouraged to attack when the mainstream political parties don't stand together against them," Klose-Wolf said.

Greens federal lawmaker Volker Beck demanded that conservative politicians condemn the bombing as an attack on democracy.

"This attack is aimed at preventing a democratic debate about the crimes and the role of the Wehrmacht in the Third Reich," Beck said. "That is something that democracies cannot allow."

Police said they still had no evidence leading to possible suspects, but were focusing on right-wing extremists who organized protests in February and appear to be behind a letter-writing campaign calling the show an attack on "national feeling."

Organizers, meanwhile, said they hoped to reopen the exhibit this weekend. "Otherwise they would have gotten their way," said Ingrid Schoell, director of the damaged college.

Organizers said the exhibition has been seen by nearly 800,000 people, including 9,000 in Saarbruecken. More stops are planned, including one in Cologne on April 3.

The institute plans to bring the exhibit to the United States in the fall, although dates and cities are not yet set.

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Paris mayor outlines plan to broaden access to Seine

PARIS (AP) -- Paris unveiled new plans Tuesday to create miles of tree-lined paths along the Seine River for pedestrians and bikers, ban most cars from the Place de la Concorde and add new lights to illuminate the city's bridges.

Mayor Jean Tiberi said the plans aimed to bring Parisians closer to their river by 2001.

"These are not pie-in-the-sky projects," Tiberi told reporters at a City Hall news conference. "The Seine is people, people who navigate, who live on houseboats, who walk along it: lovers, strollers, tourists, booksellers and residents — it's the city's lifeline."

The city plans to spend about $271 million on the projects over four years.

To restore the river to its place of prominence, Tiberi is proposing a seven mile pedestrian promenade down both banks, so people can stroll safely from Andre Citroen park in the southwest corner to Bercy, a revived neighborhood to the east.

The city also plans to sandblast the blackened facades of city and state-owned buildings along the river — the Orsay Museum, the Foreign Affairs Ministry and the Grand Palais among them.

The most controversial aspect of the river renewal involves rerouting car traffic away from the Place de la Concorde — a key link between the Left and Right banks — and creating wide pedestrian walkways and grassy spots.

The vast square between the Tuileries gardens and the Champs-Elysees, designed in 1755, became the site of countless beheadings of aristocrats during the French Revolution.

While many complain that the $25.4 million Concorde plan will simply snarl traffic elsewhere, Tiberi insists the plan could result in cutting the number of motorists in central Paris by up to 10 percent.

Two plans are under consideration: One calls for eliminating about 80 percent of cars, the other

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— Mayor Jean Tiberi

50 percent. A final decision is not expected until next year.

The plans also call for making river traffic a viable alternative to tour buses, increasing the number of boats ferrying people between historic sites and boosting the number of stops on existing routes.

The city's centuries-old bridges, some cracked and rotting, also will undergo major repairs this year as part of millennium celebrations and will get new, dramatic lighting from below as well as above.

Tiberi also announced that German architect Dietmar Feichtinger had won an international competition to design a new footbridge linking France's National Library and the Bercy industrial complex in southeast Paris.

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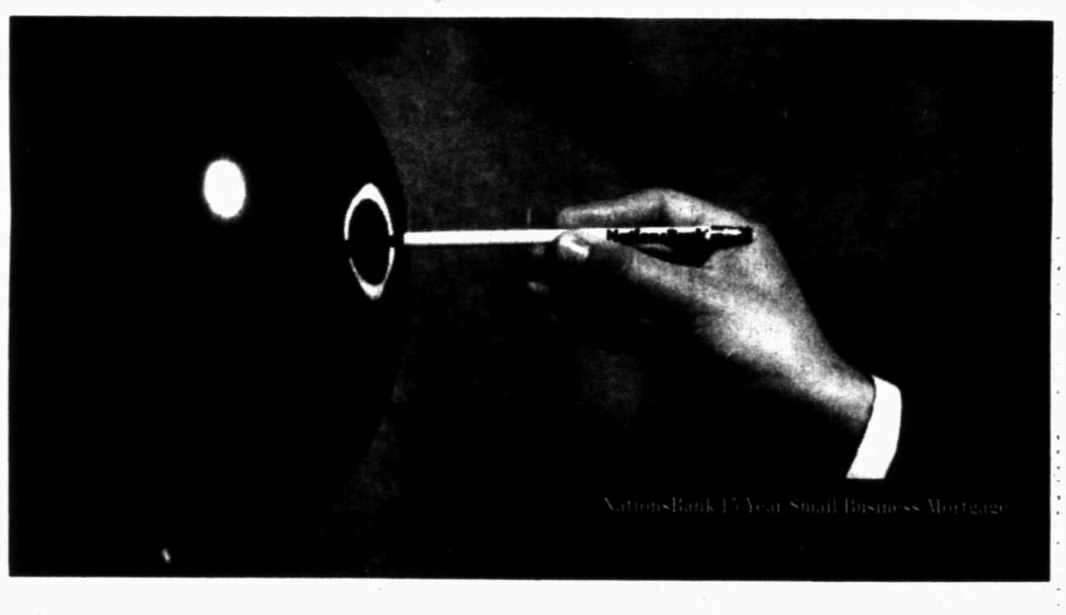
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Bitter day for victims of HIV-tainted blood scandal

PARIS (AP) — For more than a decade, Sylvie Rouy, a 35-year-old French mother, has waited to see three government ministers pay the price for the scandal that gave her AIDS.

On Tuesday, a pale and tearful Ms. Rouy was helped into an ambulance after finally hearing the verdict: Two ministers acquitted of manslaughter; a third convicted, but no punishment.

"It's atrocious," whispered Ms. Rouy, who was transfused with HIV-tainted blood while giving birth in 1985. "No penalty? I have to live my sentence every day."

Former Prime Minister Laurent Fabius, former Social Affairs Minister Georgina Dufoix and her health minister, Edmond Herve, were charged with manslaughter in the case, involving seven people who were given tainted blood transfusions in 1985. Of the seven, only Ms. Rouy and one other victim are still alive.

It was not the first trial stemming from the AIDS scandal that shocked France in the 1980s: more than 4,000 people contracted the AIDS virus from blood transfusions and hundreds have died.

But it is hugely symbolic, because it targeted the top echelons of French government. The specially constituted Court of Justice of the Republic was the first since World War II to try ministers for crimes allegedly committed in office.

Fabius was accused of delaying systematic HIV testing for commercial reasons — waiting for a French-made test when an American one was available months earlier.

Now speaker of parliament and with clear political ambitions, Fabius had looked to the trial for closure and rehabilitation — and the court appeared to give him both. It said Fabius actually accelerated the decision-making process that led to HIV testing.

Ms. Dufoix was acquitted as well. The lowest-ranked defendant, Herve, was convicted in two of the seven cases — including that of Ms. Rouy.

However, Herve was given no sentence; the court said the length of the scandal meant he had not benefited from the presumption of innocence to which he was entitled.

Herve called the verdict "profoundly unjust" and said it showed "partisan politics have triumphed over justice and the law." He said wasn't sure if he would appeal.

Victims and relatives cried out in anger when the verdict was announced.

"You have blood on your hands, Mr. Herve!" yelled Joelle Bouchet, mother of a hemophiliac who was infected.

Ms. Rouy, huddled in her wheelchair and surrounded by medical attendants, spoke in a hushed voice. "It's intolerable. I cannot accept this," she said. "It's as if we were being destroyed a second time."

"The court simply did what was necessary to save Fabius's political career," she said.

The court was asked to untangle a complex file detailing the state of medical knowledge about AIDS in the mid-1980s and what France was doing to fight the disease. Even the state prosecutor asked that charges be dropped, saying politicians weren't at fault.

In convicting Herve, the court faulted him for not ordering transfused patients back for AIDS tests. He was also faulted for not ordering old blood stocks destroyed once donor testing began on Aug. 1, 1985.

Ms. Rouy was contaminated a day later, on Aug. 2, with blood collected in July.

"I will continue to fight," she said Tuesday, clutching a pale blue blanket to her chest as she was helped slowly out of the courthouse.

Lewinsky book tour continues in Europe today

LONDON (AP) — Monica Lewinsky slipped into a London bookstore through the back door Tuesday, hoping to avoid the melee that had engulfed her on the first day on a 19-stop tour through England and Scotland.

Detective writer Colin Dexter, the creator of the Inspector Morse books, was first in line Tuesday to get an autographed copy of the biography "Monica's Story" at Borders Books in central London.

On Monday, Ms. Lewinsky temporarily fled the book section of the Harrods department store in tears after photographers swarmed around her.

Booksellers in New York said sales of the memoir remained strong Tuesday, five days after it thundered into bookstores on a wave of hype. But sellers were wondering how much longer the confessional's shelf life would be.

Ms. Lewinsky's competition includes another Clinton White House memoir, this one from former presidential aide George Stephanopoulos' "All Too Human."

"All Too Human," which was No. 2 on the Amazon.com bestseller list Tuesday, helped bump "Monica's Story" down to No. 4.

The hectic tour has given Ms. Lewinsky new insight into the demands of Clinton's schedule, she told The Daily Telegraph in an interview.

"Just last night, I had this interesting realization. I thought, gosh! The president had a schedule like this every single day. I could never understand why he didn't call me more," she was quoted as saying in Tuesday's editions. "Now I know that his efforts to call — with everything that was going on in his life — really were so much more than I ever realized."

Ms. Lewinsky also told the newspaper that she came out of the relationship more humbled than Mrs. Clinton, who had to endure the public revelation of the details of her husband's affair.

"I was a lot more humiliated than Mrs. Clinton was. I don't want to characterize the reasons she might feel humiliated, but I think I have had so many different aspects of my life exposed, much more so than she has," she was quoted as saying. "And I think it has been more damaging to me too."

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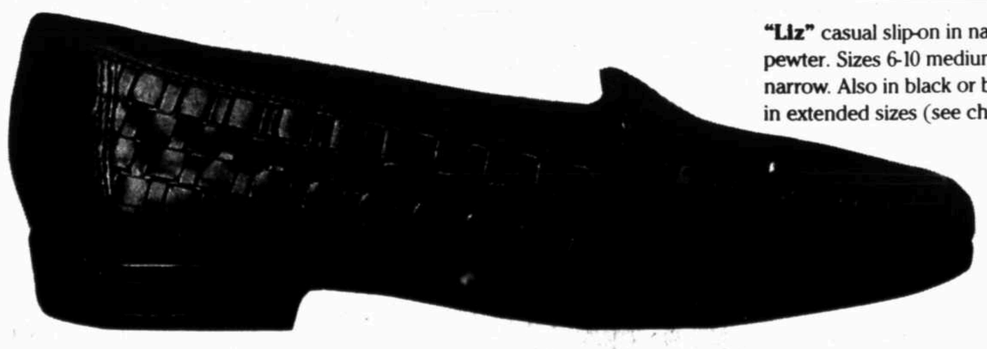

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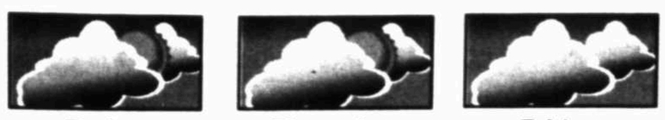
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Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Thursday	Friday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
High 75	High 73	High 66
Low 45	Low 44	Low 46

Today's forecast calls for low clouds in the morning with otherwise partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-70s and southwest winds blowing at 10-15 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a low in the mid-40s.

Thursday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-70s.

Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-60s.

After an overnight low of 34, Tuesday's high reached 75, compared to the record high for that date of 85 set in 1955. The record low of 17 was set in 1996.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Monday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	trace
Total for year	0.33 in.
Normal total yr to date	1.66 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	75
low	36
Normal high	69
Normal low	38

Pollen count

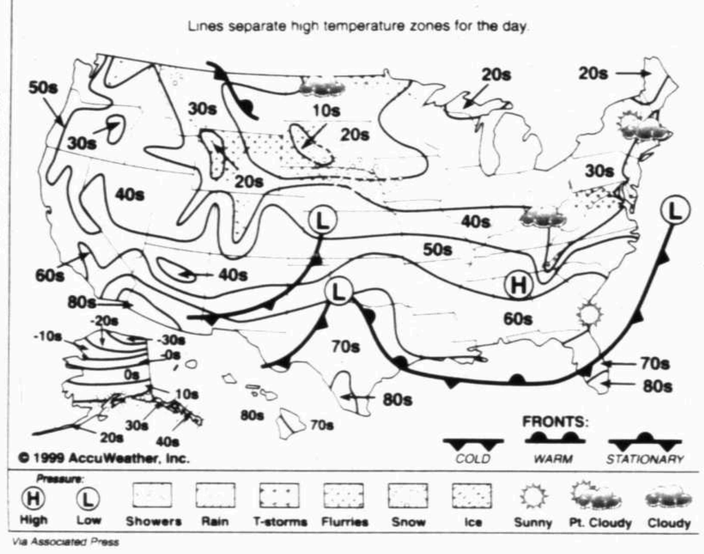
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National weather

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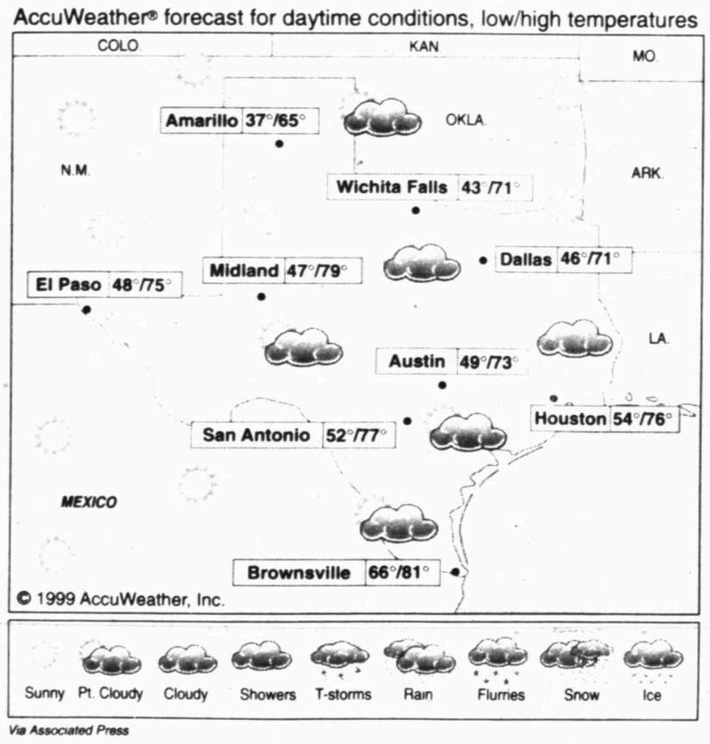
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Anchorage	10	-3	cdy	
Asheville	32	26	26	cdy
Atlanta	41	33	46	clr
Atlantic City	35	16	sn	
Baltimore	27	25	32	sn
Billings	38	19	sn	
Birmingham	65	49	73	cdy
Bismarck	31	26	sn	
Boise	46	36	12	cdy
Boston	38	18	cdy	
Buffalo	23	11	cdy	
Burlington,Vt.	23	-3	clr	
Casper	55	17	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	64	42	46	clr
Charleston,W.Va.	41	31	47	sn
Charlotte,N.C.	35	35	23	cdy
Cheyenne	50	21	clr	
Chicago	31	26	17	cdy
Cincinnati	36	29	67	cdy
Cleveland	27	26	15	cdy
Columbia,S.C.	41	40	26	clr
Columbus,Ohio	34	28	52	cdy
Concord,N.H.	34	13	clr	
Dayton	33	27	07	cdy
Denver	61	20	cdy	
Des Moines	31	29	04	cdy
Detroit	26	23	07	cdy
Fairbanks	1	-9	cdy	
Fargo	31	20	sn	
Flagstaff	48	27	clr	
Grand Rapids	26	21	03	cdy
Great Falls	47	31	cdy	
Greensboro,N.C.	35	35	11	cdy
Hartford Spgfld	40	14	cdy	
Honolulu	82	72	clr	
Indianapolis	36	28	53	cdy
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Orlando	78	47	cdy	
Philadelphia	35	22	sn	
Phoenix	74	50	clr	
Pittsburgh	25	23	09	cdy
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Providence	41	19	cdy	
Raleigh-Durham	37	29	11	cdy
Reno	43	30	06	cdy
Richmond	31	28	08	sn
Sacramento	54	44	53	cdy
St Louis	40	34	13	cdy
Salt Lake City	52	40	09	cdy
San Diego	64	54	cdy	
San Francisco	52	45	70	cdy
San Juan,P.R.	79	71	cdy	
Santa Fe	57	21	clr	
Seattle	48	38	27	cdy
Shreveport	70	48	cdy	
Syracuse	25	3	cdy	
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State forecast

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, low/high temperatures



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature yesterday, lowest past 12 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending 6 a.m.

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	73	39	
Amarillo	59	25	
Arlington	76	43	1.27
Austin	83	52	0.25
Beaumont	75	63	0.01
Brownsville	85	67	
Burnet	78	44	0.42
College Station	79	48	0.53
Corpus Christi	88	68	
Cotulla	90	m	
Dalhart	58	26	
Dallas	76	43	1.23
Del Rio	84	45	
El Paso	62	35	
Fort Stockton	73	43	
Fort Worth	75	41	1.07
Galveston	75	66	0.07
Harlingen	87	64	
Houston	80	57	0.19
Huntsville	77	47	0.57
Junction	76	34	0.17
Laredo	94	64	
Longview	65	44	0.06
Lubbock	65	31	
Marfa	64	30	
McAllen	93	71	
McKinney	74	41	1.12
Mineral Wells	81	39	0.85
New Braunfels	84	43	
Palacios	76	68	0.07
Paris	70	39	
Rockport	78	69	
San Angelo	76	40	
San Antonio	84	47	0.04
Waco	78	45	0.97

BOOM: Weekend visitors pump money into economy

(From 1A)

liers and retailers," he said. "And the benefit is widespread, to airlines, car rental agencies, the mall, even Putt-Putt had business."

His hotel, located in downtown Midland, "was close to being full," he said, and without the TAGS swim meet and other events, "there's no doubt in my mind we would have had 20 to 30 percent less occupancy."

As important, Ms. Lindgren observed, Midlanders are beginning to realize the importance of tourism to the city's economic well-being.

"I'm hearing more and more talk about tourism," she said. At last week's Midland Vision 2000 and Beyond community event, she said, "nearly every one of the 20-plus breakout groups brought it up. Ten years ago, that wouldn't have occurred. People are beginning to understand tourism and that we have our own niche."

She noted that the weekend's events gave the city the chance to show off some of its facilities, like Chaparral Center, which hosted the basketball tournament, the City of Midland's Mabee Aquatic Center, Christensen Stadium, which hosted the baseball tournament and the four golf courses that hosted the golf tournament.

"It put a positive spin on our 'Midland: In the Middle of Somewhere' logo," she said.

Like the city's facilities, Midland's Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites got exposure for its facilities, said Catering Manager Melissa Harmsen.

She said the doll show and Middle Eastern dance convention drew visitors to the hotel, which saw an increase in overnight guests.

Michael's Charcoal Grill North, located across the street from the Mabee Aquatic Center where the TAGS championship was held, strongly benefited from the 900 swimmers participating in the meet, their coaches and family members.

"There was a 20 percent increase in sales," said Alex King, the restaurant's manager. "Plus we went across the street and sold sandwiches inside the center."

King added that "it would be nice if they were here every day," especially since Midland now has twice as many restaurants but oil prices are half their level of several years ago.

Even better, he said, the restaurant didn't lose any business from its regular customers because they understood business would increase.

The Black Eyed Pea restaurant supported both the swimmers and baseball players by providing several gift certificates for the swim meet and placing ads in programs for both tournaments.

In return, said assistant manager Missy Curtis, "we had an awesome turnout, a good steady business. We probably did double the business we would have."

Several swim and baseball teams stayed at the La Quinta Inn, which was 100 percent full from Thursday through Sunday, said a front desk clerk at the hotel, an improvement over its usual weekend business.

When those athletes weren't swimming or dunking baskets or swinging a bat or golf club, chances are they were shopping. There were several indicators that out-of-town visitors had descended upon Midland Park Mall, said marketing manager Nancy Bowlin.

"First, there were several big buses in our parking lot," she said. "Second, we saw athletes in uniform. Plus we saw some baseball players, and in conversation with them, found out they were from El Paso."

She also visited with mall retailers Monday, she said, and they told her about the increased traffic and sales Saturday, with some estimating sales Saturday were two-and-a-half to three times greater than Friday's sales.

Speaking from personal experience as the mother of a daughter who plays soccer and goes to out-of-town tournaments, Ms. Bowlin said that "when we get a break, we go to the mall. It's an entertainment center. Otherwise all you could do is hang out in your hotel room. The mall has wide spaces and you can walk around, socialize and maybe see stores you don't have in your area. I've found with my kids, they're not interested in going to a movie, they want to hit the stores."

And it's not just a girl thing, she said. "A lot of the athletes in town were guys, so it's not just a female pastime by any means."

The buses that brought visitors to the mall also brought them to Ruby Tuesday's restaurant, said shift leader Kent Caudle, who estimated that the visitors added at least $1,000 to the restaurant's earnings.

The experience was fun for the staff, which earned more in tips, he said, and for the customers, who were cooperative, patient and understanding about any delays caused by the business increase.

Business was also strong at Olive Garden, which was full from Thursday afternoon through Sunday, staff members said.

Upcoming events include a Railroad Commission school that is expected to attract 100 people, the Texas Pentecostal Assembly World Conference, which should draw 200, Fraternal Order of Eagles convention is expected to bring in 200, and 100 are expected at the Permian Basin Genealogical Society meeting. Ms. Lindgren said a big April also is expected and events are to continue through May, when the Cinco de Mayo soccer and inline hockey invitational tournaments are planned.

HOPE: Midland family gives mutilated dog new home

(From 1A)

er the remaining skin on Hope's chest, and closed it with double sutures. It left Hope's skin looking a little tight, but at least she'll survive, Ms. Smetak said.

Hope now looks like your normal, healthy pup — with the exception of a trail of stitches running across her neck and shoulders that resembles a baseball's red thread marks.

Ms. Smetak suspects that Hope's wounds were made by an experienced mutilator, since her flesh was cut with such precision that it didn't cut any arteries or veins. Their intentions, she suspects, were to maim Hope and leave her for dead.

She'd seen dogs in much worse condition, but none with injuries "that were made on purpose," Ms. Smetak said.

"It was horrible. We all cried when we saw her," said Jaime Arington, an assistant in Ms. Smetak's office. "But she's looking good now, isn't she? If something like that happened to me, I'd still be in shock."

At 3 p.m. Tuesday, Ms. Chambers and her teen-agers, Teijá, 17, and Elisha, 15, helped take Hope to her new five-acre home in the country, where two Chihuahuas awaited her arrival.

The pup was still frightened.

Despite her new owner's whistles, her ears never perked. Her tail stayed between her legs. With her last remaining strength, Hope took one final whiff of Lady, a black lab next door to her cage, then let Teijá carry her off into the afternoon warmth.

Animal cruelty

Ms. Chambers claims she has seen dog pelts hanging from fences in south Midland County. People who live near her stepdaughter tell Ms. Chambers that their pets have been mysteriously disappearing in recent months.

But Midland County authorities and city police said they have not received any reports of mutilated or missing animals in months.

A spokesman for the local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said that Ms. Chambers probably saw abandoned dogs that were struck by cars or killed by coyotes. He does recall that a year ago, Big Lake officials found dozens of dogs and goats killed in a satanic rite.

Coy Willis, manager for the city's animal shelter, said it's been a while since his workers have heard reports of animal mutilation, but they still struggle with pet dumping, when owners get bored of their pets and leave them in a remote area.

"We don't get a lot of cruelty cases, but we do get a lot of neglected pets, where animals aren't getting proper medical care. That still runs rampant," Willis said. "Whenever (cruelty cases) drop in, we do jump on the investigation."

Ms. Chambers isn't taking any chances, though. She'll keep a close eye on that area until she finds out who almost killed Hope.

"There was some reason I was supposed to be there; at that time, at that place," she said. "I just want these sick people to know that their last victim lived, and I'll be watching them."

ESCAPE: Inmate to have time added to his sentence

(From 1A)

Booth said Renteria-Nunez was scheduled to be released in September 2002, but will, more than likely, have time added on to his sentence. He said Renteria-Nunez probably wouldn't be eligible to complete his sentence in the relatively relaxed atmosphere of the camp.

"When Renteria-Nunez is apprehended again, he will have to go before a federal judge for escaping," Booth said. "He'll have time added to his sentence, and he will have to serve it in a higher security facility. He won't be eligible to come back here to the camp."

Booth added that the FCI Camp shouldn't be confused with the state run Wilderness Camp, which is only a few hundred yards from the federal facility.

"We are a different operation altogether," Booth said. "The Wilderness Camp is a state-run and state-funded camp. We are managed by the federal government."

Booth said a search for Renteria-Nunez is involving state, local and federal agencies, including the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), who is interested in the Odessa native's ties to the drug industry.

"We've notified the U.S. Marshal's office, as well as the other law enforcement agencies," Booth said. "That includes Big Spring and Howard County law enforcement, Department of Public Safety, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the DEA."

Renteria-Nunez is described as a Hispanic male, 24 years of age and stands about 5-feet 10-inches tall weighing approximately 190 pounds. He has brown eyes and black hair, with a tattoo of the word "Lilana" on his chest. Renteria-Nunez has no prior history of violence, prison officials said.

"If you see this man, or know where he is, contact your local law enforcement," Booth urged. "Although he isn't considered armed or dangerous, it's still not a good idea to approach him, or try to apprehend him yourself. Leave than part to the professionals who are trained to handle situations like that."

MISD: Officials don't seem worried about trend

(From 1A)

spike in MISD enrollment that is moving through the secondary grades and out of the school system.

Others say it is simple economics, or that a some students are being lost to private schools. Midland Christian School, for example, posted a record enrollment this year and continues to have a waiting list.

Whatever the reasons, MISD officials don't seem particularly worried about the trend; if anything, they are relieved.

"I don't see that as a big deal," said board member James Fuller, adding that the only problem it may cause would be less state money for the district, which is based in part on average daily attendance.

"Given the overcrowdedness we have now ... it could work to our advantage," Fuller said. "We'll also have lower teacher-student ratios in our classrooms. If I were a teacher, that would be a plus."

Anti-abortion groups rally for parental notification

AUSTIN (AP) — Of the 84,870 abortions reported in 1997 to the Texas Department of Health, 5,500 were performed on minors.

Not one of their parents had the right to know about it.

That could change this Legislative session, and abortion opponents and lawmakers seem confident that it will — starting on Wednesday, when several abortion-related bills go before the Senate Human Services Committee.

"We're not here to argue Roe v. Wade," Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, said of the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion.

"If this debate was about any other major surgical procedure but abortion, it wouldn't be such a volatile issue. I wish we could talk about little girls talking to their parents when they've got an important decision to make," said the mother of four teen-age daughters.

Mrs. Nelson's bill would require that a parent give their consent before their minor daughter undergoes an abortion. It is a stricter version of legislation proposed by Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, which would only require that a parent be notified.

Both include a clause in which a pregnant minor could bypass her parents altogether if a judge deemed her mature enough.

Pro-choice advocates like Kae McLaughlin say that about 75 percent of girls under 17 already include their parents in such decisions, and the few who don't undoubtedly have good reasons.

"Many of these girls come from families with histories of violence or incest," Ms. McLaughlin, executive director of the Texas Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, has said.

"You can't legislate what a young person decides to do. You can simply make safe, legal medical procedures unavailable to them," she said, adding that minors were unlikely to use the judicial bypass.

Both bills have strong supporters, including Republican Gov. George W. Bush and Lt. Gov. Rick Perry.

According to a 1997 study by the American Journal of Public Health, 39 states have passed parental involvement laws. Texas' legislation is modeled on laws in Minnesota, where the state Department of Health has reported a significant decrease in the number of abortions, pregnancies and births to minor girls.

Pro-choice groups want these rates to go down too, but say parental involvement is not the way to do it.

"Parents make bad decisions for their children all the time," said Hannah Riddering, president of the Austin National Organization for Women.

Also up for debate will be two "informed consent" bills filed by Mrs. Nelson and Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington. Those would instigate waiting periods of 72 and 24 hours, respectively, after a woman is informed of all procedural and medical risks by a physician.

Both bills have exemptions for medical emergencies, and Harris' bill excludes women who live more than 100 miles from an abortion provider.

Pick 3 Texas

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

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Czech president faces future without clear mission

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — When the Czech Republic joins NATO on Friday, a dream will come true for President Vaclav Havel.

The longtime advocate of NATO's eastward expansion says he considers the alliance's embrace of the Czech Republic, which enters along with Hungary and Poland, his main achievement.

But with that quest now behind him, the once-beloved Havel may be in danger of becoming an icon time left behind — his popularity sinking, his health in question, his wife a target of criticism and his ideas increasingly out of touch with those of ordinary people.

"Sometimes when I hear him talking about the new global responsibility or about the political climate here in our country, I have the feeling he lives on a different planet," says Jarmila Hlavata, 67, a retired teacher.

Analysts suggest the "historic mission" of the dissident playwright-turned-president, long a symbol of the fight against communism, may be over.

It's been nearly a decade since Havel was swept into office on a wave of adulation during the Velvet Revolution. After more than four decades of communism, Czechs united behind their first democratically elected president.

They adored Havel for his moral authority and rejoiced that his fame abroad boosted their country's image.

Today he remains highly respected abroad. But at home, where the people's revolutionary enthusiasm is long gone, his role is diminishing.

The president's popularity among Czechs, once at 82 percent, dropped below 50 percent for the first time this year.

Getting his nation into the alliance hasn't done a thing to help his standing — only half of Czechs support NATO membership. Opponents include diehard communists as well as people who question the need to join another military alliance after the collapse of the Warsaw Pact.

But analysts say NATO isn't the reason for Havel's drop in support.

"Times have changed," Ivan Jemelka wrote in Lidove Noviny, the country's prominent daily. "Citizens have started to rely more on themselves and they have less need for a leader, even in the good sense of the word."



AP Photo

Czech President Vaclav Havel meets with union leaders in Prague Tuesday.

They adored Havel for his moral authority and rejoiced that his fame abroad boosted their country's image.

"Havel's special historical mission is probably over," he wrote.

Havel acknowledges the change.

"I headed the country so long, and I was revered for such a long time, that it had to end one day," he told the French daily Le Figaro last month.

But the challenge of what to do for the rest of his term, which ends in January 2003, may be difficult. Havel has repeatedly said he has no intention of becoming a "mere wreath-layer." Attaining Czech membership in the European Union may be his next goal.

The constitution gives him only very limited powers, but Havel still is trying to implement his visions in Czech policy. Results are debatable.

His recent attempt at organizing a roundtable of parliamentary parties to settle political squabbles has met only partial success: The country's second-strongest party, the Civic Democratic Party of former Premier Vaclav Klaus, has not signed on.

Media criticism, once unthinkable, is now steady. Serious newspapers question his political visions; tabloids and television focus mainly on his private life and his wife of two years, Dagmar.

Havel accuses sensationalist journalists of unfair attacks on him and his family. But it seems the whole nation has an aversion to Dagmar, who he married in January 1997 — less than a year after his first wife Olga died of cancer.

While Olga kept a low profile and didn't even talk about her charity work, outspoken Dagmar is always visible — and audible. She has even tried, unsuccessfully, to have first lady made an official post.

Last year, she shocked Czechs by whistling with her fingers — a particularly rude action here — in response to an ultranationalist lawmaker's remarks during a nationally televised program. Her husband defended her, but many complained that Dagmar was no lady.

But it's mainly Havel's own ideas that make Czechs wonder what he can offer them.

He acknowledges his failure to improve the nation's political and moral climate — his main goal after winning reelection a year ago.

"In this sphere, the situation did not improve, it's rather worse," Havel conceded last month.

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Persian Gulf ally criticizes U.S. intervention

AL JABER AIR BASE, Kuwait (AP) — A major Persian Gulf ally criticized the Clinton administration Tuesday for almost daily airstrikes against Iraqi anti-aircraft targets.

Despite the criticism, U.S. F-16s loaded with bombs and missiles continued to roar aloft from this desert base on the doorstep of southern Iraq. U.S. pilots said they weren't looking for trouble but were ready to strike if fired upon. And the Iraqis were still firing.

The foreign minister of Qatar, a moderate Arab ally in the Gulf region, told Defense Secretary William Cohen that the standoff with Iraq should end peacefully and the daily strikes by U.S. warplanes responding to Iraqi challenges should cease.

"We do not wish to see Iraq being bombed daily," Sheik Hamad bin Jassim Al-Thani, Qatar's foreign minister, told reporters in a news conference with Cohen at his side. "We understand the position of the United States," Sheik Hamad said, but he added: "I cannot say we support the daily (attacks) in the no-fly zone."

The statements marked the first open opposition from any U.S. partner in the Persian Gulf during Cohen's week-long swing through the region. Until Tuesday, Cohen and senior Pentagon officials said they encountered no explicit opposition to the U.S. actions in meetings with leaders in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Oman and the United Arab Emirates.

During the news conference in Doha, Qatar's capital, Cohen defended the U.S. strikes as basic self-defense against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's stepped-up effort to defy international sanctions and shoot down a U.S. warplane.

"The way for the attacks to stop is for Saddam to simply stop trying to violate the no-fly zones and stop trying to kill our pilots," Cohen said.

After the news conference, Cohen flew to this base in western Kuwait, where two dozen Air Force F-16s and 12 A-10 ground-attack planes flown by Pennsylvania and Maryland Air National Guard crews operate against Iraq.

"I want to tell you how important the mission you're doing is," Cohen told about 200 pilots and ground crewmen.

As Cohen arrived, attacks and counterattacks continued in the northern Iraqi deny-flight zone. Army Col. Richard Bridges said U.S. F-15 fighters launched 500-pound bombs at three anti-aircraft sites that fired on patrolling planes. U.S. planes based in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, as well as carrier-based aircraft in the Persian Gulf, cover the larger southern deny-flight zone.

In Washington, a Senate critic of the Clinton administration's Iraq policy suggested the United States is squandering an opportunity to move more forcefully to oust Saddam. "We've really got a moment now where he is weaker, where there is internal dissent building up," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan.

Brownback, chairman of a Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee, complained the administration has spent "not one cent" of some $97 million Congress earmarked last year to provide military assistance to opposition groups.

Beth Jones, an assistant secretary of state for Near East affairs, told Brownback's committee none of the designated groups are yet ready to begin using the U.S. aid. "It is very important that this be an Iraqi effort that we support. It is not appropriate for us to dictate what the regime change should be," she said.

Arab critics suggest the United States is looking for a fight, hoping to provoke Iraq into firing to clear the way for punishing retaliatory strikes. Qatar's semi-independent Gulf Times said in an editorial last weekend: "Even Iraqis who oppose their government regard the (U.S.) airstrikes as an act of aggression."

In an interview, Air Force Lt. Col. Bob Harvey, pilot of an F-16 CJ equipped with radar-seeking Harm missiles, challenged that view.

If fired upon, Harvey said, "We either defend ourselves immediately or we plan a retaliatory strike."

About Iraq's air defense system, he said, "We try to stay away from it mostly. We're not looking to get shot at. That's not fun."

U.S. pilots never fly inside a known Iraqi "engagement zone," Harvey said, referring to the circular areas covered by Iraqi air defense radars and surface-to-air missiles. They also must resist what the pilots call the "SAM-bush," a tactic in which an Iraqi fighter will dart into the restricted flying zone in hopes of drawing a U.S. warplane into a chase that will pull the American plane into range of a surface-to-air missile battery.

The U.S. military is straining to avoid giving Iraqi President Saddam Hussein the propaganda coup that capturing a pilot would provide. Search-and-rescue capability has been sharply expanded in Kuwait and at other bases supporting the deny-flight mission. From Al Jaber, Air Force H-60 Pavehawk helicopters, an Air Force version of the Army Blackhawk, fly daily, loitering near the Iraqi border, their pilots, door gunners and rescue teams alert for an emergency.



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Sailors aboard the USS Carl Vinson prepare an F-14 "Tomcat," left, and an F/A-18 "Hornet" for launch in support of Operation Southern Watch Monday. The ship is in the Persian Gulf on a regularly scheduled six-month deployment.

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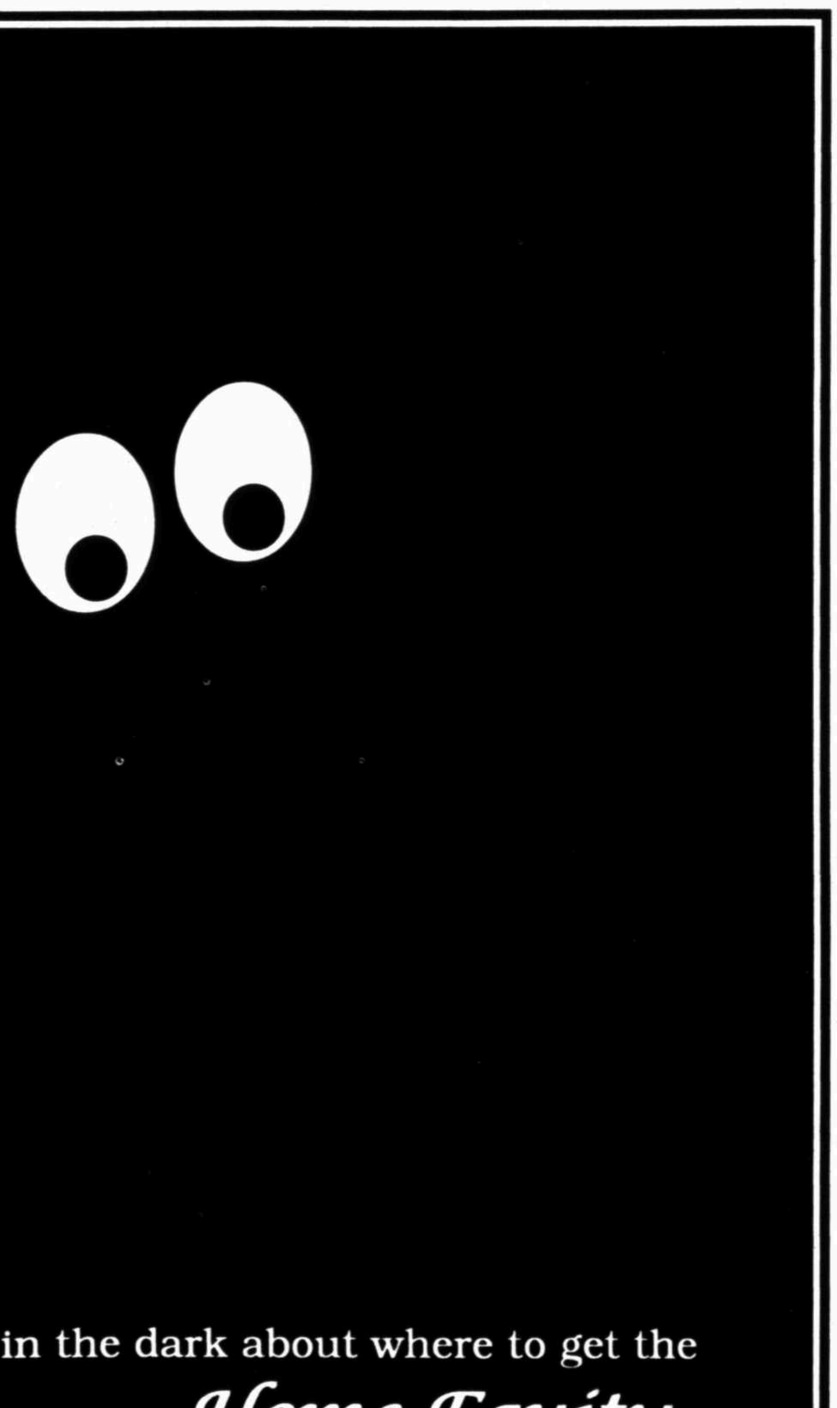
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As fighting rages, U.S. peace envoy arrives for Milosovic talks

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Yugoslav forces backed by tanks battled Kosovo rebels and reportedly set fire to ethnic Albanian homes Tuesday, underscoring the difficulties facing a U.S. envoy trying to pressure Yugoslavia's president into signing a peace deal.

American envoy Richard Holbrooke flew to Belgrade for an expected meeting with President Slobodan Milosevic on Wednesday, hoping to get the hard-line Yugoslav leader to agree to a plan aimed at ending the year-old war in the Serbian province.

Holbrooke warned of a possible "collision course" between NATO — which has threatened airstrikes if no agreement is reached — and Milosevic.

"We are very concerned (that) ... we are only a few days away from a tragedy of even greater dimensions," Holbrooke said in Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital.

More than 2,000 people have died and 300,000 been made homeless in Kosovo since Milosevic's forces cracked down on secessionist-minded ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

Holbrooke was instrumental in brokering a peace agreement for Bosnia in 1995 and a Kosovo cease-fire last October that averted NATO retaliatory attacks. That cease-fire has unraveled with escalating fighting in recent weeks but Holbrooke and Milosevic are believed to work well together.



AP Photo

An ethnic Albanian girl cries as more than 300 refugees from the village of Ivajae merge from the mountains after a five-hour walk to Kacanic, in the Yugoslav province of Kosovo Tuesday.

American diplomats remain hopeful that the Kosovo Liberation Army will sign onto the peace plan before negotiations with the two sides resume Monday outside Paris.

The rebels' reported consent to the plan has encouraged U.S. and European envoys to press Milosevic to drop his objection to the deployment of 28,000 NATO troops, including some 4,000 Americans, in Kosovo to enforce the deal.

Holbrooke and fellow U.S. envoy Christopher Hill, the American ambassador to neighboring Macedonia, are expected to drive home a hard message to Milosevic on Wednesday.

But there was no evidence that Milosevic's forces were easing their offensive to seize control of a strategic region along Kosovo's southern border with Macedonia — just across from where 8,000 troops have gathered in preparation for a peacekeeping mission.

Yugoslav forces firing from tanks advanced southward Tuesday in the area, where renewed fighting with rebels forced some 400 refugees down from the mountains and away on foot and on horseback. The refugees said they had been hiding for days, and that hundreds were still in the hills.

Journalists said the army seized the village of Ivaja along the border. They said Yugoslav and Serb forces, with tanks and heavy armor, were setting fires and that smoke could be seen rising over the hills.

A spokeswoman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Paula Ghedina, said U.N. aid workers tried to reach Ivaja but were repeatedly turned back by the Yugoslav army.

Aid workers reported seeing a large number of tanks and armored personnel carriers, and refugees told aid workers they watched as Yugoslav soldiers set fire to their homes, Ghedina said.

The army acknowledged fighting in the region for the first time, saying troops were responding to small arms and mortar attacks Monday and Tuesday.

In the north, international monitors said cannon fire was heard near Vucitrn — a flashpoint in recent weeks — where government forces were apparently trying to push KLA rebels from Serb villages in the area. KLA members told Associated Press Television News that they killed five policemen, but there was no confirmation.

Holbrooke said the rebel willingness to sign was "a significant step, a difficult one" but that "the threat of war, greater war, is ever present."

He said he hoped to make "some progress" with Milosevic, but added he did not come "to dictate to the Serb people what they should do."

"On the contrary, we are here to help resolve a long-standing problem between the Serbs and Albanians in Kosovo," Holbrooke told The Associated Press.

The peace proposal would give the province autonomy, but not full independence from Serb-led Yugoslavia, for a three-year period.

The KLA has been pressing for guarantees of a referendum on independence after three years and for NATO to police the deal. Ethnic Albanians form 90 percent of the province's 2 million people.

Ecuador bankers warn of crisis after government closes banks

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — Ecuador's government is losing control of the economy, bankers said Tuesday, on the second day of unscheduled bank holidays to protect the shaky currency and financial system.

The government of President Jamil Mahuad ordered the surprise closure of banks and the domestic foreign exchange market on Monday and Tuesday, and may extend it to Thursday, officials said.

"At this moment, the government has lost control of the country and must retake control," said Carlos Larreategui, president of Ecuador's Association of Private Banks. "If it doesn't attack the fundamental problems, it would be a catastrophe."

Government officials said they may announce an economic plan by Thursday to rescue this tiny Andean nation's economy, which saw its currency, the sucre, lose a quarter of its value last week.

A rumor the government planned to seize dollar bank accounts and convert them into national currency led many to withdraw their deposits last week, and generated fears of massive bank withdrawals that prompted the bank closures.

Adding to the economic uncertainty, Ecuador's largest labor federation has called a national strike for Wednesday and Thursday to protest Mahuad's economic reforms, which have ended fuel subsidies and caused prices to soar.

Business leaders accuse Mahuad of moving too slowly to confront the crisis since he took office in August.

State energy workers have threatened to block the supply of oil and electricity if Congress approves a bill to cut public spending. Protesting Indian groups have already started blocking roads in northern Ecuador.

Most stores in Ecuador were open Tuesday, but with banks and ATMs closed, some people did not have money to make purchases.

Ecuador, with a population of 12 million, is embroiled in its worst economic crisis in the last 20 years due to $2.6 billion in damage from floods and mudslides caused by El Nino last year, as well as falling prices of its main export, oil. Economic growth has fallen to near zero, inflation is running near 50 percent and the budget deficit stands at $1.2 billion.

The government had been forced to sell dollars in recent months to protect the value of the sucre, draining its scant foreign reserves. On Feb. 12, it abandoned its trading band and allowed the sucre to float freely.

The sucre plunged as investors have begun to doubt Mahuad's ability to overcome political opposition and implement the drastic austerity measures experts say Ecuador's statist economy needs.

Round-the-world balloonists cross India, head their aircraft to China

GENEVA (AP) — Two balloonists aiming to be the first to circle the world nonstop floated over India on Tuesday, picking up speed as their aircraft headed toward China.

By early evening, Swiss pilot Bertrand Piccard and his British teammate Brian Jones were moving across Bangladesh, their control center in Geneva said.

Piccard and Jones, who took off March 1 from the Swiss Alps, have so far covered 8,300 miles. Their looping trajectory took them across North Africa so they could catch a jet stream, the center said.

The balloon was traveling about 75 mph — double its average speed since launch — at a height of about 26,800 feet.

The Breitling Orbiter 3 balloon will enter China's air space early Wednesday on the 10th day of its journey, the center said.

China has set strict limits on Breitling Orbiter's route, and the balloon is on course to cross south of 26 degrees latitude in the approved zone, the control center said.

Piccard, who had to abandon a round-the-world bid last year after failing to receive Chinese permission to cross, delayed his departure from Switzerland this year until he got the green light from Beijing.

China banned overflights last December after the balloon carrying British tycoon Richard Branson, American millionaire Steve Fossett and Per Lindstrand of Sweden drifted north of 26 degrees.

British balloonists Colin Prescot and Andy Elson, who had to ditch in the Pacific Ocean on Sunday, said one reason they ended their record-setting flight was their failure to receive Chinese permission. That forced them to swing south through the Bay of Bengal, Thailand and Vietnam.

Elson and Prescot, nonetheless, kept their balloon aloft longer than anyone had done previously — 17 days, 18 hours and 25 minutes.

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Joe DiMaggio was much more than baseball

No one disputes that Joe DiMaggio, who died Monday at the age of 84, was one of the greatest baseball players of all time. The fact that he was definitely that is reflected in the record books.

But DiMaggio was much more than a baseball superstar. The Yankee Clipper, as he was known because of his graceful play in the outfield, became an icon for a generation of Americans and he will always be recalled as a special personality both on and off the baseball diamond.

DiMaggio played baseball from 1936 through 1951 with the Yankees, and he was king of the home run on the heels of baseball greats Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Lou Gehrig and others who had intrigued fans. His precision smooth swing and resounding "crack" that sent 361 baseballs over the fence and 1,537 RBIs during his career, earned him an additional nickname — "Joltin' Joe DiMaggio."

Joe DiMaggio is now — if he wasn't already in the eyes of most — in line to be elevated to the status of a baseball "legend." It certainly is about time.

But it was not only his outstanding play on the baseball diamond that drew fans to DiMaggio. Part of the allure came because of his 1954 marriage to Marilyn Monroe — the "Blonde Bombshell" of Hollywood. DiMaggio and Marilyn were divorced the same year, but DiMaggio's enjoyment of nightclubs and, later, his frequent appearances at ceremonial occasions at Yankee Stadium — as well as his TV appearances, including advertisements for coffee brewing appliances — kept him in the public spotlight, although he usually stayed away from the celebrity limelight. DiMaggio exuded a quiet dignity.

Following his death, a number of Midlanders recounted their memories of the Yankee Clipper. They noted, of course, his outstanding swing and fielding, his 56-game hitting streak, silver hair, handsome good looks and infectious smile. All those are well-known trademarks of Joe "Joltin' Joe" DiMaggio.

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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 10, the 69th day of 1999. There are 296 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 10, 1949, Nazi wartime broadcaster Mildred E. Gillars, also known as "Axis Sally," was convicted in Washington, D.C., of treason. She served 12 years in prison.

On this date:

In 1785, Thomas Jefferson was appointed minister to France, succeeding Benjamin Franklin.

In 1848, the Senate ratified the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the war with Mexico.

In 1864, Ulysses S. Grant became commander of the Union armies in the Civil War.

In 1876, the first successful voice transmission over Alexander Graham Bell's telephone took place in Boston as his assistant heard Bell say, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you."

In 1880, the Salvation Army arrived in the United States from England.

In 1894, New York Gov. Roswell P. Flower signed the nation's first dog-licensing law. The license fee was $2, renewable annually for $1.

In 1948, the body of the anti-Communist foreign minister of Czechoslovakia, Jan Masaryk, was found in the garden of Czernin Palace in Prague.

In 1965, Neil Simon's play "The Odd Couple," starring Walter Matthau as Oscar Madison and Art Carney as Felix Unger, opened on Broadway.

In 1969, James Earl Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis, Tenn., to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. Ray later repudiated that plea, maintaining his innocence until his death last April.

In 1985, Konstantin U. Chernenko, Soviet leader for just 13 months, died at age 73.

Ten years ago: One day after the Senate rejected the defense secretary nomination of John Tower, President Bush announced he would nominate Wyoming Rep. Dick Cheney, who was later confirmed.

Jack Anderson

Hillary Clinton won't run for N.Y. Senate seat

NEW YORK CITY — Hillary Rodham Clinton will not run for the Senate next year from this state, according to White House sources.

The prospect has been a wonderful distraction and ego uplift for the first lady, but it is not going to happen, these knowledgeable sources told our associate Dale Van Atta.



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They emphasize that Mrs. Clinton has not made a final decision yet, but she is leaning in the direction of passing up the Senate race as of last week — even as she was visiting this city in what appeared to be a candidate's outing.

We were the first to report the strong possibility that she would run for the seat to be vacated by Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan. Our column on this subject ran last Nov. 27.

Despite being first on the subject, we now conclude that she will not run, based on information from our White House sources, and our own knowledge of the first lady's persona. There are three key reasons for what we predict will be her final decision to take a pass.

The first, and most important, is that she would find the campaign extremely distasteful and repugnant, because of the "unseemly" charges likely to arise during a New York campaign.

Mrs. Clinton is a fighter, and would be prepared to fend off questions about older Arkansas-based scandals like Whitewater and her lucrative commodities trades.

But what she fears most is that the most personally painful material about her husband's sexual indiscretions would be raised again and again in such a campaign.

"The role she hates most is that of the blind-and-loyal wife," explained a White House source close to Mrs. Clinton. "She doesn't want to be cast in that role again, especially in a New York Senate race."

The same source says Hillary wasn't nearly as upset by the Monica Lewinsky hoopla as she was by the rape allegation recently floated against her husband. The source refused to speculate on whether she was surprised about the report, or believes her husband is innocent.

"She was just very upset that this thing would be publicized, just when she thought all this mess was pretty much over," the source said. "Now she can't be sure there aren't more land mines like this out there, that would come out if she ran in a Senate race — to embarrass her."

The second reason, confidantes say, is that it's not a certainty that she could beat this city's popular mayor, Rudolph W. Giuliani.

Once the "shine" and novelty of her possible run wore off, early polls began shifting back to Giuliani in what appeared to be a dead heat. The Republican Giuliani wouldn't sling dirt against the first lady, but he would play the "carpetbagger" issue to the hilt. He would charge that she was less interested in helping the citizens of New York than in gaining a political position to push her more national and international views.

One source in the mayor's office says Giuliani might put Hillary in a bind by pushing issues that would be beneficial to New York, but might not be good national policy. The goal would be to divide the Clintons by forcing Hillary to adopt a position contrary to her husband's.

Such political ploys aside, Giuliani is a strong issues candidate because of his record turnaround of crime and the economy of America's largest city.

Finally, many sources believe Hillary will forsake a race because the job of New York senator is too small and domestic for her overall vision.

Mrs. Clinton has great strength on the world stage — on issues like women's rights. If Vice President Al Gore won the presidency, she might like to go the Madeleine Albright route — acting first as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. If Gore were amenable, though, she might just like to skip straight to Secretary of State.

Confirmation for either position would be a cakewalk compared to a New York Senate race.

If Gore didn't win, or wasn't amenable, there are other world-class positions for the then-former first lady. She could take a post as the head of one of the United Nation's many organizations. Or, more likely, as we've mentioned before, she might head the World Bank or a similar organization that dispenses aid and money to developing nations.

The White House sources who say she is leaning against running in New York report that she will make this announcement in the near future. The positive publicity that the potential race gave to her and her husband has been well spent but was already pushed off the front pages late last week by Lewinsky and other stories, so its high-profile appeal has worn off with the media.

And the longer she waits, the more unfair it is for a fellow Democrat to run in this state — which would obligate a late-declining Mrs. Clinton to raise serious funds and do serious campaigning for any other candidate whose fund-raising and campaigning she had delayed.

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"OH FOR CRYING OUT LOUD, HAROLD! THERE'S ANOTHER BALLOONFUL OF BILLIONAIRES IN THE BEGONIAS!"

Alan Berstein

Bush's latest committee offers prospecting

Gov. George W. Bush's announcement that he will form a committee to explore whether he will run for president has virtually nothing to do with his decision on whether he will run for president.

He has already decided to run. And he has said so.

"I am going to run," he told a historian for the Daughters of the Republic of Texas in Austin last week, according to an Associated Press report. And that's just one example.

But the unveiling of an exploratory committee was a big deal anyway, for at least three reasons: money, cash and checks.

With the documents on file and the bank account open, Bush can start raising and spending money on polling and travel and on other early phases of a national campaign.

The governor told reporters in the back yard of the governor's mansion last week that he has "a compelling reason to consider running for president: I want the 21st century to be prosperous, and I don't want anybody being left behind."

The statement could just as easily apply to his budding campaign: Other candidates have made it clear that they will run for the Republican nomination for president, and Bush doesn't want to be left behind in the last fund-raising sweepstakes of the 20th century.

If he can quickly raise the $25 million that oddsmakers say is the threshold for a healthy White House contender, he will be even more of the dominant force that early voter surveys show him to be in the GOP contest.

Bush's timing creates an ethical wrinkle, though. Like the state's lawmakers, Bush can't accept political contributions for a state campaign while the Texas Legislature is in session. That rule went into effect a few years ago after a wealthy businessman with an interest in pending legislation passed some fat checks to state senators right there in the Senate chamber.

But now that he has an exploratory committee for a federal campaign, Bush can receive contributions of up to $1,000 each from the same people who can't give money to the account he can use as governor or as a candidate for re-election to the governor's office.

It means that lobbyists involved in the electric utility deregulation fight, or any other issue on the griddle in Austin, can show their utmost respect and admiration for Bush's presidential aspirations by sending a $1,000 check right about the time Bush decides whether to sign the bills they are interested in.

Not that there would be any connection between supporting Bush for president and hoping he takes preferred action on a new law. No connection at all. No sir.

Because Bush has already decided to run, why the ruse, the charade, the gamesmanship involved in saying that he is merely in the exploring mode? And why the media frenzy every time he takes an incremental step?

Well, in the current setup, Bush can stay true to his pledge that he will concentrate on Texas and its lawmaking process until the legislative session ends in May — while signaling supporters and contributors and pundits, all the way to New Hampshire and Iowa, that the race is definitely on.

And because those voter surveys show Bush reaping so much political profit by carrying out this slow seduction — while other candidates make their umpteenth campaign stop at the coffee shop in Derry, N.H. — why not keep the tease going a little bit longer?

Even more, the gradual unfolding of the "Another Bush For President" campaign provides the news media with the kind of prefabricated drama that makes for easy video and easy headlines. We know what is going to happen, but that doesn't stop it from being a screamer when it happens, because it still means so much: "Clinton Acquitted." "Racist Convicted In Dragging Murder." "Bush Kicks Off White House Campaign, Part III."

In truth, speculation about Bush running for president is at least a year and a half old. After Bob Dole's loss to President Clinton in 1996, Republicans started looking around for fresh, successful faces and found one whose father had already occupied the White House.

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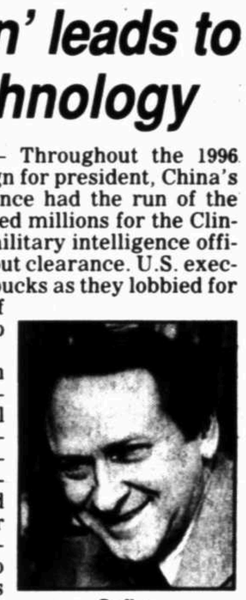
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William Safire

Clinton's 'Asian connection' leads to stolen technology

WASHINGTON — Throughout the 1996 Clinton campaign for president, China's agents of influence had the run of the White House as they raised millions for the Clinton campaign. Chinese military intelligence officials were waved in without clearance. U.S. executives contributed megabucks as they lobbied for easier approval of sales of sensitive technology to Beijing.



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In the midst of this — in April of 1996 — a Department of Energy official informed President Clinton's deputy national security adviser, Samuel Berger, (1) that China had probably stolen our secrets of making warheads small enough to enable long-range missiles to pack multiple nuclear punches, and (2) that the suspected spy was still at work in the Los Alamos laboratory in New Mexico.

Berger, who sat in on most of the political meetings with Clinton's Asian fund-raisers, did nothing. The internal security division of the Department of Justice apparently did not ask a court for wiretap authority under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. At Reno Justice, investigating any Chinese penetration is a no-no.

Over one year later, after news stories and columns about Clinton's "Asian connection" had stimulated law enforcement officials and a Senate committee to bestir themselves, FBI Director Louis Freeh and Director of Central Intelligence George Tenet went to the office of Energy Secretary Federico Pena. "Louis and George read him the riot act," a meeting participant tells me, "about lax security at Los Alamos."

But nothing happened for a year and a half. Sen. Fred Thompson's hearings on the Asian connection were politicized and truncated by John Glenn and Tom Daschle. Not until late 1998, when a bipartisan House select committee under co-chairmen Chris Cox and Norman Dicks began asking questions about Chinese espionage, did a new energy secretary begin to lock the barn door.

For months, the House select committee has been negotiating with the Clinton Secrecy Brigade to declassify most of its 700-page report. The White House hopes to delay clearance until the select committee goes out of business in April, when criticism of the espionage defeat and its Clinton cover-up could be diffused and buried.

But Berger did not reckon with the journalistic enterprise of The New York Times' James Risen and Jeff Gerth. Their story on Saturday was headlined "China Stole Nuclear Secrets for Bombs" and subheaded "Espionage Case at New Mexico Lab Is Said to Be Minimized by the White House."

They show how the theft of our nuclear secrets enabled China to leap a generation ahead with warheads that can be launched from under water. The reporters quote Paul Redmond, the CIA's former counterintelligence chief who caught the Soviet spy Aldrich Ames, assessing the impact on our defenses of this Chinese espionage: "This was far more damaging to the national security than Aldrich Ames."

Berger has a unique geopolitical Weltanschauung: Whatever elects Bill Clinton and protects him from criticism is good for our national security. Accordingly, his spin control will be: The initial breach happened in the 80s, so blame Reagan, not us.

Besides, goes the White House line, when a Berger flunky asked for a quickie CIA "alternative analysis" of the suspicions of the energy department's Notra Trulock, that whistleblower's warning was derogated as merely "a worst-case scenario."

Not yet denied, but likely to be unless witnesses were present, is The Times' account that Trulock "was ordered last year by senior officials not to tell Congress about his findings because critics might use them to attack the administration's China policies, officials said." For spilling the beans, Trulock was demoted.

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UN defends $150,000 dog as security measure

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — How much is that doggie in the window? At the United Nations, he costs $150,000 a year.

And U.N. officials said Tuesday he's worth every penny.

Costa Rica complained to the U.N. budget committee Monday that the world body was spending too much money on a high-security dog when it was so short of cash.

But Assistant Secretary-General Toshiyuki Niwa defended Jerry, the bomb-sniffing security pooch.

The costly canine is an effective security measure in light of the number of suspicious packages and letter bomb threats the United Nations receives, he told the U.N. budget committee.

Could be, but at the rate of $60 an hour, 10 hours a day, 252 days a year, Jerry and his handler Tom were earning more than a U.N. undersecretary-general — about $140,000 a year.

Previously, the New York City Police and the U.S. military supplied bomb-sniffing dogs only for the annual General Assembly debate, when heads of state from around the world gather for a few weeks of speechmaking.

The U.N. inspector-general recommended last year that the United Nations hire a full-time security dog after the twin U.S. embassy bombings in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Jerry, a black Labrador retriever, is still working on a trial basis at the United Nations, along with his new handler Jack. They'll know if they have a permanent job after the General Assembly approves the budget later this year.

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Four political officials slain in South Africa

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Four local officials of a new political party have been killed in this area in the last 48 hours, raising fears that the violence that swept the country before the 1994 elections may be repeated before the national elections scheduled for June.

Bantu Holomisa, the head of the party, the United Democratic Movement, is flying here Wednesday to ask for a meeting of all political parties to try to defuse the situation.

The killings came six weeks after the party's No. 3 official was gunned down in KwaZulu/Natal, setting off a spate of revenge killings. Holomisa went there too to call for peace.

A spokesman for the local branch of the ANC said the party had "no objection in principle" to a Cape Town meeting, but said there might be difficulties convening one quickly. He also played down the notion of a countrywide war between the parties, saying some of those killed were also involved in a local dispute over plans to seize land for housing.

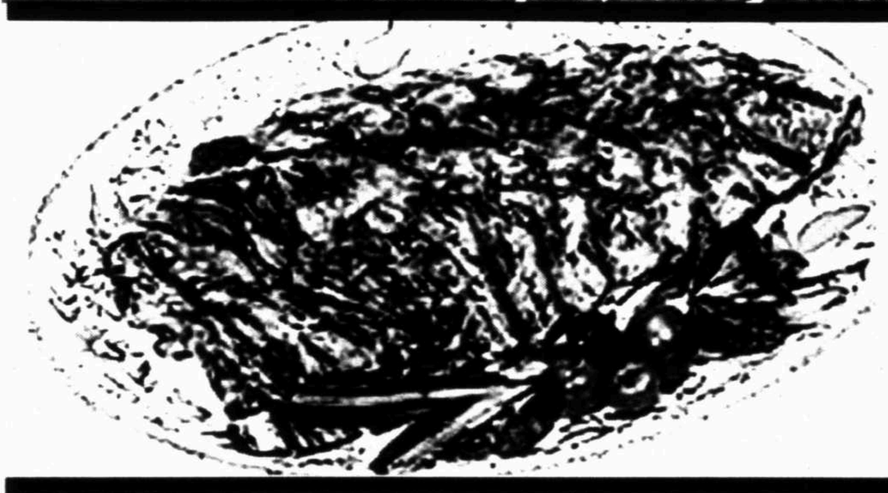
From 1990 to the 1994 elections — the first in which the country's black majority was allowed to take part — thousands of people died in fighting between the ANC and the Zulu nationalist Inkatha Freedom Party, which got covert help from the South African Police.

In the last two years, the two parties have made some headway toward resolving their differences, but in recent weeks each side has again accused the other of fomenting violence.

Bad blood developed rapidly between the African National Congress and the United Democratic Movement. The movement was founded last year by Holomisa, who was ejected from the congress for accusing party leaders of accepting bribes, and Roelf Meyer, the heir apparent of the National Party, who was ousted in a power struggle.

There were different reports on the identity of the latest victim, who was found Tuesday in a pool of blood in a field behind a squatter camp east of the city. A local radio report said a witness saw a young man follow him through the field, pull out a gun and shoot him dead.

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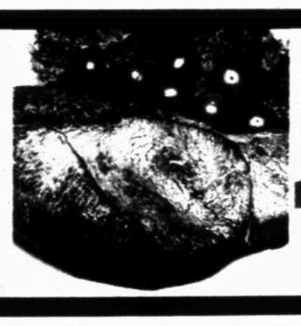
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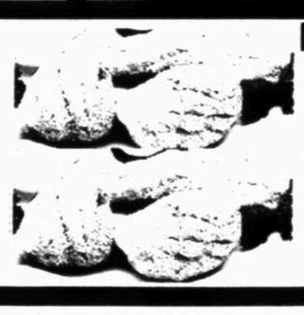
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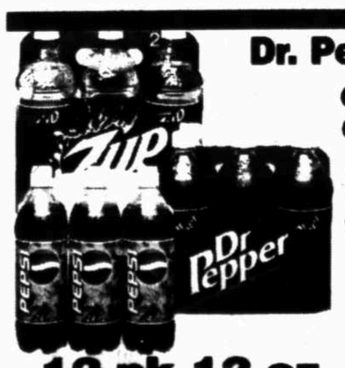
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Productivity surges; after-inflation paychecks best in 12 years

WASHINGTON (AP) — The productivity of American workers surged at the fastest pace in six years at the end of 1998. Healthy gains in productivity throughout the year gave Americans their biggest after-inflation pay increase in 12 years.

Productivity — the output per hour of work of nonfarm, nonsupervisory workers — raced ahead at a 4.6 percent annual rate during the final three months of last year, driven by computers and other high-tech innovations. That was the best rate since the fourth quarter of 1992 and even better than the 3.7 percent estimated a month ago, the Labor Department said Tuesday.

For the year, productivity grew by 2.2 percent, up significantly from 1.2 percent in 1997.

Analysts debate how much of the pickup is a temporary reflection of the stronger economic growth of recent years, and how much an underlying cause of the improved, inflation-free growth.

Whichever, it's good news.

"Productivity gains really determine the standard of living in a country," said economist Sung Won Sohn of Wells Fargo Co. "We can go all the way back to the 1800s and show a very close correlation between America's standard of living, as measured by inflation-adjusted wage gains, and productivity."

Sizable gains mean companies can pay their workers more while still holding the line on prices and delivering increased profits to shareholders.

Last year, for instance, inflation-adjusted hourly wages and benefits jumped 2.6 percent. That's more than double the 1.2 percent increase in 1997 and the largest since 1986.

At the same time, the growth in unit labor costs, a key barometer of underlying inflation pressures, slowed. Those costs rose 1.9 percent, compared with 2.3 percent in 1997.

"Employees are now reaping the benefits of the surging economy," said economist Mark Zandi of Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa. "Both continued productivity gains and the exceedingly tight labor market are allowing employees to garner a bigger share of the increasing economic pie."

The U.S. economy once enjoyed stellar productivity growth, at a nearly 3 percent rate in the 1960s and early 1970s. But it slowed to an anemic 1 percent rate from 1974 through 1995.

Since then, it's averaged about 2 percent a year, leading some economists to speculate that the economy has embarked on a new era of productivity growth as businesses become increasingly skilled at making new technology pay off.

"A remarkable element of our recent prosperity has been the rapid acceleration in the application of computer and telecommunications technologies, which have engendered a significant increase in productivity," Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said in a speech Tuesday.

It's difficult to pin down, but some calculations suggest the rate of return on new equipment investments in recent years "has moved up markedly," he said.

Analysts also believe last year's solid productivity growth bodes well for the economy's ability this year to extend the longest peacetime expansion in U.S. history while keeping inflation contained, without an interest rate increase by the Federal Reserve.

"Alan Greenspan seems ... inclined ... to believe that something structurally important is going on in productivity, and it makes him much less nervous about a resurgence of inflation," said economist David Orr of First Union Corp.

Even at factories, many of them hard-hit by the loss of export sales to Asia and other struggling parts of the world, productivity increased a strong 4.2 percent in 1998, down from a five-year high of 4.9 percent in 1997.

In the manufacturing of durable goods — items from cars to computers expected to last three or more years — productivity surged 6.8 percent, the biggest advance since 1971.

The ability of manufacturers to maintain, and in many cases improve, productivity reflects their determination to operate efficiently in the face of lost sales abroad. That, in turn, has caused the loss of more than 337,000 jobs since March.

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Congress weighs in on city lawsuits against gun makers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The legal battle cities have launched against the gun industry got a new player Tuesday: Congress.

One lawmaker filed legislation that would prohibit such suits and another promised a bill that would guarantee cities the right to sue.

Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., the National Rifle Association's point man in Congress, led a bipartisan group of two dozen lawmakers on a bill to block cities and states from filing lawsuits aimed at holding firearm makers and distributors accountable for gun violence.

"This is a national issue and it cries out for a national remedy," said Barr, contending the lawsuits would destroy the constitutional right to bear arms while undermining the integrity of the nation's legal and free enterprise systems.

But Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said she intends to introduce legislation that would guarantee cities the right to sue gun manufacturers and distributors.

"The federal government sends billions of dollars to local communities to fight crime," she said. "If local governments believe the fight against crime is being hampered because of a mass proliferation of guns, I believe it is in the national interest to allow them to take action in court."

Following the successful state lawsuits against tobacco companies, Atlanta, New Orleans, Chicago, Miami and Bridgeport, Conn., have filed lawsuits seeking to force the gun industry to take steps to ensure that guns are used properly and not distributed to criminals.

The Georgia General Assembly, reacting to the Atlanta suit, enacted legislation last month prohibiting local governments from suing gun manufacturers and distributors. At least a dozen other states are considering similar legislation, according to the NRA's Chuck Cunningham.

Blackmun lauded as 'humane' in memorial service

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun was eulogized Tuesday as a man with a "conscientious, humane judicial vision" who sought to understand the people whose lives the court's rulings would affect.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, Attorney General Janet Reno and humorist Garrison Keillor joined Blackmun's family, friends and Supreme Court colleagues at a memorial service for the justice who died last Thursday at age 90.

Justice Stephen G. Breyer, who succeeded Blackmun on the nation's highest court in 1994, said he "made a direct, conscious effort to reach out and understand those whose life experience was different from his own."

His accomplishments during 24 years on the court "reveal a vision, a conscientious, humane judicial vision, which he applied in one area of the law after another," including equal protection of the sexes and races, Breyer said.

Blackmun got tens of thousands of letters after he authored the 1973 Roe vs. Wade opinion that legalized abortion nationwide.

One very long letter urged Blackmun to resign, Breyer said, and the justice's reply was succinct: "Dear Sir, No. Sincerely, Harry A. Blackmun."

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Tobacco money fills hospital coffer

■ Area hospitals receive part of the $17.3 billion settlement from the tobacco industry.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

While state lawmakers debate the use of billions of settlement dollars, tobacco companies have already coughed up millions for area hospital districts.

Memorial Hospital and Medical Center personnel have received $1,882,865 dollars directed to the Midland County Hospital District, said Chris Thrash, director of community relations for MHMC.

Hospital officials learned in January that the funds were on the way.

Use of the overall settlement, some $17.3 billion over the next 25 years, is currently being debated in the Texas Legislature, said Ted Delisi of the Office of the Texas Attorney General.

The money for hospitals is the only portion of this money that has been released to date, state officials said.

"Hospital districts have gotten a small portion of the money," Delisi said.

This small prepayment came about because of a "most favored nation" clause in the settlement contract between the state Attorney General's Office, tobacco company defendants and the courts, Delisi said.

Because of this clause, if any state receives more money than Texas, the defendant companies are to make up that difference immediately and send it to the state for use by the state's hospital districts.

"The tobacco companies would make up the difference and send it to Texas, and that is the money that has been sent to hospital districts," Delisi said.

Some states received a little more in total settlements, which was paid directly by the defendant companies and this money is now in the hands of the state's hospital district.

The Ector County Hospital District received slightly more than the Midland County Hospital District at $2.1 million, as amounts were based on annual tax revenues to districts.

The remainder of the tobacco settlement funds will not necessarily be used for hospital-related projects.

"The decision of how it will be spent will be made by the Legislature, and that decision is ongoing," he said.

These funds are earmarked for projects involving public health concerns, to be decided by hospital district board members, he said.

MHMC staff have been accumulating a list of pos-

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BASIN BRIEFING

Stranded seamen

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND — Ahmed Shamshad spent 2 1/2 years aboard the rusting Delta Pride, not knowing when or if he would see his wife and six children in Pakistan again. So when he and 11 others finally came ashore Tuesday morning, he celebrated touching land by bending down and kissing the ground beneath him. Shamshad, 10 crewmates and their captain were the last of a 23-man crew from Karachi, Pakistan, to leave the Delta Pride, a broken-down freighter that has been anchored about four miles off the South Texas coast since just before Thanksgiving.

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Bomber training

Farmers and ranchers opposed to an Air Force plan that would allow B-1 bombers just hundreds of feet above their property are taking their complaints to U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm. Members of a group that calls itself the Heritage-Environmental Preservation Association claim the bombings will poison the ground with jet fuel and cause noise pollution throughout West Texas.

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Eight-liners

AUSTIN — Military veterans and representatives for amusement-game operators spoke out Tuesday against a bill that would outlaw some 30,000 eight-liner gaming machines in use around the state. "It will be a great injustice to the veterans," Gene Warden of the Veterans of Foreign Wars told the Senate Economic Development Committee. Veterans say that at least one-fourth of the VFW posts in Texas use eight-liners to pay for such things as community service projects.

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Episcopal bishops

NAVASOTA —The nation's Episcopal bishops wrapped up a six-day meeting Tuesday, saying they set aside at least for the time being the divisive issues of same-sex marriage and ordination of women to focus instead on the mission of the 2.5 million-member American church. Some 200 bishops attended the House of Bishops spring retreat at a church-run camp isolated in heavy woods about 50 miles northwest of Houston.

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TODAY'S AGENDA

Permian Basin Small Business Association, 7 a.m., 405 N. Marienfeld, third floor conference room

Midland Articulators Chapter of International Training in Communication, 4400 N. Big Spring St., 689-7875 or 682-8820.

Singles Group, First United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m., parlor.

Arco Articulators, 11:30 a.m., ARCO Building, 688-5760.

Al-Anon, Wednesday night Step Study, 8 p.m., 2103 W. Louisiana.

Uptown Chapter of Business & Professional Women, luncheon program, Petroleum Club, Lynne Clark, 682-0291.

Tall City Toastmasters Club, 11:30 a.m., Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-3193 (Bob Clohessey).

Company D, 403rd MP BN, Company D, Texas State Guard 7:30 p.m., Texas National Guard Armory.

Midland Apartment Association, board of directors, noon, Clusters Club room.

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G St., 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726 or 699-5563.

Seniors Over 50 Dance, 7:30 p.m. American Legion, 501 Air Park Road, 682-5511.

Midland Health & Welfare Association, noon, Westwood Medical Center.

Downtown Lions Club, noon, club activity building, 200 Plaza St.

Midland Country Club Women's Golf Association, 9 a.m.

Eagles Permian Aerie No. 2982, 8 p.m., Brinson Lane.

Midland Genealogical Society Volunteers available 1-4 p.m., Midland County Library.

Daybreak Rotary Club, 7 a.m., Ranchland Hills Country Club, 683-3000.

Sex Addicts Anonymous - Reflections, 550-1173. The meetings are closed.

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 682-4461.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary, 8 p.m., 1406 E. Taylor St.,



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Traci Olsen, 28, is removed from her Ford Mustang after a three car collision at the corner of Big Spring Street and Cuthbert Avenue Tuesday evening. No one was seriously injured in the accident.

Three-car collision sends four Midlanders to the hospital

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

A three-vehicle accident on Big Spring Street and Cuthbert Avenue left four Midlanders with minor injuries Tuesday afternoon.

Traci Olson, 28, was northbound on Big Spring Street approaching the Cuthbert Avenue intersection driving a Ford Mustang, police said.

A brown Buick Skyhawk, driven by Maria Vejar, 17, was southbound on Big Spring Street, turning left onto Cuthbert Avenue in front of Olson's vehicle, police said.

Olson's vehicle struck the Buick knocking it up on the curb, headfirst into the traffic light pole on the northeast corner of the intersection, police said.

After impact, the Mustang spun around and ended up facing south with the driver's side door flush against the back of the Buick, police

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Congregation mourns loss of young mother

■ Oscar Isidro Rivera Jr. remains in custody on a $150,000 bond.

By Rick López
Staff Writer

Denisa Belloc Rivera and her husband Oscar Isidro Rivera Jr. seemed to have a good relationship, said Abel Torres, pastor of Iglesia Apostolica.

When she wasn't busy tending to her family, which included her husband and their one-year-old son, Ms. Rivera dedicated her time to the church she loved, Torres said.


Rivera

Though Ms. Rivera and her husband were shy and soft-spoken, it didn't take much to make them smile, Torres said. News that Rivera, 21, was arrested in connection with Ms. Rivera's death shocked his church's 300 members.

"We're a very united church. We all know each other," Torres said. "We are like a family to each other, and a lot of people are sad and shocked this happened to a person like her."

Ms. Rivera, 17, and her family have been members of the church for years, and on New Year's Eve, they had celebrated Ms. Rivera's baptism. Ms.

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Radar trailer helps remind motorists of speed limits

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Midland police officers are using modern technology to make motorists aware of how fast they are driving.

The radar trailer is the department's newest traffic monitoring device.

The trailer is activated when a vehicle approaches it. When the vehicle comes within the trailer's range the vehicle's speed is flashed on the display screen, Sgt. Ernest Wakefield of the Midland Police Department said.

The trailer posts the speed limit for the area, while showing the driver how fast he is driving.

Although the trailer does not record vehicle information for tickets, it does record some data for police use.

"Inside the trailer there is a computer that records how many cars come through the area and their average

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The Midland Police Department's radar trailer is shown on West County Road 60 Friday afternoon. The device is used to alert drivers to the speed they are driving.

Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

The 38-year-old Jobe, who was a 20-year Texaco employee and an engineering technician, and his 13-year-old son, Zackary Jobe, were killed in a two-vehicle Midland accident in which Jobe's youngest son, Shane, 9, was seriously injured.

Memorial fund established for Jobe family

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Midland community has really come forward to support the Don "Buddy" Jobe family following a Feb. 23 fatal accident, Texaco Inc. spokesman Judy Stiranka noted on Tuesday.

Texaco's Midland employees set up the Jobe Family Memorial Fund so that members of the community might help the surviving family members meet their financial burdens.

The 38-year-old Jobe, who was a 20-year Texaco employee and an engineering technician, and his 13-year-old son, Zackary Jobe, were killed in a two-vehicle Midland accident in which Jobe's youngest son, Shane, 9, was seriously injured. Shane, who suffered head injuries and who this week was still in a semi-conscious state, earlier Tuesday was transferred to Austin's Starbright Pediatric Rehabilitation Center from Midland's Memorial Hospital and Medical Center.

Texaco's Larry Hall, who was instrumental in setting up the Jobe Family Memorial Fund at NationsBank in Midland, said the account was set up to ensure total privacy and that only the bank, Jobe's widow, Janet Jobe, 38, and her father, Bob Sundet of Levelland, would know the contributions to the account.

"I did not want to know who gave what," Hall said. "We just set it up where the funds went straight to the bank, and the

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TEEN BEAT

School dress code is not enforced, so why bother having one?

By Emily Baker

It is a widely accepted fact that we teenagers spend, just a guess, 80 percent of our time in front of the mirror worrying about the way we look. You never know when Mr. or Ms. Right will walk up behind you. Imagine how embarrassing it would be to find Mr. or Ms. Right in the school office while being punished for a dress code violation. But, don't ever worry about that situation occurring in Midland.


Baker

At the beginning of each school year, students are required to take home a student handbook and sign a page stating acceptance of the rules and regulations spelled out in the handbook. Every student and administrator's favorite part of that handbook is the few pages outlining the dress code.

According to the handbook, the reason a dress code exists is to prevent classroom proceedings from being disturbed. The ironic thing is that some of the most disruptive dress isn't even considered by the dress code policy. I have seen male students wear heavy eyeliner and black make-up around the eye extending down to the cheek. I have seen students wear fish-net pantyhose on their arms. Some students draw designs that look like mazes on their faces with eyeliner. Holographic T-shirts with bright colors are popular. These T-shirts have made my eyeballs cross more than once. A couple of years ago, a certain fad involved wearing black pantyhose with large holes cut in them. I have seen students wear dog collars around their neck, not to mention those bracelets with two-inch spikes on them. In other words, why worry about whether or not a student is wearing sunglasses, which is a dress code no-no, when their spikes are getting stuck in their pantyhose?

The dress code does have some good rules to combat disruption of the class room, but these rules are so incredibly easy to get around. A new rule states that students may not die their hair any unnatural color. It is true that purple hair disrupts classrooms. Blond is a natural hair color therefore bleaching the hair is not a dress code violation. A popular style is bleaching the hair and letting the roots grow and dying the roots a very dark color. If I am sitting next to someone in class with such a striped head, I am going to be disturbed.

Another rule of the dress code prohibits students from wearing anything that depicts death or dismemberment. I once witnessed something concerning a heavy metal t-shirt that proves how easy the dress code is to get around. This T-shirt had two skulls on it, one was red, the other orange. An administrator commented about the student's shirt not complying with the dress code. All the student did to get off the hook was convince the administrator that the skulls were not symbols of death, but rather a vital part of nature and life cycles.

The most annoying aspect of the school dress code is the fact that it is about as enforced as a policy to promote the battering of kittens would be enforced; not a bit. The strongest action I have ever witnessed in regard to a dress code violation is a warning, and every warning I have ever seen or heard about was given by administrative personnel, not by teachers.

What it is I can't figure out is why MISD even has a dress code if it clearly does not serve the purpose it was designed to execute. I know that giving the youth of today a little bit of personal freedom could mean some students coming to school wearing anything and everything, or nothing at all. But, I do know that there actually are some of us who have a standard of what is appropriate and what is not. If the dress code is so faulty, how about getting rid of it all together?

Emily Baker is a senior at Lee High School.

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DEATH NOTICES

Mollie Ulmer

STANTON — Mollie Ulmer, 81, died Monday, March 8, at a local care center.

Services will be 10 a.m. today, March 10, at Gilbreath Funeral Home. Graveside services will be 5 p.m. at the Childress Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

She was born May 12, 1917 in Coryell County.

She moved from Childress to Stanton in 1964.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Grady Ulmer on June 3, 1986.

Survivors include a son, Jerry G. Ulmer of Stanton; two grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.

Jeannee Alexander

BURLESON — Jeannee Alexander, 56, formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, March 7.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, March 11, at Trinity Memorial Park with Jay Clanton officiating. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

She was born Jan. 2, 1943 in Berkeley, Calif.

She was an LVN. She had lived in Burleson the past year. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors include a daughter, Juli Wiggins of Burleson; a sister, Bobbie Blalock of Odessa; a brother, Roger Stallcup of Ben Wheeler; and a grandson.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Monday

Criminal mischief: The driver's side window of a vehicle was reported broken at 1112 S. Eisenhower Drive. It was reported at 10:20 p.m.

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Burglary: A television was reported stolen at 603 S. Clay St. It was reported at 11:54 p.m.

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Tuesday

Criminal mischief: Criminal mischief was reported at 1404 W. Kentucky Ave. It was reported at 3:08 a.m.

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Midland County Sheriff's Office
Tuesday

Vandalism: A vehicle was vandalized at 3600 S. SH 349. It was reported at 8:49 a.m.

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Vandalism: Doors and windows were reported broken out at 1400 N. County Road 1140. It was reported at 1:18 p.m.

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

MURDER: Autopsy results reveal Ms. Rivera was strangled to death

(From 1B)

Rivera also was a member of the ladies' auxiliary club, which organizes church functions and fund-raisers.

"We really appreciated her," he said. "She was quiet and reserved, and it was hard to get her to say much, but always very gentle and that's how everyone remembers her."

Her family, he said, had been involved with Iglesia Apostolica since his father, Valentin Torres, was pastor many years ago. His father, Torres said, might have dedicated Ms. Rivera to that church when she was a child.

Abel Torres took over as pastor three years ago.

Midland police found Ms. Rivera's body Sunday afternoon in the bedroom of the east-side mobile home she and her husband shared.

Authorities said Rivera went to the Midland County Detention Center at 11:53 a.m. Sunday and told jailers he had just killed his wife. After an initial investigation, Rivera was charged with first-degree murder. He remains in the county detention center on a $150,000 bond.

Autopsy reports have revealed that Ms. Rivera died of strangulation and could have been dead for a day before her body was found. Her slaying is the first reported to Midland authorities this year.

A prayer service will be held at 7:30 p.m. today at the church, located at 2309 S. Fort Worth St. Funeral services will be held at the church at 11 a.m. Thursday.

WRECK: Driver of Buick cited for failure to yield right of way

(From 1B)

said.

During the commotion a blue Buick, driven by Solidad Barrera, 54, was struck, causing minor damages, police said. Ms. Barrera was not injured in the accident.

Passengers with Ms. Vejar were Irasma Vargas, 18, in the front seat and Veronica Vejar, 16, in the back seat, police said.

Ms. Olson, Ms. Vargas and both Ms. Vejars were transported to Memorial Hospital and Medical Center were where they were listed in stable condition, according to hospital officials.

Ms. Vargas and Veronica Vejar were not wearing their seatbelts at the time of the accident, police said. Ms. Vargas struck the windshield with her head, police said.

Maria Vejar, who was wearing a seat belt, was cited for failing to yield right-of-way and driving without a driver's license, police said.

Ms. Olson was wearing her seat belt and her air bag did deploy, police said.

MONEY: Allocation not yet decided

(From 1B)

sible projects for the $1.8 million local allocation, but are not yet ready to disclose these possibilities.

"There has been some real preliminary planning," said Anne Shaffer, vice-president of patient services for MHMC.

Board President Steve Kuzmich said he did not have anything ready for presentation, as there are always more ideas for how funds can be used than there are funds available.

"Any discussion has been very preliminary, and I'd hate to speak out of school," Kuzmich said.

"I can say we're glad to have it," Kuzmich said of the extra revenue.

The Midland County Hospital District was established in 1976 as a taxing entity to raise funds from local property taxes for construction at MHMC.

Currently and for the last several years, the tax funds raised for the hospital by the district are only used to pay for health care for Midland County's uninsured and indigent citizens.

Parents praise school uniform policy

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio School District trustees are keeping a mandatory student uniform program in place for now.

Parents packed a school board meeting Monday night to praise the policy. They told school trustees of a decline in gang colors, less peer pressure and better attendance since uniforms became required throughout the district this school year.

"Pride, duty, confidence, less distractions, less discipline problems, willingness to learn," parent Edward Zuniga said. "Why would anyone want to get rid of a program that instills these values?"

Dozens of parents showed up to support mandatory uniforms. Only four parents spoke against them. A substitute teacher said the district failed to enforce the policy at all its schools.

The San Antonio district with its vote last year adopting mandatory uniforms for its 59,000 students became the largest district in Texas to require uniforms.

Interim superintendent David Splitek said he wanted to keep the khaki-and-white uniforms, but the district couldn't shoulder the state-mandated cost of providing uniforms to students unable to afford them.

The district spent $469,000 this school year on uniforms and is facing a serious budget shortfall next year.

After hearing from the parents, trustees decided not to take action on the uniform policy.

OBITUARIES



Denisa Rivera

Denisa Belloc Rivera, 17, died Sunday, March 7, 1999 at her residence in Midland. She was born April 3, 1981 in Stanton, Texas. She was raised and educated in Midland.

Viewing will be all day Wednesday at Iglesia Apostolica De La Fe en Cristo Jesus, 2309 S. Fort Worth. A prayer service will be on Wednesday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the church. The funeral services will be held at Iglesia Apostolica De La Fe en Cristo Jesus Church at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 11, 1999 with Pastor Abel V. Torres officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Cemetery. The funeral arrangements are under the direction of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Oscar I. Rivera of Midland; a son, Oscar Israel B. Rivera of Midland; parents, Juana (Janie) and Israel Muniz Belloc of Midland; three sisters, Deborah B. Velasquez of Midland, Dana G. Belloc of Midland and Diana B. Ortega of San Antonio; grandparents, Pedro P. Gonzales of Midland, and Augustina M. Belloc and Felipe R. Belloc of Ojinaga Chih., Mexico; two nieces and several uncles and aunts.

Pallbearers will be Hector Ortega, Agustin Velasquez, Rodolfo Sanchez, Joel Lira, Lupe Gonzales, David Belloc, Elias Sanchez, David Gonzales, and Gabriel Gonzales.

Gladys Luccous

Gladys Mae Luccous was born January 13, 1913 in Bodcow County, Arkansas to James M. and Francis (Clark) Davis. Her early life was spent in Arkansas and Louisiana where she attended school in both places. She met John C. Luccous, Sr. in Camden, Arkansas and they were married February 7, 1926. They lived in Oklahoma City, Shreveport, and Houston before coming to Midland in 1945. Mrs. Luccous was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and Eastern Star Lodge #253.

Mrs. Luccous was preceded in death by her husband, John C. Luccous, Sr. She is survived by her son, John C. Luccous, Jr. of Amarillo, TX; her brother, B. A. Davis of Texarkana, Arkansas; her sister, Ruby Honshaw of Stephens, Arkansas; 4 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Luccous died in Amarillo Monday, March 8, 1999.

Funeral services have been scheduled for Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Dennis Bade officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be directed to: M. D. Anderson Hospital, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, Texas 77030.



Alexander Haroz

Alexander Sconder "The Colonel" Haroz was born June 15, 1906, in Quincy, Illinois and later moved to Dallas, Texas, in 1948, and then to Midland, Texas, in 1994. He retired from the Prudential Life Insurance Company after 33 years of service, culminating in the position of District Manager.

Mrs. Haroz was a United States Army Veteran during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion and Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Christ the King Catholic Church while in Dallas, and St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland.

In 1986, he was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Marguerite Dorothy Haroz. Born of immigrant parents, Carim and Sadie Haroz, he loved and honored his country. His pride in his service for America and in his family was his hallmark. He indeed "fought the good fight".

His special qualities will be greatly missed by his seven children: Alexandria L. Rose of Midland, TX, Charlotte Jeanne Renne of Denver, CO, Mary M. Tamm of Princeton, NJ, Thomas C. Haroz of Albuquerque, NM, Richard K. Haroz of Morges, Switzerland, Donald P. Haroz of Madison, NJ, and Michael J. Haroz of Boston, MA. Mr. Haroz is also survived by 19 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A prayer service has been scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Thursday, March 11, 1999, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Monsignor Murphy officiating. A cemetery chapel service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 1999, at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas.

The family requests memorials be directed to: St. Vincent De Paul Society, P. O. Box 711, Midland, TX 79702; or St. Jude Children's Hospital, 505 N. Parkway, Memphis, TN 38105.



Esther Peevyhouse

Esther E. Peevyhouse was born July 30, 1909 in Knapp, Texas to John Gilmer and Mildred May (Hill) Davis. She was reared in Knapp, leaving home to marry Gus Miller. They worked on the Bryant Ranch and Youngblood Ranch in Midland County. Mr. Miller died in 1965. She later met and married Arthur Peevyhouse in Midland. Mr. Peevyhouse died in the early 1970's. Mrs. Peevyhouse was an active member of Valley View Baptist Church and a member of Rebecca Lodge #91.

Mrs. Peevyhouse died at a local nursing home Sunday, March 7, 1999.

Mrs. Peevyhouse was preceded in death by two brothers, Bethel Graham and Gilmer Davis, both of Midland. She is survived by her brother, Melton E. Davis of Lake Thomas, Texas; her sisters, Della Brooks of Loop, Texas and Lura Perry of Vincent, Texas; her sister-in-law, Ludy Davis of Midland; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Wednesday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Robert Frazier officiating. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers and honorary pallbearers will be her nephews, Clistus Addison, Robert Briggs, Jerry Brooks, Eugene Bryant, Jimmy Bryant, Melvin Bryant, Raymond Bryant, Bill Buchanan, Reaford Buchanan, J. B. Cotton, Jr., Arthur Davis, Calvin Davis, Carl Davis, Darrel Davis, Delwin Davis, Edwin Davis, Kendall Davis, Marvin Davis, Richard Dickerson, Coy Ford, Doyle Ford, Clayte Graham, Richmond Graham, Roy Graham, Thomas Graham, Bob Laird, Boyce Lann, Isaac Larue, Jimmy Lucas, Glenn Perry, Bill McGlothing, J. C. Skelton, Jr., Henry Zachary, George Peters, and Kenny Farquhar.

The family requests memorials be directed to: Valley View Baptist Church Mission Funds, 6500 FM 1213, Midland, Texas.



Elmer Montgomery

Elmer Montgomery, Sr. died at his home Monday, March 8, 1999.

He was born August 2, 1930 to William (Bill) and Willie Mae Montgomery.

He is survived by a sister, Bertha William and her husband, George; four daughters and a son.

He now rests in peace.

TRAILER: Drug seizure money used to pay $15,000 cost

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speed," Wakefield said. "It does not have a hidden camera to take pictures of speeders.

"The trailer can't give you a ticket, but if an officer sees or is around the trailer when it goes off he can give a ticket. It is a radar just like the ones the officers have in their cars."

Wakefield said someone had seen one while out of town and brought the subject up at staff meeting.

"When they heard about it, they thought it was a good idea," Wakefield said. "We put it out to bid and picked one up. It costs $15,000 and we paid for it with drug seizure money."

With the information the trailer records officers will know which areas around Midland require more of their attention.

"The data collected can be useful to us," Wakefield said. "This device allows us to monitor an area without having to use an officer. The numbers will show how bad the problem is and whether or not we need to have an officer in the area to monitor traffic."

Tina Sanders-Jauz, public information officer for the department, said that officers realize that most drivers do not intentionally speed. Many times they are not aware of their surroundings, including posted speed limits, she added. The new radar trailer will help bring attention to the speed motorists are driving. If a vehicle is exceeding the speed limit by more than a few miles per hour, the red lights flash to get the driver's attention.

Wakefield said the device has worked well in the other cities.

"They are using it in New Mexico and in some of the metroplex cities," Wakefield said. "It has apparently made a big difference in their speeding problems."

The trailer will be placed in different parts of town almost every day, Wakefield said.

"We will leave it in areas where citizens have complained about speeders," Wakefield said. "Residential areas, school zones, anywhere there is a problem with speeders.

"Right now I am the only officer hauling the trailer, but soon we will have it out every day."

FUND: People from other companies have expressed intent to donate

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only ones who have access to the account will be the bank and the family."

Jobe is survived by his widow, Janet Jobe; a daughter, Sommer, 16, and Shane.

The third person who died in the two-vehicle accident at Midland Drive and Princeton Avenue was Brett Ronald Smola, 32, of Midland. He is survived by his widow, Patricia, and two daughters, Brittni and Baije.

At time of the 8 p.m. collision, Jobe was driving his sons from a church-league basketball game at Golf Course Road Church of Christ to a YMCA basketball game at Alamo Junior High School. Jobe, who was a volunteer basketball coach, was the praise-worship leader, a Sunday-school teacher, and a deacon at Midland's Calvary Assembly of God Church.

Hall said that there has been interest across the Texaco Company in the Jobe family, and people with other companies have been telephoning their concern and apparent intent to donate to the fund.

In the week of the fatalities, Texaco issued a statement of condolence: "We are deeply saddened by the tragic and untimely loss of our colleague, friend and neighbor, Buddy Jobe, and his son, Zackary. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who have suffered as a result of this tragedy."

Of Midland, which she described as an "amazing community," Texaco's Ms. Stiranka said that "in times of trouble and sadness, it seems like the Midland community always pulls together to help others. Our employees are a part of that community."

In the aftermath of the accident and the funerals, "The most important thing is that Shane gets well," Ms. Stiranka said. "You have to move forward. What everybody should be focusing on is praying for the family. Everybody hopes that little boy has a full recovery. With the support of a community like Midland, I think he will."

Student remains suspended for wearing Confederate belt buckle

JASPER (AP) — The Jasper school board has backed a middle school principal's decision to suspend a 14-year-old for wearing a Confederate belt buckle.

The school board voted late Monday to sustain the action taken against Josh Letney, who was suspended from Jasper Middle School's alternative education center for insisting on wearing the buckle after being told it violates dress code regulations.

"We're going to get a lawyer," the boy's mother, Carolyn Letney, said after the school board vote. "Josh has been out of school since late January, and they will not let him make up his classes."

School district superintendent Doug Koebernick has said the buckle violates the dress code because it could be disruptive.

Principal Gwen Gilford asked Letney not to wear the belt buckle to school in deference to the dragging death of black resident James Byrd Jr. last June. White supremacist John William King has been convicted and sentenced to death for the crime. Two other white men await trial.

Although the Jasper school district considers the belt buckle a dress code violation, Letney said he believes the buckle is a symbol of his heritage and Southern roots. The buckle was a gift from his uncle, he said.

"I don't feel there's anything wrong with wearing it," the boy said last month. "It's our heritage. ... It's my right to wear it. I'm not going to let them take my right away."

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Finally, stranded Pakistani seamen touch land in Texas

By Madeline Baro
Associated Press

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND — Ahmed Shamshad spent 2 1/2 years aboard the rusting Delta Pride, not knowing when or if he would see his wife and six children in Pakistan again.

So when he and 11 others finally came ashore Tuesday morning, he celebrated touching land by bending down and kissing the ground beneath him.

"We didn't have the hope that we would be alive and go home to our families," said the chief officer, who has been a seaman for 28 years.

Shamshad, 10 crewmates and their captain were the last of a 23-man crew from Karachi, Pakistan, to leave the Delta Pride, a broken-down freighter that has been anchored about four miles off the South Texas coast since just before Thanksgiving.

"I'm very thankful to God," Capt. Maqsood Ahmed said. "We were prisoners at sea without committing a crime."

On Tuesday, the Immigration and Naturalization Service said the crewmen could remain in the country for up to 30 days while they iron out travel plans and other details. They will stay in a Catholic-run refugee center.

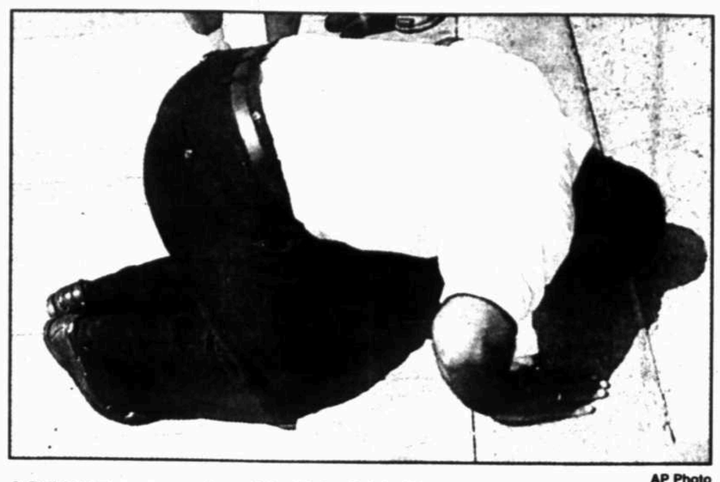
For 18 months, the 740-foot Delta Pride delivered millions of dollars worth of coal, bauxite, scrap iron and grain to England, Asia, West Africa, the Middle East and Texas on behalf of government agencies. After their last delivery in May, they were sent to Tampico, Mexico. They remained in the waters there for nearly six months.

The ship's owner, Tri-star Shipping Lines of Karachi, went bankrupt. A financial dispute with Mexican officials followed, leading to the seizure of the ship's documents and the crew's passports.

SOS calls were ignored as life aboard the ship became more desperate by the day. With fuel gone, there was no way to run the air conditioner or lights, and the 30-year-old ship became dark and hot. The seamen eventually lived off whatever rain water and fish they could catch.

With no clean water for bathing and washing clothes, rashes and early signs of scurvy were setting in.

"The people were dying in front of me," said Ahmed, who was on his first voyage as captain.



AP Photo

A Pakistani crewmember of the Delta Pride kisses the ground in South Padre Island Tuesday after being stranded on the boat in the Gulf of Mexico. The Delta Pride has been at sea for two years and ended up on the auction block due to financial problems. The last 12 members of the Pakistani cargo ship were stranded for nearly a year since its owner went bankrupt.

By November, the men were threatening to commit mass suicide. That's when Ahmed found a $10 bill in his dresser drawer and was inspired by the words "In God We Trust." He gathered his crew and told them they were making a 300-mile journey to the United States for help.

It wasn't easy. They didn't have much fuel or even enough water to keep the engines cool. Also, two of three generators weren't working and the other kept catching fire. Any breakdown could have set them adrift for good.

After setting out at night to avoid Mexican officials, the Delta Pride made it to U.S. waters on Nov. 24.

But U.S. officials denied the ship permission to pull into port because of mechanical problems and because it lacked a certificate guaranteeing payment from its owners if the ship caused any damage. Crew members couldn't come ashore because they had no passports.

Five times a day, the men gathered for prayer. A New York Times Magazine reporter who visited in December wrote that the men spent the rest of their time shuffling around in slippers "like patients in a hospital" with nothing to do but ponder "frightening existential questions."

But people were working on the crew's behalf.

Global Ship Services of New Orleans, a supply company, provided a fuel shipment and medical treatment. The Greater Houston Pakistani Association sent supplies and helped pay for trips home for 11 crew members with health problems, leaving behind the 12 who were rescued Tuesday.

"I've been going to sea for 20 years," said Capt. Eddie Max Stovall of the Brazos Santiago Pilots Association, a group that guides ships into port and often delivered clothing, food, cigarettes and other supplies to the Delta Pride. "I've been through a fraction of what they've gone through and can relate."

The Pakistani group in Houston offered to send them all home with a portion of their wages, but Ahmed refused. Some of his men said they would jump into the sea in shame if they didn't have all their money.

In January, the abandoned ship was auctioned for scrap for $300,000 to ESCO, a North Carolina company. The crew had hoped to get at least $450,000, causing a squabble that tied up the case in federal court until last week, when a judge determined that the auction was held properly. It was unclear how much of the $300,000 would be left over to pay their wages.

Shamshad doubts he'll ever sail again.

"It is very difficult for my family," he said, noting that he's spoken to them for about three minutes in the past year. "It was a very bad experience."

Group opposing low-level bomber flights; appeal to Stenholm

By Chris Newton
Associated Press

Farmers and ranchers opposed to an Air Force plan that would allow B-1 bombers just hundreds of feet above their property are taking their complaints to U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm.

Members of a group that calls itself the Heritage-Environmental Preservation Association claim the bombings will poison the ground with jet fuel and cause noise pollution throughout West Texas.

Some said they believe that Stenholm, D-Abilene, who for 20 years has represented the district that includes Dyess Air Force Base, has the political clout to pressure the Air Force into rethinking the plan.

Douglas Thompson, executive director of HEPA, said he and other members of the group met this week with Stenholm to test the waters on the issue and complain about the Air Force's decision to hold a public hearing scheduled for April 7 in the lunch/multipurpose room at Snyder High School.

"Its capacity is 100 to 150 people. Based on what we know, this location is in a remote part of the school and has no parking. We are upset that the Air Force is intentionally making it difficult for people to express their concerns and opposition to this plan," Thompson said.

"If the purpose of this meeting is to hear citizens concerns, this venue makes it difficult for people to be a part of the hearing process."

Stenholm agreed to suggest that the hearing should be held in a larger area, saying "the auditorium would be a better location."

But he said he will wait for the Air Force to release an environmental impact statement before forming a final opinion on the issue. The final statement is due in April 1999.

"I have taken the consistent position that there is a proposal and that there are definite steps in evaluating the proposal," Stenholm said. "When the environmental impact statement is available, we'll all have 60 days to decide what should or should not happen."

Officials of Dyess Air Force Base at Abilene did not return calls by The Associated Press for comment.

The Air Force announced plans last year to enact a Realistic Bomber Training Initiative, which could have B-1 and B-52 bombers flying sorties, some as low as 300 feet, in West Texas or northeastern New Mexico as early as October 2001.

The training missions would fly over a 50-mile by 100-mile stretch of West Texas covering eight counties — Lynn, Garza, Kent, Stonewall, Dawson, Borden, Scurry and Fisher — covering most of the area between Abilene and Lubbock.

The bombers could also fly near the Big Spring area, southwest of the eight-county block. The Federal Aviation Administration must approve airspace for the Air Force's plan, but the Air Force itself can essentially approve all other aspects of the initiative.

Stenholm said people may have jumped to conclusions about how harmful the bomber training would be.

"The proposition will not place flight patterns over areas that will have major activity," Stenholm said. "We have a lot of space in Texas and New Mexico."

Thompson disagrees.

"This training site is not just another little site," Thompson said. "If it goes through over our area, it would be one of the largest bomber training sites in the country, with thousands of flights per year."

Vets, game operators voice concerns on eight-liner bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Military veterans and representatives for amusement-game operators spoke out Tuesday against a bill that would outlaw some 30,000 eight-liner gaming machines in use around the state.

"It will be a great injustice to the veterans," Gene Warden of the Veterans of Foreign Wars told the Senate Economic Development Committee.

Veterans say that at least one-fourth of the VFW posts in Texas use eight-liners to pay for such things as community service projects.

The bill was filed Monday by Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, who contends eight-liners are illegal gambling devices.

But after Tuesday's public hearing in which opponents argued the bill doesn't clearly define what machines would be illegal, committee members postponed a vote and said they would negotiate on the language.

"This bill is fraught with problems," said Morris Overstreet, a founding member of the Fair Amusement Industry Regulation coalition and a former appeals court judge. "I do not believe it clarifies the law."

Supporters of the bill say eight-liner operators are using a loophole in the law to run the devices, which resemble slot machines.

Operators say eight-liners fall under the state's "Fuzzy Animal Act," which states that games requiring little skill and awarding prizes other than cash and worth less than $5 are not considered gambling devices. Games falling under the act are crane machines and basketball-toss games.

Those favoring the bill say some eight-liner operators have been awarding gift certificates redeemable for cash or prizes that exceed the $5 limit.

Under Sibley's bill, skill would have to determine if a player wins and the prizes — which couldn't be cash — would have to be redeemed at the same location as the machine.

Joe Cutbirth, a spokesman for Amusement and Music Operators of Texas, said operators agree that cash prizes should be forbidden. He added the group has always been opposed to casino gambling.

Cutbirth said AMOT members embrace the idea of working with senators on a compromise.

Sibley said he was open to talking about the bill to see if he agrees there are ambiguities.

For now, the bill is pending before the committee and no date has been set for a vote.

Episcopal bishops put aside divisions to focus on church's mission

NAVASOTA (AP) — The nation's Episcopal bishops wrapped up a six-day meeting Tuesday, saying they set aside at least for the time being the divisive issues of same-sex marriage and ordination of women to focus instead on the mission of the 2.5 million-member American church.

"We made some decisions about our own internal life and our relationship to one another and how we can be of greater wisdom in the life of the church, a force for good in the life of the church," said Bishop Frank T. Griswold of Chicago, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church.

Some 200 bishops attended the House of Bishops spring retreat at a church-run camp isolated in heavy woods about 50 miles northwest of Houston.

It was the first time the bishops met together since last summer's Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops in London. A resolution passed then, and opposed by many of the American bishops, said homosexual activity was incompatible with scripture and non-celibate homosexuals should not be ordained. Another said bishops should not be forced to accept ordination of women.

"One thing we reflected upon was that there are concerns for life in the community that don't lend themselves easily to being voted up or down," Griswold said. "I think one thing we learned from Lambeth is that passing a resolution does not necessarily solve something. Questions can remain and divisions can be very deep. So I think we have been trying to find a way to live our life and do this for the sake of the larger church."

In 1997, the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, which meets every three years and has authority in matter of policy and doctrine in the American church, opened all orders of ministry to women. However, four bishops — from Eau Claire, Wis.; Quincy, Ill.; San Joaquin, Calif.; and Fort Worth — have blocked such ordinations in their dioceses.

"There has been such division in the American church, in the House of Bishops, it has been impossible to address these issues," Bishop Bill Wantland, of Eau Claire, said. "Last year and this year, what's been going on is we're trying to arrive at a point where we can say: 'I don't agree with you but I believe that you're telling me what you really believe and we can listen to one another and find those areas of difference.' I think that's absolutely essential."

Wantland, who acknowledged attending similar church meetings and being "hammered" for his conservative stances, said he thought this Texas meeting had achieved a sense of cooperation.

"There's no sense talking about critical issues unless there is first at least some parameter of understanding and mutual respect," he said.

"We've learned that to continue to pick at it just spreads the deep pain," said Bishop Chilton Knudsen of Maine. "The sores are our differences, particularly our differences about human sexuality. We're leaving it alone for a while.

"We didn't engage that issue directly and I was very grateful," she added. "Most of us are, I think, eager to talk about other stuff like mission.

"We have a message, you know, and we're just not sharing it. We've got to do some self-discipline and refocus some attention off the issues that divide us. They're not going to go away but they can assume a different proportion in terms of sharing our attention."

The Rt. Rev. Claude Payne, bishop of Texas, agreed the divisive issues would not go away but were only the latest examples of issues that have provided energy throughout the history of the church.

"I'm not minimizing the issues," he said. "But there's a new framework that is: What are we called to do when we identify Episcopalian? It's a missionary culture what we have to offer and let that be our primary focus.

"Leave the issues out there," Payne added. "We'll continue to wrestle with them but not in such a way that we'll kill each other."

Authorities say killer fire was arson

FORT WORTH (AP) — Fire investigators have ruled that a suspicious fire that killed three firefighters last month was arson.

The Tarrant County Fire Investigation Task Force, a multi-agency group of fire investigators including the Fort Worth Fire Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, made the determination on Tuesday after following up on more than 100 leads and interviewing dozens of witnesses to the Feb. 15 fire.

The three firefighters died when the roof of the Precious Faith Temple in Lake Worth collapsed as they battled a fire that had spread from a storage shed.

Authorities would not release any information about the results.

Snyder couple charged with dognapping

SWEETWATER (AP) — It was a dog-gone shame. Over 13 days last month, three pit bulls, three pugs, one mini-Doberman, one boxer and two Chihuahuas were reported missing.

Sure that pet pooches were being purloined, police began tracking down the dognappers. Now investigators believe they have cracked the case with the arrest of a Snyder couple accused of stealing dogs and selling them.

Johnny and Claudette Fuentez were taken into custody last week and were charged with theft. The offense, a Class B Misdemeanor, is punishable upon conviction by up to 180 days in jail and a $2,000 fine.

Unfortunately, the arrests come to late to help those whose dogs were stolen, said Sweetwater detective Phillip Gill.

"It looks like we will be unable to recover any of the animals that were taken," Gill told the Sweetwater Reporter News. "We know pets are like members of the family and are sorry they cannot be recovered."

The pets were apparently sold in a variety of cities and would be untraceable, police said.

Police believe the couple scouted out neighborhoods, grabbing pure breed dogs right out of their doghouses.

The couple was captured after a dog owner reported a suspicious vehicle driving around his block.

"I located the vehicle and called several offduty officers to help me track it in their private unmarked cars, but we never actually observed anyone get out and grab an animal," Gill said.

The husband and wife team were approaching people in nearby towns and was even bold enough to proposition other people in town to help them steal the dogs, Gill said.

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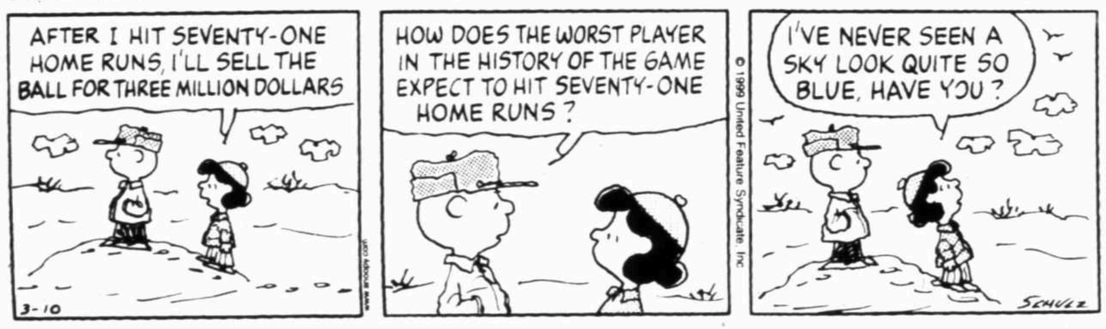
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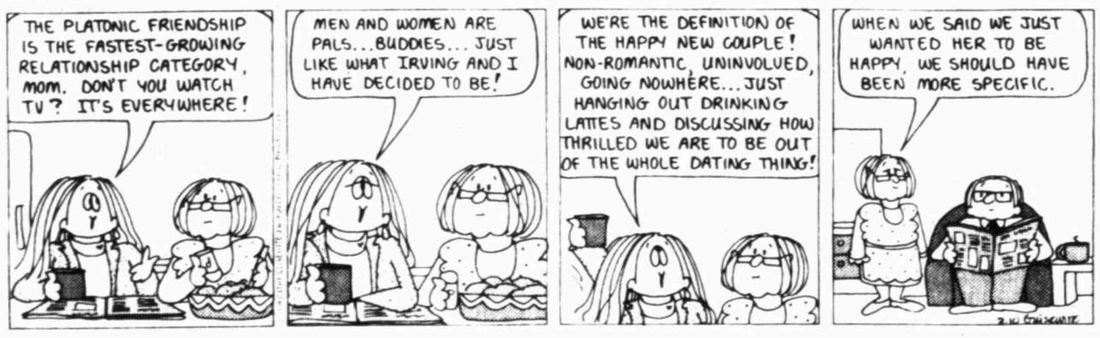
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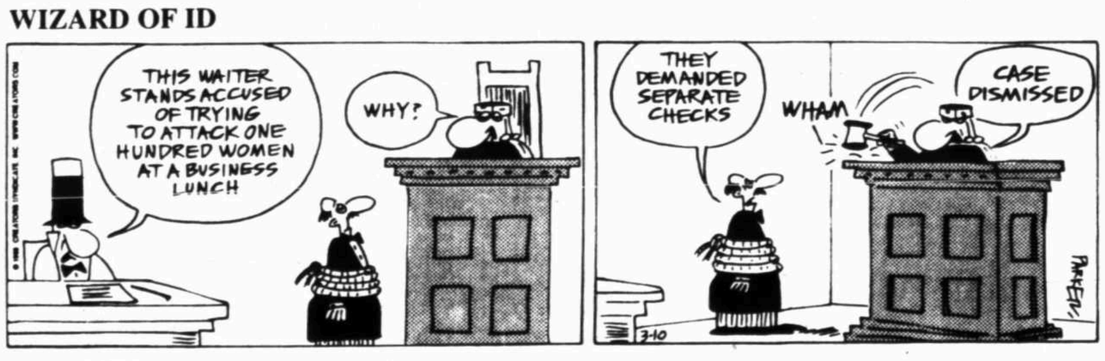
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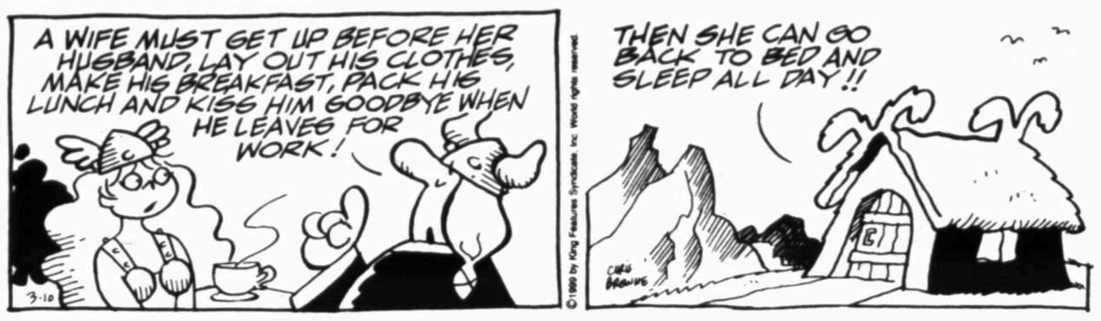
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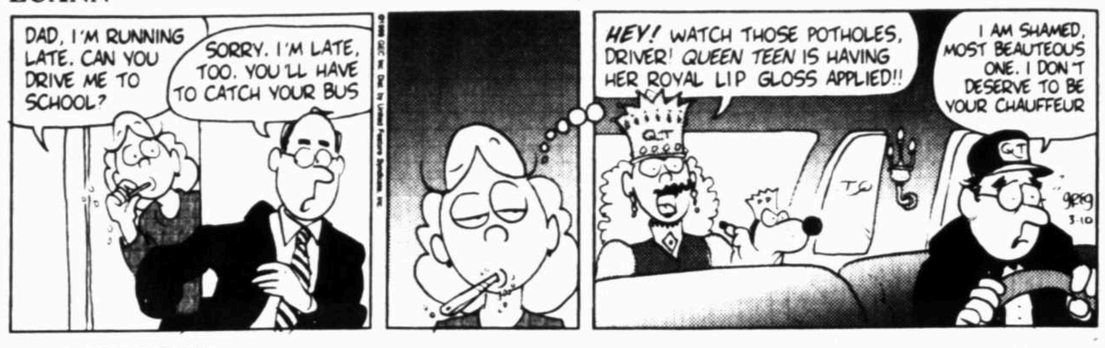
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You could be jolted; suddenly, another simply doesn't get it. Find another way to approach this person and share your wisdom. Don't dismiss setting an example. Caring abounds. You will break through barriers. Tonight: Off to the movies.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Your sense of direction helps a partner. You could be overly concerned about a personal matter. Avoid reliving problems in your mind; let go of them. A loving gesture is well received. You don't need to worry! Emphasis is on finances and security. Tonight: With a favorite person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You could be out of kilter, and the reason simply might not be clear. Mercury, your planetary ruler, goes retrograde, tossing you into a sundry mood. Confirm plans, especially revolving around friends and meetings. Misunderstandings happen out of the blue. Tonight: Lose yourself in a crowd.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Lighten up about work and what you must get done. Confirm plans and meetings over the next few weeks. Refuse to stand on ceremony or worry. Talk about what is on your mind. The boss is definitely a fan, though completing an agreement or project becomes challenging. Tonight: Working late.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could be disappointed by another's choices, though you really don't have much say. Listen carefully to a child or loved one's words of wisdom. Make a long-distance call; this could entail a trip or an enlightening experience. Tonight: Make the most of the night.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Your nerves are working overtime, especially when it comes to money and emotions. Discussions help clear the air. You know you are cared for. Don't settle; go for what you want. A special friend is worth his weight in gold. Refuse to hold back. Tonight: Head on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Make the most of a special opportunity. A partner or loved one cannot do enough for you, though he might not be able to communicate clearly. Misunderstandings could pop up out of the blue over the next few weeks. Stay in contact with your feelings, and all will work out. Tonight: At a favorite place.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Use caution with a friend and funds. Mixing the two could have less-than-positive results. Think carefully, take a stand, trust your judgment. Work proves exciting, with unusual possibilities. Don't launch into a project immediately. Make sure everything is as you think. Tonight: Buy a new item for your wardrobe.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Listen to your sixth sense when dealing with others. You could find partners and business associates to be flaky. Be caring with others. They simply might not be as grounded as you currently are. Give them time. Keep communication flowing. Tonight: Your input is important to another.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★ Assume a low profile; let others go to extremes. You know your priorities and how important your home life is. Think through decisions; gather more information. Someone delights you with news. Intuition is right on about a personal matter. Tonight: Head home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Others gather around you; talks are informative. Notice your talent for surrounding yourself with people that care about you. Brainstorming proves to be positive and helps you reorient yourself. Schedule a meeting, but don't forget your friends. Tonight: A midweek break!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Maintain a high level of performance. Be aware that bosses are still eyeing your work. You will be amply rewarded. Use your interpersonal skills, knowing you are heading in the right direction. Willingly spend some money on an item that will help your professional image. Tonight: In the limelight.

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BORN TODAY
Prince Edward of Wales (1964), actor Chuck Norris (1940), actress Sharon Stone (1958)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

READ THE CARDS

Both vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ A K J 9 7 5 3
♡ 6 4
◇ A K
♣ Q 4

WEST
♠ Q 10 6 2
♡ A 10 8 3
◇ Q 9 2
♣ K 6

EAST
♠ 8
♡ Q J 2
◇ J 10 7 4 3
♣ 9 8 7 2

SOUTH
♠ 4
♡ K 9 7 5
◇ 8 6 5
♣ A J 10 5 3

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl
2◇	2♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Two of ◇

Yes! The bidding and diagram are both correct. Follow the play and see whether you can improve on the line declarer adopted.

When an opponent opens in your best suit, the wisest course is to pass and see what develops. North adopted that tactic, then doubled one no trump in the balancing seat. South's two spades was intended to show length and values in the unbid suits, and that player was considerably surprised that the final contract was four spades with South declaring.

Declarer won the opening lead in dummy and took the club finesse. West won and returned a club, removing declarer's only entry to hand. A trump finesse won, but declarer ended up losing a spade, two hearts and a club for down one because West had safe diamond exits whenever that defender gained the lead. Go to it!

Since the bidding marks West with almost every high card of any consequence, the contract can be brought home. After winning the first trick in dummy, declarer should cash the remaining high diamond. Next, the queen of clubs is overtaken with the ace and the remaining diamond is ruffed. Now declarer exits with a club to the ten and West's king, endplaying that defender.

Since a heart or a club return (if possible) would allow declarer to avoid losing more than one heart trick, West is forced to lead a trump. Declarer finesses the table's jack, cashes the ace and king and then exits with another trump, endplaying West a second time. As the cards lie, West has to lead away from the ace of hearts, and declarer is down to only three losers — one in each suit except diamonds.

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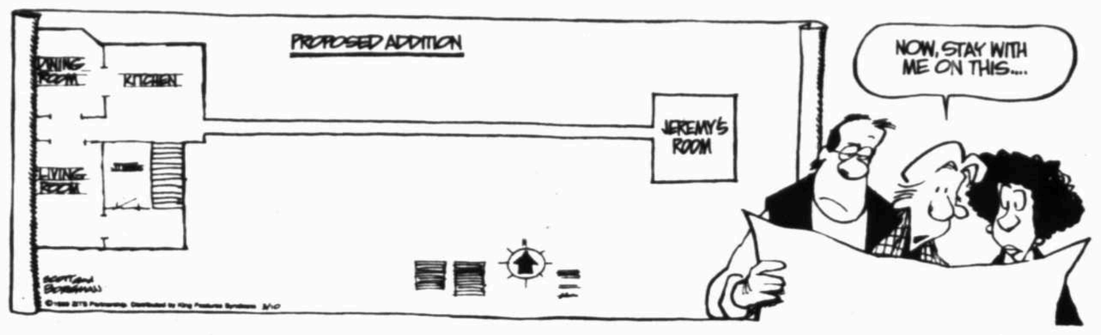
"Right now the baby is *not* in the proper position for delivery, but I'm confident it will shift in time for your due date."

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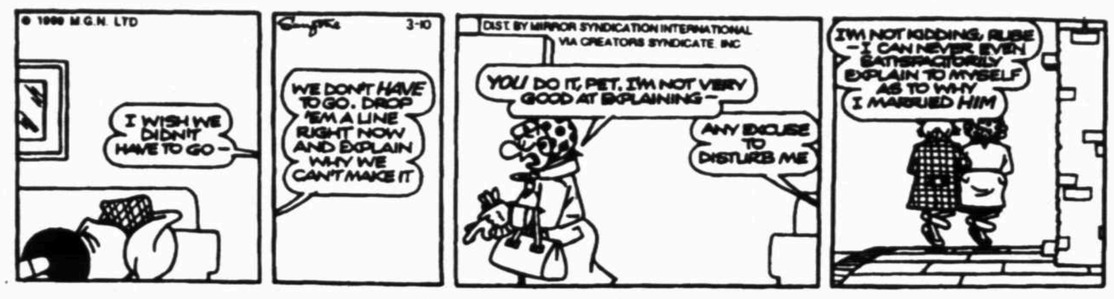


"Mommy, don't use the can opener for a while!"

ZITS



ANDY CAPP



DENNIS THE MENACE



"WHAT DID THE DOCTOR SAY WAS WRONG?" "TOO MANY BIRTHDAYS."

PEOPLE TODAY

Moore didn't get to rehearse for honor from queen

LONDON — **Roger Moore** found being honored by **Queen Elizabeth II** on Tuesday a little more nerve-wracking than dodging bullets in her majesty's service.

"I was a bit nervous, mainly because you don't get a rehearsal for this and I am used to having rehearsals before I perform," he said after the queen gave him the Commander of the Order of British Empire medal.

Moore, 71, may be most famous as James Bond, but it was his UNICEF campaign for children that won him the queen's recognition. He has been a special ambassador for the U.N. children's charity for almost a decade.

"Working with UNICEF made me grow up and recognize how fortunate I am," Moore said.



Roger Moore was honored by Queen Elizabeth II for his UNICEF campaign for children.

Tom Jones was honored for his services to music and entertainment and received an Officer of the Order of British Empire medal from the queen.

"I didn't bring a hat," the 58-year-old singer joked, "because I thought it might mess up my hair."

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JACKSON, Miss. — Former Agriculture Secretary **Mike Espy** is returning to the Clinton administration in a part-time, nonpaying job.

Espy will serve as a senior adviser to the Department of Energy. He was acquitted in December on 30 charges based on his acceptance of gifts from companies regulated by his former department.

"I'd be willing to serve in any capacity if the administration desires my help," Espy said Monday night while addressing the Mississippi Association for Educators, which gave him a civil rights award.

Espy, who plans to continue practicing law in Jackson, agreed to the appointment this month after deciding not to seek a statewide office in Mississippi.

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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Asked the inevitable question — "Are you excited?" — some of the Academy Award nominees were cool, proud, even nonchalant.

"I've got to start a movie in three days and I'm more worried about that," **Billy Bob Thornton** told reporters Monday at an Oscars lunch.

Nominated for best supporting actor in "A Simple Plan," Thornton added: "It is exciting. I've been around 20 years and I feel real good about being nominated."

Australian **Cate Blanchett,** nominated for best actress "Elizabeth," said she was "enormously excited" and joked that "per capita, Australia has the highest number of nominations."

Rachel Griffiths, a best supporting actress nominee for "Hilary and Jackie," quipped in her response: "No, I'm used to it. I'm just waiting for lunch." She said later that her nomination was "fantastic."

The awards will be given out on March 21.

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LOS ANGELES — A federal judge ordered Los Angeles Magazine to pay $270,000 of **Dustin Hoffman's** legal fees for publishing a picture of the actor's head on the body of a cross-dressing man.

Hoffman's attorneys had sought $415,000.

Hoffman, 61, sued over the March 1997 fashion layout in which his face, as it appeared in "Tootsie," was computer-grafted onto the body of a male model wearing a yellow evening gown and heels.

A federal judge in January ordered the magazine to pay Hoffman $3 million in damages. The publication's parent, ABC Inc., plans to appeal that judgment.

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TOKYO — Britain's **Princess Anne** watched a game of wheelchair rugby during a visit to a center for the disabled Tuesday.

The daughter of **Queen Elizabeth II** met with one of the rugby players at the National Welfare Center for Disabled Persons and asked about the special wheelchair used to play, Kyodo News agency said.

The princess arrived in Tokyo on Monday for a four-day visit and met with Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko at the Imperial Palace.

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PORTLAND, Ore. — **Courtney Love** got anything but a warm welcome at a weekend concert in her home state.

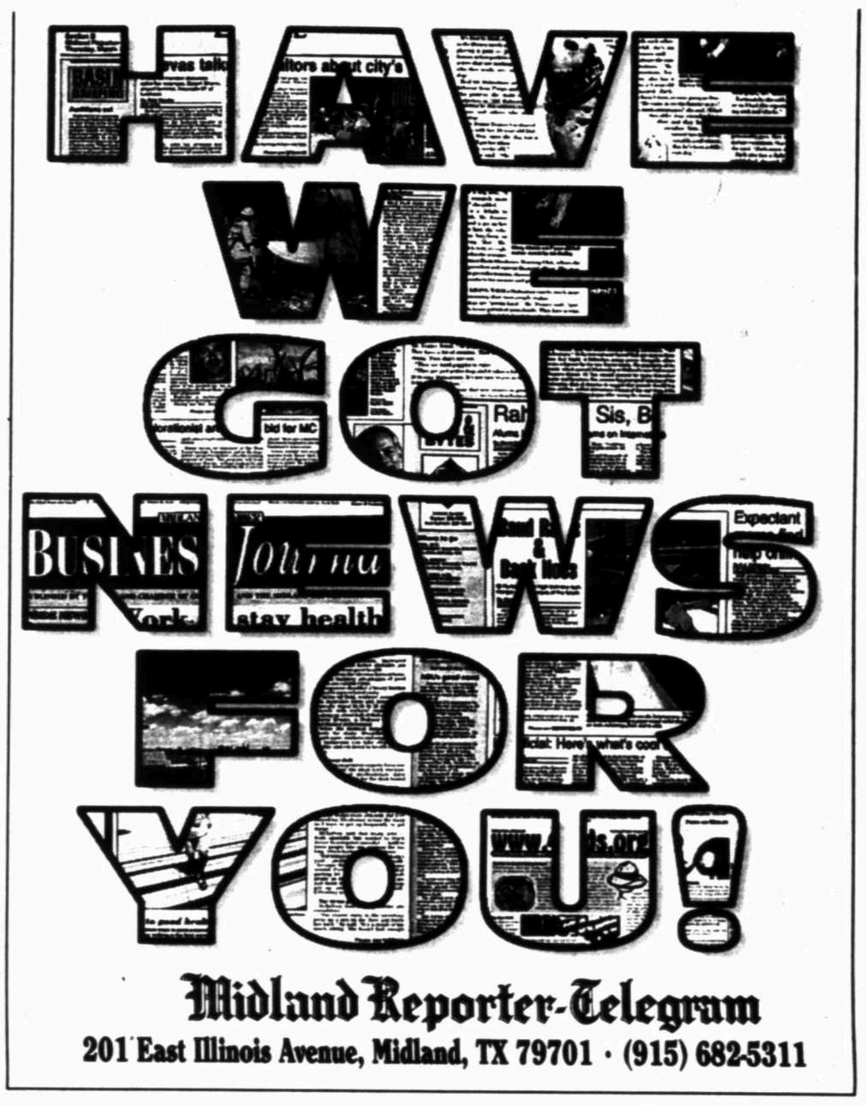
The actress and leader of the band Hole played for only 45 minutes Saturday night before walking off stage, apparently upset by a tepid response from the half-full house at the Rose Garden.

"Make up your minds," she told the crowd. "Either you're happy that me and (movie director) Gus Van Sant are from here or you're not."

When her cajoling drew little response, she muttered, "This is so bad I can't deal with it" and walked off.

"She played about five songs too long," said **Jim Standley**, 26. "It was like having a tooth pulled."

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.



TV TONIGHT

WEDNESDAY EVENING — **March 10, 1999** — 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 213	Wheel of Fortune	Dharma & Greg	Two Guys, Girl	Drew Carey Show	Whose Line Is It?	20/20 4045		News 8353403	Nightline (10:35)	Politically Incorrect	Access Hollywood
5 KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Beverly Hills, 90210: Bobbi Dearest 78652		Party of Five: Driven to Extremes 87300		Mad About You	The Nanny 53381	Jerry Springer 77923		Cops 51497	NewsRadio 32584
7 KOSA	7	7	News 4229	Entertain. Tonight	More True Stories: Touched by an Angel		60 Minutes II 59854		Chicago Hope: Sarindipity 10010		News 3933478	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
9 KWES	9	9	News 5923	Seinfeld 2403	Dateline NBC 61768		World's Most Amazing Videos 43316 (TV14)		Law & Order: Cherished 50652 (TVPG)		News 1823958	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
12 KMLM	42	12	Bless Your Heart	John Hagee 89774	Faith Pleases God Church 54010		The Light of the Southwest 47774				Richard Roberts 53381		News 37855	The Kendalls
13 KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 533233		Behind Lab Doors 114039		Escape! Because Accidents Happen, a Nova Miniseries 290403				Telecourse 572519			
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6 CNBC		8	Business Center	Upfront Tonight	Hardball With Chris Matthews		Rivera Live 8729039		The News With Brian Williams 8805403		Hardball With Chris Matthews 8808590		Rivera Live 6675855	
10 WGN		10	Family Matters	Family Matters	Dawson's Creek 517923 (TVPG-DL)		Zoe, Duncan ...	Zoe, Duncan ...	News 513107		MacGyver: High Control 516294 (TVPG-V)		In the Heat of the Night 879300 (TV14-V)	
11 WTBS		11	Roseanne 921381	Roseanne 351331	National Geographic Explorer 256229 (TVPG)				Moose on the Loose 396671 (TVG)		Hunter: Hot Pursuit (Part 1 of 2) 479958 (TV14)		Hunter: Hot Pursuit (Part 2 of 2) 172213 (TV14)	
14 FAM		14	Show Me	Show Me	Life	Life	The Men in the Brown Suit ('89) ** 849589				The 700 Club 468497		Show Me	Show Me
20 DISC		20	Eye of the Serpent 726403 (TVPG)		The Real Fort Knox 836229 (TVG)		Discover Magazine: Surveillance 749749		Vital Signs: A Helping Hand 752213 (TVPG)		The Real Fort Knox 755300 (TVG)		Discover Magazine: Surveillance 618045	
21 AMC		21	The Buccaneer (5)		Pittsburgh (7:05) ('42) ** 7900361				Flower Drum Song ('61) ** 5405300				The Buccaneer (11:15)	
22 TNN		22	The Waltons 336010		Music Outlaws		Prime Time Country		Conversations/Burt		Dallas 532687		Dukes of Hazzard	
23 TNT		23	ER 329720 (TV14)		The Road Warrior (R, '81) *** 319688				The Premonition ('89) (Burt Reynolds) 838681				The Road Warrior	
24 BRAV		24	Inside Actor's Studio		Johnny Stecchino (R, '91) *** 606686				Star Power 519381		Everybody's Fine ('90) ** 791586			
26 BET		26	Planet Groove 704869		Hit List 244045		Sparks	G'd News	Comicview 240229		Tonight W/Tavis Smiley		Sparks	227
27 DISN		27	101 Dalmatians (R, '96) ** (Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels) 8181132				That Darn Cat (7:55) (PG, '97) * (Christina Ricci) 5778220		Growing Pains		Walt Disney Presents 521126 (TVG)		Zorro 898300	Mickey Mouse Club
28 CNN		28	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live 389381		NewsStand: Fortune		Sports	Moneyline		Larry King Live 258687
29 ESPN		29	SportsCenter (5:30)	College Basketball: NIT Tournament, First Round 590316			College Basketball: NIT Tournament, First Round 144671					SportsCenter		College Basketball: NIT Tournament 218855
30 USA		30	Xena: Warrior Princess 271923 (TVPG-V)		Walker, Texas Ranger 478229 (TV14-V)		Dirty Little Secret (R, '98) ** (Tracey Gold, Jack Wagner) 4668686				New York Undercover: Mate 397300 (TV14)			Silk Stalkings 170855 (TV14-S)
31 FX		31	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	The X-Files 3171478		NYPD Blue 3180126		M*A*S*H	Comedy	The X-Files 3170749			NYPD Blue 9265126
32 A&E		32	Law & Order: Rebels 648671 (TVPG)		Biography 758497 (TVPG)		Investigative Reports (Part 3 of 3) 830045		Inspector Morse (Part 2 of 2) 747381 (TVPG)		Law & Order: Mother Love 757768 (TVPG)			Biography 530213 (TVPG)
33 TLC		33	Trauma Center 338478 (TVPG)		Extreme Machines 455584 (TVG)		The Great Epidemic 537132 (TVPG)		Amazing Science: Weird Nature 451768 (TVG)		Extreme Machines 454855 (TVG)			The Great Epidemic 237300 (TVPG)
34 NICK		34	Doug 865126	Rugrats 856478	Hey Arnold!	Allen Strange	Brady Bunch	The Wonder Years	The Jeffersons	Laverne & Shirley	I Love Lucy	Bewitched 402359	Brady Bunch	Happy Days
36 LIFE		36	Party of Five 828855 (TVPG-L)		Chicago Hope 465300 (TVPG-LV)		Invisible Child ('96) (Rita Wilson, Mae Whitman) 4632686				New Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Unsolved Mysteries
39 OUTDR		39	Great Outdoorsman	Wilderness Camper	Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 8228331		Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 9272251		To the Edge	Journey A Burg	Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 7678872			Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 3888010
42 UNI		42	Gotita de Amor 57768		La Usurpadora 67584		La Mentira 49132		El Super Blablazo 63768		Impacto Extra	Noticiero Univision		Lo Mejor de Al Ritmo de la Noche 30652
43 FSN		43	Fox Sports News	The Last Word	Sports Tonight	NHL Hockey: Edmonton Oilers at Dallas Stars 897652						Fox Sports News		Fox Sports News 85519
44 COM		44	Daily Show/Stewart	Ben Stein's Money	Aspen Comedy Festival 4540381 (TVPG)		Aspen Comedy Festival II 4639229 (TVPG)		South Park	South Park	Daily Show/Stewart	Ben Stein's Money		Saturday Night Live 9157300
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45 HBO 2		45	Love Story (R, '70)	A Cinderella Season: The Lady Vols Fight Back 1458958 (TVG)			A Life Less Ordinary (R, '97) ** (Ewan McGregor, Cameron Diaz) 1347479				Real Sex, Steel Lilies (8:45) (PG-13, '92) ** (Andy Garcia, Alan Arkin) 53715999			
46 HBO		46	The Pest Runner (4:45) (PG-13) 8668671		Beverly Hills Cop (R, '84) *** (Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold) 69671				Tracey Takes On ...		Lonely (98) (Richard Dreyfuss, Eric Roberts) 2588010			Real Sex 22
47 MAX		47	The Color of Money (R, '86) *** 8214678		The Expert (R, '95) * (Jeff Speakman, James Brolin) 8614478		Under Siege (R, '92) *** (Steven Seagal, Tommy Lee Jones) 2883099					Erotic Confessions		Vampires Kiss ('98) ** 8838428
48 SHOW		48	Animal Pot Shop (PG-13, '97) ** 7999599		King of New York (R, '90) ** (Christopher Walken, David Caruso) 4609683				Desperate Measures (R, '98) ** (Michael Keaton, Andy Garcia) 7742730				Port of Justice (10:45) (R, '94) 61391478	
49 TMC		49	Forrest Gump (PG-13, '94) *** (Tom Hanks, Robin Wright) 8888107				Waiting and Talking (R, '95) *** (Catherine Keener) 7572229				Overnight Delivery (PG-13, '98) * (Reese Witherspoon) 8474403		Double (R, '96) ** (Richard Lewis) 4263699	
51 HBO 3		51	The Wild Bunch (R) (PG-13, '97) ** 8888699		Larry Sanders	Dennis Miller Live	That's Entertainment (R, '74) **** 8788478				That's Entertainment, Part 2 (10:15) (R, '76) *** 11288607			
52 MAX 2		52	Jerry Maguire (R, '96) (Tom Cruise, Renee Zellweger, Robert Duvall) 9881107				The Rock (R, '96) ** (Penelope Ann Miller, Tom Sizemore) 8078671				Serial Mom (R, '94) ** (Kathleen Turner, Sam Waterston) 8777049		No Escape (11:30)	

DAILY CROSSWORD

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1 Revue segments
5 "Mum's the word!"
8 It can go flat
12 Undisguised
13 Word with home or bed
15 Sacred painting
16 Part of a course
17 Jeweled circlet
18 Movie house
19 Kicks the habit
22 Ushers
23 Man of mystery
24 Noble and more
25 Protect
29 Fine quality
32 Floral circlet
33 Fight shout
34 Wavers
39 Cutting tool
40 Put on
41 Troubled
42 Eternal
45 Award all 10s
47 Lt.'s birthplace
48 Oversight
51 Babbles on and on
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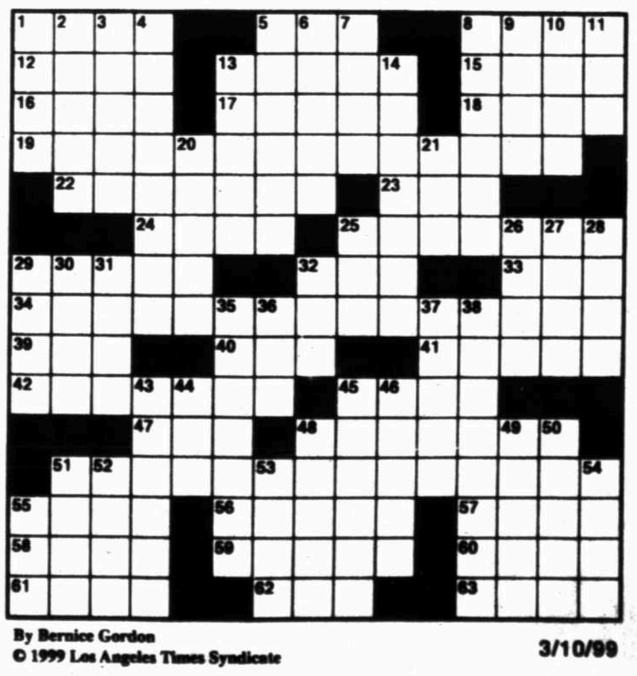
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5 High-steppers?
6 Coin toss call
7 Male deer
8 Early theater charge
9 "— From Muskogee"
10 "The Lion King" award
11 Nav. reading
13 Anecdote
14 Le roi's heir, perhaps
20 Layers
21 Wade's adversary
25 Triton's milieu
26 Pinched
27 Fashionable reading
28 Funny Foxx
29 Eban of Israel
30 Lazy type
31 P.o.'d
32 Inc., in Ipswich
35 Gives a hard time
36 G.I. issue
37 "The same!"
38 Animal
43 Hit high
44 Old French coin
45 Went through, like a burglar
46 Cookout remains
48 Skier's bump
49 Totaled
50 Duck down
51 "State Fair" site
52 Plaintiff
53 "Le Roi d'Ys" composer
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Former Gov. Lamar Alexander makes another run for president

Hearst News Service

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — It was Lamar Alexander's turn in the Republican presidential campaign spotlight Tuesday, but the reflection of rival George W. Bush's effort could be seen — or heard — anyway.

Alexander, the former Tennessee governor and U.S. education secretary in the White House administration of Bush's father, formally announced his second try for the presidency with a call for better schools and lower taxes.

"I will be on the side of parents raising children," he said.

Alexander, who ran for the GOP nomination in 1996 and has been aiming toward his latest candidacy ever since, took on criticism that he is old news in the presidential sweepstakes.

"Some people say I've been working awfully hard to prepare for the job of president," he said. "I can assure you, if I could find an easier way, I'd do it. But among Republicans in modern times, only General (Dwight) Eisenhower made it the first time he tried."

Bush and former American Red Cross chief Elizabeth Hanford Dole, the leading candidates for the GOP nomination in surveys of Republican voters, will be taking their first shot at the White House if they go through with plans to declare their candidacies.

Dole is to announce her exploratory committee, a preliminary step in which a candidate can raise money without formally declaring, Wednesday in Des Moines, Iowa.

Wearing a gray business suit, Alexander, 58, delivered his speech to supporters in the State Capitol's Old Supreme Court chamber. It was a marked departure from 1995, when he launched his campaign in his hometown of Maryville, Tenn., in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains, wearing his then-trademark red and black lumberjack shirt and playing the bluegrass song "Rocky Top" on a piano.

This time, Alexander explained, he wanted to emphasize his experience as a governor — he served from 1979-1986 — who helped improve public schools and attracted foreign investment to the state. Bush is expected to run by emphasizing his Texas record.

And while Republican-elected officials from across the country are flocking to Bush's campaign, Alexander's kick-off served as a reminder that Bush has no monopoly on party leaders.

Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and Tennessee Gov. Don Sundquist were on hand to express support for Alexander, along with Alexander's national campaign chairman, former Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad. The Iowa caucuses early next year will be one of the first key votes of the nomination race.

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> — Former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander

Branstad remarked that the winner will be a leader in tune with the concerns of common people, "not the person with the most famous name," an apparent reference to the political history behind the Bush and Dole names.

Alexander has steadfastly criticized Bush's "compassionate conservative" theme as "weasel words" for shallow thinking. In his kick-off speech, Alexander vowed to be the kind of candidate "who knows from the first day in office exactly what they would do."

Alexander, a former president of the University of Tennessee, proposed to reduce government control of schools because "teachers and principals are suffering under court orders, union rules and government regulations." He favors a national voucher-type program that would give scholarship money for elementary school students to attend the private or public school of their family's choice.

The federal government should triple to personal income tax deduction for each child, to $8,000, and abolish capital gains taxes and estate taxes, Alexander said.

He also said the U.S. military needs strengthening to protect the nation from terrorism, and that a new branch of the military should be established to help stop the importation of illegal drugs. He backed the deployment of a strategic missile defense system.

At a time when a strong economy and peace have buoyed President Clinton's performance rating among voters, Alexander painted a dark picture of the nation under Clinton and Vice President Al Gore, a former Tennessee senator readying his own presidential campaign.

"Look behind their magic show and see what has really happened in the last six years since they took over," Alexander said. "Twelve more countries have jumped over us in high school graduation rates, taxes are higher, the federal regulation book is thicker, our national defense is weaker ... dictators thumb their noses at us; we are more divided than ever by race; and our standards of right and wrong have sunk to a new low."

Similarly, Alexander started his campaign for the 1996 nomination with a declaration that the nation had a "trouble of the spirit" that could only be cured by dismantling federal programs in favor of letting states make decisions on such issues as Medicaid, job training and abortion.

Alexander placed third behind Bob Dole and Pat Buchanan in the key 1996 Republican primary votes in Iowa and New Hampshire. His campaign ran short of money and momentum afterward.

Starting out in 1994, before Republicans captured the majority in Congress, Alexander said the antidote for the Democratic-controlled Congress was to "cut their pay and send them home."

On Tuesday, he did not advocate a curtailment of the GOP-led Congress. Instead, he said public education can be improved if we "send the Washington bureaucrats home, and send their money to the states, the classrooms and especially to parents."

Amtrak bets future on new high-tech rail service; 'Acela' train to reach 150 mph

NEW YORK (AP) — Amtrak unveiled a new high-speed train Tuesday that is designed to whisk passengers at 150 mph between Washington, New York and Boston and revitalize the railroad by competing with airlines on such trips.

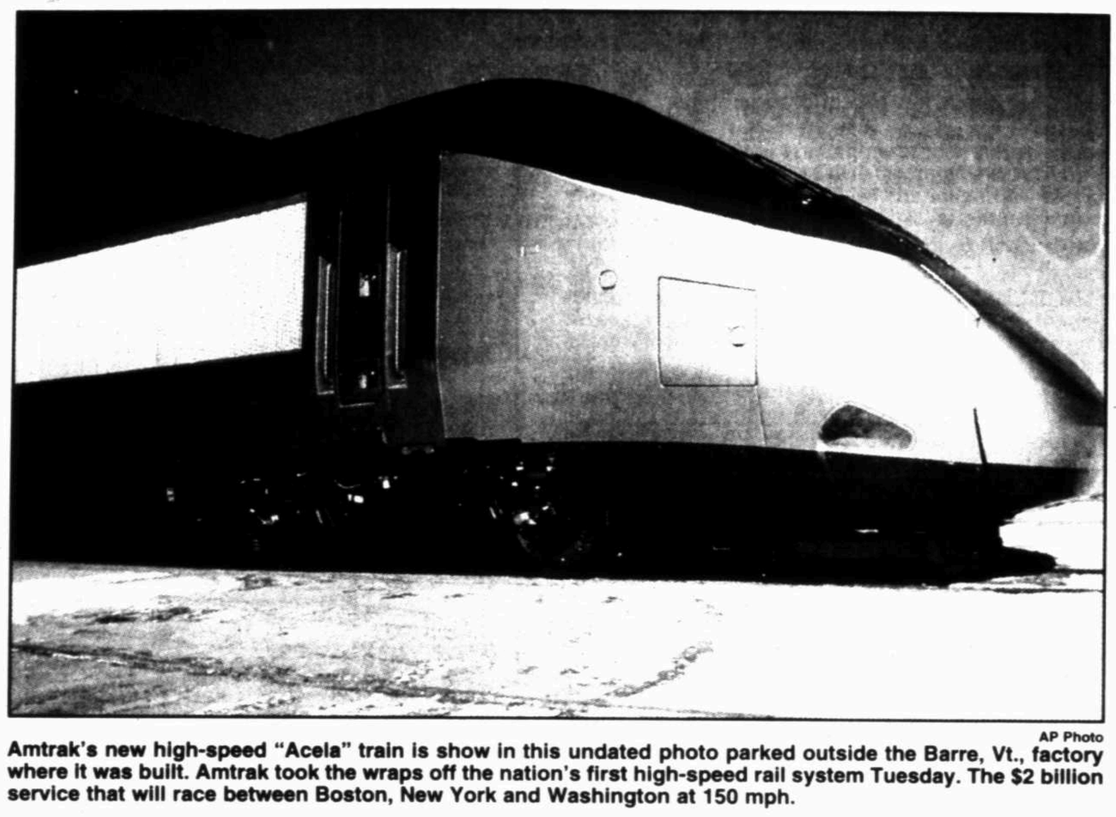
Named "Acela" (uh-SELL-ah) to hint at both acceleration and excellence, the new trains will travel between Boston and New York in three hours — an improvement of 90 minutes over the current trip — and from New York to Washington in as little as 2 1/2 hours, a savings of a half-hour.

Service is to begin in November or December, and Amtrak officials hope it will be a model for similar trains in the Great Lakes, the Gulf Coast, California and the Pacific Northwest.

"We know we have a product here that will absolutely knock the socks off the competition," Amtrak President George Warrington said at a gala opening attended by more than 1,000 employees. "USAir, Delta, General Motors, Ford, you name it, only Amtrak's Acela will provide a very special journey for customers who will travel downtown to downtown."

In addition to pledging speed, Amtrak promised an unparalleled service. Acela's snub-nosed, silver-and-turquoise trains will have business-class seats with audio and power jacks, special check-in areas and concierge service, plus dining cars with meeting tables, upgraded food and beer on tap.

The schedule has not been set, but Amtrak officials said it probably would maintain most current stops, including Baltimore, Philadelphia, New Haven, Conn., and Providence, R.I. The railroad will also retain its slower Northeast Direct service.



AP Photo

Amtrak's new high-speed "Acela" train is show in this undated photo parked outside the Barre, Vt., factory where it was built. Amtrak took the wraps off the nation's first high-speed rail system Tuesday. The $2 billion service that will race between Boston, New York and Washington at 150 mph.

A one-way trip with cost about $130 to $140, an increase from the current $114 fare fare, but still less than the $199 walk-up fare charged by US Airways and Delta Air Lines. They are the two primary airlines offering shuttle service between Washington, New York and Boston.

Delta spokeswoman Kay Horner said: "There's a lot of traffic in the corridor and Delta offers a different product."

Amtrak projects that Acela will boost its market share in the busy Northeast Corridor from 12 percent to 15 percent annually, or about 14.3 million passengers total. It also expects Acela to generate $180 million in new profits its first full year of service.

A cash influx is important because Amtrak has not turned a profit since being founded in 1971. The General Accounting Office reported that the railroad lost an average of $47 per passenger in fiscal 1997, renewing criticism in Congress.

In 1997, the House and Senate passed legislation requiring that Amtrak become self-sufficient by 2002. They provided a $2.2 billion cash infusion in 1997 and have been approving steadily declining subsidies since then.

"For years our critics have sat on the sidelines waiting for the high-speed rail program to fade. We will continue to disappoint them," Warrington said. "In fact, we are using the lessons learned on high-speed rail to improve all our services across this country. Acela will be a catalyst for America's 21st century rail renaissance."

Amtrak will achieve the time gains through a $2 billion program that has included electrifying the entire 470-mile stretch between Washington and Boston, straightening curves and spending $710 million on 20 new train sets that incorporate so-called tilt technology.

Such trains glide around corners by gently tilting into the bend. That doesn't promote speed as much as it prevents centrifugal force from throwing passengers into a car's walls.

While modeled after the French bullet train, the TGV, Acela won't match its top speed of 185 mph because it does not have a dedicated track and is working off rail that is not new but has been incrementally improved.

Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, chairman of the Amtrak board of directors, said he hopes the next stop for high-speed rail will be the Midwest. Amtrak has already announced it will spend $25 million to work on a high-speed network linking nine Midwestern states.

Similar projects are being considered between Charlotte, N.C., and Washington, D.C.; Birmingham, Ala., and Houston; and up the Pacific coast. Thompson said Acela should generate the necessary congressional support.

"As soon as we kick off the Northeast Corridor, Trent Lott is going to say, 'Why can't I have it in Mississippi?' and Speaker Hastert is going to say, 'You know, I think it's what's needed in Chicago and the Midwest,'" Thompson said, referring to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and House Speaker Dennis Hastert.

Lawmakers question handling of espionage inquiry of nuclear scientist

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a growing national security flap, Republican lawmakers demanded that the Clinton administration explain Tuesday why a nuclear weapons lab scientist kept his job for nearly three years while under investigation for espionage.

The Senate Intelligence Committee will have a closed-door hearing next week to ask top administration officials, including Energy Secretary Bill Richardson and FBI Director Louis Freeh, about the espionage investigation involving the scientist at the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

A native of Taiwan, Wee Ho Lee, who is in his 50s, had worked at the prestigious weapons research laboratory in New Mexico for a dozen years or more before being dismissed on Monday at Richardson's direction.

While Lee has not been charged with any crime, nor arrested, he has been the prime suspect in a three-year investigation into allegations that China obtained sensitive nuclear weapons design information from Los Alamos in the 1980s.

The case and the way the investigation was handled has fueled a longstanding controversy over Clinton administration's policies on trade and technology transfers to China, and whether those policies might compromise national security.

It also has raised new questions about an administration openness policy at national labs that in the mid-1990s allowed greater access to scientists and researchers, including those from Russia and China. Congressional investigators in 1997 said thousands of foreign visitors were given access without adequate background checks.

"We're interested in what some people believe is a lax attitude toward security at some of our national labs, including Los Alamos" and whether the administration "reacted to possible breaches in that security in a timely manner," said Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., Intelligence Committee chairman.

Shelby said in a telephone interview Tuesday that "it makes no sense" for the Energy Department not to have acted sooner to remove Lee from his job if he had been targeted since 1996 in an espionage investigation.

Administration officials defended the way the Los Alamos investigation was conducted and Richardson's decision to have Lee fired after he reportedly refused to cooperate with the FBI during three days of interviews recently.

"We fired him because he had misused security," said Richardson. "He had improper contact with foreign officials and he had violated a number of security measures."

U.S. intelligence officials became concerned in 1995 about China's apparently having obtained U.S. warhead design information, probably from Los Alamos, leading to an FBI criminal investigation in early 1996 that quickly focused on Lee.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said the administration launched "a vigorous assessment using the CIA and other assets in our national security operation."

"It is absolutely not true that we downplayed evidence of this," State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said, when asked about the Los Alamos investigation. "We took the issue seriously, as our actions demonstrate."

While there have been no arrests, lawmakers, mainly Republicans, expressed concern about the apparent loss to China of U.S. secrets that, according to U.S. intelligence sources, allowed China to make a significant leap in developing new warhead technology in the early 1990s.

"We found out last year when the technology was transferred through American corporations. ... Now we find this lax security," complained Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi. "What I want to know is, what actions are we going to take to stop this kind of misconduct?"

Administration officials emphasized that the alleged espionage occurred in the 1980s — in a Republican administration under President Reagan — and that President Clinton in early 1998 took steps to beef up counterintelligence efforts and security at the weapons labs.

Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., chairman of a select committee investigating U.S. military and commercial dealings with China, said his panel had received testimony on the Lee case and details are included in a still-classified report.

While not commenting directly on the Lee case, he expressed concern it was part of a broader pattern in which federal weapons labs "failed to take even minimal steps necessary for counterintelligence." He said there were strong disagreements with the White House over how much of the 700-page report should be made public.

Meanwhile, Lee, about whom little is publicly known, appeared to have dropped out of public view. The telephone at his home in Los Alamos, N.M., was disconnected. Earlier, his wife, who once had been a secretary at the Los Alamos lab, declined to comment when reached by a reporter.

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Some grumbling as GOP leaders begin selling budget proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Committee chairmen expressed skepticism Tuesday that Congress can honor 2-year-old spending limits as Republican leaders began pitching an outline of a fiscal 2000 budget to the GOP rank and file.

"I can live with the caps," said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla., whose committee will start writing the bills in coming weeks. But "can 218 members of the House live with caps?" he said, referring to a majority of the 435-member chamber. "We'll see."

"I think we can stick to the caps if we have the votes to do so," Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, told reporters separately. "I'm not sure Congress can take the actions necessary to live within them."

Living within those spending limits — set in the 1997 budget-balancing deal — is among several principles GOP House and Senate leaders set last week as their guidelines for this year's budget fight with President Clinton. With narrow GOP congressional majorities and with most Democrats favoring additional spending, the comments by Young and Stevens illustrated how tough it will be to keep Republicans united enough to obey the limits.

Even so, leaders said their plan would prevail.

"To start off this year saying, 'Oh, you know, we're going to just ignore these restraints we agreed to just two years ago,' is not good," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., told reporters.

The spending bills account for nearly one-third of next year's expected $1.8 trillion budget. According to the budget agreement, they are limited to $536 billion next year. But there is pressure to spend perhaps $30 billion beyond that to boost defense and education and to keep programs even with inflation.

Besides honoring that spending limit, GOP leaders agreed last week to produce a budget with gradually growing tax cuts and reserving $1.8 trillion in projected Social Security surpluses over the next decade. The still unspecified tax cuts would be worth about $15 billion next year but swell to a 10-year cost of about $800 billion.

The House and Senate budget committees plan to vote next week on spending blueprints for fiscal 2000, which begins Oct. 1, reflecting the ideas.

In closed-door sessions with House Republicans Tuesday afternoon, participants said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., told them of a morning meeting he had with Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

Hastert told Republicans that Greenspan "liked the idea of buying down the debt" and of providing tax cuts in future years, said one GOP leadership aide who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"He was also very happy we held the line on spending," Hastert said, according to the aide.

Catholic group demands Turner ban for a year

NEW YORK (AP) — Major league baseball officials said Tuesday they were looking into a Catholic organization's demands that Atlanta Braves owner Ted Turner be barred from the sport for a year because he told a Polish joke and made other comments about Catholics last month.

Thomas Droleskey, head of a group called Christ or Chaos, which he said has 500 members, said he wrote to baseball Commissioner Bud Selig asking for "immediate action" to suspend Turner from any contact with the Braves and the sport for a year.

Baseball spokesman Richard Levin said the complaint was taken "very seriously." He said he had not seen the letter, but "we are aware of the situation. The commissioner has talked to Ted Turner and is looking into it."

In Atlanta, Turner spokesman Phil Evans wouldn't comment.

Turner was guest speaker at the Feb. 16 dinner of the National Family Planning and Reproductive Association, which supports abortion rights, contraception and other practices opposed by the Catholic church.

When a questioner asked what he would say on meeting Pope John Paul II, Turner extended an upraised foot toward the audience and said, "Ever seen a Polish mine detector?"

He later said the pope should "get with it — welcome to the 20th century," and suggested the Ten Commandments' ban on adultery should be abolished.

Turner later offered a "heartfelt apology" to William Donohue, president of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights.

Donohue accepted the apology.

Clinton to present Mitchell with Freedom Medal

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a St. Patrick's Day ceremony, President Clinton will award former Sen. George Mitchell the nation's highest civilian honor for his efforts to forge peace in Northern Ireland.

"He has helped bring the people of Northern Ireland closer to lasting peace than they have been in 30 years of sectarian conflict," White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said in a statement. "And he has given inspiration to others around the world seeking to resolve seemingly intractable disputes."

Mitchell, a former Senate majority leader from Maine, will receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom at a White House ceremony on March 17, Lockhart said.

"As judge, lawmakers and statesman, George Mitchell has devoted his life to the determined pursuit of the common good," Lockhart said.

Mitchell, acting as Clinton's envoy, shepherded the warring factions in Northern Ireland to the political settlement known as the Good Friday agreement in April 1998.

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Tenant refuses to leave pricey neighborhood despite pressure

Samuel Rael is renting a house at bargain rates to give it a lived-in look while it is on the market. But neighbors want him out because of his roommate: a man awaiting trial on rape charges.

MARIETTA, Ga. (AP) — In truth, Charlton Forge isn't even Samuel Rael's kind of neighborhood.

Rael is a bachelor lawyer, amateur boxer and sometime producer of B-movies. Charlton Forge, with its $200,000-plus homes of spacious decks and rolling, landscaped yards, is a Southern suburbia of sport-utility vehicles, soccer moms and backyard barbecues.

But Rael is staying right where is. It's a matter of principle now, he says.

Rael is renting a house at a bargain rate through a company called Atlanta Showcase of Homes. Renters with an eye for decorating are allowed to move into a house while it is up for sale. The idea is that the tenant will give the place the lived-in look that makes a house easier to sell.

The house where Rael is living has yet to sell. But neighbors want him out anyway because of his roommate: a man awaiting trial on rape charges.

Rael is fighting eviction by Atlanta Showcase of Homes.

It's more than tenants' rights, he explains — there's presumption of innocence, loyalty to a friend and standing up to small-minded attitudes and threats. "That is ultimately what this is all about," Rael says.

That draws a chuckle from the lawyer for Atlanta Showcase of Homes. "In our view, they're simply trying to hang on to a cheap rent," says Charles Robertson II.

Real, a Bronx-born defense attorney, moved into the three-bedroom, three-bath home owned by the wife of R&B musician Keith Sweat in October.



AP Photo

Samuel Rael, right, and his roommate, Michael Wright, relax in the living room of their Marietta, Ga., home Thursday. The two are under pressure from homeowners to move from the suburban Atlanta home where they pay rent as "showcase home" tenants.

Under his contract with Atlanta Showcase, Rael was "resident manager," paying $650 a month and agreeing to keep the house ready to show to potential buyers.

Rael, 45, had lived in two other homes for Atlanta Showcase, staying about six months each time. The drawbacks are interruptions by real estate agents and a requirement that he be ready to vacate on seven days' notice.

"It's like being in the Army, or maybe in the witness protection program," Rael says.

His latest house is in conservative Cobb County, home of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Soon after Rael moved in, his friend Michael Wright needed a place to stay after four months in jail.

Wright, 50, blames a bad breakup with a vengeful girlfriend for the rape charges and predicts he will be acquitted. He has an ankle monitor that prevents him from going more than 150 feet from the house.

When a problem with the pipes last year left the house without water while Rael was away, Wright sheepishly asked a neighbor to bring him water, claiming a basketball injury kept him from going for it himself.

"I'm probably the least-dangerous person in this neighborhood," he says.

Neighbors don't see it that way. They learned about Wright's status after he asked a church for help in getting back on his feet and his Charlton Forge address caught the eye of a volunteer who lives there.

Word got around quickly, and Atlanta Showcase told the tenants to leave. Rael refused, both because he didn't want to move so quickly and because he didn't like the reason.

"The neighbors take exception to turning their neighborhood into a minimum-security prison," Robertson explains.

Three neighbors declined comment or didn't return calls, and Rael says he has had little contact with them. He jokes that he fears being pelted by "their Gucci bags."

There was an anonymous voice mail last week warning that neighbors will cause trouble for Wright in court, and Rael says Sweat's wife, Lisa, threatened to send high-powered Los Angeles lawyers after him. Sweat's publicist didn't return a call.

Robertson last week won an eviction order against Rael. But Rael is appealing and asking for a jury trial. The case could drag on for months.

Robertson says the uncertain status of the tenants has complicated efforts to sell the house. The for-sale sign was taken down last week.

Rael, meanwhile, ponders whether this could be the stuff of a new direct-to-video movie. Four movies he helped produce, with titles such as "Demolition Highway," found their biggest audience in Bangladesh, he says.

"I just don't know what the ending's going to be," Rael says.

Pentagon officials warn of cyber-terrorist Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top Pentagon official warned Congress of an "electronic" Pearl Harbor by cyber-terrorists and said the target is more likely to be commercial than military.

Even though its computer network is penetrated by computer hackers as often as 10 to 15 times a day, the Defense Department thinks it has done a good job of protecting vital national security interests, Deputy Defense Secretary John Hamre said Tuesday.

He told the Senate Armed Services Committee that all the computer intrusions so far have been against nonsensitive portions of the Pentagon computer system.

"To our knowledge, we have never been penetrated on our classified networks," Hamre said. "We can protect the Department of Defense, and I think we've done a great deal."

But he said he was increasingly worried about the vulnerability of commercial and financial interests.

"And this Pearl Harbor's going to be different," Hamre said. "It's not going to be against Navy ships sitting in a Navy shipyard; it's going to be against commercial infrastructure, and we don't control that. And there's been little progress on that."

He said the Pentagon has made much headway over the past few years in beefing up its surveillance system.

Hamre told a closed-door congressional briefing late last month that a new, potentially more damaging method of penetrating the Pentagon's computer system had been detected recently, according to participants who spoke later on condition of anonymity.

A military computer server near San Antonio was probed for several days in January by hackers who entered the system through an overseas site on the Internet, the sources said. The intrusions were detected by the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Dahlgren, Va.

Pentagon officials later said that the penetrations had been foiled, although no suspects had been caught.

Hamre told Tuesday's Senate hearing that the Pentagon was monitoring all its computer-center networks 24 hours a day "and we're able to get real-time detection" of penetrations.

"And we're getting hit every day. We probably get 10, 15 a day at each of these centers, where people are trying to get in." He said most of the hits appeared harmless but "some of them are serious."

Even though the Pentagon has many computer experts at work to protect against hackers and computer viruses, Hamre cited the agency's biggest problem: losing computer experts to private industry. These experts earn up to $30,000 a year at the Pentagon, but companies are offering them $70,000 to $80,000, Hamre said.

Gen. Joseph Ralston, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told the panel the Pentagon had decided against recommending a new U.S.-based military command to deal exclusively with the terrorism issue, particularly a possible biological or chemical attack.

Instead, he said, Defense Secretary William Cohen would soon recommend to President Clinton the creation of a joint task force, made up of different services and agencies, to deal with terrorism threats. It and its commander would report to the Atlantic Command, based at Norfolk, Va., Ralston said.

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., the committee chairman, said the nation "would be unforgiving" if a terrorist attack occurred — and it was later determined the government hadn't done enough to protect against it.

"We will be ever-vigilant," Warner said, even it means building fewer warplanes or ships. "This committee is prepared to do it, no matter what the cost."

Crayola to rename 'indian red'

EASTON, Pa. (AP) — Crayola is changing the name of its "indian red" crayon to avoid misunderstandings over the color's origin.

Crayola says indian red was based on a reddish-brown pigment commonly found near India. But the manufacturer has gotten complaints from teachers who say students think the color has to do with American Indians.

"Little children take words and names very literally," said Louise Cosgrove, an art teacher in Allentown. "To them, they think indian red is the color of a Native American's skin."

Suggestions for the new name will be accepted over the next three months.

Indian red — with a lower-case "i" — debuted in the Crayola lineup in 1958, when the 64-crayon box was introduced.

"If it confuses children, it's something that should be reevaluated," Crayola spokeswoman Tracey Muldoon Moran said. "It's easy enough for us to remedy the situation by renaming the crayon."

In 1958, "prussian blue" was renamed "midnight blue," because teachers said students were no longer familiar with Prussian history. In 1962, "flesh" was changed to "peach" to recognize that "everyone's skin tone is not the same," Ms. Moran said.

The most recent name change "underscores the American public's growing sensitivity to images and symbols which have been perceived as offensive to Native Americans and more importantly to native children," said JoAnn K. Chase, executive director of the National Congress of American Indians.

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GIRLS

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
xy-Midland Lee	**12**	**0**	**20**	**2**
x-San Angelo Central	9	3	16	5
x-Odessa Permian	6	6	10	10
Midland High	**5**	**7**	**10**	**10**
Abilene Cooper	5	7	9	9
Abilene High	4	8	7	11
Odessa High	1	11	4	14

x-clinched a UIL playoff spot
y-clinched district title

Tuesday's Results

Midland Lee 1, San Angelo Central 0 (SO 2-0); Odessa Permian 2, Abilene High 1 (SO 4-3); Abilene Cooper 3, Odessa High 2. **Midland High was open.**

End of the regular season

4-5A Softball

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Abilene High	2	0	11	5
Midland Lee	**2**	**1**	**13**	**5**
Abilene Cooper	2	1	12	5
Odessa Permian	1	1	8	2
San Angelo	1	1	7	6
Midland High	**1**	**2**	**11**	**6**
Odessa High	0	3	1	9

Tuesday's Games

Abilene High 5, Midland Lee 0; Abilene Cooper 3, Midland High 2; San Angelo Central 10, Odessa High 8. Odessa Permian is open.

Saturday's Games

San Angelo Central at Midland High; Odessa High at Abilene High; Abilene Cooper at Odessa Permian. Midland Lee is at Arlington Tournament Thursday through Saturday. All Satruday district games are at 2 p.m.

TV Sports

TENNIS — Evert Cup, quarterfinal match, 2 p.m., ESPN.

Newsweek Champions Cup (same-day tape), 9:30 p.m.

NHL — Pittsburgh Penguins at Carolina Hurricanes, 6 p.m., ESPN2.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — **Men,** NIT, first round game, 6:30 p.m., ESPN.

NIT, first round game, 8:30 p.m., ESPN.

NIT, first round game, 11 p.m., ESPN.

Texas Scores

NBA — Houston Rockets 84, Denver Nuggets 75.

Phoenix Suns 103, Dallas Mavericks 91.

WPHL — Fort Worth Brahmas 3, Odessa Jackalopes 2.

PREP BASEBALL — Midland High 26, San Angelo Lake View 15.

Sports Today

JUCO GOLF — Midland College women at San Angelo tournament.

JUCO SOFTBALL — Midland College at Central Arizona.

PREP SOFTBALL — Midland Lee at Arlington tournament.

MC's opponent

The Midland College women will face Iowa Western, out of Region XI in the first round of the NJCAA Women's National Tournament in Salina, Kan. The game is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 16.

The No. 4 Lady Chaparrals (31-2) advanced to their first-ever national tourney appearance with a 75-74 overtime victory over No. 2 Grayson County in the Region V championship game this past Saturday.

Iowa Western beat North Dakota Lake Region, 95-93, in overtime to advance to the national tournament.

Lassiter's choice

TEMPE, Ariz. — Kwamie Lassiter, whose NFC-leading eight interceptions helped the Cardinals to their first playoff berth since 1982, has signed a new three-year contract with Arizona.

Lassiter, who spent most of his first three NFL seasons as a nickel back, apparently passed up a more lucrative offer from San Diego.

He became a starter at midseason last year, and capped the year with four interceptions in a final game win over San Diego that clinched a wild-card berth for the Cardinals.

The Tribune, a newspaper serving suburban Phoenix, reported Tuesday that the deal was worth an estimated $3.6 million — nearly triple his 1998 salary of about $400,000 but about $300,000 short of the Chargers' last offer.

The deal includes a $900,000 signing bonus, the newspaper said.

"I went with what went down at the end of the season," Lassiter told The Tribune after agreeing to the deal. "The players want to win, and it was a feeling I had."

Lassiter — one of four signing priorities for the Cardinals — had visited the Chargers about two weeks ago, and the team made its initial offer on Friday. It then worked hard to persuade Lassiter on Monday.

Roadrunners face rough road vs. UConn

By Kelley Shannon
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — No need to remind the Roadrunners of Texas-San Antonio about the improbable odds they face against Connecticut in the NCAA West Regional.

They know Connecticut is ranked No. 3 in the nation. They know the Huskies are the Big East champions and that they're aggressive and fast. They know a No. 16 regional seed has never beaten the No. 1 seed.

But the Roadrunners know they're looking forward to every moment of "March Madness."

"It's going to be a wonderful time," freshman guard Devin Brown said. "I can't describe the feeling."

The University of Texas-San Antonio is headed to the NCAA tournament for only the second time in school history after beating Southwest Texas 71-63 to win the Southland Conference tournament.

■ NCAA Tournament

The Roadrunners' other trip to the NCAA tournament was in 1988, when they lost to Illinois in the first round of the Southeast Regional.

Texas-San Antonio (18-10) is seeded 16th in the West Regional in Denver and faces top-seeded Connecticut (28-2) in the first round on Thursday night in McNichols Arena.

Roadrunners guard Steve Meyer said the Texas-San Antonio team has never backed down from an opponent and doesn't plan to on Thursday.

"We're looking forward to getting up there," Meyer said. "It's a tough task, but we have nothing to lose."

Coach Tim Carter, now in his fourth season at UT-San Antonio, said he wants his team to enjoy the experience.

"We get a chance to play for a national championship. We're the 16th seed. Let's go have some fun," Carter said, adding, "Miracles do happen."

Despite all the hoopla, the coach said, it won't be difficult to get his players motivated considering the caliber of their opponent.

"They understand that we're playing a great, great

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DISTRICT 4-5A SOCCER: REGULAR-SEASON FINALES

Lee girls end 12-0; Boys earn title

■ Shootout victory lets Lady Rebels finish up perfect in District 4-5A play.

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

Before Tuesday's District 4-5A finale, the Midland Lee girls had already won sole possession of their second straight district title.

However after a 1-0 shootout win over San Angelo Central Tuesday at the Lee Soccer Field, the Lady Rebels will not only be referred to as "district champions," but for the first time in the program's history, they will be described as being "perfect."

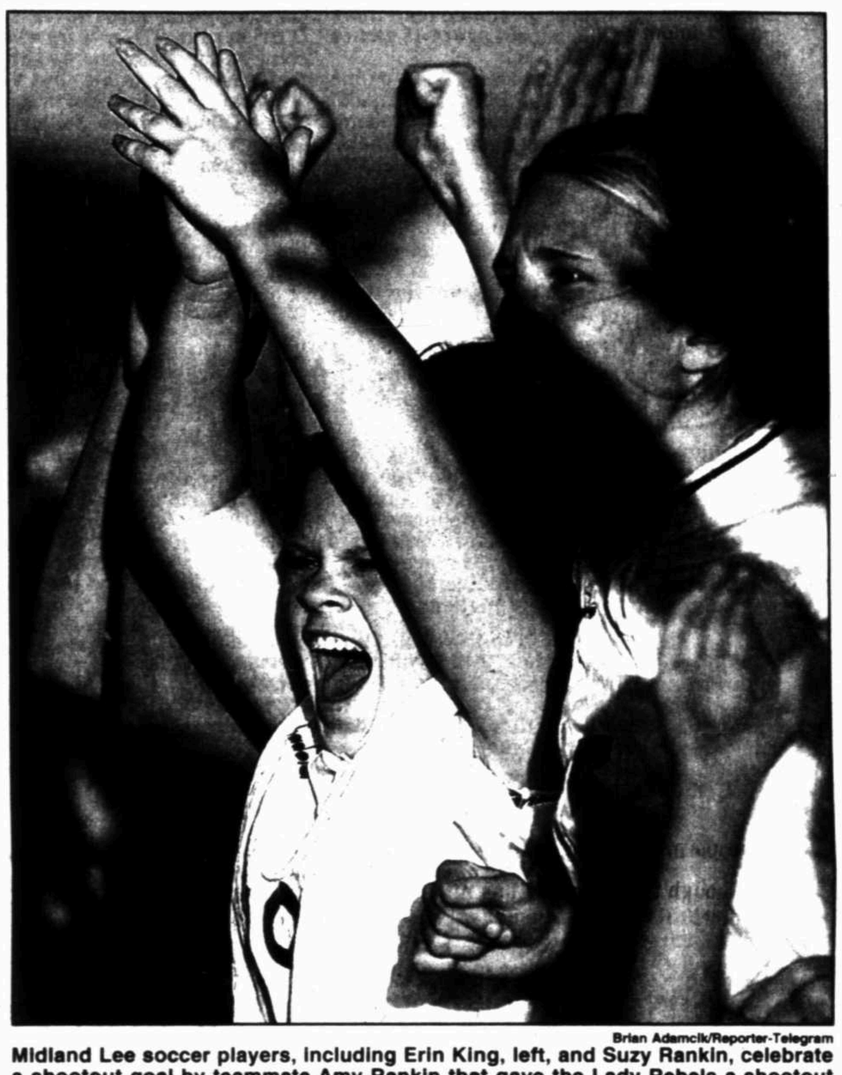
The Lady Rebels became the third program in district history to face 12 opponents and come out with wins in all 12 times. They join Abilene Cooper (which accomplished the feat in 1995) and Midland High (in 1997).

The win is also historic in that this Lee team is the first in the program's history to win 20 games. It was also the 23rd win in the last 24 district games for the Lady Rebels. The one loss came last year to Central in the last game of the year. So this win was redemption of sorts.

"It was a wonderful experience to finish my high school career perfect," said senior Suzy Prucka, whose conversion in the shootout period locked up a 2-0 Lee advantage in the extra period. "We haven't got the respect in this district that we should have had. I think that this proved what we are capable of. To get back the loss that we suffered last year and the one from our sophomore year (to Central), it was a nice finish."

A good finish by Amy Rankin in the shootout put the Lady Rebels on the board. Rankin, Lee's third shooter, took the ball right at Central keeper Maureen Metz before making a move and shooting the ball past her right before the five-second shot clock ran out.

"We knew she (Metz) stands on the line, and if she stands on the line, you got to take it all the way in," Rankin said. "You have to count the seconds in your head. I got to five and it was like 'dink.' That is what I have been practicing and it has been working. I said 'hey give it a shot.'"



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Midland Lee soccer players, including Erin King, left, and Suzy Rankin, celebrate a shootout goal by teammate Amy Rankin that gave the Lady Rebels a shootout victory over San Angelo Central Tuesday at Lee Soccer Field.

From there, it was up to Lee keeper Brandice Zachry, who has a remarkable 5-1 record in shootouts over the last two seasons. Zachry faced four Central shooters, saving three attempts.

"You couldn't say it was like free sailing when I made the attempt," Rankin said, "but because we have confidence in

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■ Rare win in San Angelo, Mojo's upset of Eagles allow Rebs to claim share of 4-5A title.

Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — Thanks to Midland Lee's first win at Old Bobcat Stadium in three years, the Rebels will be going to the UIL playoffs for the fourth straight season. That is the longest streak in the district — boys or girls.

However, thanks to a 4-2 upset by Odessa Permian over Abilene High in Abilene, Lee will have its first district title, albeit a co-championship, in the program's five years under John McCulloch.

"We didn't want to go into a playoff situation Saturday," McCulloch said. "With what happened around the district, that would have happened (with a loss)."

Lee finished its district season at 9-3, which ties the Rebels with Abilene High.

The Rebels found a remarkable way to end this game with two second-half goals. Tuesday's win was the first time Lee came from behind to win a game all season.

After Central's Michael Ammons scored in the first half, Lee's Russell Matchull scored in the 43rd minute off an assist from Josh Perez. Then, Justin Smith scored the game winner in the 63rd minute off an assist by Eric Mora.

"We had only three subs because we had guys out of town," McCulloch said. "Also, Justin Smith was coming back from a knee injury that he got in the Abilene (High) game and he poked in the winning goal."

"There are so many circumstances we had to overcome," added McCulloch, whose team didn't lose a district game on the road. "We went down with a limited number of players, the guys were tired and they fought all the way to the end. It is tough playing in San Angelo and tough coming out of there with a win."

Central (14-4 overall and 8-4 in district) had won eight straight home games and lost two district games in the last three years at Old Bobcat Stadium going into Tuesday's game. The Bobcats will play Permian Saturday in the playoff for the district's third seed in the playoffs.

Lee (12-4 and 9-3) is guaranteed a spot,

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Jacks lose after goal overturned

By Ted Battles
MRT Correspondent

ODESSA — A first period goal by Odessa that was wiped out during intermission enabled Fort Worth's Brahmas to defeat the Jackalopes, 3-2, before 4,201 fans at the Ector County Coliseum Tuesday night.



Use of an illegal player erased a power play goal by Jacque Rodrigue with 12 seconds left in the first period. If allowed, it would have tied the score at 1-1. It also cost the Jacks a vital point, at least, in the hectic chase for one of three WPHL wild-card playoff berths.

Sami Laine, on the ice when the illegal goal was scored, was not on the official lineup card,

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Midland Lee's Shandi Neatherlin fouls off a pitch during the Lady Rebels' 2-0 loss to Abilene High Tuesday. Neatherlin hit a single later in the at-bat.

Abilene High shuts out Lady Rebs, 2-0

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Abilene High fired the first real warning shot of the young District 4-5A softball season Tuesday afternoon at the Midland Lee softball field, blanking the Lady Rebels, 5-0.

The Lady Eagles took over sole possession of first place in the 4-5A race at 2-0 while Lee (2-1) absorbed its first loop loss. Now all the teams in 4-5A own a league loss except AHS.

"This was huge win for us on the road," said AHS coach Shay Cox, who was promoted to the head coaching slot this year after being an assistant last season. "We took advantage of some of Lee's mistakes in the fourth inning for three runs and that was really the difference in the game."

In that fatal fourth, Lee gave up three hits, but the real damage was done on three errors in the inning. In all, Lee committed five errors on the day and four of them led to runs.

"It was a case of some young players making young mis-

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Holdsclaw gets 1st-team All-America honors for third consecutive season

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Sports Writer

Chamique Holdsclaw has been a standout since she arrived at Tennessee. Now she stands alone.

Holdsclaw was a unanimous selection to The Associated Press women's All-America basketball team Tuesday, becoming the first player voted to the first team three times. She was chosen for the third team as a freshman.

The most decorated player of her time, Holdsclaw has led Tennessee to three consecutive national championships and could very well take the Lady Vols to another. She was the national player of the year last season and received the Sullivan Award last month as the nation's top amateur athlete.

"It has been a real joy to watch her grow, as a player and as a person," Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said. "To really get to see that day to day, to witness that growth, to watch her go through the tough times to get to the good times, it's been very satisfying."

Holdsclaw and Purdue's Stephanie White-McCarty were voted to the first team on all 42 ballots from a national media panel. They were joined on that unit by Tennessee's Tamika Catchings, Alabama's Dominique Canty and Colorado State's Becky Hammon.

The only other time one school had two first-team picks was 1996, when Connecticut's Kara Wolters and Jennifer Rizzotti made the top five. The AP began picking an All-America team for women in 1995.

Catchings was named to the first, second or third team on 40 ballots, Canty appeared on 39 and Hammon on 37.

Tennessee had three players among the top 10 because the Lady Vols' Semeka Randall made the second team.

"I'm really pleased to see that," Summitt said. "The thing about it is if they were playing on any other team, probably all three would have been in the top five. I think the fact all three are in the top 10 just says a lot about their commitment to each other and to the team."

Also named to the second team was Texas Tech's Angie Braziel, a product of Odessa Permian.

Holdsclaw, so versatile at 6-foot-2 that she can play any position, has averaged

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Tennessee's Chamique Holdsclaw became the first woman to be named first-team All-America by the Associated Press when the selections were announced Tuesday.

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O'Brien has Buckeyes back winning — with Penn's help

By Rusty Miller
AP Sports Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — It wasn't so long ago that Jim O'Brien languished at Boston College, feeling unhappy and unappreciated.

Now, in two short seasons after years of decline, Ohio State has become a powerhouse and O'Brien couldn't be happier.

It's been a remarkable climb from the depths for both.

"The people who do not experience the lows have a tendency to not totally appreciate the highs," O'Brien said. "All you have to do is go through a couple of seasons where you've lost a lot of games. To get to this point for us makes all of us appreciate the winning, having been through what we did a year ago."

Ohio State (23-8) is the No. 4 seed and a heavy favorite over Murray State (27-5) in Thursday's first round of the NCAA South Regional in Indianapolis.

Most of the Buckeyes — with one major exception — have never been closer to the NCAA tournament than watching it on TV. Ohio State, 8-22 and last in the Big Ten in 1998 in O'Brien's first season, is coming off a school-record five straight losing seasons.

The Buckeyes' remarkable turnaround has made O'Brien one of the most popular people in Ohio where he is seen as a miracle-worker. Fans sounding off on radio call-in shows and writing letters to the editor call it a dream.

It's a road the 48-year-old Brooklyn native has been down before.

In what must seem like a previous life, O'Brien spent 11 years as the head coach at Boston College after playing as a guard at the school under coach Bob Cousy. Overshadowed by bigger names in the Big East, O'Brien coached frequently overlooked Boston College into a giant-killer.

Three times in four years, the Eagles made it to the NCAA tournament and won at least a game each time, including a trip to the regional championship game in 1994.

Despite his success and the reverence Boston College fans had for him, there were problems. A battle with school administrators over admission standards for his recruits turned personal and then public two years ago.

At almost the same time, Ohio State fired Randy Ayers and was shopping for a coach. Athletic director Andy Geiger interviewed several candidates and was reportedly turned down by Tubby Smith and Rick Barnes. When O'Brien was hired as the coach, many fans groused that Geiger had settled for a no-name.

"When I heard about it, I didn't believe it," point guard Scoonie Penn said. "One day he's my coach. The next day, I see him on the news walking around St. John Arena."

Before he had ever coached a game at Ohio State, O'Brien showed the door to three players including two starters. They were ushered out of the program for a variety of crimes and misdemeanors. Before long, three others joined them.

Undermanned and overmatched, the Buckeyes were seldom in a game in the last two months of the 1998 season. They lost a school-record 17 straight games during one stretch. But Michael Redd, who became the first freshman to lead the Big Ten in scoring, earned valuable experience and O'Brien began molding a collection of scrubs into dependable role players.

Ohio State went from 1-15 in the Big Ten to 12-4 this season, reaching the top 10 in the polls and going 8-2 against ranked teams. After drawing under 10,000 per game to antiquated St. John Arena last year, Ohio State drew more than 17,000 fans while winning 14 of 15 games in its new building.

After suffering his worst loss (73-56) to Ohio State as Indiana's coach, Bob Knight said, "Last year was a really tough season for them. It was a question of getting things implemented with a new coach. They're really improved."

"Jim O'Brien has done a terrific job," Wisconsin coach Dick Bennett said. "There's been a major attitude change, as much as anything else."

One of the primary reasons for the turnaround is the smallest guy on the squad.



AP Photo
In two years, Jim O'Brien has turned around the sagging men's basketball program at Ohio State.

Penn, who played for O'Brien for two years at Boston College, followed him to Columbus. Penn sat out the 1998 season as a transfer, and has triggered the Buckeyes' comeback with 17 points and four assists a game to earn Big Ten player of the year honors.

Penn played on two NCAA tournament teams at Boston College when he made the jump to the problem-riddled Ohio State program.

"It's a tremendous success story for him," O'Brien said. "To give up what he gave up to come out here and end up getting a player-of-the-year award in his first year — my God, what can be better than that for him?"

Penn said the turnaround is the product of O'Brien and the coaching staff.

"They keep us on our toes. They didn't let us all season be happy with where we were. They kept pushing us," he said.

O'Brien, who tripled his salary when he took the Ohio State job, said he fell into a position that happened to be a perfect fit.

"These kids have been wonderful to coach," O'Brien said. "They have refused to lose."

Kansas State hopes to slow TCU's tempo

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Kansas State coach Tom Asbury has seen film on Texas Christian, the Wildcats' first-round opponent Wednesday in the NIT.

Now all he wants is to keep the Horned Frogs in slow motion when the game rolls around.

TCU runs and guns. Kansas State likes to walk the ball up the court and slowly set up plays.

The Wildcats are willing to meet in the middle with TCU. But they're prepared for a tug-of-war over the game tempo.

"I'm sure they will try to speed us up," Asbury said. "We'll try to slow them down a little bit."

If the Wildcats can't slow down the Horned Frogs, they'll be done in by Lee Nailon and Marquise Gainous, a pair of 6-foot-9 forwards who bring power and athleticism to TCU's frontcourt. Nailon averages 22.8 points and 9.3 rebounds, while Gainous is scoring 18.4 and pulling down 8.8 rebounds a game.

"We have matchup problems with them," Asbury said. "Their transition, dribble penetration and inside game is going to be difficult for us to defend."

The quick flow won't be anything new for the Wildcats. Kansas State played a faster game when Duane Davis ran the point last season.

■ NIT

However, he was kicked off the team this fall for disciplinary reasons and Chris Griffin runs the offense now.

Griffin sets up the Wildcats' offense slowly, but he's been effective. He's guided Kansas State to its first 20-win season in five years and a six-assist performance Wednesday will give him the sixth-best single-season assist total in school history.

"We like to play an up-tempo. We like to get it going up and down," Asbury said. "But you have to be careful to not try and play at a pace that is significantly different from what your pace is."

In addition to the increased speed, Griffin will have to deal with TCU point guard Prince Fowler, who averages 10 points and seven assists and is a tenacious defender.

"He really gets after you defensively," Asbury said. "They are very much of a multiple-defense team. I am sure they will be pressuring us."

Minnesota guard Clark suffers seizure on flight

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota guard Kevin Clark suffered a seizure Tuesday on the plane en route to Seattle for the first round of the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

The Gophers play Gonzaga on Thursday.

Coach Clem Haskins said he expects Clark to play Thursday, but the guard won't be at 100 percent.

Clark has taken medication since childhood to stave off seizures, but two more episodes occurred last month. He also had a seizure at Haskins' house on Thanksgiving Day.

MacLeod resigns as Irish coach

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Notre Dame basketball coach John MacLeod, who had just three winning seasons in his eight years at the school, resigned Tuesday night.

Athletic director Mike Wadsworth said he met with MacLeod Tuesday and the coach indicated he wanted to resign.

■ NCAA Briefs

MacLeod said in a statement: "I think everything is in place for Notre Dame to make a positive move. I appreciated the opportunity to work here at Notre Dame and I wish the best for the young men who are part of the program."

Wadsworth refused to discuss the circumstances surrounding MacLeod's departure.

ACC honors Krzyzewski

DURHAM, N.C. — Mike Krzyzewski hobbled through the Atlantic Coast Conference season with a painful hip injury. No. 1 Duke certainly didn't limp along behind its leader.

The veteran coach, who led the Blue Devils to a 32-1 record, and the ACC regular-season and tournament titles in smashing fashion, was rewarded Tuesday by being named the ACC Coach of the Year by The Associated Press.

Heels could have problem with Weber State

By David Droschak
AP Sports Writer

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Quick, undersized teams can give North Carolina problems, meaning Weber State is capable of some trouble in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

The Big Sky Conference champions don't have a starter taller than 6-foot-7. The third-seeded Tar Heels are one of the nation's tallest teams.

"The quick team always has the advantage, especially if you've got a lot of big people on the court," North Carolina point guard Ed Cota said Tuesday before the Tar Heels flew to Seattle. "You can always use your quickness to run up and down the floor to wear a team down. Hopefully, we can overcome that."

The two teams meet in the West Regional on Thursday.

"It gives us problems, but at the same time it gives them problems," forward Ademola Okulaja said Thursday. "Overall, I think it will give them more problems if we run our plays right and execute and get the ball inside. Hopefully, we'll overpower them under the boards."

Coach Bill Guthridge said a pair of satellite dishes installed at the Smith Center years ago came in handy late Sunday when he and his staff dug up four taped games on 14th-seeded Weber State (24-7), a squad the Tar Heels knew little about.

"I think they've got a couple of future NBA players," Guthridge said Tuesday of guard Eddie Gill and 6-6 forward Harold Arceneaux, who played at Midland College last season. "That conference has a good history (in the NCAAs).

"They certainly like to break, but they can run a set offense too. They start three guards, and if you count Arceneaux, they have four guards. So they are going to present matchup problems for us."

The Tar Heels (24-9) are making their 25th straight NCAA tournament appearance but are coming off a 23-point loss to Duke in the Atlantic Coast Conference title game.

Guthridge said his team is upbeat despite the lopsided loss, which could translate into a potential loss of momentum heading into the postseason.

"We lost to the No. 1 team in the country, so we can't dwell on that game. We just have to bounce back," Cota said.

North Carolina, seeking a 25-win season for the 15th time in the last 18 years, has one huge advantage — NCAA experience. The Tar Heels have won at least one game in the tournament 18 straight years and been to the Final Four each of the last two years.

"I don't care about the Final Four no more, I want to win it," Okulaja said. "It's nice to say you've been to the Final Four, then the next year again you said you were to the Final Four. But both times people say, 'What happened?' I don't want them to say, 'What happened?' I want to say I've won the whole thing and here is my ring."

NCAA: UT-San Antonio faces challenge

(From 1C)

basketball team and they're all excited and they're happy about it. That's what I want them to do — I want them to be excited," Carter said.

The Roadrunners hurriedly studied tape of Connecticut on Monday and left for Denver on Tuesday.

Connecticut has been one of the most successful teams of the decade and held the No. 1 national ranking for 10 straight weeks this season.

Under coach Jim Calhoun, UConn has been to the NCAA tournament eight times in 12 years, but has gotten no closer to the Final Four than the round of eight.

Connecticut just won its second consecutive Big East conference tournament title, and the Huskies' Richard Hamilton was the conference co-Player of the Year.

The Roadrunners are well aware of UConn's strengths.

"They press you the whole game," Carter said. "We've got to play the best basketball game we've ever played in our lives."

Three Roadrunners averaged in double figures this season — Brown, the Southland Conference Freshman of the Year, 16.9 points per game; Meyer, the Most Valuable Player in the Southland Conference tournament, 15.5 points per game; and Leon Watson, 12.1 points per game.

UT-San Antonio finished the regular season by losing four of its last five games.

But the Roadrunners put that disappointment behind them at the conference tournament in Shreveport, La., by beating Lamar in the semifinals and Southwest Texas State in the title game on Saturday.

Winning the tournament gave UT-San Antonio the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

"I'm still kind of in shock," senior forward Ricky Reed said. "This is the biggest thing that can happen to a program, to go to an NCAA tournament."

Reed said his phone has been ringing constantly with calls from well-wishers, and his professors told him not to worry about class work until after the tournament.

"They understand this is a once-in-a-lifetime shot," he said.

Realistically, though, do the Roadrunners stand a chance?

After a slight pause, Reed nodded his head.

"We can win," he said.

WOMEN: Purdue player makes big jump

(From 1C)

20.9 points and eight rebounds in leading Tennessee to a 28-2 record. Her scoring is down a little this season, but she's stronger, she's a more imposing presence on defense and is still the player the Lady Vols turn to when things get tight.

White-McCarty made the jump from honorable mention last year to unanimous first-team pick after leading Purdue to its first No. 1 ranking. She's averaging 21 points and 4.6 assists, and has helped the Boilermakers win several close games with key plays down the stretch.

"It's a tremendous honor to be included among the top five players in the country," White-McCarty said. "It's almost a dream a come true. Certainly I have to thank all my coaches and of course my teammates, because we're all in this together."

Catchings was a second-team All-American a year ago after a spectacular freshman season, and has continued to make big plays this season — including a 38-point outburst against Florida. The 6-1 sophomore is averaging 16.8 points, 7.3 rebounds and shooting 52 percent.

Canty, a second-team pick last year, has been a do-everything player for Alabama. Her 20-point scoring average is nearly twice that of anyone else on the team and she's also averaging 7.2 rebounds and 4.3 assists.

"The day she walked on our campus, she had an impact," said Alabama coach Rick Moody. "Her demeanor on the floor has been just incredible because she's such a cool player and never once has she given any indication of a prima-donna attitude. That's just a joy to coach."

Hammon has gone from a little-known high school player to the star of a team that has been ranked as high as fourth in the country. The 5-6 senior from Rapid City, S.D., averages 22.6 points, shoots nearly 51 percent and has made 106 3-pointers.

"It's just a huge honor," Hammon said. "I feel that I've earned every step, so it's even more rewarding. I wasn't highly recruited. I was just a little podunk kid from South Dakota. It wasn't like I was from Christ the King."

Christ the King is the powerhouse high school in New York City that Holdsclaw attended.

Joining Randall and Braziel on the second team were Amanda Wilson of Louisiana Tech, Svetlana Abrosimova of Connecticut and Tamika Whitmore of Memphis.

The third team had Maylana Martin of UCLA, Jackie Stiles of Southwest Missouri State, Ruth Riley of Notre Dame, Dalma Ivanyi of Florida International and Duke's Michele Van Gorp.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NBA Results

Standings
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	14	5	737	—
Miami	13	5	722	1/2
New York	10	8	556	3 1/2
Philadelphia	10	8	556	3 1/2
Boston	7	9	438	5 1/2
Washington	7	10	412	6
New Jersey	3	14	176	10
Central Division				
Indiana	12	5	706	—
Milwaukee	11	5	686	1/2
Detroit	11	7	611	1 1/2
Atlanta	9	8	529	3
Cleveland	7	9	438	4 1/2
Toronto	6	10	375	5 1/2
Charlotte	5	11	313	6 1/2
Chicago	5	13	278	7 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	14	4	778	—
Minnesota	12	6	667	2
Houston	11	8	579	3 1/2
San Antonio	10	8	556	4
Dallas	6	14	300	9
Denver	5	14	263	9 1/2
Vancouver	4	14	222	10
Pacific Division				
Portland	**14**	**3**	**.824**	—
L.A. Lakers	13	6	684	2
Phoenix	10	8	556	4 1/2
Seattle	9	8	529	5
Sacramento	9	9	500	5 1/2
Golden State	7	10	412	7
L.A. Clippers	0	15	000	13

Tuesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Milwaukee 87, New York 86
Charlotte 105, Boston 87
Minnesota 85, Seattle 84
Houston 84, Denver 75
Chicago 103, New Jersey 87
Phoenix 103, Dallas 91
Utah 88, Cleveland 75
Sacramento at Portland, (n)
Vancouver at Golden State, (n)
L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, (n)
Wednesday's Games
Charlotte at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Washington, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Hornets 105, Celtics 87
BOSTON (87): Walker 13-24 6-9 32, Pierce 0-2 0-0 0, Riley 0-0 0-0 0, Mercer 7-18 2-3 16, Anderson 4-14 1-1 9, Battie 2-4 1-2 5, Bowen 0-2 0-0 0, Jones 1-3 0-0 2, Barros 3-10 0-0 6, Minor 0-3 2-2 2, DeClercq 1-2 2-3 4, McCarty 5-6 1-2 11. Totals 36-88 15-22 87.
CHARLOTTE (105): Reid 9-17 8-10 26, Person 5-9 0-0 12, Shackleford 3-6 4-6 10, Wesley 3-10 5-7 11, Davis 3-6 4-4 10, Recasner 6-7 0-0 15, Miller 3-7 6-7 12, Armstrong 2-5 0-0 4, Brown 2-5 1-2 5. Totals 36-72 28-36 105.
Boston 19 24 20 24 — 87
Charlotte 20 26 27 32 — 105
3-Point Goals—Boston 0-8 (Minor 0-1, Walker 0-3, Barros 0-4), Charlotte 5-9 (Recasner 3-3, Person 2-3, Davis 0-1, Wesley 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Boston 49 (Walker 8), Charlotte 54 (Reid 12). Assists—Boston 20 (Barros, Anderson 6), Charlotte 26 (Wesley 7). Total fouls—Boston 27, Charlotte 24. Technicals—Walker, Person.

Bucks 87, Knicks 86
MILWAUKEE (87): Robinson 12-17 1-1 27, Hill 2-8 4-10 8, Traylor 3-6 2-4 8, Allen 2-11 0-0 6, Brandon 7-15 2-2 17, M.Curry 0-2 0-0 0, E.Johnson 2-3 2-2 6, Del Negro 0-2 0-0 0, Gilliam 3-6 3-4 9, D.Curry 2-4 0-0 6. Totals 33-74 14-23 87.
NEW YORK (86): L.Johnson 8-13 3-5 19, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, Ewing 0-0 0-0 0, Houston 4-16 6-6 15, Ward 3-8 0-0 7, Dudley 2-4 2-4 6, Sprewell 7-17 2-2 17, Childs 2-7 6-6 12, Camby 5-10 0-2 10, Brunson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-76 19-25 86.
Milwaukee16 27 21 23 — 87
New York 24 21 22 19 — 86
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 7-12 (Robinson 2-2, D.Curry 2-3, Allen 2-6, Brandon 1-1), New York 5-20 (Childs 2-3, Sprewell 1-4, Ward 1-4, Houston 1-8, L.Johnson 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 52 (E.Johnson 7), New York 49 (L.Johnson, Thomas 7). Assists—Milwaukee 21 (Brandon 5), New York 18 (Houston 5). Total fouls—Milwaukee 17, New York 18. Technicals—Milwaukee Illegal Defense, Milwaukee coach Karl.

Rockets 84, Nuggets 75
DENVER (75): E.Williams 2-11 2-2 8, McDyess 7-20 9-10 23, Fortson 4-12 7-13 15, Stith 1-1 0-0 2, Van Exel 2-8 2-2 6, Clark 0-0 0-0 0, Billups 2-6 2-3 7, Alexander 1-8 2-2 4, Herrera 1-2 0-0 2, Taylor 3-9 1-1 8. Totals 23-77 25-33 75.
HOUSTON (84): Pippen 7-13 1-1 17, Barkley 3-7 1-2 7, Olajuwon 8-18 4-5 20, Dickerson 5-11 1-2 12, Mobley 5-9 1-2 12, Harrington 3-4 3-4 9, Miller 0-0 0-0 0, Price 2-3 3-5 7, Bullard 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-65 14-21 84.
Denver 17 24 13 21 — 75
Houston 24 20 19 21 — 84
3-Point Goals—Denver 4-17 (E.Williams 2-6, Billups 1-3, Taylor 1-3, Van Exel 0-1, Alexander 0-4), Houston 4-14 (Pippen 2-4, Mobley 1-3, Dickerson 1-5, Olajuwon 0-1, Price 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 54 (Fortson 21), Houston 47 (Barkley 13). Assists—Denver 12 (Van Exel 6), Houston 24 (Mobley, Pippen 7). Total fouls—Denver 19, Houston 24. Technicals—Denver Illegal Defense 2, Fortson.

Bulls 103, Nets 87
NEW JERSEY (87): Gill 3-7 5-10 11, Van Horn 5-10 7-8 17, Williams 10-16 3-4 23, Murdock 2-4 0-0 5, Kittles 4-12 1-2 10, Overton 1-4 4-4 6, McIlvaine 0-0 0-0 0, Burrell 1-6 2-2 4, Harris 4-8 2-2 10, Gatling 0-2 1-4 1, Evans 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-69 25-36 87.
CHICAGO (103): Kukoc 7-16 13-20 28, Barry 5-11 2-6 14, Simpkins 6-9 0-0 12, Brown 5-7 6-6 16, Harper 11-17 1-2 25, Benjamin 0-4 0-0 0, Carr 3-8 0-0 6, Lang 0-0 0-0 0, David 0-1 2-2 2, Wennington 0-3 0-0 0, Bryant 0-3 0-0 0, Booth 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 37-81 24-36 103.
New Jersey28 21 24 14 — 87
Chicago 29 25 30 19 — 103
3-Point Goals—New Jersey 2-8 (Murdock 1-2, Kittles 1-3, Harris 0-1, Burrell 0-1, Overton 0-1), Chicago 5-13 (Harper 2-4, Barry 2-6, Kukoc 1-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—New Jersey 52 (Williams 12), Chicago 54 (Simpkins 8). Assists—New Jersey 16 (Murdock 7), Chicago 24 (Barry 6). Total fouls—New Jersey 23, Chicago 25. Technicals—Gill, Burrell 2, Overton, Brown. Ejected—Burrell.

T-wolves 85, SuperSonics 84
SEATTLE (84): Owens 4-11 0-2 8, Baker 2-6 2-3 6, Polynice 4-9 0-0 8, Hawkins 6-12 0-0 13, Payton 4-16 2-2 10, Schrempf 6-9 6-6 18, Ellis 5-11 0-0 14, Williams 2-5 0-0 4, Barry 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 34-82 10-13 84.
MINNESOTA (85): Garnett 11-21 0-0 22, Smith 5-13 0-0 10, Garrett 5-7 0-0 10, Peeler 4-11 0-0 9, Marbury 5-15 2-2 12, Mitchell 1-7 2-4 5, Sealy 4-9 2-2 10, Hammonds 0-0 1-2 1, Jackson 3-7 0-0 6, Curley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-91 7-10 85.
Seattle 25 19 20 20 — 84
Minnesota25 19 22 19 — 85
3-Point Goals—Seattle 6-19 (Ellis 4-6, Barry 1-3, Hawkins 1-6, Payton 0-4), Minnesota 2-15 (Mitchell 1-2, Peeler 1-6, Marbury 0-7). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Seattle 51 (Owens 9), Minnesota 56 (Garnett 16). Assists—Seattle 25 (Payton 10), Minnesota 26 (Marbury 9). Total fouls—Seattle 17, Minnesota 17.

Jazz 88, Cavaliers 75
CLEVELAND (75): Henderson 3-9 0-0 6, Kemp 3-11 10-11 16, Potapenko 2-5 1-2 5, Knight 1-3 1-2 3, Person 3-7 3-3 10, Sura 1-6 1-2 3, D.Anderson 2-10 4-4 9, Ferry 4-8 1-1 10, Newman 0-2 2-2 2, Lang 0-0 2-2 2, Butler 1-1 3-4 5, Stack 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 22-64 28-33 75.
UTAH (88): Russell 3-7 2-2 8, Malone 6-12 9-15 21, Ostertag 3-6 2-4 8, Hornacek 3-10 4-4 11, Stockton 2-6 4-4 8, Eisley 3-3 3-4 9, Keefe 5-6 5-6 15, S.Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Bailey 1-3 0-0 2, Vaughn 1-5 2-2 4, Fuller 1-1 0-0 2, Foster 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-60 31-41 88.
Cleveland 13 21 21 20 — 75
Utah 21 25 20 22 — 88
3-Point Goals—Cleveland 3-9 (Ferry 1-2, D.Anderson 1-3, Person 1-3, Newman 0-1), Utah 1-10 (Hornacek 1-3, Russell 0-1, Stockton 0-3, Vaughn 0-3). Fouled out—Kemp, Knight, Potapenko. Rebounds—Cleveland 37 (Kemp 8), Utah 52 (Ostertag, Keefe, Malone 8). Assists—Cleveland 16 (Knight 6), Utah 22 (Eisley, Malone 6). Total fouls—Cleveland 36, Utah 31. Technicals—Cleveland illegal defense 2, Hornacek, Utah coach Sloan.

Suns 103, Mavericks 91
PHOENIX (103): McCloud 7-11 0-0 17, Gugliotta 5-15 2-3 12, Longley 7-9 2-2 16, Robinson 6-14 2-4 18, Kidd 6-15 0-0 13, Manning 7-12 0-0 14, Bailey 1-2 0-0 2, Garrity 1-4 0-0 2, Morris 2-2 4-4 9, Brown 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 42-86 10-13 103.
DALLAS (91): Trent 5-14 3-5 13, Green 3-6 1-2 7, Bradley 4-6 4-4 12, Finley 10-17 1-4 22, Nash 6-15 1-3 15, Walker 7-9 1-3 15, Davis 1-4 0-0 3, Nowitzki 2-4 0-0 4, Anstey 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 38-78 11-21 91.
Phoenix 20 31 21 31 — 103
Dallas 27 20 22 22 — 91
3-Point Goals—Phoenix 9-13 (Robinson 4-6, McCloud 3-5, Kidd 1-1, Morris 1-1), Dallas 4-15 (Nash 2-8, Davis 1-2, Finley 1-4, Nowitzki 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 50 (Manning 8), Dallas 47 (Bradley 14). Assists—Phoenix 26 (Kidd 5), Dallas 26 (Finley 12). Total fouls—Phoenix 19, Dallas 18. Technical—Phoenix Illegal Defense.

NHL Results

Standings
By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	36	21	8	80	194	163
Philadelphia	30	19	16	76	194	152
Pittsburgh	32	22	9	73	196	175
N.Y. Rangers	28	28	8	64	181	177
N.Y. Islanders	19	38	9	47	154	199
Northeast Division						
Ottawa	37	18	8	82	191	134
Toronto	36	24	5	77	209	188
Buffalo	29	22	13	71	170	143
Boston	28	26	10	66	165	148
Montreal	25	31	9	59	155	174
Southeast Division						
Carolina	29	23	13	71	168	158
Florida	23	24	17	63	165	172
Washington	27	32	5	59	169	171
Tampa Bay	15	44	5	35	137	239
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division						
Detroit	32	26	6	70	191	163
St. Louis	26	27	10	62	177	167
Nashville	22	36	6	50	151	208
Chicago	18	37	9	45	142	198
Northwest Division						
Colorado	33	24	8	74	180	161
Edmonton	25	29	10	60	178	168
Calgary	24	30	10	58	172	182
Vancouver	19	35	10	48	154	200
Pacific Division						
Dallas	40	12	10	90	181	125
Phoenix	31	22	10	72	157	149
Anaheim	30	25	9	69	172	154
San Jose	22	28	14	58	141	152
Los Angeles	23	36	5	51	145	172

Tuesday's Games
Late games not included
Boston 2, Florida 0
Colorado 3, Washington 2, OT
Toronto 6, Tampa Bay 1
Philadelphia 2, N.Y. Islanders 2, tie
New Jersey 3, Pittsburgh 2
Calgary 7, St. Louis 4
Detroit at Los Angeles, (n)
Phoenix at San Jose, (n)
Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6 p.m.
Ottawa at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Avalanche 3, Capitals 2
Colorado 0 .2 0 1 — 3
Washington 1 .0 1 0 — 2
First Period—1, Washington, Nikolishin 6 (Miller, Klee), :45.
Second Period—2, Colorado, Drury 15 (Donovan, Lemieux), 6:14 (pp). 3, Colorado, Deadmarsh 20 (Hejduk), 19:53.
Third Period—4, Washington, Pivonka 5, 2:52.
Overtime—5, Colorado, Ozolinsh 3 (Kamensky, Miller), :19.
Shots on goal—Colorado 4-8-7-1—20. Washington 6-14-17-0—37. Power-play Opportunities—Colorado 1 of 5; Washington 0 of 4. Goalies—Colorado, Billington 10-7-1 (37 shots-35 saves). Washington, Kolzig 24-26-2 (20-17). A—19,740 (19,740).

Bruins 2, Panthers 0
Florida .0 0 0 — 0
Boston .0 1 1 — 2
First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Boston, Bourque 7 (Khristich, Allison), 9:45 (pp).
Third Period—2, Boston, Allison 19 (Khristich, Bourque), 11:38.
Shots on goal—Florida 5-8-8—19. Boston 16-14-11-41. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 0 of 5; Boston 1 of 5. Goalies—Florida, Burke 17-16-13 (41 shots-39 saves). Boston, Dafoe 22-21-8 (19-19). A—15,032 (17,565).

Devils 3, Penguins 2
New Jersey .....3 0 0 — 3
Pittsburgh .....1 1 0 — 2
First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Jagr 30 (Lang, Kovalev), 10:53. 2, New Jersey, Morrison 10, 15:53. 3, New Jersey, Sykora 23 (Arnott, Dean), 16:26. 4, New Jersey, Arnott 20 (Sykora, Elias), 19:28.
Second Period—5, Pittsburgh, Jagr 31 (Kovalev, Werenka), 17:01.
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—New Jersey 10-11-2—23. Pittsburgh 6-9-8—23. Power-play Opportunities—New Jersey 0 of 3; Pittsburgh 0 of 2. Goalies—New Jersey, Brodeur 30-18-8 (23 shots-21 saves). Pittsburgh, Skudra 12-7-5 (23-20). A—15,157 (16,958).

Flyers 2, Islanders 2
Philadelphia 1 .1 0 0 — 2
N.Y. Islanders 1 .1 0 0 — 2
First Period—1, Philadelphia, Tertyshny 2 (Renberg, Langkow), 5:17 (pp). 2, New York, Palffy 16 (Lawrence, Harlock), 7:08.
Second Period—3, Philadelphia, Langkow 13 (Zelepukin, McGillis), 10:31 (pp). 4, New York, Lawrence 11 (Jonsson, Palffy), 16:50 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Overtime—None.
Shots on goal—Philadelphia 5-19-8-3—35. New York 5-10-5-2—22. Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 2 of 8; New York 1 of 2. Goalies—Philadelphia, Vanbiesbrouck 20-13-13 (22 shots-20 saves). New York, Salo 17-24-7 (35-33). A—9,767 (16,297).

Maple Leafs 6, Lightning 1
Tampa Bay .....0 1 0 — 1
Toronto .....4 2 0 — 6
First Period—1, Toronto, Bohonos 2 (Sundin, Valk), :48. 2, Toronto, Domi 7 (Sundin), 3:08. 3, Toronto, Berezin 25, 9:41. 4, Toronto, Berezin 26 (Korolev, Markov), 18:58.
Second Period—5, Toronto, Sundin 24 (Domi, Yushkevich), 3:34. 6, Toronto, Johnson 20 (Sullivan, Berard), 5:11. 7, Tampa Bay, Petrovicky 1 (Bonsignore, Cullimore), 15:32.
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 16-11-14—41. Toronto 18-14-8—40. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 0 of 2; Toronto 0 of 2. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Ranford 3-18-3 (18 shots-14 saves), Schwab (0:00 second, 22-20). Toronto, Joseph 28-19-5 (41-40). A—18,800 (18,800).

Flames 7, Blues 4
Calgary .....1 1 5 — 7
St. Louis .....3 1 0 — 4
First Period—1, St. Louis, Pronger 10 (MacInnis), 5:31 (pp). 2, Calgary, Housley 8 (Iginla, Stillman), 6:09 (pp). 3, St. Louis, Pellerin 15 (Turgeon, Demitra), 8:45. 4, St. Louis, Rivers 2, 9:42.
Second Period—5, Calgary, Corbet 9 (Iginla), 7:07. 6, St. Louis, MacInnis 19 (Campbell, Demitra), 13:14 (pp).
Third Period—7, Calgary, Iginla 24 (Corbet), :26. 8, Calgary, Corbet 10, 1:22. 9, Calgary, Nazarov 7 (Stillman, Bure), 7:48. 10, Calgary, Dubinsky 4 (Ward, Wilm), 9:15. 11, Calgary, Bure 16 (Nazarov, Stillman), 10:21.
Shots on goal—Calgary 8-13-13—34. St. Louis 14-12-7—33. Power-play Opportunities—Calgary 1 of 8; St. Louis 2 of 5. Goalies—Calgary, Brathwaite (7 shots-4 saves), Wregget 6-6-2 (10:18 first, 25-25). St. Louis, Carey 0-2-0 (26-20), McLennan (10:45 third, 8-7). A—14,861 (19,260).

Transactions

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AUTO RACING
LOWE'S MOTOR SPEEDWAY—Named Holly Stoner senior manager of public relations and Scott Cooper senior manager of promotions and media relations.
BASEBALL
National League
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Signed RHP Trevor Hoffman to a four-year contract.
Frontier League
LONDON WEREWOLVES—Signed SS Ricardo Deliz.
Northern League
WATERBURY SPIRIT—Signed RHP A.J. Sirianni.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
DETROIT PISTONS—Waived G Corey Beck and G Steve Henson.
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Activated G Murray Bogues from the injured list. Placed F Duane Ferrell on the injured list.
United States Basketball League
KANSAS CAGERZ—Acquired F Art Long from Gulf Coast for future considerations.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Re-signed DB Kwamie Lassiter.
ATLANTA FALCONS—Re-signed WR Ronnie Harris.
BUFFALO BILLS—Promoted Mark Dalton to media relations director.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Agreed to terms with LB Brant Boyer on a three-year contract.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Named Rodney Knox director of communications and marketing, and Kirk Reynolds director of public relations.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Signed WR Tony Bland.
Canadian Football League
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS—Signed LB Cooper Harris and DB Rob Hitchcock.
Arena Football League
ALBANY FIREBIRDS—Signed DS Jason Suttle and placed him on the exempt list.
FLORIDA BOBCATS—Announced the resignation of Perry Moss, director of football operations.
GRAND RAPIDS RAMPAGE—Signed OL-DL Patrick Scott.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Assigned C Todd White to Chicago of the IHL. Recalled C Sylvain Cloutier from Indianapolis of the IHL. Loaned C Geoff Peters to Portland of the AHL.
FLORIDA PANTHERS—Recalled D Lance Ward from New Haven of the AHL.
NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Traded D Scott Lachance to the Montreal Canadiens for a 1999 third-round draft pick.
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Recalled F Lubos Bartecko from Worcester of the AHL.
American Hockey League
PROVIDENCE BRUINS—Announced D Joe Harney has been loaned to Pensacola of the ECHL.
ROCHESTER AMERICANS—Announced D Darren Rumble has been recalled from loan by Grand Rapids of the IHL.
East Coast Hockey League
AUGUSTA LYNX—Added F Jim Carriere.
BATON ROUGE KINGFISH—Waived D Eric Brown.
BIRMINGHAM BULLS—Added D Emmanuel Labranche.
HUNTINGTON BLIZZARD—Activated C Joe Craigen from the suspended list.
United Hockey League
FLINT GENERALS—Announced D Mark Vilneff has been recalled by Detroit of the IHL.
MUSKEGON FURY—Acquired LW Kevin Boyd and RW Chris Neil from Port Huron for the rights to D Mike Bondy.
Western Professional Hockey League
AUSTIN ICE BATS—Waived G Brian Elder.
LUBBOCK COTTON KINGS—Named Chris Due director of media relations and broadcasting.
WACO WIZARDS—Announced D Neal Martin has been recalled by Chicago of the IHL.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
MLS—Announced MF Marvin Quijano has joined the Los Angeles Galaxy as a Project-40 player.
National Professional Soccer League
DETROIT ROCKERS—Announced the resignation of Pato Margetic, coach.
OLYMPICS
SALT LAKE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE—Named Tom W. Cornwall director of sports operations.
COLLEGE
CURRY—Named Danielle Ferrara women's soccer and women's lacrosse coach, and director of intramurals.
EAST STROUDSBURG—Named Julie Del Giorno academic coordinator for the intercollegiate athlete program.
HOUSTON—Named Andrew Swasey cornerbacks coach.
JACKSONVILLE—Named Shap Boyd defensive backs coach.
NEW MEXICO STATE—Named Mike Garrison running backs coach.
NOTRE DAME—Announced the resignation of John MacLeod, men's basketball coach.
ST. PETER'S—Extended the contract of Rodger Blind, men's basketball coach.
SOUTH FLORIDA—Announced the resignation of John Hughes, women's assistant basketball coach.
SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE—Named Heather Kerby women's soccer coach.
WASHINGTON STATE—Fired Harold Rhodes, women's basketball coach.

College Baseball

By The Associated Press
EAST
Alvernia 11, Norwich 3
Alvernia 10, Westminster, Pa. 7
Chicago St. 9, Quinnipiac 7
SOUTH
Ala.-Birmingham 12, Vanderbilt 7
Armstrong Atlantic 4, Queens Coll. 0
Auburn 7, Virginia Commonwealth 2
Coastal Carolina at Clemson, ppd., snow.
Cumberland, Tenn. 6, Lipscomb 5
Evansville 7, Rollins 1
Flagler 18, Lenoir-Rhyne 5
Florida Tech 17, Concordia, N.Y. 12
Georgia Southern 12, James Madison 4
Jacksonville 7, Cent. Michigan 3
Jacksonville St. 12, Butler 4
Kennesaw 9, Berry 2
Montevallo 12, Presbyterian 1
North Alabama 5, Martin Methodist 4
S. Indiana 25, Augusta St. 2
Samford 9, Tennessee-Martin 8
Tennessee 19, Toledo 3
Valdosta 16, Ind.-Purdue-Ft. Wayne 7
West Florida 9, William Carey 6
SOUTHWEST
Baylor 4, Creighton 2
Howard Payne 6, Concordia, Texas 0
Incarnate Word 12-9, Culver-Stockton 7-8
McMurry 6, Concordia, Texas 2
Oklahoma St. 22, Ark.-Pine Bluff 1
Southwestern, Texas 6, McMurry 4
Texas Tech 6, Texas Christian 5
Trinity, Texas 5-5, Millsaps 4-1
W. Texas A&M 12, Wayland Baptist 11
FAR WEST
California 8, Santa Clara 0
San Francisco St. 6, CS Hayward 4

Evert Cup

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Results Tuesday of the $1.3 million Evert Cup at the Hvatt Grand Champions Resort:
Singles
Third Round
Jana Novotna (4), Czech Republic, def. Brie Rippner, Chico, Calif., 6-1, 6-4.
Steffi Graf (5), Germany, def. Ai Sugiyama, Japan, 6-0, 6-1.
Mary Pierce (6), France, def. Rita Grande, Italy, 6-1, 6-0.
Serena Williams, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., def. Cara Black, Zimbabwe, 6-0, 7-5.

College Basketball

1st-Round Upsets

By The Associated Press
No. 13 seeds or lower who won first-round games (the NCAA tournament expanded to 16 seeds per region in 1985):
1985 — No. 13 Navy 78, No. 4 LSU 55
1986 — No. 14 Cleveland State 83, No. 3 Indiana 79
1986 — No. 14 Arkansas-Little Rock 90, No. 3 Notre Dame 83
1987 — No. 13 Xavier 70, No. 4 Missouri 69
1987 — No. 13 Southwest Missouri State 65, No. 4 Clemson 60
1987 — No. 14 Austin Peay 68, No. 3 Illinois 67
1988 — No. 13 Richmond 72, No. 4 Indiana 69
1988 — No. 14 Murray State 78, No. 3 N.C. State 75
1989 — No. 13 Middle Tennessee State 97, No. 4 Florida State 83
1989 — No. 14 Siena 80, No. 3 Stanford 78
1990 — No. 14 Northern Iowa 74, No. 3 Missouri 71
1991 — No. 13 Penn State 74, No. 4 UCLA 69
1991 — No. 15 Richmond 73, No. 2 Syracuse 69
1992 — No. 13 Southwestern Louisiana 87, No. 4 Oklahoma 83
1992 — No. 14 East Tennessee State 87, No. 3 Arizona 80
1993 — No. 13 Southern University 93, No. 4 Georgia Tech 78
1993 — No. 15 Santa Clara 64, No. 2 Arizona 61
1995 — No. 14 Old Dominion 89, No. 3 Villanova 81, 3OT
1995 — No. 14 Weber State 79, No. 3 Michigan State 72
1995 — No. 13 Manhattan 77, No. 4 Oklahoma 67
1996 — No. 13 Princeton 43, No. 4 UCLA 41
1997 — No. 14 Chattanooga 73, No. 3 Georgia 70
1997 — No. 15 Coppin State 78, No. 2 South Carolina 65
1998 — No. 14 Richmond 62, No. 3 South Carolina 61
1998 — No. 13 Valparaiso 70, No. 4 Mississippi 69

At-large selections

At-Large Selections With Losing Conference Records
By The Associated Press
1960 — Southern California, 5-7 (16-9), AAWU
1983 — Alabama, 8-10 (20-10), SEC
1984 — Virginia, 6-8 (17-11), ACC
1985 — Boston College, 7-9 (18-10), Big East
1986 — Maryland, 6-8 (18-13), ACC
1987 — LSU, 8-10 (21-14), SEC
1988 — Iowa State, 6-8 (20-11), Big Eight
1988 — Maryland, 6-8 (19-11), ACC
1989 — Providence, 7-9 (18-10), Big East
1990 — Indiana, 8-10 (18-10), Big Ten
1990 — Virginia, 6-8 (19-11), ACC
1991 — Georgia Tech, 6-8 (16-12), ACC
1991 — Villanova, 7-9 (16-14), Big East
1991 — Virginia, 6-8 (21-11), ACC
1992 — Iowa State, 5-9 (20-12), Big Eight
1992 — Wake Forest, 7-9 (17-11), ACC
1994 — Seton Hall, 8-10 (17-12), Big East
1994 — Wisconsin, 8-10 (17-10), Big Ten
1995 — Iowa State, 6-8 (22-10), Big Eight
1996 — Clemson, 7-9 (18-10), ACC
1997 — Virginia, 7-9 (18-12), ACC
1998 — Clemson, 7-9 (18-13), ACC
1998 — Florida State, 6-10 (17-13), ACC
1999 — Purdue, 7-9 (19-12), Big Ten

Losing Records

NCAA Bids-Losing Records
By The Associated Press
Schools that have received bids to the NCAA Division I basketball tournament with losing records and how they fared in the NCAA tournament:
1955 — Bradley, 7-19, District 5 independent, lost in final eight.
1955 — Oklahoma City, 9-17, District 5 independent, lost in first round.
1961 — George Washington, 9-16, Southern Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1974 — Texas, 12-14, Southwest Conference regular-season champion, lost in first round.
1978 — Missouri, 14-15, Big Eight Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1985 — Lehigh, 12-18, East Coast Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1986 — Montana State, 14-16, Big Sky Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1993 — East Carolina, 13-16, Colonial Athletic Association tournament champion, lost in first round.
1995 — Florida International, 11-18, Trans America Athletic Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1996 — Central Florida, 11-18, Trans America Athletic Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1996 — San Jose State, 13-16, Big West Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1997 — Jackson State, 14-15, Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1997 — Fairfield, 11-18, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1998 — Prairie View, 13-16, Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament champion, lost in first round.
1999 — Florida A&M, 12-18, Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference tournament champion.

3-school coaches

NCAA Tournament Three-School Coaches
By The Associated Press
Rick Barnes, Providence (1989-90, 1994), Clemson (1996-98), Texas (1999)
Gene Bartow, Memphis State (1973), UCLA (1976-77), Alabama-Birmingham (1981-87, 1990, 1994)
Dave Bliss, Oklahoma (1979), Southern Methodist (1984-85, 1988), New Mexico (1991, 1993-94, 1996-97)
Don DeVoe, Virginia Tech (1876), Tennessee (1979-83, 1989), Navy (1994, 1997)
Lefty Driesell, Davidson (1966, 1968-69), Maryland (1973, 1975, 1980-81, 1983-86), James Madison (1994)
Cliff Ellis, South Alabama (1979-80), Clemson (1987, 1989-90), Auburn (1999)
Eddie Fogler, Wichita State (1987-88), Vanderbilt (1991, 1993), South Carolina (1997)
Eddie Hickey, Creighton (1941), Saint Louis (1952, 1957), Marquette (1959, 1961)
Mike Jarvis, Boston University (1988, 1990), George Washington (1993-94, 1996, 1998), St. John's (1999)
Lon Kruger, Kansas State (1987-90), Florida (1994-95), Illinois (1997)
Frank McGuire, St. John's (1951-52), North Carolina (1957, 1959) South Carolina (1971-74)
Eldon Miller, Western Michigan (1976), Ohio State (1980, 1982-83, 1985), Northern Iowa (1990)
Ralph Miller, Wichita State (1964), Iowa (1970), Oregon State (1975, 1980-82, 1984-85, 1988-89)
Stan Morrison, Pacific (1979), Southern California 1982, 1985), San Jose State (1996)
Tom Penders, Rhode Island (1988), Texas (1989-92, 1994-97), George Washington (1999)
Rick Pitino, Boston University (1983), Providence (1987), Kentucky (1992-97)
George Raveling, Washington State (1980, 1983), Iowa (1985-86), Southern Cal (1991-92)
Gary Williams, Boston College (1983, 1985), Ohio State (1987), Maryland (1994-97)
Joe Williams, Jacksonville (1970), Furman (1971, 1973-75, 1978), Florida State (1980)

Winningest coaches

NCAA Championship Winningest Coaches
By The Associated Press
John Wooden, UCLA, 10
Adolph Rupp, Kentucky, 4
Bob Knight, Indiana, 3
Denny Crum, Louisville, 2
Henry Iba, Oklahoma A&M, 2
Ed Jucker, Cincinnati, 2
Mike Krzyzewski, Duke, 2
Branch McCracken, Indiana, 2
Dean Smith, North Carolina, 2
Phil Woolpert, San Francisco, 2

Coaching Records

NCAA Coaching Records
By The Associated Press
Through 1999 Selection
Most Appearances
27 — Dean Smith, North Carolina
23 — Bob Knight, Indiana
22 — Denny Crum, Louisville
20 — Lute Olson, Iowa-Arizona
20 — Adolph Rupp, Kentucky
20 — John Thompson, Georgetown
19 — Jim Boeheim, Syracuse
19 — Lou Henson, New Mexico State-Illinois
19 — Eddie Sutton, Creighton-Arkansas-Kentucky-Oklahoma State

Most Consecutive Appearances
23 — Dean Smith, North Carolina, 1975-97
15 — Lute Olson, Arizona, 1985-99
14 — Bob Knight, Indiana, 1986-99
14 — John Thompson, Georgetown, 1979-92
11 — Mike Krzyzewski, Duke, 1984-94
11 — Eddie Sutton, Arkansas-Kentucky, 1977-87
10 — Jim Boeheim, Syracuse, 1983-92
10 — Dale Brown, LSU, 1984-93
10 — John Chaney, Temple, 1990-99
10 — Roy Williams, Kansas, 1990-99

Most Wins
65 — Dean Smith, North Carolina
47 — John Wooden, UCLA
43 — Mike Krzyzewski, Duke
42 —

PGA having trouble marketing players other than Tiger, Els

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

MIAMI — A 6-iron from 202 yards downwind that goes in for double eagle. A 3-iron from the bunker in an adjacent fairway that clears the palm trees and comes down 15 feet from the hole, never leaving its line. A chip-in for birdie with $1 million on the line.

The PGA Tour had the right idea when it came up with the slogan, "These guys are good."

The more difficult message to communicate is that "these guys" are more than just Tiger Woods, David Duval, Ernie Els or any other star people expect to see on any given Sunday.

The lesson from the Match Play Championship was that any player among the top 64 in the world could win on any given day.

Now for an update from Doral: It's not just the top 64.

"I have not seen so much talent, since I've been on tour, as there is now," Steve Elkington said last week after his 10th victory in 13 years. "There are probably more young players on tour that are going to emerge — whether you guys want them to or not."

The not-so-subtle message was that talent and television appeal should not be confused.

Elkington learned that himself nine years ago, when he was a "no-name" player like those who littered the leaderboard at Doral. Seven strokes off the lead going into the final round of the 1990 Greater Greensboro Open, he tapped in for birdie on the 18th for a 66, which held up for a two-stroke victory.

"I finished so early, they didn't even have me on TV," he said. "They got me putting out. That was the only shot they had of me winning the tournament. They didn't even know who I was at the time."

They know him now for having one of golf's sweetest swings, although his swing is not much different from a decade ago. Only now, it belongs to a PGA Championship winner, to someone who in 1997 went wire-to-wire to win The Players Championship against traditionally the toughest field in golf.

If Elkington had not closed with a 64 to win Doral, if Els had not bungled his way to a double bogey on the 18th, what would they have known of Greg Kraft?

What would have become of Doral, one of the most prestigious stops on the PGA Tour but picked apart this year by people more concerned with the anonymity of the field than the quality of the play?

"I've been reading the papers about the "no-names" at Doral, and it's a shame," said none other than Greg Norman. "These guys can play. Why don't you look at the other side, and give credit where credit is due?"

Small chance of that happening at Doral.

On Saturday, after Kraft had scrambled brilliantly on the front to salvage a 70 and keep his two-stroke lead going into the final round, he was asked if his family was connected to the cheese company by the same name.

"No," Kraft said.

Have you ever been asked that question?

"Yes," he said.

There were other guilty parties. On Thursday, Franklin Langham shot a 67 for a share of the lead. As he was walking into the interview room, a tournament official was glued to the IBM scoring computer, tracking Norman's round and hoping the Shark would make some semblance of a run to restore order at Doral.

Another tournament official cheered Friday when a birdie went up for Els, which put him within two strokes of the lead. And not much respect was paid to Michael Bradley. Most tournaments put the defending champion on the cover of the program, but Bradley had to share space with three other past champions with far more fame.

If the lesser knowns took no offense, the stars rose to their defense.

"You play on this tour, you can play," Els said. "If you've got your card on the PGA Tour, you are a good player. You can probably win wherever you go in the world. And these guys have got it coming to them now."

They didn't this week, but that's not to say they won't next week, or next year.

They haven't been asked to shoot a commercial yet, but perhaps they can find hope in Section 6-52 of the PGA Tour media guide, the list of players who graduated from the Nike Tour.

Maybe Scott Dunlap, on the Nike Tour last year at age 34, is the next Tom Lehman.

Maybe Bob Burns, the Nike player of the year in 1998 after leading the money list, will turn out to be another Duval.

Els and John Daly spent time on the Hogan Tour before winning their two majors. Maybe that's down the road for Greg Chalmers and Chris Riley.

Maybe these guys really are good, and we just don't realize it yet.



AP Photo

The PGA is having trouble marketing players like Greg Kraft.

Holyfield sticks to his story about KO

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Evander Holyfield has no second thoughts about his prediction for his heavyweight title fight with Lennox Lewis.

"I'm still holding to the truth," he said. "The truth is I'm going to knock him out in the third round."

The 36-year-old IBF-WBA champion, who made the prediction a couple of weeks ago, is the 6-5 favorite to keep his title and add Lewis' WBC championship at Madison Square Garden on Saturday night.

"I'm not asking anybody here to believe that," Holyfield said of his boast after training Tuesday at the Church Street Gym near the tip of Manhattan. "I'm not asking anybody to write that, but you can write it now or write it later."

Holyfield said his prediction has nothing to do with Lewis, "except that Lewis is going to be the opponent. Everybody who fights me has courage and heart and skills."

"Preposterous," Lewis said of Holyfield's prediction.

Asked if he would make a prediction, Lewis, who worked out Tuesday afternoon at The Theater in the Garden complex, replied: "Yes, I'm predicting he will not knock me out in the third round."

When someone wondered why Holyfield seemed so supremely confident for such a major match against such a dangerous opponent, he replied: "I'm a born again Christian and I believe in the word. Each and every time I'm supposed to be better. It would be wrong for me to be bad."

Holyfield worked out in a stark, whitewashed back room at the gym near Wall Street, but none of the champion's fellow multimillionaires were present.

He sparred three rounds with James Gaines, and he concentrated on infighting. In the second round he landed two solid right uppercuts and hard left hook to the body.

In his last fight, Holyfield went the 12-round distance in outpointing Vaughn Bean on Sept. 19, and Lewis has said Holyfield looked very ordinary.

"(Bean's) goal was just to survive and not win," Holyfield said. "Lennox is coming to win, and because Lennox is coming to win that makes it a great fight ... but a short night."

"He should have knocked Vaughn Bean out in the third round and not precicting he will knock me out," Lewis said.

JACKS: Goal disallowed

(From 1C)

and like the hitter batting out of order, was an ineligible player, although he had taken his regular shifts throughout the period.

"Sami was not on the original lineup card," Odessa Coach Joe Clark explained, "but we caught it in time and got word to the off-ice official, only the change, apparently, was never made."

With a point for a tie and possibly two for a shootout win, Odessa could have opened some daylight between itself and Alexandria, four points behind the Jacks, a one-sided loser to San Angelo Thursday night.

Paul Vincent, with 21 points in just 11 games since joining Odessa, tied it 2-2 on a rebound shot set up by Chris Morque and Mario Dumoulin with 6:53 gone of the third period, a goal that would have forced overtime.

Scott Shaunessy's seventh goal of the season at 15:36 won it for the 31-22-8 Brahmas, just ahead of the Jacks with 68 points. Shaunessy's goal came on a deflection which appeared to hit his skate.

"It just bounced in," said Clark, "but really, it was a great hockey game. We were shorthanded up front, but we battled from behind twice."

Sean Brady put Fort Worth ahead 17:22 into the first period with his 16th goal of the season and Jon Jas tied it at 1:05 of the second period just as the penalty assessed in the first period expired.

Francois Albert then beat Odessa Goalie Billy Pye on a quick shot from in front of the net.

The emotional high of the night came late in the second period when, with a 2-2 score, Pye and the Jacks held off a furious five-on-three power play assault by the Brahmas.

When Morque and Andrew Rodgers flew out of the penalty box, the crowd responded as though the cavalry had just ridden to the rescue. The crowd gave the Jacks defense a standing ovation.

The Jacks go into games Friday and Saturday at the Jack Shack with a 31-28-4 record, 66 points and their playoff hopes on the line. Amarillo, idle Tuesday, is three points back and Austin, with 60 points, still has hopes.

The task ahead this weekend not only will be tough but fraught with emotion. Jeff Triano, an assistant coach with the Jacks last year, brings his Western Division leading Abilene Aviators to Odessa. while Arkansas, the second place team in the Central Division, comes in Saturday. Both games are 7 p.m.

JACK SLAPSHOTS: Both the Jacks and Brahmas were 6-3-1 for their last 10 going into Tuesday's game. ...The Jacks played shorthanded up front with Johan Hagman and Laine, after the first period, unavailable. Also out was Jamie Dunn, but Clark says Hagman will be ready for Friday... As a result of the shortage,Morque moved from defense to wing.... Chances of winning a shootout? The Jacks have won seven of their last eight shootouts....

Brahmas 3, Jackalopes 2

Fort Worth	**1**	**1**	**1**	**—3**
Odessa	**0**	**1**	**1**	**—2**

First Period — 1. FW Brady 16 (Maiskowski 27, Black 40) 17:22.

Second Period — 2. O Jas 13 (Morque 26, Rodrique 34) 1:05. 3. FW Albert 11 (Olofson 5, Strohack 26) 6:43.

Third Period — 4. O Vincent 14 (Morque 27, Domoulin 5) pp 6:53. 5. FW Shaunessy 7, (Brady 6) 15:36.

Goalies: FW Plouffe (26-15-5) 27 of 29 saves. Od Pye (17-22-2) 31 of 34. Shots on Goal: FW 13-15-6—34. Od 10-10-9-29. Power Plays: FW 0-8. Od 1-8. Penalties: FW 9-18, Od 6-12. Ref- Brown. Linesmen: O'Neill and Sappo. Att- 4,201.

NCAA will fight judge's eligibility ruling

Associated Press

The NCAA will fight a ruling that struck down test-score requirements for freshmen athletes as unfair to blacks, saying the judge's decision could create chaos at its member colleges.

The governing body of college sports on Wednesday will seek to block the ruling while it appeals, Elsa Cole, NCAA general counsel, said Tuesday. She expects a response "within a day or two."

U.S. District Judge Ronald Buckwalter in Philadelphia ruled Monday that the NCAA may not use a minimum test score to eliminate freshmen student-athletes from eligibility. He cited the NCAA's own research showing that the practice harmed black students' chances of being declared academically eligible.

The policy, known as Proposition 16, required the athletes to have a minimum score of 820 on the Scholastic Assessment Test regardless of their high school grades. The ruling did not rule out some use of the tests, which many educators have long said are racially and culturally discriminatory.

"We are encouraged by the court's acknowledgment that the initial eligibility standards ... serve a legitimate educational goal," said Charles Wethington, president at Kentucky and head of the NCAA's executive committee.

"In addition, the judge has not precluded use of the SAT or ACT as a part of an initial eligibility rule. The challenge for the NCAA remains as it has always been: to develop standards to meet that goal."

Also Tuesday, the NCAA announced a settlement on another divisive issue. It agreed to pay $54.5 million to about 2,000 Division I coaches who had sued over the so-called restricted-earnings rule, which had capped their salaries at $12,000 for an academic year.

A judge had struck down the rule as unfair in 1995 and both sides had been fighting over a settlement ever since.

Without Proposition 16, the 302 Division I schools would be on their own in determining which freshmen would be academically eligible to play sports. Some administrators and officials worried that could create chaos.

"It means that there is no standard to guide the schools," Cole said. "Each school will have to decide itself whether a student can play the first year."

Chuck Neinas, former head of the College Football Association and one of the authors of Proposition 48, a forerunner of the current rule, called the judge's decision a "giant step backward."

Not everyone agreed, however.

"The only way to regulate this is within the university themselves," said Utah basketball coach Rick Majerus. "Each university has a different mission, with Stanford's mission being different than a community college and so on."

Former Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson, who boycotted two games in 1989 over Proposition 48, said students should be evaluated individually instead of being judged solely by a standardized test.

"I never said you shouldn't use SAT scores," he said, "but I did say you shouldn't misuse SAT scores, and all along we have, as we generated statistics trying to fool the world."

Many colleges do not use a minimum test score to determine admission for students who are not athletes. Instead, a combination of test scores, grades, application essays and in-person interviews is considered.

The average for all 1.2 million students who took the test last year was 1,017. The highest possible SAT score is 1,600.

■ NCAA's Troubles

NCAA to pay $54.5 million in settlement

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Underpaid college coaches who successfully sued the NCAA are finally getting a big bonus: $54.5 million.

The governing body of college sports agreed Tuesday to pay the amount to about 2,000 Division I assistant coaches whose salary was capped at $12,000 for an academic year.

The so-called restricted-earnings rule lasted three years (1992-95) before a judge struck it down. The coaches and the NCAA had been fighting over a settlement ever since.

"This association-wide nightmare is over," Charles Wethington, NCAA executive committee chairman, said in announcing an end to years of expensive litigation.

The settlement comes a day after another NCAA setback. A federal judge in Philadelphia threw out the organization's minimum test-score requirement for freshmen student-athletes, saying it was unfair to blacks. The NCAA is fighting the ruling.

In the settlement, the NCAA must still decide how much each of the 302 Division I schools will pay. Officials of many schools have criticized the organization for not settling the case sooner.

LOCAL SPORTS

Bulldogs pounce on Lake View

SAN ANGELO — The Midland High Bulldogs pounded out 24 hits in a 26-15 win over San Angelo Lake View on Tuesday.

Laynce Nix, who was one of five pitchers used by the Bulldogs got the win on the mound. Nix also had a good day at the plate by going 4-for-5 with five runs scored, five RBIs, three doubles and belted his fifth home run of the year. Blake Johnston, in his first game back from basketball, hit for the cycle by going 4-for-6 on the day with four runs scored and four RBIs.

Also offensively, Jayson Nix was 2-5 with three runs scored; Cotey Joe Cswaykus was 4-5 with three runs scored, six RBIs and a home run; Brent Winter was 3-4 with four RBIs and a grand slam; Aaron Pullin was 2-4; Matt Bose went 2-3; and Aaron Hamblin was 3-4 on the afternoon.

MHS (13-2) next plays in the Lubbock Tournament, starting at 1 p.m. Thursday against San Angelo Central, and then against Lubbock Monterey at 4 p.m.

Mustangs beat Wolves

COLORADO CITY — The Midland Christian Mustang baseball team defeated Colorado City 11-6.

Brandon Lucas (1-0) picked up the win and Jamie Beeghley got the save for the Mustangs (6-2).

Offensively, Trent Lee had three hits; Ryan Hellums had two hits with a double and an RBI; Jordan Wilson added two hits; and Beeghley drove in three runs.

Midland Christian next plays at 4:30 p.m. Friday at Christensen Stadium to start district against Dallas Lutheran. The same two teams meeet again on Saturday at 11 a.m.

Softball teams takes first

BURLESON — The West Texas Storm girls fast pitch softball team took first place in 12-U division at the March 6-7 Cowtown tournament. The Storm was undefeated with a combined score of 60-2.

The Midland Renegades girls fast pitch team took first place in the 14-U division. The Renegades were also undefeated with a combined score of 35-5.

Black Myst wins consolation

LUBBOCK — The MVP Black Myst volleyball team went 6-1 in the under 14 division of the Tumbleweed Classic to win consolation in the Gold Bracket play.

Lee sophs win two

COAHOMA — The Midland Lee sophomore baseball team won both games against Cohoma's JV, 18-0 and 10-3 on Tuesday.

In the first game, Andy Torres pitched a complete game two-hitter and struckout 7. Offensively, Kyle Shatzer had three hits, including a home run and three RBIs; David Dakil had a home run and three RBIs; Rowan Moreno was 4-4 with a home run and three RBIs; Tyler Webb had a double and three RBIs; Garrett Luft had a double and two RBIs; Joey Schwalbach had two hits and an RBI.

In the second game Jason Mathews struckout eight to get the win on the mound. Mathews also had three hits in the game with a double, a home run and three RBIs; Justin Daniels added two hits and two RBIs; Cliff Mitchell had home run and two RBIs; and Torres had two hits.

Lee sophomores (8-3) next plays Midland High's sophomores 4 p.m. Monday at Lee.

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WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland Lee Softball Booster Club** meets the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Lee High cafeteria...

The **Midland Lee Basketball Booster Club** will meet the first and third Monday of the month in the Lee cafeteria. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. All parents and interested persons welcome...

The **Midland Lee Soccer Booster Club** meets once monthly during regular school year and twice monthly during soccer season at 7 p.m. in the school library. Dates are 3/15, 4/12 and 5/3. For information call Debbie Butts at 520-0248...

The **Midland Lee Golf Booster Club** will meet on the second Tuesday of every month during the regular school year. Meetings will take place at 7 p.m. in the Lee Library. For more information, call Dan Pender at 689-0305...

The **Midland Lee Baseball Booster Club** will meet at 7 p.m. each Thursday at the Lee library...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** will meet the first Monday of every month in Conference Room A. For more information, call Joe Willis at 570-4453 or Robert Winkler at 683-9585...

The **Midland High Softball Booster Club** will meet March 15 at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A in the principal's office. For more information call Bill Vallie at 685-1408 or Diane Harris at 520-8912...

Baseball...

If you are interested in coaching a 13-18 year old team in in the **Midland Junior Baseball Association**, applications are available at Stadium Sports on 2040 W. Cuthbert. Applications are being accepted for both Little League and AABC. For information, call Ronnie Lynch at 699-1405...

The Little League of Midland Challenger Division is beginning it's season for all children, ages 6 through 18, with physical or mental disabilities that prevent them from playing in the regular division. Players are assisted by buddies. Buddies can use this activity as community service hours. Play begins March 27 at North Central Little League's Kelly Field, off Loop 250, behind Putt-Putt golf. If interested in playing, coaching or being a buddy, call 697-6536...

Golf...

Hogan Park Golf Course will host a 18-hole **two-man scramble** on March 13. Entry fee is $30 plus green fee and 1/2-cart. Deadlin is 5 p.m. March 11. Entry forms are available in the golf shop...

McCamey Country Club will host the following tournaments; March 20, 2-person 18-hole select shot, $35; March 27, 1-person scramble, $25; April 24, 4-lady select shot, $40; May 15-16, Charlie Shepard Memorial 2-man lowball, $140 per team. Call 652-8904 for more information...

Softball...

Midland United Girls Fastpitch Softball is holding registration at at the MUGS complex in Ulmer Park on March 20-21 from 10 a.m to 6 p.m. MUGS is for all girls ages four through 19, playing in six age divisions. March 23 is coach selections. March 25 is the player draw. Season starts on April 12. The Lizard Classic Tournament is April 30-May 1 for all divisions. The Scholarship Tournament is May 22-23 and the City Tournament is June 21-26. The All-Star Tournament is July 16-18. Bring a copy of birth certificate if you have never played MUGS. Fee is $35 for T-ball (ages 4-6) and $55 for Divisions I-IV (ages 7 through 19). Call 694-5302, 686-7025 or 699-5878 for more information...

Fastpitch umpires are needed to work high school softball games in West Texas. Find out more by contacting Mack at 520-5961 or Freddie at 694-5508...

The **Permian Basin Softball Umpires Association** is actively recruiting prospective slowpitch and fastpitch umpires for the upcoming 1999 softball season. For information, call Al Enriquez, 684-8481; Joe Guerra, 686-8445; Mack Gipson, 694-2837; or the PBASA Umpires building at 683-1803...

The **Midland Nightmares** 10-under girls fast-pitch competitive softball team is accepting new players for the 1999 roster. Interested girls must be born after 12/31/87. For more information, contact Jill Smith at 697-3985, Chris Whigham at 682-4564 or Daryl Franklin at 699-8079...

The **West Texas Heat '88** 10-under competitive girls team is holding open workouts every Sunday beginning at 2 p.m. at the MUGS Complex. Any girl born after Dec. 31, 1987 is welcome to attend. For more information, call Jeanie Cherry at 682-1313, Steve Goree at 686-8006 or Tod McDaniel at 520-9090...

The Mirage Classic men's ASA Class C Slow-Pitch Tournament is scheduled for Hidalgo Park March 19-21. Entry fee is $110 for the double elimination tournament with the first 15 paid teams accepted. There is also a home run derby at $5 per person with the winner taking half the pot. For more information, call Delynnda Witte at 697-0288 or Richard Schneider at 689-2757...

Coahoma is seeking softball games for March 16 and April 1. All interested should contact Robert Royer at (915) 394-4535 or 684-6933...

The 17th annual **Permian Basin ASA Softball Umpires Association** Slowpitch Softball Tournament is April 10-11 at the Bill Williams Softball Complex. There is a Class A round robin, single elimination on Sunday and a Class C double elimination with the consolation bracket. Two Divisions of play with Men's Class A (6 home runs) and Men's Class C (1 home run). Entry fee is $110 per team and entry deadline is 5 p.m. on April 7. Call Al Enriquez at 684-8481 or Bonita Clark, 683-8741, for information...

The **Toros Softball Tournament** is March 12-14 at Hogan Park Field 7. Entry fee is $115 with 18 Class D teams only. Deadline is March 11. Call Johnny Lozano at 682-9722 or Rick Guttierrez at 687-2281 for information...

Midland Softball Association is holding its first ever **USSSA National and State Qualifying Tournament** March 27-28 at Bill Williams Softball Complex. Men's and women's slowpitch and Class B through E teams will compete for six state and two national berths in each class. The entry fee is $125 and due on March 24 by 6 p.m. For more information, call 683-8741 or 699-5559...

The **Rattlesnake Men's Softball Tournament** is March 12-13 in Sweetwater's Jones Park. Entry fee is $110 per team. Call Danny Escobar at 1-915-235-9559 for more information...

Ballapalooza Soft/Ragball tournament is April 3-4 in Big Spring. Entry fee is $100 for softball and $80 for ragball. Games run from 8 a.m. to midnight. Deadline is March 26. Call 264-2100 or 800-734-7641 for more information...

Tennis...

Clinics for ladies are being held at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. Beginners clinics are Tuesdays at 11 a.m., intermediate clinics Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and beginner-intermediate clinics Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5360...

The **Club at Mission Dorado** is offering junior clinics for beginner, intermediate and advanced levels Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginner and intermediate clinics run from 4:30-5:30 p.m. while advanced clinics run from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information, call Toby Curtis at (915) 563-4707...

USTA Leagues are now forming for adult men and women. League play begins in April. Call league coordinator Juanell Fort, 686-0277, for more information...

The **Midland Tennis Club** will hold the following tournaments at the Midland College Tennis Center: March 20-21 Men's and Women's Singles; April 24-25 Mixed Doubles; May 1-2 Men's and Women's Singles; May 15-16 Mixed Doubles; May 22-23 Men's and Women's Singles. Club Levels are Open, A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2, C and Senior (50 and over). Nonmembers can play in any tournament with a $10 entry fee...

Ratings Clinic is March 22 from 6:45 to 9 p.m. at the Racquet Club. Cost is $5 per person. Anyone interested in playing USTA team tennis and has not been rated in the last two years should attend. Everyone will be asked to play singles or doubles for two verifiers. A league coordinator will attempt to locate a team for everyone who comes to the clinic. Leagues play one or two weekday evenings from April to June. Anyone turning 19 this year is eligible and there are senior leagues available for those over 50. Call 687-4046 for information...

Invitations are being sent out this month for the **Second Samaritan Spring Swing**, an open tournament featuring men's and women's doubles. The tournament is scheduled for the Racquet Club and the Midland Country Club April 17. Entry is $50 and includes lunch and a happy hour reception. All proceeds benefit Samaritan Counseling Center. For an invitation, call 563-4144...

Basketball...

The boys and girls club of Midland is offering an **After School Youth Basketball Program** for both boys and girls in grades 3-8. The cost is $6 and a $3 membership is required. The program will be divided in three groups (3rd and 4th grades, 5th and 6th grades and 7th and 8th grades). For more information, call Halff Park Unit at 6835297, Taylor Park Unit at 683-0050 or NE/YMCA Unit at 682-8469....

El Paso's largest basketball tournament, the **Southwest Shoot-out,** will be held April 9-11. The tournament is for divisions 10-18 & under boys and Girls 12-16 & under girls. Entry fee is $100. For information call Bobby Rivera at 1-915-857-7700 or 1-915-852-2600...

Miscellaneous...

The **Midland Wrestling Club** offers adult, high school, Olympic and freestyle wrestling. Call 685-0531 for information...

Gymnastics classes are being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. Parent-tot, grade school and tumbling classes are available. There will also be an advanced team class by tryout only. The staff is certified by USA Gymnastics. For more information, call Megan Rodriguez at 684-7755...

The **Alamo YMCA Gymnastics Program** is offering classes for all age groups from toddlers to age 17. Parent-tot, beginners, advanced beginners, pre-teens and competitive teams are all offered. For more information, contact Stephanie Barr at 694-2528...

The Alamo YMCA is offering **Martial Arts Classes**. Tae Kwon Do Classes are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:10-9:10 p.m. and Aikido Classes are Wednesdays from 8:10-9:10 p.m. and Saturday from 11-12 p.m.. Call 694-2528 for more information...

Citizens for Midland Skaters is a local group dedicated to raising funds for the establishment of a city park for skateboarding and in-line skating , If you would like to contribute to this project, please send your donation to Permian Basin Area Foundation/ Skate Park Project, P.O. Box 10424, Midland, Texas, 79702. Donations are tax deductible. If you have questions, please call Pam Sledge at 685-3227...

The **Permian Basin Adult Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes** is holding a fundraiser luncheon April 14 at The Club at Mission Dorado featuring Florida State football coach Bobby Bowden. Individual tickets may be purchased from the chapter for $35 apiece. Business tickets can be purchased at $1,000 for a table of 10, $600 for a table of eight and $300 for a table of six. For information, call Jim Cooke at 685-0873 or John Stanley at 689-8804...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding water aerobics classes Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Beth Santilli at 684-7755...

The **Alamo YMCA Aquatics Program** is offering swimming lessons for all ages. Children are placed in classes according to age and ability. The Skip class, for children three months to three years is a parent participation class while the Pers classes are for children 3-5 and Progressive classes are for children 6 and up. Lessons are also offered for adults. Safety is taught in conjunction with the classes. Group and private lessons are available. For more information, call 694-2528...

The Alamo YMCA is offering **water aerobics**. Swimming ability is not necessary to participate. For more information, call 694-2528...

COM Aquatics - **Learn to Swim** year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details...

The **COM Masters Swim Team** is open to anyone 20-over. There are two Masters swim team workouts. You can choose from Mon.-Wed.-Fri or Tue.-Thurs.-Sat. at 6-7 a.m. at the COM pool. Call 684-7755 for more information...

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Diving lessons are offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 4:55 p.m. and from 5 to 5:25 p.m. For information, call 684-7755...

Jobs

Lamesa is looking for a **girls varsity basketball coach**. Contact athletic director Tim James at 1-806-872-3741 or principal Ricky Mitchell at 1-806-872-8385. The teaching field is open at this time...

Umpires' new high strike zone seems like low blows to hitters

Associated Press

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Todd Hollandsworth could not believe what he saw. Or heard.

Clearly, Kent Mercker's fastball cut across Hollandsworth's chest. But instead of keeping silent, umpire Bruce Froemming shouted "Strike!"

Hollandsworth slowly leaned over the plate, shaking his head. He walked out of the batter's box and stayed out for several seconds, still incredulous.

In just his first at-bat of spring training, the Los Angeles outfielder learned last week that baseball is serious: High strikes will be the rule in 1999.

"I do think that pitch was a little up," Hollandsworth said later. "But I guess that's the change they're making, right there."

Even Mercker seemed surprised.

"I was kind of like, 'wow, I see where he's calling it," the St. Louis pitcher said. "I mean, that's a pitch that if he calls it a ball, I wouldn't complain."

In recent years, umpires rarely called any pitch above the belt a strike. But a memo sent by the commissioner Bud Selig's office told teams that from now on "the upper limit of the strike zone will extend two inches above the top of the uniform pants."

And that's how the umps are calling it so far.

Chuck Knoblauch saw that firsthand. Before the New York Yankees' exhibition opener, the players were briefed on the new strike zone by longtime AL umpire Jim McKean.

But that didn't help Knoblauch. He argued with Eric Cooper after being called out on strikes on a high pitch for the second time.

"I will try to call them the way they want me to," said 29-year veteran Bruce Froemming, who rung up Hollandsworth. "But you've got 68 umpires, and you can't clone 68 umpires," he said.

Veteran AL umpire Greg Kosc hopes his colleagues don't get caught in the middle.

"I'm going to try, I really am," he said. "But I've been calling the same pitch for years, and it's not easy to change overnight."

"Maybe you call it on strike one or maybe strike two," he said. "But am I going to call strike three on Cal Ripken or Mo Vaughn or Albert Belle or Bernie Williams or Paul O'Neill just to prove a point? And if I do, am I going to get backing?"

Actually, the biggest disputes about the strike zone in past years involve width, most notably Eric Gregg's ample plate when Livan Hernandez struck out 15 in a 1997 NLCS game.

Batters feel that pitchers get too many outside calls on unhittable pitches. Baseball hopes that more high strikes — still hittable — will also lead to fewer wide ones.

"I think it's a change that will be good for the game," Montreal general manager Jim Beattie said.

"I think everybody should go with it and accept that's the way it's going to be and not fight it," he said. "Just go with it and move on."

Yankees manager Joe Torre agrees.

"I've noticed a difference. I don't object to it at all," he said.

Naturally, it might take time for all sides to see it the same way. Several years ago, there was a crackdown on balks during spring training — the totals went crazy — and it took pitchers and umpires a month or so to adapt.

NL president Len Coleman and AL president Gene Budig sent a short note to the umpires, informing the umpires what the commissioner's office wanted with strikes.

"Obviously, umpires have been asked to adjust," Coleman said. "But I look at the quality of my National League umpires. They'll be able to do it."

Umpires, however, were upset that baseball did not consult with them before ordering the new policy.

"I have had discussions with Bud Selig," umpires' union chief Richie Phillips said. "Bud has asked me to handle the matter directly with him and see if we can resolve our problem."

DiMaggio funeral set for Thursday

Associated Press

Joe DiMaggio's family wants his funeral to be as private as the man.

Only about 30 relatives and close friends will attend the service Thursday at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, where DiMaggio married his first wife, Dorothy Arnold, in 1939.

"Joe insisted that his funeral be a private, religious service, and his family is intent on carrying out his wishes," said Morris Engelberg, DiMaggio's friend and attorney.

"George Steinbrenner asked to come. So did Reggie Jackson and a lot of other people he knew and liked, but the family had to say 'no,'" Engelberg told The Associated Press from San Francisco.

Yankees spokesman Rick Cerrone disputed that Steinbrenner wasn't invited, saying the Yankees owner was asked to accompany the family to the West Coast. And it was Steinbrenner who declined the invitation because he didn't want an exception to the guest list made in his case, Cerone said.

The church's twin steeples tower over the North Beach section of San Francisco where DiMaggio spent most of his childhood.

The funeral procession will drive into Beach Street in San Francisco's Marina section where the DiMaggio family lived as it makes its way to the Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma, where DiMaggio will be buried.

DiMaggio's only son, Joe Jr., will be one of the pallbearers.

SOFTBALL: AHS takes 4-5A lead

(From 1C)

takes," said Lee coach Wes Overton, who is also in his first year at Lee. "With no seniors on this team, you knew a game like this was going to come sooner or later. I'm just glad all of them (errors) came in the same game.

"I take the blame for this loss. I didn't have this team ready to play."

The Lady Rebels did get six hits, but advanced a runner as far as third base only once. Everything they hit seemed to shoot harmlessly into the air. Of the 21 outs for Lee, 15 of them came on pop-ups or lazy fly balls to the outfield.

Abilene's Samantha Hirsch, a sophomore, hurled the complete game shutout. It was only her second starting performance. Oddly, she didn't record a strikeout in the game, very rare in a shutout performance.

"I tried to keep my fastball up and I had a pretty good drop pitch," Hirsch said. "The defense did a really good job behind me. They made it real easy for me.

"This is only my second district game on varsity and the second start. It was really fun. And to beat Lee was really special since they are one of the teams that people expect to be in the race."

Lee simply fell apart in the fourth inning, which is quite uncharacteristic of this team. Abilene's Katie Bryan led off with a double and Samantha Hirsch followed with a single off Lee sophomore starter Brandie Row. Monica Guerrero followed with a sacrifice fly, scoring Bryan, but Hirsch moved to third on a throwing error by Lee left fielder Jessica Thompson.

Hirsch then scored on an error by third baseman Jennifer Bryant and another run came home on an error by first baseman Sarah Dzubinski. The damage was done even though the Lady Eagles added two insurance runs in the top of the seventh, one of which was kept alive by an error on shortstop Crista Hargrove, who made two in the game.

"We need to learn from this game because it wasn't very pretty," Overton said, but added, "but I told the girls that this is just one district loss and we get to play them again. I don't think anyone in this district is going to go undefeated, so I don't think it's a total setback."

Lee does not play a district game again until next Tuesday when they travel to Abilene Cooper, but the Lady Rebels will have a slew of more games under their belts before then. Lee now travels to the Arlington tournament and will play three pool games today. They have a single game with a team from Louisiana on Friday and return to tournament play on Saturday.

The Lee junior varsity climbed to 10-2 with a 7-1 win over Abilene High. Alesha Epley got the win with a one-hitter with six strikeouts. Rosemary Moreno, Joanna Lilley and Melissa Montez each had two hits.

Abilene High 5, Midland Lee 0

Abilene High	000	300	2	—5	7	1
Midland Lee	000	000	0	—0	6	5

Samantha Hirsch and A.J. Weckwerth. Brandie Row and Shandi Neatherlin. W-Hirsch. L-Row. E-Nicole Cortez (A); Crista Hargrove 2, Jennifer Bryant, Sarah Dzubinski, Jessica Thompson. 2B-Cortez, Katie Bryan (A). RBIs: Monica Guerrero, Hirsch, J.D. Williams (A). Multiple Hits: Hirsch 2, Chaney 2 (A); Evans 3 (L). SB-Hirsch, Bryan (A). Sac.-A.J. Weckworth (A); Row (L). SF-Guerrero (A).

PERFECT: Lady Rebels finish spotless 4-5A slate

(From 1C)

Brandice, you could go back to sidelines thinking 'we had this one.'

"She has been doing awesome in shootouts. We feel really confident with her in shootouts."

The shootout, and the perfect end reward, overshadowed a second-half effort Lady Rebel fans would probably just as soon live without. Lee won the battles in the first half but managed just one shot in the second half, which was won by Central in every way but the scoreboard. Central had nine corners in the second half alone.

"We have been able to finish this year. We had chances today," Central coach Jim Bragg said. "The first half was theirs, the second half was ours and we had some chances to score, numerous chances. We have to put it in. We had the ball in front and didn't finish it. If you don't do that, you will not win and we didn't."

Even though the game wasn't pretty, it was a win, and therefore was effective.

"That (going 12-0) is what they wanted and they feel good about that," Lee coach Mike Simpson said. "We talked about having this game set the pace for the playoffs. We wanted to go in with a win, not with a loss. We wanted to send them in with a loss. I didn't think we played really well. They were more aggressive than we were."

Lee improved to 20-2. Central fell to 16-5.

Midland Lee girls 1, San Angelo Central 0

San Angelo Central	0	0	0	—0
Midland Lee	0	0	1	—1

First Half: No Scoring. Second Half No Scoring.

Shootout: Central - Amy Bales (saved), Kendra Speciale (saved), Kelly Bragg (saved), Cynthia Rojas (missed). Lee - Renee Bonin (saved), Raffi Belizaire (saved), Amy Rankin (scored), Suzy Prucka (scored). Lee wins shootout 2-0.

Shots: SAC 5, Lee 4. Corners: SAC 10, Lee 5. Saves: SAC 4 (Maureen Metz 4), Lee 1 (Brandice Zachry). Fouls: SAC 16, Lee 10. Offsides: SAC 1, Lee 0.

4-5A Girls' Playoff Pairings

Midland Lee: The Lady Rebels will play the winner of El Paso Coronado and El Paso Bel Air next weekend.

San Angelo Central: The Lady Bobcats, the second seed out of 4-5A, will play Amarillo High next Tuesday in Abilene in the bi-district round of the playoffs.

Odessa Permian: The Lady Panthers defeated Abilene High 2-1 (SO 4-3) Tuesday to secure the district's third and final seed of the UIL playoffs. It will be the Permian girls' program's first-ever playoff appearance.

Permian's Beth Bredemeyer, who didn't play in regulation, put in the winning conversion for the Lady Panthers. She was the last shooter in the shootout which went to each team's 10th shooter.

Permian will play Lubbock High in the bi-district round of the playoffs Tuesday.

REBELS: Lee claims share of 4-5A title

(From 1C)

and much like the second comeback on Tuesday, the Rebels can thank it to a turnaround in the second half of district. Two weeks ago, Lee had lost to Abilene High, giving up two goals in the last moments of the game. However, something changed with the team. The Rebs had run over Abilene Cooper and Odessa High en route to Tuesday's win and might be playing its best soccer of the season going into the playoffs.

"Myself and the other coaches pounded away at the players, talking about what our game is and how we played it," McCulloch said. "I think they found it harder to play against tougher teams. The first half we didn't have a good half, we talked about it at halftime, and we got more physical with our game, played possession ball and worked the ball more. We did a good job in the second half, created chances and put the ball away."

Lee, which swept Central for the first time since 1996, also are in position to take 4-5A's first seed for the UIL playoffs. Lee and Abilene will meet for a district playoff this weekend. The winner will take the first seed, and the loser gets the second seed.

Midland Lee boys 2, San Angelo Central 1

Midland Lee	0	2	—2
San Angelo Central	1	0	—1

First Half: 1. SAC, Michael Ammons (unassisted), 38th minute. Second Half: 2. Lee, Russell Matchull (Josh Perez), 43rd; 3. Lee, Justin Smith (Eric More), 63rd.

Shots: Lee 7, SAC 11. Corners: Lee 0, SAC 6. Fouls: Lee 7, SAC 10. Saves: Lee 5 (Trey Lawson 3, Keith Butts 2), SAC 2 (Mark Rogerson).

THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Compaq	219388	32¾	–1⅝
AmOnline s	180207	90⅛	–¾
AT&T	127287	85 9/16	–2 7/16
PhilMor	108478	39 15/16	+⅜
AmSouth s	100380	48 9/16	–2 5/16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
E4L	6⅝	+⅞	+15.2
OSulvInd	12⅛	+1 9/16	+14.8
Sauer n	9 5/16	+1 3/16	+14.6
Comdisc s	13 7/16	+1⅝	+13.8
Carson	4 5/16	+7/16	+11.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Hyprcm	5⅝	–4⅛	–42.3
Loewen pf	3⅞	–2 31/128	–36.7
Pentacn	3¼	–11/16	–17.5
StdCm	4 5/16	–13/16	–15.9
Fairlsc	39 1/16	–6 5/16	–13.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,367
Declined	1,674
Unchanged	546
Total issues	3,587
New Highs	75
New Lows	86
Volume	958,837,422

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	78934	128 1/16	– 5/16
Harken	15273	2 3/16	+¼
Hasbro	9406	41⅜	+ 7/16
SP Tech n	9360	35 5/16	–⅜
DJIA Diam	8482	96 15/16	– 17/32

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GK Intell n	3⅜	+¾	+28.6
CVF Tch	3¾	+¾	+25.0
BethCp	2	+⅜	+23.1
Intrmagn	6 13/16	+13/16	+13.5
Harken	2 3/16	+¼	+12.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MilestnSci	2 5/16	– 7/16	–15.9
BrdgVw	24	–4½	–15.8
Thermoret	2⅜	– 5/16	–11.6
EssxBc	2 11/16	– 5/16	–10.4
ecDallG	2¼	–¼	–10.0

DIARY

Advanced	231
Declined	331
Unchanged	169
Total issues	731
New Highs	10
New Lows	9
Volume	37,468,355

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
DellCptr s	425082	44 1/16	–1 5/16
ApldMat	225863	58⅞	–4⅜
Microsft	225312161	13/16	+2 13/16
Intel	225203115	5/16	–4 5/16
Cisco s	164407105	5/16	+¾

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DtTrns	2 9/16	+1 1/16	+70.8
MPSI	2¾	+1⅛	+69.2
RacomS s	2	+¾	+60.0
Celebrity s	3	+1	+50.0
MidBay	2½	+¾	+42.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SteriGen	10¼	–6⅜	–38.3
LAI	6½	–3½	–35.0
AmarBio	2	–⅞	–30.4
Periphn	7 7/16	–2¾	–27.0
NtrlPst n	3	–1	–25.0

DIARY

Advanced	1,679
Declined	2,191
Unchanged	1,322
Total issues	5,192
New Highs	73
New Lows	107
Volume	1,032,903,200

HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

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 ...
PE: Price-earnings ratio. Derived by dividing closing price by company's earnings per share for the most recent four quarters.
PPE: Projected price-earnings ratio. Derived by dividing closing price by company's projected earnings per share for upcoming 12 months. PPE supplied by I/B/E/S, Institutional Brokers' Estimate System. Is a consensus forecast of all analysts following the company. Only companies with three or more analysts following them have a PPE.
How to use: In general, if PPE is lower than PE, analysts believe earnings will be going up. If PPE is higher, they expect earnings to fall. The numbers can be helpful in following stocks but as with all financial data are only one of many factors to judge a company by. Consult your financial advisor before making any investment decision.

Tuesday

Div	Name	Last	Chg
.44	ACE Ltd	34⅞	–⅛
1.10	ACMIn	9⅝	+⅛
.80	ACM Op	7¼	–⅛
1.10	ACM Sc	½	–⅛
.96	ACMSr	7¼	–⅛

Wednesday

PE	PPE	Name	Last	Chg
8	9	ACE Ltd	34⅞	–⅛
17	19	ACMIn	9⅝	+⅛
5		ACM Op	7¼	–⅛
12	10	ACM Sc	½	–⅛
...	6	ACMSr	7¼	–⅛

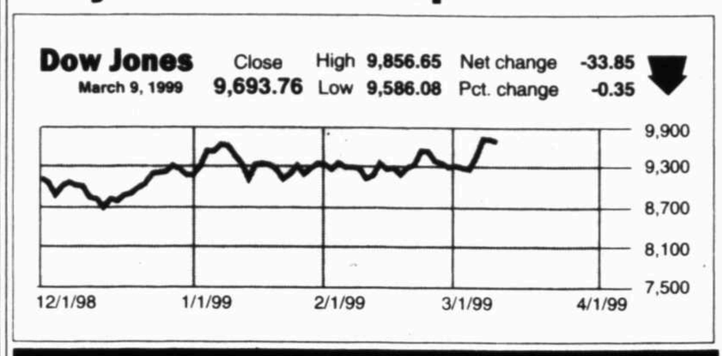
Thursday

Thr	Name	Last	Chg
Air	ACE Ltd	34⅞	–⅛
ACL	ACMIn	9⅝	+⅛
ACG	ACM Op	7¼	–⅛
ADF	ACM Sc	½	–⅛
...	ACMSo	7¼	–⅛

Friday

YTD	Name	Last	Chg
+2.3	ACE Ltd	34⅞	–⅛
+0.2	ACMIn	9⅝	+⅛
–3.0	ACM Op	7¼	–⅛
–0.2	ACM Sc	½	–⅛
...	ACMSo	7¼	–⅛

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
9,764.80	7,400.30	Dow Jones Industrials	9,693.76	–33.85	–.35	+5.58	+12.16
3,701.42	2,282.18	Dow Jones Transportation	3,300.85	+12.45	+.38	+4.81	–6.41
322.21	269.09	Dow Jones Utilities	295.01	–4.22	–1.41	–5.54	+6.61
612.20	462.69	NYSE Composite	602.93	–1.17	–.19	+1.20	+8.64
753.75	554.70	Amex Index	711.45	–.73	–.10	+3.26	–.17
2,533.44	1,357.09	Nasdaq Composite	2,392.94	–4.68	–.20	+9.13	+36.86
1,283.84	923.32	S&P 500	1,279.84	–2.89	–.23	+4.12	+20.26
492.28	303.87	Russell 2000	399.20	–.86	–.21	–5.39	–14.08
11,724.83	8,620.80	Wilshire 5000	11,654.69	–22.56	–.19	+2.98	+14.93

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PE	PPE	Name	Last	Chg
		A-B-C		
12	10	AAR	16⅞	–⅛
		ABNAm pf	25⅞	–⅛
		ABN Am	19¼	–⅞
8	12	ACE Ltd	30¼	–⅜
		ACMIn	8¾	+⅛
		ACM Sc	8⅛	–⅛
25	18	ACNiels	24¼	–⅝
22	17	AES Cp	36⅝	–1⅜
27	24	AFLAC s	47⅛	–½
6	8	AGCO	6¼	–¼
15	13	AGL Res	18	–⅛
10	10	AK Steel	20	+⅛
17		AMB Pr	21⅛	
13		AMLI Rs	19⅝	–⅜
8	10	AMR s	59	–¼
11	7	ARM Fncl	16	–⅛
		ASA Ltd	17⅞	–⅛
23	25	AT&T	85 9/16	–2 7/16
		ATT N28	n26	–⅛
		ATT D28	n 26	–⅛
20	24	AVX Cp	14¾	+¼
		Aames	1 1/16	–⅛
33	29	AbtLab s	49 11/16	–¼
46	33	AberFitch	87 3/16	–1 5/16
		Abitibi g	8 5/16	+5/16
		AdaEx	**26⅞**	**+⅛**
22	17	Adminstf	13 9/16	–5/16
		AdvCmG	4 1/16	–3/16
	45	AMD	17 1/2	–1 7/16
11	9	AdvoInc	17 15/16	–1/16
24	18	Aeroflex	14⅜	–1/16
16	17	AeroVick	57⅜	+1/16
14	16	Aetna Inc	77 3/16	+⅜
30	**23**	**AffCmpSv**	**43 1/2**	**–**
2	5/16			
20	16	AffMgrs	26¾	+1/2
		Agnico g	5⅞	–5/16
		Agnum g	7 15/16	+1/16
34		Ahold	35 13/16	–1 1/16
14	14	AirProd s	32 7/16	+⅜
17	9	AirNetS	7¾	–3/16
14	12	AirbFrt	37 3/16	–5/16
19	13	Airgas	8⅞	+5/16
86	59	AirTouch	92	+7/16
		AirTch pfC	127 7/16	+5/16
		AlaPC pfQ25⅞	**–¼**	
11	10	AlskAir	51¾	–1/16
25	21	Albertsn	57 3/16	+1/16
14	13	Alcan	23 11/16	–1⅛
8		Alcatel	25¼	–1/16
16	7	Alcoa s	37⅞	–
1	1/16			
13	12	AlgEnrgy	30⅝	–13/16
16	11	**AllegTeldy**	19 3/16	–1/2
		AllenTel	d4 13/16	–1/16
	34	Alergn	u88 7/16	–1⅛
16	13	AlliCap	25 13/16	–3/16
		AllWrld2	9	–⅛
14	12	AlliantTch	76 15/16	–1½
20	17	AldSgnl	45½	–1/16
	13	AldWaste	16¼	–1 1/16
16	11	AlmrFn	52 15/16	
10	12	Allstate s	39¼	+1⅛
31	22	Alltel	58½	–⅞
44	30	Alpharma	40⅜	–⅜
9		AlpineGr	d10½	–¼
42	32	Alza	52⅝	–1¼
16	13	AmbacF	56¼	–⅜
91	40	Amdocs	n20 15/16	–5/16
	64	AmHes	48¼	+3/16
		Amerc pf	26 1/16	–⅛
13	13	Ameren	37½	–⅜
		AmOnline su	90⅛	–3/16
7	7	AmWest	17	+1/16
	6	AmAxle n	d12 5/16	–9/16
	3	ABkNHol n	2 3/16	+1/16
81	17	ABankrs	52	
	13	AmBknt	9⅜	–1/16
26	21	AmExp	u118¼	
+1	11/16			
18	12	AFnclGp	35⅞	–¼
25	16	AGenCp	74 5/16	+1 5/16
10	10	AGreet	23⅜	–⅛
34	**31**	**AHomeP su**	**62 1/4**	
+1	⅜			
34	29	AmIntG s	120 13/16	
+3	16			
24	18	AIPC	24 11/16	–15/16
	10	AResidSvc	3 9/16	–
	10	ASkiing	4⅞	+¼
69	10	AmStd	31 11/16	–1
41	23	AmStor	34 9/16	+5/16
		ATower n	26	–⅛
19	18	AmWtr	29 15/16	–3/16
11	9	Amencdt s	11 1/2	+⅛
20	24	Amentch	64 15/16	+1 3/16
11	9	Ametek	17⅜	–⅛
	23	AMP	u53⅞	+⅛
22	20	AmSouth s	48 9/16	–
2	5/16			
	44	**AmwyAs**	**71/2**	**–3/16**
	10	AmwayJ	3 15/16	–1/16
		Anadrk s	**34¼**	**+1⅛**
40	22	Analog	27⅞	–¾
	13	Anglogld	n21 11/16	
–9/16				
31	27	Anheus	78¼	+3/16
8	11	Anixter	12	+⅛
41	26	AnnTaylr	45½	–5/16
28	18	Aon Cp	62¾	–⅛
	36	**Apache**	**21 9/16**	**–13/16**
47	9	Aptinv	37¾	+1/16
		Aptinv pfK	24½	
		AppMg	3⅞	–3/16
29	8	ApldPw	21⅜	–1⅞
	22	Apna	8⅞	
		Aracruz	12 15/16	+1/16
	5	ArcadiaFn	3 11/16	+1/16
		ArchCh n	18⅝	–1/16
13	20	ArchCoal	10⅜	–5/16
24	15	ArchDan	14¾	–1/4
15		ArdenRlt	22⅝	+3/16
20	17	Argosy	4½	–3/16
6	5	Armco	4 15/16	+3/16
	8	ArmWl	50⅛	–5/16
10	9	ArrowEl	15 5/16	–1/4
11	9	Arvin	34–1/16	
		Asarco	14 9/16	+3/16
25		Ashanti	9¼	–1/16
23	10	Ashland	42 3/16	–9/16
		AsiaPc	6 11/16	+3/16
9		AsiaPip	6⅝	
25	20	AscFCap s	43 7/16	+1/2
		AstraA	20⅛	+⅛
12	27	AtlRich	58¼	–11/16
14	**13**	**ATMOS**	**23⅝**	**+¼**
7	8	AtwdOcn	21¼	+11/16
26	15	AuroraF n	13½	–11/16
		Austr	10⅜	+⅛
21	17	Autoliv	39	+5/16
38	31	AutoDta s	39¼	–1/2
24	21	AutoZone	34	–⅞
24	21	AveryD	51 9/16	–1/16
4	15	Avnall	14½	+⅛
22	16	Aviation	46 1/4	+11/16
24	19	Avnet	42⅞	–1/16
15	11	Avnet	39⅞	–¾
46	27	Avon s	46⅞	–¾
23	19	BB&T s	38¾	–⅞
		BCE g	42	+⅜
14	13	BEC Engy	37 13/16	–¾
20	22	BJS	16 3/16	–13/16
25	10	BJs Whls s	25 1/16	+3/16
	11	BMC	4⅝	+⅛
25		**BP Amoco**	**89¾**	**+¼**
3	23	BP Pru	5¾	
17		BRE	23⅜	–⅜
7		Bairnco	5¼	+1/16
	30	BakrHu	20⅛	–⅞
17	15	Baldor	19⅜	+3/16
44	14	Ball	40 3/16	–1/16
50	15	BallyTotF	25¼	+1 1/2
13	11	BaltGE	25¾	–⅝
		BanColum	37⅛	–⅛
43		BcoBilV	14 7/16	+¼
		BcoRioP	8 15/16	–3/16
		BcoWiese	23⅜	+1/16
27		BcoSant s	20 11/16	+1/2
65	11	Banctec	14 15/16	+1/2
19	13	Bancwest	41⅛	+¾
22	14	BankOne s	56 3/16	+1/16
		BkTokyo	11¾	+⅛
24	21	BkNY s	37 1/16	+5/16
24	14	BankAm	70¼	+2⅛
16	13	BkBost s	42 1/16	+1
	16	BankTr	87 13/16	–3/16
13	25	Bard	57⅞	
33	21	BarnNbl	26	–1 1/16
24	16	BarrLab	40	+7/16
	39	BarrettRs	21 1/16	+1/16
24		BarnckG	18¾	–⅛
		BatlMt	3 11/16	+1/16
	22	BauschL u	63 1/2	+11/16
66	24	Baxter	71⅞	–1⅛
13	12	BearSt	46 7/16	+2 3/16
		BearS pfY	25 7/16	–1/16
42	13	BeckCoult	48 1/4	+3/16
40	22	BectDck s	37 5/16	+3/16
	12	BedfrdP	15⅞	+1/16
13	10	Beiden	17⅜	–⅛
21	16	Bell&Hwl	32 7/16	–5/16
29	18	BellAtl s	54 9/16	–1/16
26	24	BellSo s	46	–3/16
24	23	BelloAH s	18 1/16	–1/4
17	15	Bemis	35 1/16	+11/16
		BentonOG	3¼	–1/16
	19	BergBr s	27 7/16	–5/16
28		**BerkHa**	**A73000**	**–405**
		BerkRty	11 5/16	+1/16
56	40	**BerryP**	**10 1/16**	**–3/16**
55	38	BestBuy su	98 7/16	+5/16
24	19	Bestfds s	46 1/2	–11/16
13	26	BethSt	8⅜	–1/8
	8	Beverly	5⅜	–3/16
31	18	Bindley s	26¼	+3/16
67	31	Biomatrix	68 5/16	
+2	3/16			
24	16	Biovail	41 7/16	+7/8
	15	BlackD	50	–3/16
19	**13**	**BlkHlCp**	**22¼**	**–¼**
		Blk1999	9 13/16	
		Blk2001	8 15/16	
		BlkIT	6 13/16	–1/16
		BlkIQT	8⅝	+1/16
		BlkTT	9 11/16	+1/16
21	17	Blanch	50 15/16	+11/16
37	22	BlckHR	49 15/16	
8	7	Bluegreen	6⅜	–5/16
19	14	Blyth	26	–1/16
30	19	Boeing	33 15/16	–⅞
	38	BoiseC	31 7/16	–⅜
27	16	Bombay	d3 3/16	–1/16
		BordCh	5¼	
11	8	Borders	14 5/16	+⅛
12	9	BorgWAu	47 7/16	–3/16
12	8	BorWSc	18 1/8	+3/16
	28	BostSci s	30⅜	+¼
18	8	Bowatr	39 7/16	–⅜
		BoydsC n	18	
8		BradRE	18 13/16	–1/16
		Brahma	8⅜	+1/4
19		Brandyw	16⅝	+1/8
		Brazil	11 3/16	+1/4
	10	BredTch	3 13/16	–7/16
13	12	BrigStrat	48 13/16	–⅜
24	20	Brinker	28¼	–1 1/8
41	**15**	**BrMySq s**	**63⅜**	**+¼**
3		BritSti	19¾	
22		**BrwnFA**	**59¾**	**+½**
24		**BrwnFB**	**64**	**⅛**
20	17	BrwnFr	39	+⅛
8		Brunswick	20¾	+11/16
7		BudgetGp	11 7/16	–7/16
11	8	BurlCoat	12¼	–⅜
4	6	BurlInds	d5½	–5/16
14	12	BurlNSF s	33 3/16	–9/16
75	45	BrlRsc	36⅛	–7/16
12	10	C&D Tch s	22 7/16	–1⅛
9		CANTV	16⅝	+13/16
	81	CBS	36⅝	–⅜
16	13	CEC Ent	29⅛	+1 1/16
5	4	CHS El	8¾	–¾
13	14	CIGNA s	76⅛	–1
24	15	ArchDan	14¾	–1/4
15		ArdenRlt	22⅝	+3/16
20	17	Argosy	4½	–3/16
6	5	Armco	4 15/16	+3/16
	8	ArmWl	50⅛	–5/16
10	9	ArrowEl	15 5/16	–1/4
11	9	Arvin	34–1/16	
		Asarco	14 9/16	+3/16
25		Ashanti	9¼	–1/16
23	10	Ashland	42 3/16	–9/16
		CVS Tr n	88 1/16	–2 5/16
11	7	CablDsg	12 9/16	+7/16
	20	CablTrn	7⅞	–1/2
13	11	Cabot	d21 13/16	+1/16
	56	CbtOG	12 13/16	+1/16
	16	Cadence	24 1/16	
13	12	Calenergy	27	–3/16
32	12	Calgon	6⅛	–1/16
	13	CallGolf	10¾	–1/16
16	17	Calpine	34 1/8	–⅝
	22	CamdnP	24⅞	+¼
		CmpR g	9 3/32	
32	20	CampSp	40⅜	–⅜
		CdnRy g	49 9/16	+1 3/16
		CdnOc pfAu	25 9/16	–1/16
		CdnPc g	18 15/16	–⅜
34	25	CapOne	134 9/16	+11/16
	8	CapRe s	19	+5/16
		CapstrR n	21⅜	–9/16
	8	Capstd	5	+⅛
50	31	CardnlH s	74 13/16	–
1	11/16			
31	26	CarnvCp s	43¾	–⅜
15	13	CaroPw	40¾	–⅜
8	7	CarpTech	d24 5/8	–9/16
	17	CarrAmR	23	+⅛
		Carson	4 5/16	+7/16
29		CartWal	19⅛	–1/16
27	21	CaseCp	20⅜	–3/16
27	19	CashAm	13¼	+¾
44	30	CatMkt	u76 9/16	+3 1/16
26	12	Catelus	14⅛	–⅛
13	13	Caterpillr	48 13/16	–13/16
12	8	Cavangh n	7⅝	–1/16
		Celestic gn	27 1/8	–7/16
	14	Cendant	16 + 7/16	
		Cendnt pf	30 1/16	–1/16
21		CentrpPr	32⅛	+⅛
11	9	Centex	35 11/16	–5/16
12	12	CenSoWst	24 15/16	–
5/16				
26	25	CntyTel s	63 7/16	–1 1/16
38	15	Cendian s	37	–1
10	9	ChmpE	20	+⅜
49	25	ChmpIn	38	–1/2
		ChtwlDiv n	14 3/16	+3/16
23	17	ChaseM su	87 15/16	
+2	7/8			
16	13	Checkpnt	8¼	–3/16
17	13	Chspk	30 3/16	+1/16
		ChesEng	11 1/16	
		ChesEn pf	10	
39	**24**	**Chevron**	**79 15/16**	**–1⅛**
		ChileTel	23 15/16	–9/16
1		ChiYuc	3¾	+1/16
	9	Chiquita	9¾	–1/16
63	68	ChrisCr	44	+1/2
14	13	Chubb	59 1/4	–1 5/16
25	17	CIBER s	21 1/2	–1⅛
25	19	CinnBell s	20⅞	–1/16
18	11	CINergy	29 1/2	–⅜
59	31	CircCtyCC	u70	–⅛
19	17	Circus	17 5/16	–7/16
26	17	Citigrp	62 1/2	+1/2
		Citigp pfF	52 5/16	–
35/64				
		Citigp pfH	51⅜	
15	23	CitzUtil	7 15/16	+1/16
17	15	CityNC	33⅜	+¼
21	16	ClairesStr	25 15/16	+15/16
	10	ClaytnH s	11 9/16	–7/16
		ClearC s	u64 7/8	+1⅜
35	26	Clorox	127 9/16	–7/16
17	14	Coastal s	33 7/8	–1/2
44	**41**	**CocaCl**	**63**	**–1**
94	99	CocaCE	34⅝	+1/16
42		CCFemsa	14¼	+1/2
		Coeur	4 13/16	–3/16
		Coeur pf	6	–3/16
35	**31**	**ColgPal**	**92 9/16**	**+1/2**
26	11	ColBgp s	12 1/2	+3/16
18		ColonPT	26⅝	+⅜
10	10	Coltec	18⅛	+1/16
17	14	ColumEn s	53	–1/16
13	13	ColHCA	18 1/16	–⅜
11	14	Comdisc s	13 7/16	+15/16
19	16	Comenc s	68 3/16	–3/16
9	9	ComfrtS	d12 1/2	–3/16
16	10	CmcFdl	22⅝	+11/16
	11	CmclNL	11 13/16	–5/16
23	19	ComScop	17⅞	–1/16
	8	CmpUSA	6 5/16	–3/16
		CBD–Pao	14¼	+3/16
	17	Compaq	32¾	–1 5/16
15	20	CompAs	40	–17/32
36	27	CompSci s	69	+1
15	11	CmpTsk	21⅞	+⅞
60	45	Comsat	30	+¼
22	19	OnAgra	30⅞	+1/16
14	**13**	**ConnEn**	**25 13/16**	**–⅜**
18	10	Conoco n	21 11/16	+⅜
8		Conseco	31 13/16	+⅜
		Consc pfF	41⅜	+1
15	15	ConEd	46⅜	–1⅛
27	19	ConsGphS	55 7/16	+7/16
25	15	ConsNG	53 1/4	–15/16
21	21	ConsPap	s22 9/16	–1/16
26	16	ConStor	25 1/16	+1/16
	1	Contlfinci	3 7/16	–1/16
8		CtlAir B	39 9/16	+15/16
16		Cnvrgys n	15 7/8	–5/16
	78	Converse	3⅞	+⅛
		CoopCam	27½	–1
6	8	CoopCo	13 13/16	+¼
13	13	Cooper	45 5/16	–1/16
12	11	CooprTr	19 13/16	–3/16
		Copel	5 15/16	+1/2
19		Coramh	11 5/16	–1/16
17	14	Corelab	39 15/16	+1/16
11	10	Cordant s	39 15/16	+1/16
22	17	CoreLab	19 15/16	–1/16
19	11	CornPdts	22⅝	+7/16
20		CorPrpt	15⅝	+1/4
36	33	CorningInc	u59 5/16	+1 1/4
		CpHYIII	12 1/16	–1/16
15		CorpOffP n	7	+1/4
21	16	ClairesStr	25 15/16	+15/16
	10	ClaytnH s	11 9/16	–7/16
		ClearC s	u64 7/8	+1⅜
34	28	Covance	28 15/16	–1/16
17		CoxCm	u80 1/4	+1⅝
13	11	Crane s	25¾	–⅞
		Credicp	8½	–1/16
	17	CresRE	21⅛	–¼
		CresRE pf	16	–¼
		Crestline n	12⅜	–⅛
3	2	vjCriimiM	3 3/16	–1/16
7	10	CrmpKnl	17 5/16	+3/16
	37	**CrosTbr**	**6** 3/16	– 1/16
8		**CrosTim**	**9** 5/16	– 3/16
25	12	CrosCAuto	10 7/16	+1/16
38	11	CwnCork	27 5/16	–5/16
	10	CumEng	40¼	–⅜
	15	CypSem	9¼	–1/16
		Cyprus	10 15/16	–1/16
9	9	Cytec	24 15/16	–1/16
		D-E-F		
		DECS Tr	006 5/16	+3/16
		DLJ HiY n	9⅜	
15	14	DPL	18¾	–1/4
27	15	DQE	40	+1/16
	10	DR Horton	15 1/4	–3/16
18	8	DSP Com	14 1/2	+1 3/16
45	27	DST Sys	53 11/16	–⅝
14	13	DTE	41 11/16	–1/2
	12	DaimlrC n	88 5/16	–1¼
58	9	DainRaus	35 5/16	+7/16
20	10	Dal–Tile	9	+⅛
19	16	DalSem	35⅜	–1¼
10	8	DanaCp	37 13/16	–1 3/16
39	28	Danaher s	51 1/2	+1⅝
26	21	Darden	21¼	+1/16
	17	DataGn	12 11/16	–5/16
34	30	DaytHud s	u70	+1
57	45	DeVry s	28 1/16	+1/2
8	14	DeanFd	37¼	–⅜
		DebtStr2 n	8⅛	+1/16
		DebtStr	7 13/16	+1/16
9	13	Deere	33 1/16	–⅝
14		DelMnte n	12⅞	–⅜
		DelphiA n	18⅛	
8	7	DelphiFn	33 1/2	+1 1/2
	30	DeltPne	32⅞	–11/16
9	10	DeltaAir s	63 15/16	+1 1/16
19	12	Deluxe	33⅝	–⅛
		DeRigo	7 5/16	–3/16
		DescSA	21 3/16	+1 5/16
		DeutTel	43⅝	–¼
15		DevDv s	15	–⅛
		Diageo	47½	–⅛
31	26	Dial	31⅛	+⅜
8	15	DiaOffs	25	–5/16
23	13	Diebold	25	–3/16
15	8	Dillards	23 13/16	–1/2
13	12	DimeBcp	26 11/16	+¼
	28	Dimon	41½

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A-B-C

52 28 ADC Tel 41 7/16 ... ...
30 19 AHL Srv 27⅝ –1/4
... 7 APACT 3 +3/16
15 12 ASA Hold 33½ –1/16
... 60 ASM Lith s39 13/16 –
11/16
32 ... ATEC G 8 15/16 +33/64
81 38 ATMI Inc 23⅜ +⅛
32 24 AVT Cp s 26 ...
61 41 AbacusDir 68⅜ –¾
... 6 AbleTel 6⅞ +⅛
... AbveNet nu37½ ...
+2 13/16
... Abraxas 1 3/16 – 7/32
22 14 Acclaim 8 7/16 +1/16
20 14 Actel 13 11/16 +11/16
22 14 ActPerf 33¾ ...
+1 11/16
... 26 Acxiom 26¼ –⅜
44 9 AdacLb d16 –1⅛
... 16 Adaptec 21½ –1 1/16
... Adelph h 54⅞ ...
31 19 AdobeSy 47½ –⅜
... ... AdrianR 7/32 ...
... 60 AdvEnid 24⅝ –⅜
25 20 AdvFCm 8½ +3/16
... 13 AdvHlthC 3¼ +1/16
6 8 AdvMchV 1⅛ ...
... AdvRadio 8½ –1/2
... AdvTiss 2⅜ –3/32
... 50 Agourn 58 9/16 +⅜
... 28 AgriBio 5⅜ +1/4
... 17 AirTran 3 9/32 –7/32
... ... Akzo s 35¾ –⅜
13 12 AlfaCp 17⅜ –⅜
... Alkerm 30 1/16 –1/2
... AlianPh 2½ ...
13 11 AldCap 19⅛ –7/16
... AlphHsp 2 11/16 +1/4
17 18 Alphalnd s18 1/16 +1/16
... AlphaMic 4 13/16 –5/16
31 ... AltaGid d1¼ +1/32
37 27 Altera 57 13/16 –1 7/16
... 9 AltResc 7¾ –⅜
... Amazon s129 15/16 ...
+7¾
... AmTrde s49 7/16 ...
+4 15/16
... AmBiogn 1 15/32 +1/16
... 9 AmerCp 17 –1/4
... AmChmp 1¼ +1/8
33 28 AEagleO s74 15/16 –1/16
18 14 AmFrghtu 16 7/16 +9/32
5 5 AmHomstr d5 13/16 –23/32
... 5 AmInstPt 31/32 ...
30 25 AMS 36 7/8 +1/4
15 11 AnOncol 8 7/8 –1/16
22 16 APwrCnv s32 13/16 –5/16
... ASoft 3 3/16 +3/16
42 31 AmrXtal n 17½ +1⅜
19 16 AmesDS 34 +7/8
41 18 Amgen su67 7/16 –
13/16
15 13 AmkorT n 9 15/16 –⅜
... 6 Amresco 8 13/16 –11/16
... Amylin 21/32 –1/16
6 6 AnchGm 34 9/16 +1 7/16
11 10 Andrew 13⅛ –1/4
... Angelon 15/16 –1/8
27 12 Anicom 8¾ +11/32
... 58 AnsThnk nu33 5/16 ...
+13/16
... 26 Antec 25 13/16 –11/16
... Antenna n 14¼ –5/16
18 9 ApexPC s 13⅛ –7/16
49 35 ApolloG s30 9/16 –⅜
14 12 AppleC 34⅛ –1/4
16 14 Applebee 26 9/32 ...
+1 5/32
19 8 AplCell n 2 15/32 –1/32
... 20 ApdDgtl 2 7/32 ...
... 39 ApldMat 68⅞ –4⅜
55 42 AMCC 45½ +3
... 25 ApdSci 11 13/16 –7/16
... 19 ArdentSft 17¼ +1¼
... ArgsyEd n13 7/16 ...
23 13 Artesyn 15¼ –⅝
... 46 Ascend 83 1/16 +1⅜
... AshInT 2 13/32 –1/32
12 ... AspectTel 7⅜ –1/16
... 22 AspenTc 12 13/16 –9/32
13 13 AsdBnc s 33¼ +1/16
64 12 AstoriaF 47 11/16 +1/16
38 30 Astrpwr 10 11/16 ...
... AsystTch 21 3/16 +2 9/16
... Athrome 122½ +1⅜
24 16 AtlCstAir s 33¾ +1/4
... 23 Atmel 18⅝ –⅛
... AuraSy d 5⅛ –5/64
... 95 Auspex 9½ +1/16
22 16 Autodesk 40 1/4 –⅞
... Avanir 15/16 +1/32
... AvaxTch 5 +1 1/32
... AviGrp wt 1¼ +9/16
20 AvidTch 31 13/16 ...
... Aviron 21¾ +⅜
12 13 Avndle 30⅞ +1/8
... Aware 36 +2 1/16
... 31 AxentT 34⅞ –1/16
... 6 BE Aero 14⅜ –⅜
... 52 BEA Sys 16 +1/4
51 24 BISYS u56¾ –3/32
31 22 BMC Sft s 41 1/16 +5/16
... Baan Co 7 9/16 –3/16
... BncGalic 13 7/16 +9/16
24 ... Bankd 58 9/16 +⅜
... 46 BarrynSy 9 3/16 +3/32
54 39 BedBath s33 1/16 –11/16
... bynd.com n23 1/2 –1/4
... BigCityB 1 15/32 –3/32
14 11 BillConc 10 3/16 –1/16
... BioPharm22 5/16 –9/16
60 41 Biogen u108 1/8 –1
33 27 Biomet 39 5/16 +5/16
18 14 BioTcG 6 9/16 –1/16
... Biotime rt 13/32 +1/16
14 11 BlackBx 27⅜ –⅞
... Blueffy 11½ –1/16
15 14 BobEvn 20 7/16 –13/16
39 32 BookMill 10 3/16 +13/32
15 15 BorLaPr 12⅞ ...
... BstLfSci 7 11/16 +21/32
... BttmlnT n u28 –1
13 ... BradPhrm 1 3/16 –1/8
36 12 Brightpt 13 13/16 –7/16
... 108 BroadVis 52 –1/2
... brdc.com s 90 –3 9/16
... Brdcom s 62 –4½
... BrownTom 12 3/4 ...
11 9 Buffets 9 1/4 –1/16
65 BusnObj 37½ ...
15 C–CUBE 19 1/4 +⅜
11 CBRL Grpd 17 3/4 –⅜
38 CBT Gp 13⅝ +1 7/8
21 16 CDW Cpt 64 +1
... CDnow 16 +1 3/8
... CMGI su194 7/16 –5 1/4
79 37 CMP Me u33 1/4 +3
... CNET su111 3/16 ...
+7 1/16
22 ... CNS 3 15/32 –1/32
22 16 CSG Sys s36 1/4 +⅜
... CTC Cm 14 +5/8
29 20 CambTch 24 +1 1/8
... 10 CarrAnti n 4 ...
... 90 CarrAcc n 46 +3 1/2
38 20 Casella n 22 1/8 +1/8
17 11 CasinoD 2 5/8 +1/16
... Celgene 13 1/16 –13/16
... CellNet 5½ –1/16
51 12 Cellstar s 12 1/4 +⅜
... 22 Cell Intl s 79 7/16 +1/8
17 45 Centocor 43 7/16 –1/16
... CEurMda 8 9/16 –1/16
21 15 CentBusn 11 1/4 –1/4
... CntyCm 39 15/16 +7/16
23 14 Cerner 13 7/8 +1/16
... ChancMda 48 1/16 –
1 3/16
... 15 ChrmSh 4 1/16 +5/16
24 13 ChtOneF s30 1/8 –1/16
22 20 ChkPnt n 41 1/16 –15/16
... Checkers 9 3/32 –1/32
... 105 ChkFree 39 13/16 +4 9/16
31 22 Cheeseck s 22+2 3/32
8 34 Chiron 22 3/16 –3/16
... ChromCS 6 1/4 +1 7/16
... 60 CienaCp 25 –1/4
... CinarCp s 22 7/8 –5/16
26 24 CinnFin s36 27/32 –9/32
58 44 Cintas 71 1/2 –1 3/8
... 32 Ciprico 9 –5/16
... 25 Cirrus 7 15/16 –5/32
... 62 Cisco s 105 5/16 +⅜
... Citadel n25 15/16 –5/16
66 35 CitrixSy 88 31/32 +2 7/32
93 43 Clarify u29 7/8 +1 3/8
... ... ClayEng 3½ ...
... 109 ClosMed 34 3/4 +1
... Cocensys 7/32 ...
51 42 Cognex 23 15/16 –7/32
51 34 CogTech n36 7/8 +11/16
21 14 Coherent 131 1/16 ...
... Coinmch 10 3/4 –1/2
... Coinstar 16 3/8 +1/8
... 14 Collagen s 15 3/8 –3/16
... Com21 n 22 3/16 +1 3/8
21 17 Comair 40 1/16 +3/16
29 ... Comcast 70 3/4 –⅝
30 ... Comc sp 73 3/16 –1/2
... ComIntell 1 7/32 +3/32
16 13 CompsBnc 37 1/16 –1/16
... 22 CmpBusi s28 3/16 –
1 3/16
... CptConc 1 1/2 –1/16
9 8 CmptHz d12 1/2 +1/8
14 14 CptrLrn 5 3/4 –3/16
51 21 CptNwk 10 11/16 –7/16
32 11 Compuwr s24 3/8 +⅜
39 28 Comvers 81 1/4 +2 1/4
30 15 ConcMngd 14 1/4 –⅜
... ConcNet n u60 ...
+8 13/16
... 90 CncrdCmu 68 1/4 +4
51 33 CncEFS s33 3/16 +1/2
... ConcCm 4 3/16 –1/32
... Conexnt nu23 1/4 +1 1/4
26 16 Conmed 30 7/16 –3/16
... Connect 3 5/16 +1/16
14 10 CnsFrtC n 15 3/8 –1/8
2 3 ConPort 3 5/16 –1/4
... 15 ContDev s15 29/32 –1/32
... Coors B 61 5/16 –⅜
28 24 Copart s 18 1/2 +1/4
... CorTher 8 13/16 –15/16
... CornerInet 2 3/32 +⅜
... CorpExc n 25 1/2 –⅜
11 11 CorpExp 5 3/16 –1/8
32 21 CostPlus 38 1/2 +2 7/8
55 37 Costco u90 1/2 +1/4
... ... CostEner 2 5/16 –1/16
... CovadCo n50 5/16 ...
+5/16
... 18 Coventry 10 11/16 +1 1/16
... CreaCpt 30 1/4 –
1 15/16
... CredSys 20 5/8 +2 3/4
51 29 CreeResh 33 –1/16
... CrwnCstl n 19 3/8 +1/2
... CumMed n 9 7/8 ...
9 8 CurlHlth 11 1/2 +1/8
... CustmTrk 9 21/32 –3/32
... CybrCsh 12 1/16 –5/16
... CbmOtp n 18 11/16 –1/4
... 80 Cymer 23 15/16 ...
+1 13/16
... CyprBio 3 7/32 +1/32

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... 15 DII Grp 25 1/16 +1/8
... Danka 4 1/2 –1/8
... 22 DaouSys 5 1/32 –1/32
... DtBdcst 13 7/16 +⅜
7 4 DtaDimn d4 9/16 –⅛
... DtTms u2 9 16 +1 1/16
40 10 Datastr 9 1/4 –⅜
... 12 Datatec 2 13/16 ...
... DataRice 3 9/16 –9/16
9 ... Dawson 7 1/16 +⅛
... 8 DBeer 16 29/64 –41/64
84 42 DellCptr s44 1/16 –1 5/16
... 15 Delphi 8 9/32 +1/32
56 38 Dendrite s 25 7/8 –1 1/16
39 15 Dentsply 25 9/16 –11/16
... DialogCp 5 9/16 +1/16
15 17 Dialogic 32 1/16 –1 9/16
... 13 DiamM 6 7/8 +⅜
40 29 DmndT 23 3/4 –⅜
... 6 DigiIntl d6 1/4 –⅜
... DigCourier 6 9/16 +⅛
38 DigMic 9 9/32 –1/32
... DigRiver n 39 1/16 +1/8
... Discreet 13 1/16 –3/16
... Divrsnt g 3 3/16 +3/16
... 8 DixieGrp 7 29/32 +9/32
... 19 Documnt 22 1/16 –7/16
38 28 DlrTree s 39 1/4 –3/16
... DbleClick 109 1/4 –
3 11/16
28 27 DuPontP 39 3/4 –⅜
... 19 DuraPh 14 13/16 +1/8
... DurbanRo 2 13/16 +9/32
... ETrade s 49 9/16 +3 5/16
... 63 ETkDyn n 31 7/8 –1/2
... e.spire 9 1/4 –13/16
... eBayInc su166 1/4 –4 1/4
21 ECITel 41 5/16 –5/16
... 68 eFax.com u89 5/32 +21/32
17 eGames 3 1/16 –1/8
15 9 EMCOR n 16 3/4 +1/8
34 ESCMed 5 1/16 –3/16
... 25 ESSTech n 61 1/32 –3/32
35 28 EgilHrd u40 7/16 +9/16
... Erthlink s 65 1/4 +1
... ErthShll n 9 1/2 –9/16
... ErthWeb n 38 7/16 –7/16
... Echelon n 7⅝ ...
+1 15/16
... EchoStar u58 3/8 +⅜
... 18 EclpSurg 12 9/16 –9/16
... Eggbeat 15 +⅝
13 17 GuitarC 16 7/8 –1/2
47 HIE 6 9/16 –5/16
36 10 HMTTch 6 1/2 ...
70 21 HNC Sft 27 3/16 –3/16
... 15 Hadco 30 9/16 –1 9/16
... 16 Harbngr s 6 1/16 +3/16
12 9 HeadInd 19 1/16 +1/2
13 10 HlthMSys 5 ...
... 7 HlthcrRc d7 7/8 –3/16
... Healthtrn n 30 +1/4
... 11 HealthTr 12 3/4 –3/16
... HelixTech 17 1/2 –1/16
69 14 HSchein 28 7/16 +1/16
19 16 Hibbett 21 –1/4
... HilsEdsn n 15 5/8 –1 1/4
24 14 HlywdE 26 9/16 –11/32
26 13 HuntBnk 31 1/4 +1/4
... HrrcneH 25 9/32 –3/32
... 10 HutchT 32 3/16 –2 9/16
25 11 HyperSolu 17 1/4 –1/8
... HypTeie n 9 –⅛
... i2 Tech s 27 7/8 –1 1/8
25 ICC Tch 4 29/32 +1/8
... ICG Com 18 5/16 –11/16
40 ICOS 27 1/8 +1 1/16
47 IDEC u54 1/2 +2
28 IdexxLb 25 1/4 +1
24 IDG Bks n 19 1/4 –⅜
... IDM Env 11 3/32 +1/32
29 IDTCorp 15 7/16 +⅜
14 IDXSys n 15 3/16 +1 1/16
34 17 IMRglobal 17 3/32 ...

+1 3/32
... iMall n 14 11/16 +7/8
... ISS Grp nu76 3/4 ...
+2 11/16
27 ... IVC Inds 1 15/16 +9/16
... IXC Com 52 7/16 –1 5/16
... IbisTech 14 3/4 –1/4
... ImagTch 1 9/16 ...
... ImaginOn 5 1/16 –11/32
... imatrn 1 3/8 +1/16
... imcine 11 +1/4
... ImunRsp 7 5/8 –⅝
... Imunex 157 1/4 +½
... Imunmd d2 3/16 –1/16
14 8 ImpCrdt 9 1/2 +⅜
... 7 ImpCrd 9 1/8 +⅜
... Incyte 23 7/16 –⅜
... IndvInv 5 1/8 +1/16
10 9 IndusIntl 3 3/4 +1/4
... 7 IndusMate d2 –1/16
... 6 Infinium d4 1/4 –1/4
... Infonau 4 3/32 –3/32
37 26 InfoAdv 9 3/16 –3/16
31 22 Informx 9 9/32 –1/32
... Infoseek 75 5/16 +⅝
... InfoSpce n 64 1/2 +3 1/2
... Inktomi s 73 7/8 +2 7/8
18 12 Innovex 13 3/4 –1/4
34 23 Inprise 4 3/4 –1/8
33 24 Insight s 27 +4
25 ... InsitTc 15 11/32 –9/32
... 13 IntgDv 6 –5/16
... ItgPrc 11 9/16 +13/16
... ItgSensr 2 9/16 ...
33 24 Intel 115 5/16 –
4 1/16
... Intelect 1 1/16 –1/16
17 ... Intrface s 9 9/32 –3/32
31 ... Intgph 5 7/8 +1/8
12 ... Intenors 2 7/32 +1/16
... IntmdCm s 23 11/16 ...
+1 1/16
26 10 IntFibrn 6 3/4 –1/32
... 61 IntlNtwk 60 13/16 +3/4
... IntntAm n 24 3/4 +1/4
73 14 Intvoice s 11 5/8 –⅞
... Intrawre n 17 3/4 +3/4
... 65 Intuit 93 5/16 ...
+2 3/16
17 14 InvTech 37 7/8 –1/8
... Invitrogn nu 151 5/8 +3 3/32
... IridmWr 21 1/8 ...
... InwinN n 4 3/16 –5/16
... Isis 11 1/2 –1/8
... 24 Itron 77 5/8 –5/16

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23 23 JD Edwr 15 3/16 –3/16
... JB Oxfrd 9 +13/16
... 31 JDASoft s 6 1/4 ...
... JacrCm wtu9 13/16 ...
+5/16
... JacorCmu 73 9/16 +1/2
23 13 Javelin 10 7/16 –1/16
20 19 JonesPhrm 28 1/2 –⅞
15 13 JunoLt 20 5/8 +⅛
13 10 JstFeet 12 1/16 +⅜
... K-tel s 9 1/4 +⅛
... 41 KLA Tenc 54 3/16 –
2 11/16
16 12 KTI 19 9/16 –1/4
... 8 Kasper n 3 3/4 –3/16
... KeilOG 19 3/32 +1/32
26 29 Kemet 112 1/32 +3/32
... KeraVis 13 1/16 +11/16
... Kimballint 16 –1/16
14 24 KingPh n 28 1/4 +1 1/8
... 8 KittyHk 7 7/8 ...
... KnickLL 19 3/32 +3/32
51 33 KnghtTrn n 49 3/8 +4 3/8
... 19 Komag 6 3/16 –5/16
... 73 Kulcke 24 15/16 –1 3/16
... KushLk 9 3/8 +⅛
12 11 LAI 6 1/2 –3 1/2
... 17 LCA Vis 2 1/32 +1/32
... LTX 4 5/16 +3/16
... LamRsch 30 3/8 –4 1/16
... LamarAdv 40 1/2 +1 1/8
12 10 LancastrC 26 7/8 –1 1/8
... 9 Landrys 5 3/4 +⅛
... NTL Inc 82 5/8 +1/4
39 25 Lason 53 1/8 –11/16
25 21 Lattice 45 11/16 ...
... LeapWr n 6 7/8 +3/16
81 46 Legato s 56 +1 1/2
... LrnHaus s 28 3/4 –1/2
27 ... LevelS s u64 3/4 +4 5/16
81 36 LevelOne su46 5/16 –
1 7/16
... Lifecell 3⅝ +1/4
... Ligand B 8⅞ –1/16
24 20 Lincare s 34 3/4 +⅛
39 32 LinearT s 45 1/4 –
2 13/16
... 79 Liposm 13 3/8 –3/16
20 16 Littelfuse 17 –⅜
13 15 LneSStk 10 1/2 +1/4
8 7 LngBchF 9 13/16 +1/16
... Lycos s 96 1/4 +12 3/4
... LynxTh 9 9/16 –5/16

M-N-O

... 39 MCI Wrld u85 1/4 –15 3/4
... MHMeyer 5 3/16 +1/16
63 33 MMC Nt 15 5/8 –1/2
... 14 MacroCh 10 1/16 +7/32
... 48 Macrmdia 34 3/16 +3/4
4 MadgeNt 3 3/8 +1/8
... MagPhr d1 7/16 –3/32
28 16 ManAssc nd8 13/32 –9/32
... Manugist 7 9/16 ...
12 9 Mapics 10 1/8 –11/32
... 27 MktServ 8 1/4 +1/2
... MktWtch n 69 1/4 +7
22 18 Marshlls 57 1/16 –3/4
29 18 Mastech s 19 9/16 –2 7/8
18 12 Mathsft 3 7/8 +1/4
... Matritch 1 1/4 +1/16
34 42 MavTube 5 1/2 –1/4
36 30 Maxim 45 13/16 –2 3/16
19 8 Maxtor n 8 13/16 –⅜
... McCor 27 1/4 –3/4
66 54 Medimun s59 3/4 –11/16
... MedeAm nd14 3/8 –1 1/4
34 21 MedMgr 23 1/2 ...
72 38 MedOst s 31 5/8 –1 1/2
22 16 MenWre s23 7/16 –13/16
... 19 MentGr 13 3/4 –1/16
19 17 MercltBk 39 7/16 –1/32
63 21 MercIntr s 35 –1 5/8
16 ... MertMd 5 1/4 +1 1/16
... 3 MetalMgtd 1 5/16 –3/32
... MetalcId 9 3/32 ...
9 10 Metamor 16 1/16 –⅜
14 ... MetrisCo 39 1/4 –1/4
19 13 MetroInf d18 –1/16
44 29 MetroNtw 47 1/2 +1 1/16
... MtrmdF s 47 7/8 +1 1/16
... MetroNt n 46 7/8 +⅛
56 24 Metzler s 37 1/16 –1 3/8
10 9 MichlF 18 3/16 +1/8
15 12 MichStr 22 1/16 –⅜
65 34 Micrel 52 3/8 +4 1/8
20 12 MicroWre 17+1 7/16
... 9 MicroAge d6 7/8 –5/16
30 21 Microchp 34 1/4 +1/2
... 80 Mcromse 35 3/8 +1/4
21 14 MicronEl 12 13/16 +9/16
69 56 Microsft 161 3/16 ...
+2 13/16
... MillPhar 30 1/4 –1/4
10 10 MillrHer s 16 1/2 –1/4
... 80 MindSpr s 91 9/16 –2 1/4
... Minorc 16 –1/8
... ModernM n 27 1/2 +7/8
26 22 Molex 29 ...
... MolexA 25 13/16 ...

... 10 MultZns 10 7/16 –9/16
... 24 Mylex 9 7/8 –
1 13/32
... N2K Inc n 13 +1 3/8
10 8 NBTY s 27 3/32 +3/32
18 9 NCS Hlt 12 1/4 –⅛
... NTL Inc 82 5/8 +1/4
28 22 NCmcBc s22 13/16 –1/4
34 29 NtlCptr s 34 3/8 –1 3/16
... NatrHlth u5 5/8 +1 1/8
9 9 Nautica 14 1/2 –⅛
... Navarre 13 7/16 –5/16
... Navidec 8 21/32 +2/32
... Navidc wt 1 13/32 +3/32
9 7 NeoMgic 10 9/16 –11/16
... NeonSys n25 5/8 ...
81 84 NetBank 56 1/2 +3
... NetGrav n 18 1/4 +1/2
... Netmng 2 13/16 +1/16
... Netplex 31 5/8 +1/32
... Netscpe u79 1/2 –5/16
70 NetwkAp s 44 3/4 –¾
21 NetwkAs s 48 3/16 –
1 13/16
... NetwkE 15 1/16 +11/16
... NetwSol 204 15/16 –9 5/16
32 ... NewDSoft 51 9/16 +3/16
... NewEra s 69 7/8 –1/8
... NewFrnt 3 3/4 –1/8
... NwWCfBg 29 3/32 +9/32
67 70 Nexstar 18 1/16 –3/16
... NextelCm 31 7/16 +2 5/8
... Nextlink 49 5/8 ...
... Nissan 7 3/4 –3/32
28 23 Nordstr s 38 7/8 –1/8
18 10 NorthFce 14 +⅜
30 26 NorTrst 92 1/4 –3 1/32
... 7 NwstAirl 25 –13/16
... NotifyCp 5 3/16 –1/16
14 10 NtwkPrs 4 1/2 +1/4
71 43 Novell u23 3/16 +1 1/16
38 30 Novlus 56 5/8 –5 1/16
... 31 Noven 51 5/16 +13/16
... Novoste 27 7/16 +9/16
... 25 NvidiaCp n22 1/16 ...
+1 1/16
... Oshap u10 1/2 +1
... OakTech 3 5/8 +1/32
37 26 ObjDes 6 7/32 –11/32
... ObjCom d7 –11/32
... ObjctShre d11 1/16 –⅜
110 OmegRs 12 1/8 +1 3/16
40 OmniEnr d3 5/8 –3/16
... Omnipoint 10 3/8 +⅝
... OnHealth 11 1/4 ...
... OnlineSys 12 1/8 +⅝
... Onsale 40 –7 1/4
... OpenMkt 12 1/8 –⅜
... 24 OpenTxt g22 3/32 ...
... Optika 4 15/16 + 1/16
... 17 OptnCr 2 –1/16
52 26 Oracle s 38 3/4 + 1/16
22 Orbotchu g49 15/16 ...
+1 3/16
... Osicom s16 15/16 +1 5/8
26 13 OutbkStk s32 1/4 +⅛
... OxfordHlth 15 –1 5/8

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... ... P-Com 5 7/8 –1/16
14 12 PC Connct 14 1/2 –1/4
... 57 PF Chng nu26 3/4 +1
... PLD Tele 2 3/8 +⅜
... 50 PMC Srrau 77 5/16 –
3 15/16
... PRI Auto 30–2 3/16
... PSINet 35 1/8 –1 3/4
27 12 PSS Wrld 12 –9/16
8 9 Paccar 44 7/16 +3/16
27 17 PacGate n 25 7/8 +1/8
... PcIntnet n 34 1/2 +4 1/2
31 24 PacSun s 33 1/4 +7/16
... PacifCB 77 1/8 +1 3/4
... PagingN 4 13/16 +1/16
16 20 PairgTch 8 7/16 –3/16
19 8 PalmEx 7 5/8 –1/16
... 6 PalmrMd 2 3/32 –1/16
... 26 ParkAmSat 36 1/2 +⅞
34 25 PapJohn 43 +⅛
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BUSINESS & OIL

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES
FUTURES
Tuesday $13.85
Previous $13.63

POSTED
Tuesday $11.25
Previous $11

NATURAL GAS
Tuesday $1.982

Crude up again

NEW YORK (AP) — Crude oil futures gained a second day Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, but finished well off early highs, as market participants tried to determine how serious world oil producers are about ending a global supply glut.

On other markets, coffee and coffee futures advanced.

Crude matched four-month highs reached a day earlier as investors struggled over whether the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries would at its March 23 meeting in Vienna propose additional output cuts in a bid to shore up prices.

There was talk oil ministers had agreed on Iran's production targets, a move that could pave the way for a new round of cuts.

In the past year, world oil producers have removed about 3 million barrels daily from the market, but analysts have said that has been mitigated by increased output from Iraq and cheating among those who have pledged cuts. And beyond that, some say demand is so weak that at least 1.2 million barrels daily above the 3 million would need to be cut to significantly increase prices.

Crude also rose in nervous trading tied to the late-afternoon release of industry group American Petroleum Institute's weekly inventory data. Investors were taken by surprise last week when the group reported a sharp decline in crude inventories, which erased what had been a long year-over-year surplus.

Energy futures have suffered for months as overproduction combined with back-to-back mild winters in major U.S. heating regions torpedoed prices and sharply reduce oil companies' profit margins.

Crude oil for April delivery rose 22 cents, or 1.6 percent, to $13.85 a barrel, the highest since Nov. 6; April unleaded gasoline rose 0.29 cent to 42.90 cents a gallon; April heating oil rose 0.23 cent to 36 cents a gallon; April natural gas rose 7 cents to $1.929 for each 1,000 cubic feet.

Dollar gains

NEW YORK (AP) — The dollar rose against most major currencies Wednesday, gaining against the yen on falling Japanese interest rates.

The dollar's rise against the euro came as European economic fundamentals remained stagnant, its major stock markets falling Wednesday on negative sentiment.

"It is not surprising to see the dollar strong," said Guillermo Estebanez, a foreign exchange economist at the Bank of America in San Francisco, noting recent reports indicating strength in the U.S. economy.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 121.77 Japanese yen, up from 120.23 on Tuesday. Also in late trading, the euro was quoted at $1.0890, down from $1.0925.

Traders jumped at the opportunity to dump yen and buy dollars during Asian trading when the Bank of Japan flooded the interbank loan market with cash by buying short-term government bonds.

That action drove the call rate, used by big banks making overnight loans to each other, down to a miniscule 0.02 percent from 0.07 percent the day before. Long-term bond rates fell as well.

Japan is fighting its worst recession in decades. Lowering interest rates makes cheap cash available in the hope of spurring spending and building, but the steps are receiving mixed reviews.

No ifs, ands or butts for RJR

Joe Camel to get new home as company dumps cigarette business

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp., the food-and-tobacco conglomerate whose brands include Camels and Winstons, Oreo cookies and Ritz crackers, is getting out of the cigarette business.

RJR said Tuesday it will sell its international tobacco business to Japan's biggest tobacco company for $7.8 billion and spin off its domestic tobacco operations as a separate company.

The moves come amid rising legal challenges to cigarettes and falling numbers of U.S. smokers — something tobacco opponents were quick to note.

"The tobacco industry is in deep trouble," said Ahron Leichtman, executive director of Citizens for a Tobacco-Free Society.

RJR said its aim is merely to help the cigarette and food companies achieve greater success as separate entities.

The $17 billion conglomerate has been under pressure for several years from major stockholders to separate its food and tobacco businesses because the tobacco holdings are considered a drag on RJR's stock. Some investors won't put their money in any company that has tobacco holdings, out of either opposition to smoking or fear that lawsuits will hurt profits.

Carl Icahn, the corporate raider who holds 7.7 percent of RJR stock, had threatened to launch a fight for control of the board of directors to force a separation. He did not return calls for comment Tuesday.

His 25 million shares grew in value Tuesday as RJR Nabisco stock jumped 4 percent, rising $1.06 1/4 to $29.68 3/4 a share in afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Nabisco Holdings — which trades as a separate stock even though the companies are together — were up 37 1/2 cents at $45.

RJR Nabisco was created during the mid-1980s when the R.J. Reynolds tobacco company bought the food company Nabisco Brands.

RJR's international tobacco business is a distant third to Philip Morris Cos. and British-American Tobacco, and its earnings have fallen amid financial turmoil in its key Russian and Asian markets. It will be sold to the Japan Tobacco Co.

"The deal will allow us to secure a base for future growth overseas and establish us as a global player," Japan Tobacco said in a statement.

After the sale, RJR will spin off its domestic tobacco operations to RJR shareholders. The tobacco business will revert to its old name — R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. — and retain its headquarters in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The resulting RJR Nabisco will be basically a food company, with such products as Chips Ahoy! and Snackwell's cookies, Life Savers candy and Planters nuts.

"We believe that the food and tobacco businesses will be best able to achieve their full potential under separate ownership structures," said RJR chairman and chief executive Steven F. Goldstone.

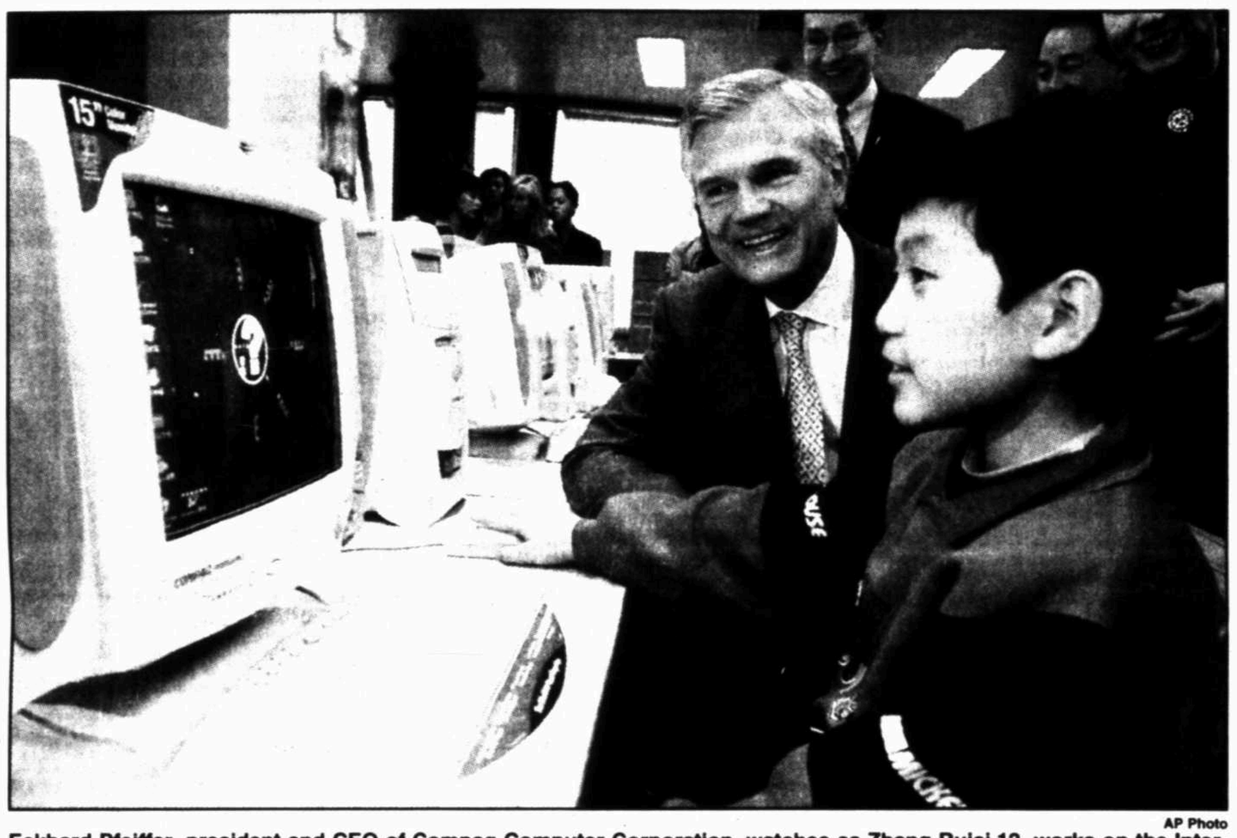
Under the new corporate structure, people will be able to file tobacco lawsuits against either R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. or the new RJR Nabisco.

John Maxwell, an analyst at Davenport & Co., said RJR got a fantastic price for the international business and will use the proceeds to help reduce its $9.1 billion debt.

Even with lower debt, however, the R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. faces challenges. Analysts expect the steady decline in smoking will accelerate because of big price increases that are being used to pay for a lawsuit settlement that is costing the industry $246 billion over 25 years.

In addition, the government is considering a similar suit to recover the costs of treating sick smokers. A California jury recently awarded a smoker a record-breaking $51 million. A class-action smokers' suit is on trial in Florida, and several union health funds are suing the industry.

COMPAQ in CHINA



AP Photo

Eckhard Pfeiffer, president and CEO of Compaq Computer Corporation, watches as Zhang Ruisi,12, works on the Internet at the opening of a Compaq Internet classroom in a Beijing youth center, Tuesday. Compaq is opening Internet centers throughout China and Pfeiffer is on a five-day trip to demonstrate the company's commitment.

Dow retreats on concerns about tech earnings

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks retreated Tuesday on renewed concern about weak first-quarter earnings at market-leading technology companies.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 33.85 to close at 9,693.76 after swinging widely throughout the session. The Dow gained as much as 71 points then sank by as much as 57 before trimming its losses.

The blue-chip index had gained a total of 460 points last Thursday and Friday, closing the week at a record high of 9,736.08. But it has been unable to sustain that lofty level this week, falling Tuesday as the profitability of marquee technology companies was questioned.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index, which on Monday closed at a record high of 1,282.73, declined 2.89 to 1,279.84. The S&P was up as much as 11 points earlier in the day. The Nasdaq composite index shed 4.68 to 2,392.94, after trimming an earlier gain of 35 points.

"We're flirting with an all-time high, and people are just as nervous as the veritable cat on the roof," said Edward Collins, stock trader at Daiwa Securities America.

Rumors that Intel would report disappointing first-quarter earnings caused technology stocks, which had led the market on Monday, "to just kind of give up," Collins said. "In this kind of nervous market, anything like this just causes people to run for the hills."

Intel, whose stock fell 4 5/16 to 115 5/16 in Nasdaq trading, said its practice is not to comment on market rumors. Intel gave back almost all of its 5-point advance on Monday following the microchip maker's settlement of antitrust charges with the Federal Trade Commission.

The trouble for technology stocks on Tuesday actually began before the Intel rumors. Late Monday, after markets closed, microchip maker Advanced Micro Devices said it expected a "significant" first-quarter loss because of production problems with its best line of microprocessors. AMD also announced it will cut 300 jobs over the next six months.

AT&T completes $59 billion acquisition of cable operator

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — AT&T Corp., the largest U.S. telephone company, completed its $59 billion purchase of No. 2 U.S. cable-TV operator Tele-Communications Inc., a combination that plans to offer phone, cable and Internet services to about 33 million U.S. households.

Stockholders of TCI Class A common will receive 0.7757 shares of AT&T for each share they hold. TCI Class B stockholders will receive 0.8533 shares of AT&T for each Class B share.

The largest U.S. long-distance phone company plans to offer local phone service in 10 cities this year through TCI's cable system and later sell a package of local, long-distance, wireless, cable-TV and other services. AT&T is forming ventures with several U.S. cable operators to offer phone service to about two-thirds of U.S. homes. It hopes to break the Baby Bell stranglehold over the $100 billion-a-year local phone market.

"The closing of the TCI merger is a huge step forward in the transformation of AT&T to an 'any distance' company," AT&T Chairman C. Michael Armstrong said in a statement.

TCI becomes a unit of AT&T Broadband and Internet Services and will continue to be based in the Denver suburb of Englewood, Colorado. Leo Hindery Jr., AT&T president and chief operating officer, becomes chief executive of the division and will report to Armstrong.

AT&T also is forming a tracking stock for TCI's Liberty Media Group, a TCI affiliate that invests in TV programming ventures.

BUSINESS SCENE

Rumors of restaurants' demise greatly exaggerated, they say

By Mella McEwen

As Midlanders try to cope with energy prices hovering at 12-year lows, concerns have been raised about the financial health of a number of local businesses; especially some of the newer retailers and restaurants that have arrived in recent years.



McEwen

Rumors have been spreading throughout the city in recent weeks that the **BLACK-EYED PEA** and **RUBY TUESDAY** would soon be closing, and managers at both places say that, actually, they're in strong financial health and are remaining open.

"We're one of the most profitable stores for the company," said Missy Curtis, assistant manager at Black-Eyed Pea, who began as a server at the restaurant. She added that the company is looking at establishing an Odessa location at some point in the future.

The restaurant recently received a new general manager, Henry Sanchez, who started at the restaurant when it opened several years ago.

Also profitable is Ruby Tuesday, according to shift leader Kent Caudle, who said that the store has seen a steady increase in sales since it opened a little over a year ago. And the restaurant recently added a catering truck in order to offer catering service and is increasing its community involvement, supporting Meals on Wheels and Celebration of the Arts.

"We've only been open a little over year, which is why I wouldn't think they'd shut this unit down, we're still spreading our wings," he said.

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The former Granada at 3312 W. Wall is now **VAGOS**.

The restaurant's specialty is barbecue but steaks, hamburger steaks, chicken fried steak and a large salad bar are also on the menu.

Vagos offers lunch specials daily and is open weekdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is open for dinner from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and stops serving dinner at 9 p.m., turning into a nightclub. A disc jockey plays a mix of country and Tejano music.

Principal owner is Joe Nunez.

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Now open in Midland Park Mall is **RICOCHET SPORTS & GRAPHICS**, which has opened a retail outlet.

Mike Martinez with the store said that Ricochet's printing and wholesale operations remain at its location at 424 Andrews Highway. Shoppers at its mall location can find t-shirts, miniature helmets and calendars featuring local high schools and junior highs, not just Midland schools but schools from outlying towns like Big Spring, Pecos, Andrews, Stanton, Lamesa and Monahans.

The store also carries caps and flags with National Football League, NASCAR, National Basketball Association and college team logos and coffee mugs featuring National Football League, Major League and NASCAR teams and athletes and WWF Beanie Babies, which are stuffed bears with the names of World Wrestling Federation wrestlers monograms and a tag bearing the wrestler's picture.

Shoppers can also bring in pictures that Ricochet will transfer to mouse pads or enlarge to poster size. The company also offers custom silk printing, all of which is done on Andrews Highway and can be picked up at the mall location.

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Three new businesses have joined the collection of stores in Antiques Etc., located in Plaza Oaks Shopping Center, Garfield and Wadley.

TIME PASSAGES carries a collection of "American Colony" style and fine country furnishings, mostly from the Colonial Revival period dating around the turn of the century.

VOILA MON AFFAIRE owner Debra Euston sells a collection of European antiques, including numerous Continental style pieces from Spain and the British Isles. She features a wide selection of stained glass windows, armoires, a complete turn of the century bedroom suite from Spain and a suite of 20 matching dining chairs.

FOR ALL SEASONS offers contemporary iron garden and outside furnishings and outside sculptures. Topiary forms, arched trellises, planting baskets and, by special request, gazebos, are available and the display includes an unusual iron embellish chiminea or garden fireplace. This business is expanding into Midland from its presence in Abilene, Brady and San Angelo and has served the Santa Fe and San Antonio markets.

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On the move is **SWS MOTORCYCLES**, which is now open in larger quarters at 8100 W. U.S. Highway 80.

Owned by Ron and Beverley Scott, SWS sells all brands of motorcycles, from Harleys to Hondas to Kawasakis and accessories from helmets to chrome, batteries to tires. Repair service is also available

A grand opening is planned for Saturday, with a bead run, other games and free hot dogs and sodas offered.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

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MIDLAND PARK MALL will host the Larry Brown Antique Show Thursday through Sunday throughout the mall.

During the month, K&R Creations will sell handmade soap in front of Sam Goody on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Westside Lions Club will operate the train Friday through Sunday.

AROUND TOWN

Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging will host public meetings on the current and future needs of older residents of the Permian Basin.

The meetings are planned for 10 a.m. March 11 at Northside Senior Center, 1225 N. Adams in Odessa, and 1:30 p.m. March 11 at Midland Senior Center in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois in Midland.

Development of the regional and state Plans 2000 will be discussed. The meetings are open to anyone aged 60 or older and their caregivers and family members, as well as any other interested people. For more information call 563-1061...

...NATIVE PLANT Society of Texas, Midland chapter, will meet 7 p.m. March 16 at Sibley Learning Center, 1307 E. Wadley. Program will be on plants and wildlife of the Monahans sandhills. Business meeting prior to the program will be at 6 p.m. in the Sibley library. All interested people are invited to attend...

...MIDLAND QUILTERS Guild will meet 7 p.m. March 16 and 1 p.m. March 17 at the Golf Course Road Church of Christ Family Center. For more information call 694-1388...

...CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT of Midland County Public Library will host events for children during spring break. The schedule includes: "Nutrition Fun" with registered dietitian Rhonda Carr of Westwood Medical Center 10:30-11:30 a.m. today; "Games, Games, Games" including board games, dominoes and bingo, 10:30-11:30 a.m. March 11; and special story time and craft in Spanish 2-2:45 p.m. March 11. A spring break craft-making table will be available all week. Children aged 5 and older are invited to attend any or all of these events. For more information call 688-8991...

...MIDLAND MOTHERS of Twins Club, a support group for mothers of multiples, will meet 7 p.m. March 11 in Room 22 of Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive...

...MIDLAND RAPE Crisis Center will offer a 40-hour volunteer training program 5:30-8:30 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday, March 11 through April 20. For more information call 682-7273...

...MIDLAND RETIRED Teachers will meet 2 p.m. March 19 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3309 Neely St. Midland Mayor Bobby Burns will speak on "What's Up in Midland." Refreshments will be served; business meeting will follow. Anyone receiving annuity benefits from Teacher Retirement System of Texas is eligible for membership. For more information call 682-1413...

...MIDLAND GENEALOGICAL Society will meet 7:30 p.m. March 19 at Grace Lutheran Church, 3000 W. Golf Course Road. Fee will be $5. Jo Lynn White will be guest speaker. Spring Seminar is planned for 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. March 20 at First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 800 W. Texas. Fee is $30. Ms. White, author of 18 books, six genealogies and numerous articles, will be guest speaker...

...MIDLAND ARTS Association will host the opening reception for its 1999 spring juried art exhibition 7-9 p.m. March 12 at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri. The art exhibit will be on display through April 10.

Minimum of $2,500 in cash awards will be presented to the outstanding artists chosen by juror Kathleen Cook of Kerrville, pastel artist. Special awards from Midland Gallery, Artists Paint and Palette and Swartz Framing will also be presented. This program is partially supported by Texas Commission on the Arts and Arts Assembly of Midland. All interested people are invited to attend. For more information call 699-3209 or 694-1377...

...WEST TEXAS Harmony Chorus, a prospective chapter of Sweet Adelines International, will meet 7-9:30 p.m. March 15 in the choir room of Memorial Christian Church, Cuthbert and Andrews Highway in Midland. Visitors are welcome. For more information call 694-2035 or 333-5838...

...TEXAS INMATE Families Association will meet noon-2 p.m. March 13 in the Midland County Library, 301 W. Missouri Ave. A main topic of discussion are two bills pending in legislation of concern to the group. For more information call 694-8645...

Irish filet, dessert sumptuous

Associated Press

Filet mignon prepared Gaelic-Irish style would make an appropriate centerpiece for a St. Patrick's Day dinner.

Beef has been an important part of the Irish diet since ancient days when it was served to celebrate a great feast or victory in battle, the Irish Food Board says.

Bacon, too, has long been popular. Excavation of a site dating to 9000 B.C. revealed evidence that roasted wild pig was already a staple food. Pigs were abundant and the meat could easily be cured for the winter. Today's Irish bacon resembles Canadian bacon with some of the streaky characteristics of American bacon. But the Irish don't cook it to a crisp.

GAELIC IRISH FILET

1 pound Irish-style bacon
1/2 to 3/4 stick butter (2 to 3 ounces)
6 cloves garlic, minced
6 leaves fresh basil, cut into fine strips
2 tablespoons horseradish cream
1-1/2 cups fine bread crumbs
Salt and pepper to taste
4- to 5-pound filet mignon (cylinder-shaped fillet or tenderloin steak), about 18 inches long

Dice about 6 ounces of the bacon. Melt 1/4 stick (1 ounce) of butter in a skillet and add the bacon. Saute until cooked but not crisp. Add garlic and cook gently until transparent. Add the remaining butter and allow to melt. Add the basil, horseradish cream and bread crumbs, and mix in well. Allow to cool.

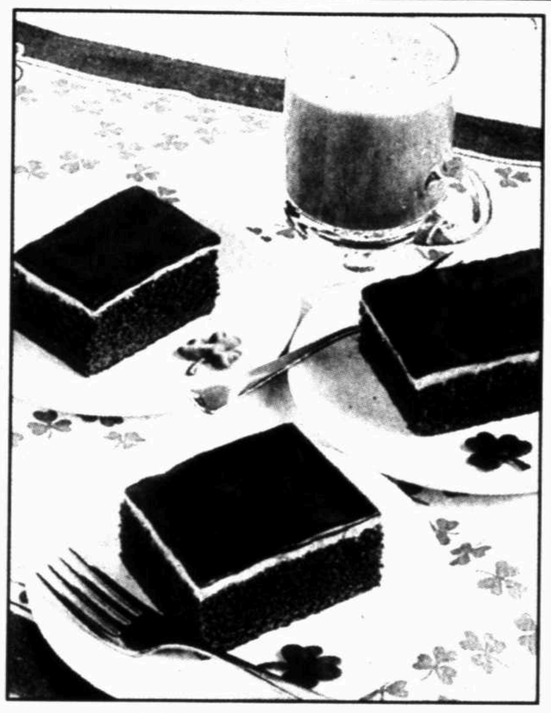
Score the sides of the steak with three long, deep incisions, and stuff the incisions with the bacon mixture. Sprinkle the meat evenly with salt and pepper. Wrap the remaining bacon around the steak and secure with butcher twine tied at 1-1/2- to 2-inch intervals. Place in an 18- by 12- by 2-inch roasting pan.

Put the pan on a rack on the second level from the bottom in an oven preheated to 500 degrees. Roast for 10 minutes on one side; turn and roast 10 minutes on the other side. (This will give quite a rare cut; if you like your meat less rare, it will need a little more time). Remove from oven and allow to rest for 7 minutes. Carve and serve.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Recipe from: Irish Food Board.





Gaelic Irish filet mignon, above, is stuffed with an herbed bacon mixture and wrapped in bacon before roasting. It is served with roasted vegetables and mashed potatoes. Chocolate brownies show Irish flair with a green mint layer under a chocolate glaze. Serve with steaming cups of cocoa ehanced with a 1/2 teapsoon of of mint extract.

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Minty Chocolate Brownies are a nice, color-coordinated finale for a festive St. Patrick's Day meal.

They have a cakelike texture that is easily whipped up by using unsweetened cocoa powder. A creamy, green-tinted layer is spread over the fudgy brownies and then topped with a simple chocolate glaze.

When the brownies are cut, there's the surprise of mint in every bite. Little leprechaun helpers can cut the brownies out in a shamrock shape, the classic symbol of St. Patrick's Day, with a cookie cutter.

MINTY CHOCOLATE BROWNIES

1-1/2 cups (3 sticks) plus 6 tablespoons butter or margarine, divided
2 cups granulated sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
4 eggs
3/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
2-2/3 cups powdered sugar
1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon water
1 teaspoon mint extract
4 drops green food color
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 13- by 9- by 2-inch baking pan. Place 1 cup (2 sticks) butter in large microwave-safe bowl. Microwave at HIGH 2 minutes or until melted. Stir in granulated sugar and vanilla. Add eggs; beat well. Add cocoa, flour and baking powder; beat until well blended. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in centers comes out clean. Cool completely on wire rack.

Prepare Mint Cream Center by combining powdered sugar, 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, water, mint extract and food color. Beat until smooth. Divide and spread evenly on brownies. Cover; refrigerate until cold.

Prepare Chocolate Glaze by placing remaining 6 tablespoons butter and chocolate chips in small microwave-safe bowl. Microwave at HIGH 1 minute or until mixture is smooth when stirred. Cool slightly; pour over chilled brownies. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour before serving.

Makes 24 servings.

CONSUMING INTERESTS

Frozen Chinese beef, broccoli entree worth purchasing again

By Linda Anderson

I really like Chinese food. I'm also quite fond of food I don't actually have to prepare and cook myself (it always tastes better when someone else makes it *and* cleans it up). And since I can't afford to take me and all those kids out to eat all the time, when it comes to convenience, the next best thing to take-out is frozen take-in — entrees from the supermarket's frozen food section.



Anderson

So naturally, given all that, is it any wonder that I bought a single-serving container of Tai Pan frozen Beef and Broccoli that I found in the supermarket's freezer section.

The 14.2 ounce container was shaped like the classic carton-looking Chinese take-out containers, only it wasn't white and it didn't have a little handle on it.

What it *did* have was some label information that said the frozen entree inside contained "Sauce, broccoli, seasoned beef and carrots" with an "oyster flavored sauce added" and the whole thing was "served with steamed rice." Then it went on: Bring Home The Orient" to "Carry Out Eat In."

On the side of the carton was a claim that this product is part of a line of "Authentic Chinese Entrees," but as near as I could figure, the entree was made in Tulsa, Okla., (hotbed of Chinese food?), and on the bottom of the box were a couple of ingredients lists; one looked like it was printed in Spanish, and the other in some kind of Arabic or something like looked like it.

The whole thing cost 99 cents, which may or may not have been on sale, but is still pretty cheap for dinner.

Nutrition label showed that the single serving in the carton contained 420 calories with 100 of them from fat. That's not a bad percentage, if you're watching that sort of thing.

My kids rarely touch Chinese food (which is OK because that means there's more for me), so I got to do the taste testing by myself.

I'm not sure how authentic this Chinese food was, but it tasted good. Didn't have a whole lot of meat in it — and not much broccoli or carrots either, for that matter — but it had a lot of rice and some kind of brown sauce (says it's an oyster-flavored sauce on the label, but I don't know about that) and I enjoyed it.

I'm kind of hoping that, now that I've tried the Beef and Broccoli, I get to try some different kinds. I'm partial to the chicken and vegetable dishes too, and the ones with noodles instead of rice, and then there's egg rolls and won tons...

Price listed is from a local supermarket. Prices at other locations may vary.

Linda Anderson is a Reporter-Telegram staff writer.

Please the Irish with potatoes

Associated Press

How to please an Irishman or Irishwoman on St. Patrick's Day? It takes only a little time to make perfect potatoes.

Served with soup, other vegetables and cheese, Boiled Parsleyed Potatoes or Potatoes Hashed in Cream can make a nutritious centerpiece of an easily prepared vegetarian meal.

If you have ever tasted best-of-class boiled potatoes and wondered why they were so good, you won't be surprised to learn that there are a few tricks.

Selecting top-notch ingredients is the first. Not every potato boils up the same way. Look for low-starch, high-moisture potatoes such as Red Bliss, Yukon Gold, or any "new" potato to make creamy, delicious boiled potatoes.

Timing is the second trick. Potatoes can be made ahead, but like corn on the cob, they are best when they come fresh from the pot to the plate. Boiled potatoes should take about 25 to 30 minutes from start to finish.

Drying the potatoes is the final trick. To get a rich, intense potato flavor, be sure to heat them long enough to drive off the water they absorbed as they boiled.

Once you've mastered the gentle art of potato boiling, you can expand your repertoire easily. Potatoes Hashed in Cream is a delicious accompaniment to roasted meats or poultry. Or, make it into a simple one-dish dinner by adding fresh peas and diced ham.

These recipes have been adapted from "The New Professional Chef," (Wiley&Sons, Inc.) by the Culinary Institute of America, 6th edition.

BOILED PARSLEYED POTATOES

4 medium Red Bliss or Yukon Gold potatoes
1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste
Pepper to taste
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons chopped parsley

Peel the potatoes if desired. Cut into halves or quarters if necessary. Place the potatoes in a pot, cover with cold water, and add salt to taste. Bring the water to a simmer over medium high heat. Reduce the heat if necessary to establish an even simmer. Cook the potatoes for 12 to 15 minutes, or until a paring knife can be easily inserted into the potato at its thickest point. Drain the potatoes in a colander, return to the heat and dry over direct heat, shaking the pan occasionally, for 3 to 4 minutes, or in a 350-degree oven for about 6 to 8 minutes.

Immediately after drying the potatoes, add the butter and heat over medium heat until the butter has evenly coated the potatoes. Add the parsley and season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve at once.

Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional facts per 5-ounce serving: 190 cal., 3 g pro., 28 g carbo., 9 g fat, 25 mg chol., 400 mg sodium.

POTATOES HASHED IN CREAM

6 medium Red Bliss or Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled, quartered
1-1/2 cups half and half
1/2 teaspoon salt, to taste
1/4 teaspoon pepper, to taste

Cook the potatoes in boiling, salted water for about 10 to 12 minutes, or until they are barely tender. Drain the potatoes in a colander. When they are cool enough to handle, cut them into a small dice. In a saute pan, heat the half & half until it is just barely simmering. Add the diced potatoes to the simmering cream; cook over low heat for about 10 minutes, or until the potatoes are fully cooked and the half and half has thickened. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Makes 6 servings.

Nutritional facts per 6-ounce serving: 195 cal., 4 g pro., 30 g carbo., 7 g fat, 25 mg chol., 390 mg sodium.

DEAR ABBY

Grandma willing, but unable to babysit infant

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My problem concerns my dear mother-in-law. She wants to baby-sit my infant daughter after I return to work. "Grandma" is 80. She's deaf and frequently does not wear her hearing aid. She is physically frail, confused and forgetful. Needless to say, my husband and I are uncomfortable with the idea of her baby sitting.



Van Buren

She used to baby-sit our two older children, but we stopped asking her last year because we were concerned about her ability to keep track of two active youngsters.

Abby, I cannot stand the thought of telling her, "We don't want you to take care of the baby because we think you're too old to do a good job of it."

It would break her heart. She does not see herself as incompetent because she still lives alone. Every time I see her she asks if she can watch the baby, and I just smile and shrug and say, "We're not sure what we're going to do with her once I go back to work."

Is there some nice way I can tell her the truth? Or should I make up some plausible story to avoid hurting her feelings? I love her dearly and don't want to hurt her, but my concerns about my baby's safety are valid. — UNCERTAIN IN FLORIDA

DEAR UNCERTAIN: The baby's welfare must come first. Without making an issue of it, make other plans for child care. Be diplomatic when discussing them with your mother-in-law because she's only trying to be helpful, but remind her that a newborn requires physical stamina to deal with on a daily basis, and you have hired outside help to aid you in raising your three little bundles of boundless energy.

DEAR ABBY: I'd like to thank you for the help you've provided to caregivers throughout the years. Regarding "Still in Shock in Illinois," there are some other precautions families can take to ensure the proper care of their loved ones with regard to hiring home-care aides:

If possible, your loved one should receive care through a licensed home health-care agency or registry. Find out what kind of insurance they carry. Find out what procedures they use for background checks. Check all references yourself. Is someone available to assist you and your loved ones after-hours or in an emergency? Assess what level of care your loved one requires. Does the aide have the skills necessary for the job?

Do not let an aide have access to checking accounts. If money is needed for expenses, give them only what is necessary and always get receipts. And as "Still in Shock" rightfully recommended in her letter, vary the times of your visits and ask other relatives and friends to stop by as often as possible.

Above all: Trust your own instincts! If you feel that something is not right — it probably isn't. — GARY BARG, PUBLISHER, TODAY'S CAREGIVER MAGAZINE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA.

DEAR GARY: Thank you for the helpful suggestions. Providing care for frail loved ones takes time, patience, sensitivity and effort.

Even those who shoulder the entire responsibility need to acknowledge the fact that respite is necessary on a regular basis. For families who are able to afford professional help, the suggestions you have offered will give some guidance through the sometimes confusing process of selecting the right caregiver.

DEAR ABBY: May I comment on the letter from the woman who purchased an answering machine to monitor calls while her husband was terminally ill?

It lifted the burden of responding immediately to callers, and the messages people left were a source of comfort and support to her husband.

Several years ago, my husband was in the hospital. In order to keep friends and family updated on his condition, I put a message on my answering machine. That way, they did not wonder how he was, and it saved me many repetitive phone calls. Everyone appreciated the message, which I updated frequently, and they did not hesitate to call because they knew they were not bothering me. —MARIA BREMER, MC HENRY, ILL.

DEAR MARIA: Putting a message on the "greeting" tape of the answering machine makes great sense.

Not only did it provide reassurance to worried friends and relatives concerned about the condition of a family member, it could also keep families informed during disasters such as earthquakes, tornadoes, etc.

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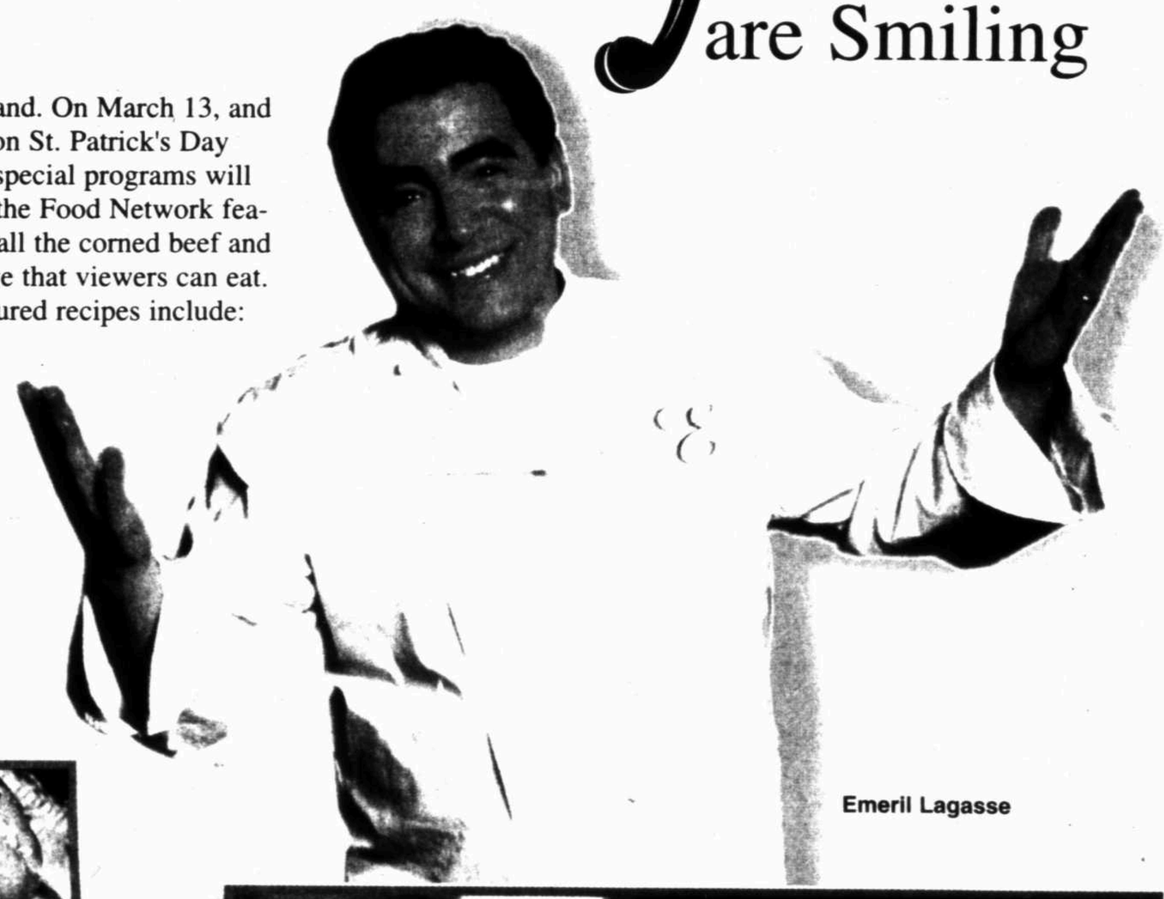
When Irish Eyes are Smiling

Scripps Howard News Service

The classiest way to celebrate the Emerald Isle on St. Patrick's feast day is at the dinner table. Put on some Irish music, light some votive candles, have a shamrock plant for the centerpiece and pull out your best teacups — thin-rimmed and almost translucent.

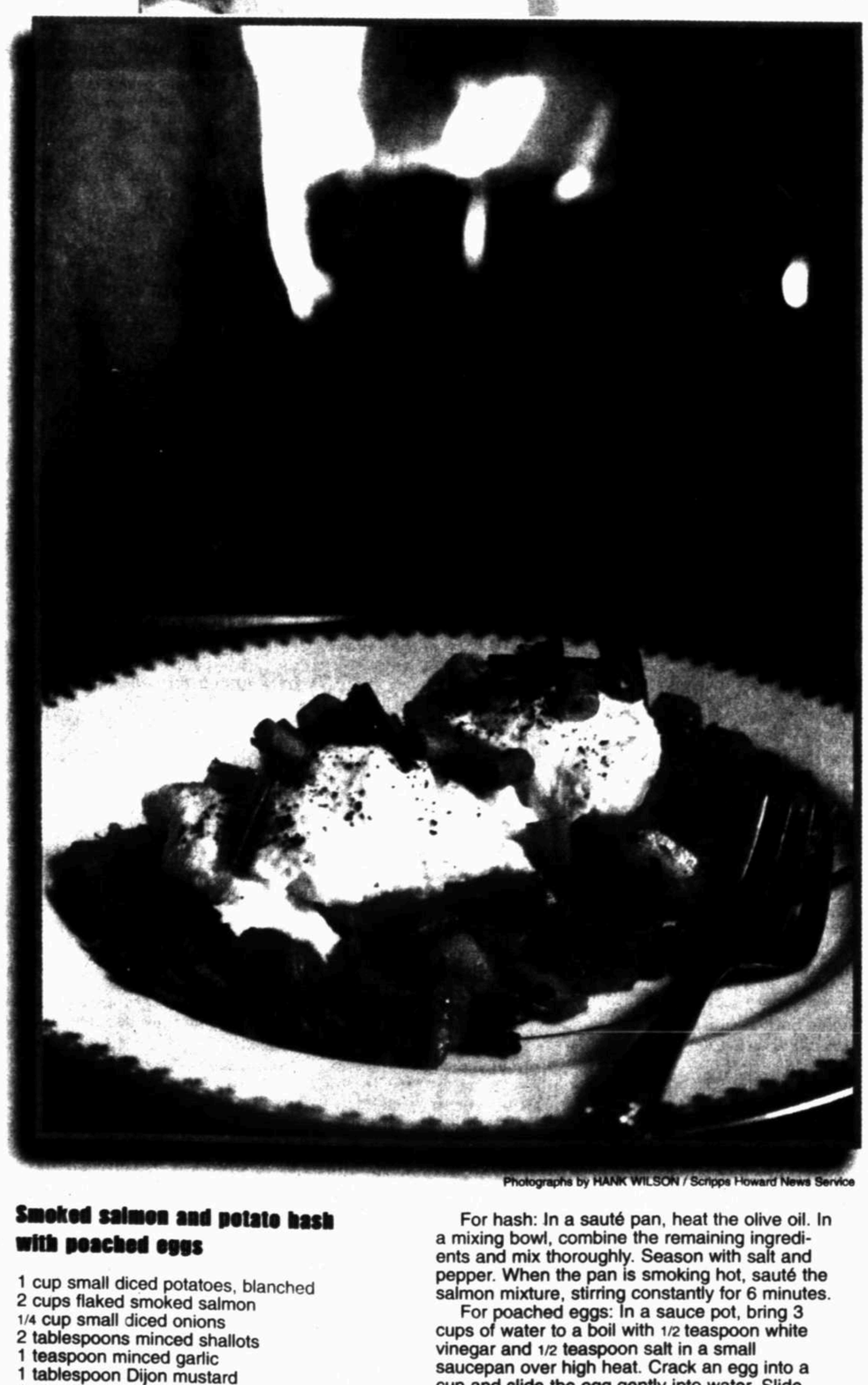
And when it comes to planning the menu, turn to Emeril Lagasse, the famed Food Network chef who adds his Cajun flavor to the tasty fare of Ireland. On March 13, and again on St. Patrick's Day itself, special programs will air on the Food Network featuring all the corned beef and cabbage that viewers can eat.

Featured recipes include:



Emeril Lagasse





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Cabbage-potato soup

2 tablespoons oil
1/4 cup chopped onion
3 cups shredded white cabbage
2 cups grated Idaho potatoes
2 quarts chicken stock
8 to 10 ounces corned beef, cut into 2 by 1/4 inch strips, (1 cup)
1/2 cup grated carrots
1 cup cream
salt and pepper

In a soup pot, heat 1 tablespoon oil, add onions and cook until tender, 3 minutes. Add cabbage and potatoes and stir to coat. Add stock, bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small skillet sauté corned beef strips in remaining oil until crisp, drain on paper towels.

Add carrots and cream to soup and simmer 10 minutes more. Stir in corned beef strips and adjust seasoning to taste with salt and pepper. Yield: 8 to 10 servings.

Smoked salmon potato cake with potato-leek cream

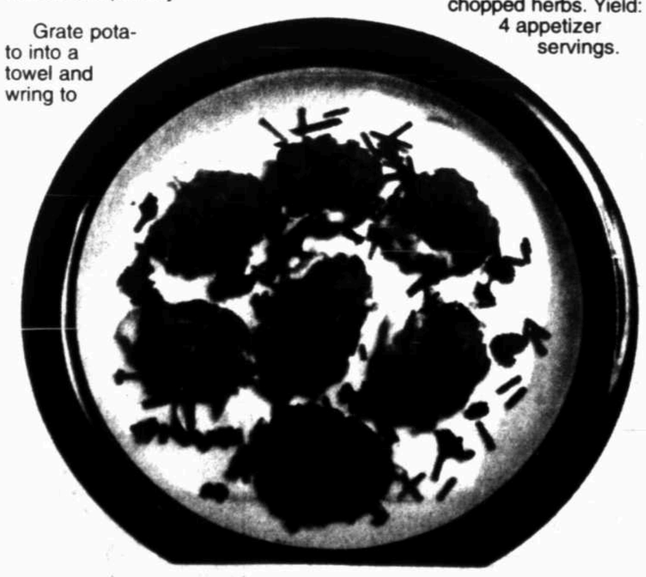
1 large Idaho potato, peeled
4 ounces smoked salmon, julienned (1/4 cup)
1 tablespoon finely-chopped green onions
salt and pepper
2 tablespoons oil

POTATO-LEEK CREAM

1 teaspoon butter
1/4 cup thinly-sliced leeks
1/2 cup diced Idaho potato
1/4 cup cream
1/2 cup water
salt and pepper
1 tablespoon sour cream
1 tablespoon each chopped chives and parsley

Grate potato into a towel and wring to squeeze out excess liquid. Toss potato with salmon and green onions and season with salt and pepper. In a medium sauté pan, heat oil and add potato mixture, forming it into eight little round cakes. Cook until golden brown on both sides, about 5 minutes in all. Drain on paper towels and keep warm while you finish sauce.

Meanwhile, make sauce: In a small saucepan, melt butter, add leeks and cook until tender. Add potato, cream and water and bring to a boil. Simmer 15 minutes, or until potatoes are tender; adjust seasonings to taste with salt and pepper. Pour into a blender or food processor, add sour cream and process until smooth. Reheat briefly, if necessary. To serve, place 2 cakes on each plate, spoon some sauce around and sprinkle with chopped herbs. Yield: 4 appetizer servings.



Smoked salmon and potato hash with poached eggs

1 cup small diced potatoes, blanched
2 cups flaked smoked salmon
1/4 cup small diced onions
2 tablespoons minced shallots
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1 tablespoon chopped chives
2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
1 large egg
2 tablespoons half and half
1/2 teaspoon white vinegar
4 whole eggs
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons chopped chives
2 long chives

For hash: In a sauté pan, heat the olive oil. In a mixing bowl, combine the remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Season with salt and pepper. When the pan is smoking hot, sauté the salmon mixture, stirring constantly for 6 minutes.

For poached eggs: In a sauce pot, bring 3 cups of water to a boil with 1/2 teaspoon white vinegar and 1/2 teaspoon salt in a small saucepan over high heat. Crack an egg into a cup and slide the egg gently into water. Slide another egg into the water. When the water comes back up to a boil, reduce the heat to low and simmer until the eggs are set, about 2 to 2-1/2 minutes.

Gently remove the eggs with a slotted spoon and drain on a paper-lined plate. Spoon the hash in the center of the platter. Place the poached eggs directly on top of the hash. Garnish with chopped chives, long chives. Yields: 4 servings.



Any gathering that celebrates Ireland wouldn't be complete without toasts and blessings. Here are a few to help you through the meal.

May those who love us love us.
And those that don't love us,
May God turn their hearts.
And if He doesn't turn their hearts,
May he turn their ankles,
So we'll know them by their limping.

May your glass be ever full.
May the roof over your head be always strong.
And may you be in heaven
half an hour before the devil knows you're dead.

May the enemies of Ireland never meet a friend.

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
And rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

Here's to me, and here's to you,
And here's to love and laughter-
I'll be true as long as you,
And not one moment after.

Governor Bush endorses sweet potato muffins

Staff Reports

When Texas governor (and-soon-to-be Republican presidential candidate) George W. Bush gets a hankering for something sweet he has the chef at the Governor's Mansion bake some Sweet Potato Muffins.

He and the first lady love to entertain and are known for their casual hospitality with friends and family often gathering for impromptu meals according to Dotty Griffith in the March/April issue of Mr. Food's EasyCooking magazine.

Another Bush favorite is a one-pot vegetable-laden stew, followed by the Sweet Potato Muffins, of course.



Bush

Other famous Texans who contributed recipes include former Governor Ann Richards, Lady Bird Johnson, Troy Aikman's mother, Charlyn, and country superstar LeAnn Rimes.

The following recipe for Sweet Potato Muffins is presented courtesy of Gov. Bush and is reprinted with permission from Mr. Food's Easycooking magazine. (Dotty Griffith, dining editor and restaurant critic of the Dallas Morning News, contributed to the magazine article.)

TEXAS GOVERNOR'S MANSION SWEET POTATO MUFFINS

2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1 cup buttermilk
1 egg, lightly beaten
2/3 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 cups lightly packed, shredded fresh sweet potatoes

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray 12 muffin cups with nonstick cooking spray or line with paper liners.

In large bowl, stir together flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and cloves. In medium bowl, combine buttermilk, egg, brown sugar and oil. Add to dry ingredients and stir just to moisten. Stir in sweet potatoes. Pour batter into prepared muffin cups and bake 20 minutes or until golden.

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Tai-pan's frozen Chinese food worth another sampling.

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Think of 20 words to describe your vehicle (including the price) and call us today!

❸ Real Wheel Deal - Advertise anything on wheels, with a photo, for 14 days. **20 WORDS $25.50 WITH PHOTO**

You'll get 24 words to describe your vehicle. You can bring a photo to us or we'll take one for you! Call us today for details.

❷ Sell It In 10 - Advertise anything on wheels for 10 days. In the unlikely event that it doesn't sell, we'll run it for 10 more days FREE! If it still doesn't sell, we'll run it 10 more days **FREE** if you drop the price 10%. **4 LINES 10 DAYS FREE $20.50**

You'll get 4 lines to describe your vehicle (that's about 18 words, including the price). If you would like more information in your ad, each additional line is only $5.

All of our specials are for private, non-commercial individuals only and some specials require pre-payment, some do not. One item per ad please. Call 682-6222 for complete details.

PLACING AN AD:

Call 682-6222, Monday through Friday, from 8a.m. – 6p.m.

A friendly Advertising Consultant will help you word and schedule your ad for best results.

HOW TO WRITE A CLASSIFIED AD THAT WORKS!

❶ A Benefit Headline - Answer the buyer's question, "What's in it for me?" Select the main benefit of the item you are selling and write a compelling headline.

❷ The Body Copy - Make sure your information is clear, concise and complete. Stress benefits. Avoid abbreviations whenever possible.

❸ The Price - Don't be afraid to quote your price. 52% of readers won't respond to an ad that does not include a price.

❹ Call to Action - Urge readers to buy now.

DEADLINES:

WORD ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Tue., Wed., Thu., or Fri	6p.m. the day before
Saturday	Noon Friday
Sunday	6p.m. Friday

DISPLAY ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Wednesday	3p.m. Monday
Thursday	3p.m. Tuesday
Friday, Saturday	3p.m. Wednesday
Sunday, Monday	3p.m. Thursday
Tuesday	3p.m. Friday

HAPPY ADS: *Happy Birthday! Congratulations! Welcome Home! Graduation Day!*

Surprise your child, parent, or special friend with a Happy Ad!

For only **$42.00**, we'll help you design something special. Include a photo from the past or present at no additional charge!

Ads containing art or photos need to be in our office two working days before the ad is to be published and we ask that you pay in advance.

New Arrivals - Announce the birth of your precious newborn for only **$18.00**! We'll help you create a keepsake and publish it on any day you choose. You'll get 3" inches of space to announce Baby's name, birthdate, and more.

In Memory Of - Publish a special memorial, to mark the passing of a loved one, for family & friends to keep. Include a poem, prayer, and/or the names of all who care.

Card Of Thanks - ads are also available. Take this opportunity to thank everyone who brought food, sent flowers, or was there for you when you needed them most. We'll help you design a respectful, thoughtful ad. Call for details!

Classified Warehouse Search Us Online: www.ClassifiedWarehouse.com

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a **SURGICAL LIGHTS.**

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Wednesday, March 10, 1999.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "RFP #369-030899 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 12:00 PM, THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1999.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL JULY 25, 1999.

ALL PROPOSALS WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL AFTER AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE. VENDORS WILL THEN BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS IN THE PURCHASING OFFICE ACCORDING TO THE POLICY/ PROCEDURE OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER. MIDLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS AND TO WAIVE FORMALITIES.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a **SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY (TITLE 2) AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (TITLE 16)** representation for patients referred by Memorial Hospital.

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NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BARBARA TAYLOR, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, 1999, Letters Testamentary were issued to Erin Y. Earley as Independent Executrix in proceedings in the county Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Barbara Taylor, Deceased", being No. P12,399 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same to Erin Y. Earley c/o David A. Taylor, 4400 North Big Spring #3, Midland, Texas 79705, within the time prescribed by law. DATED this 23rd day of February, 1999.

ERIN Y. EARLEY,
Independent Executrix
of the Estate of
Barbara Taylor, Deceased

STATE OF TEXAS

To: Jerry William Henry, Respondent, and to all whom it may concern,

"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Paul Gail Henry, Petitioner was filed in the 318th Judicial District Court of Midland County, Texas on the 21st day of January, 1999, against Jerry William Henry, Respondent, numbered FM 34,784 and entitled **IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTIN WILLIAM HENRY, A CHILD.** The suit requests that the Court grant Petitioner's request to change the name of Justin William Henry to Justin William Waldrop; and to grant petitioner such other relief to which Petitioner may be justly entitled.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree which will be binding on you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, this 5th day of MARCH, 1999".

VIVIAN WOOD
Clerk of the District Court of
Midland County, Texas

By: Silvia Bass, Deputy

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a **PSYCHIATRIC AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY SERVICES FOR INDIGENT PATIENTS.**

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a **DOCUMENT IMAGE FILLING SYSTEM** for West Texas Pathology Laboratory.

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ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 12:00 PM, TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 1999.

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Super Seller I
15 words, 7 days, $10.50
Advertise your household item (priced under $350) with this Classified special!
Call **682-6222** for details...

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE RULE 26

Pioneer Natural Res. USA, Inc., P.O. Box 3178, Midland, TX 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for exception to Statewide Rules 26. The applicant proposes to surface commingle the Graham and Graham "B" Leases; The Fasken "A" and Murray "K" Leases. These proposed leases are located 8 to 11 1/2 miles East of Midland. The Holcombe and Holcombe "A" Leases are located 5 to 7 miles West of Stanton. All are in the Spraberry (Tread Area) Field in Midland, County, Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Cheryl Feuge at Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6873). Any questions regarding this application maybe directed to applicants representative, Viola Vasquez at 915/571-1380.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a **CODING COMPLIANCE SOFTWARE** for West Texas Pathology Laboratory.

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Sell it in 10 or we'll run it again!*
Classified 682-6222
*Anything on wheels, 4 lines minimum- $20.50
Call today for complete details.

115 Announcements

Email Your Classified Ad!

We now have an Email address created just for you...

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Type out your Classified ad, let us know when you want it published, and how to contact you with a confirmation of the details. (We prefer to confirm by phone, so please give us the number where you can be reached.) If the ad is for you personally, we'll need your home phone number, address, etc. If the ad is for your business, we'll need your main office phone number, address, etc.

As always, you can contact us by phone at 682-6222, or by fax at 682-6999.

(Please allow 1 - 2 days for e-mailed ads. Text only please, no photos or logos accepted. If you want your ad to start tomorrow please contact us by phone or fax. Thank you....)

110 Lodge Notices

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Regular stated meetings 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7:30 pm.
Bert Bloodworth, WM
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448
1600 W. Wall
M/M Degree 3/13/99.
Reg.stated meeting, 1st & 3rd, Sat. 8:30 am. Breakfast 7:30 am
Tom Burns, W/M (P.T.)
Bob Ellwood, Sec. 570-0328

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Glenn Flippin, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club
2019 Trade Dr.
689-7003
Reg. mtng. 3rd Thurs. each mo.
Hosp. 6:30 pm,
dine 7 pm., Bus. mtng. 8 pm.
Keith Hughes, Pres.
Marvin Witcher, Secty.

115 Announcements

GOSPEL TALENT Search Ministries: Wanted; anointed gospel singers, contemporary gospel singers, Christian rap singers, musicians, comedians, choirs, bands, drama, Christian oriented dance. If you are one of the above please call 915-570-5164, leave name, phone number and your talent. Auditions March 13th, ask for Amy or fax: 915-570-7632.

➔NEW TODAY←

NEW 1999 Spas- Special purchase at $48 a month. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

130 Personals

❤ BEAUTI CONTROL products sale. Shirley Whitehead, Beauty Consultant. 3306 Maxwell, Midland. Please call 520-0416.

150 Lost & Found

LOST CHIHUAHUA. Male, hairy, tags, on tag Mono Navarrette. Please call 520-4099.

➔NEW TODAY←

MISSING: THREE month old Golden Retriever puppy, black collar, in the vicinity of Polo grounds. Please call 688-3207.

FOUND 4:45 pm "Donut" spare tire at Cimmaron and Midkiff. 697-1755.

FOUND: APPROXIMATELY one year old male Collie near Garden City Hwy/ I- 20. Call 699-6820.

LOST: 75 lb, light brown male Lab mix, North of Wal- Mart. Reward. Pager 498-3287.

FOUND: Shetland sheep dog, male, black/ white/ brown, on Illinois & L, 686-8474.

LOST Female Miniature Schnauzer, 1 year old, salt & pepper from Midland Drive and Wadley area. 697-2777.

FOUND: SET OF Keys near Arroyo and Haynes. Please call to identify 686-0895.

FOUND: Medium size mix breed yellow female dog and golden retriever puppy. 694-6725.

LOST male Chihuahua from Kniffin Drive. Reward. Has tags, brown, purple collar with safety pin. 570-5027.

LADY'S RING. Lost probably in the vicinity of the Central YMCA January 21. Gold with five diamonds in a channel setting. Diamonds belonged to my mother. Please call 682-1468. Reward.

IF your pet is lost- even if you live in the county, please check with MIDLAND ANIMAL CONTROL (on Fairgrounds Road) every three days.

LOST: MALE Blue Healer. Color blue and gray, 10 months old, wearing a purple flea collar, also blue tag collar. Tag says Fort Davis Vet. Marfa, Texas. 729-4996. Reward.

➔NEW TODAY←

LOST ORANGE and white female English Pointer. Name is Sam. Last seen wearing collar. Please call 520-5477.

130 Personals

Personally Speaking

The Fun, Safe, & Convenient way to meet Midland Singles!

Look for it on Fri., Sat., Sun., & Wed. in The Midland Reporter- Telegram Classified.

Call **1-800-834-5294** to place your personal ad,
Or **1-900-656-2300** to respond or browse.

$2.19 Per minute.
You must be at least 18 years of age or older to use this service.

150 Lost & Found

LOST: Black Lab, neutered, white stripe under chest. Vicinity of 1000 Sinclair. $25 reward. 686-7877.

➔NEW TODAY←

LOST: Men's wallet. Monday, March 8th. Possibly at Checkers Auto on Big Spring, West lake or Auto Zone on Michigan. 686-7956.

160 Loans Wanted

LOANS
$40- $400
CALL TODAY
683-7613
NOBLE FINANCE

162 Mortgages Wanted

COLONIAL Financial Services pays cash for residential and commercial real estate notes, business notes and structured settlements. Prompt, professional service since 1984. Call 550-2025 or 1-800-283-2025.

CASH IN A FLASH
For Your Real Estate Note
South Plains Mortgage.
800-900-6683.

163 Money To Loan

ALWAYS STOP Bankruptcy! Free debt consolidation application with services. Fast help. We care!. 1-800-517-3406.

BANKRUPTCY PETITION Preparer. Free initial consultation. Call for appointment, Stephen C. Murphy, 682-6030.

$ $ $100 - $1,000 $ $
NO CREDIT CHECK,
NO HASSLE
Checking Account required
Not a Loan,
15 Minute Approval
1115 Andrews Hwy, Suite #3
(915) 689-6893

Attention Readers

Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & 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/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

170 Schools/ Instruction

BECOME A Certified Nurses Aide. Class forming for March 15. Program includes 100 hours of training, scrubs, stethoscope, books, CPR Certification, State Certification testing, evening classes. Call Now 694-7587.

TRUCK DRIVERS
See our display ad this classification. 1-800-490-4564

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200 Transportation

TRANSPORTATION 200

200	Autos - Domestic
205	Classic Cars
210	Autos - Imports
215	Sport/Utility Vehicles
220	Trucks
222	Suburbans & Vans
225	4x4 Vehicles
230	Commercial Vehicles
235	Cars,Trucks,Vans $3,000 & Under
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245	Trailers - Utility
250	Rec. Vehicles
260	Boats & Motors
270	Airplanes
280	Auto Services
290	Parts/Accessories

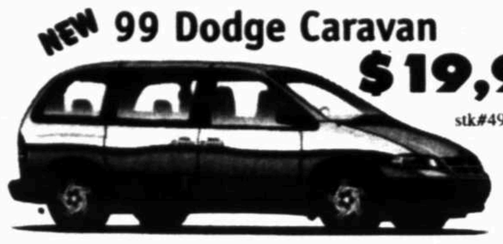
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MAR 10 1999

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$0 DOWN
On All Vehicles in Inventory

NEW 99 Dodge Caravan
$19,999
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NEW 99 Dodge Ram Shortbed
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99 Mercury Mountaineer



99 Mercury Villager

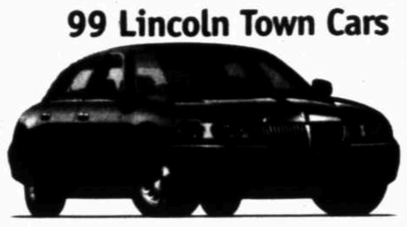


1.9% APR **$500 FREE GAS!** **$1,000 Rebate or 0.9% APR**

$500 Free Gas Will Be Awarded to the Purchaser in the Form of a Diamond Shamrock Credit Card.

If you don't check with Village BEFORE you buy, you're probably paying too much.

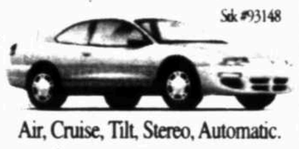
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SAVE* $6,000

*Any 99 Lincoln Town Car In Stock. • 17 to Choose From!

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Air, Cruise, Tilt, Stereo, Automatic.
$15,999!

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98 Hyundai Elantra 4 Door, AM/FM Cassette, Auto Stk #92955 **$9,999**	**98 Dodge Avenger** Air, Power Steering & Brakes, Extra Nice Stk #93148 **$14,999**	**98 Mercury Grand Marquis** Air, Auto, Pwr Steering & Brakes, Cruise, Tilt Stk #93051 **$18,999**	**98 Ford Escort** Auto., Air, Pwr. Steering & Brakes, Low Miles Stk #93112 **$10,999**	**98 Lincoln Navigator** V-8, Leather, Rear Air, AM/FM Cassette, CD Changer Stk #93057 **$37,999**	**98 Dodge Durango** SLT, 4x4, Tilt/Cruise, P/Windows & Locks Stk #93063 **$27,999**	**97 Dodge Ram Pickup** Air, Auto, Pwr. Seats, Pwr Windows, Tilt/Cruise, Stk #49199A **$12,999**
EVERY DAY IS SALE DAY!!	**97 Chevy Suburban XLT** Air, Automatic, Power Steering, Power Brakes Stk #93172 **$25,999**	**98 Pontiac Grand AM** Air, Power Steering & Brakes Stk #93141 **$11,999**	**98 Dodge Grand Caravan SE** Pwr. Windows & Locks, 4-Door, Rear Air, Stk #92851 **$19,999**	**97 Lincoln Town Car** Leather, Power Windows & Locks, Tilt Stk #92526 **$22,999**	**94 Lincoln Town Car** Power Windows & Locks, AM/FM Stereo Stk #29017A **$11,999**	**BIGGEST SAVINGS ARE AT VILLAGE!!**

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INVENTORY IS HIGH...PRICES ARE LOW!

PLYMOUTH BREEZE
Power Windows, Locks, Tilt, Cruise
One at this price
$179.00 MO.
$1,000 Down +TT&L, 72 mo., 9.75% W.A.C.

'98 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SE
#P9025, POWER WINDOWS & LOCKS, TILT, CRUISE, AM/FM CASSETTE, SEATS 7.
$17,977

'95 YUKON
#P8219, RED, PW, PL, TILT, CRUISE, AM/FM CASSETTE, PRICED TO SELL
$19,977

'97 GRAND CHEROKEE
#P8236A, AMETHYST IN COLOR, LIGHT GRAY INTERIOR, ALL POWER, GREAT VEHICLE.
$17,877

'93 CHEVY BLAZER
#C9001BC, GREEN, POWER WINDOWS, LOCKS, TILT, CRUISE, ROOF RACK, A/C, AM/FM CASS.
$8,977

'85 CHEVY CAMARO CONV.
#P8220, POWER MIRROR, PL, TILT, CRUISE, V-8
$16,877

CARS & TRUCKS

'94 DODGE CARAVAN SE.....$7,995
#P8238A, Baby Powder Blue in Color, Auto, PW, PL, Tilt, Cruise, Priced to Sell.

'94 HONDA CIVIC EX.....$7,995
#C8055A, Power Moon Roof, Auto, A/C, PW, PL, Tilt & Cruise, Teal in Color.

'95 CHEVY LUMINA.....$7,995
#J8157A, PW, PL, Tilt, Cruise, V-6.

'96 HONDA CIVIC DX.....$8,995
#C9011B, Only 25K Miles, Still Under Factory Warranty, Great Gas Mileage, and All The Honda Dependability. Priced to Sell!

'87 PONTIAC GRAN AM COUPE GT.....$8,995
#H9844A, Flame Red w/Spoiler, Nice car For The Money.

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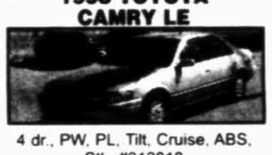
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Light Industrial Placements

310 General Help Wanted

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY: Experienced shop and field mechanic, work on small skidded engine compressor units. Send resume and salary requirements to Aztec Gas Inc., 7824 West I- 20, Midland, TX., 79706.

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CNA'S and Medication Aides needed. All shifts. Go to work today! Apply in person: Courtyard Care Center, 3203 Sage, Midland. Good starting pay.

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AUTOCAD DETAILER: Proficiency on Cad 13/ 14 required. Experience in detailing structural steel or architectural drawings preferred. Send resume in confidence to: Engineering Manager, P. O. Box 60335, Midland, TX., 79711-0335.

312 Professional Help Wanted

SALES ENGINEER Sales/ Application Engineer needed for Industrial Process Controls and Instrumentation of established growing company in Midland, Odessa. Requirements: Industrial Process Knowledge, Engineering Degree Preferred, (Related Degree Considered), West Texas Area. Benefits: Salary Plus Commission Plan, Automobile Provided, 401K Retirement Plan, Company Paid Medical & Life Insurance. Please send resume to: Sales, P.O. Box 61007, Midland, TX 79711.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

TITLE CLERK

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Temporary Resources
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Single Hispanic female, 42, 5'2", 149lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, music, dining out, camping, working out, movies and more, seeks a single Hispanic male, 42-48. Ad#.5792

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Happy this single white female, 52, 5'2", 115lbs., a smoker, with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a single white male, 45-60, who enjoys card and board games, country drives and more. Ad#.6752

IT HAS TO BE YOU
Single white female, 35, 5'8", 175lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys hiking, museums and more, is seeking a humorous single white male, 27-43. Ad#.8200

FIRST TIME AD
Adventurous single Hispanic female, 29, who enjoys meeting new people, singing, crafts, sports and outdoor activities, is looking for a sincere, outgoing single male. Ad#.4187

A NEAT PACKAGE
Laid-back single white female, 22, who enjoys listening to music, working on her computer, going out with friends to clubs and movies, is looking to meet a responsible, easygoing single white male. Ad#.7051

TREAT HER LIKE A LADY
Happy single white mom, 45, 5'8", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys movies, live plays, tennis and boating, is seeking a respectful, gentle single white Christian male, 45-55. Ad#.2570

MEET THIS GREAT LADY
Professional single Hispanic female, 19, 5'3", 160lbs., with long blonde hair and green eyes, is seeking an outgoing single Hispanic male, 19-25, for friendship. She enjoys traveling and spending time with friends. Ad#.7234

NOW IT'S MY TURN
Single white mom of two, 43, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, computers and animals, is seeking a single white male, 42-47, with similar interests. Ad#.8058

OUTGOING PERSON
Single Hispanic female, 24, 5', 120lbs., with light brown hair, who enjoys dancing, bowling and movies, is an animal lover, seeking a single male, who is honest and easygoing. Ad#.8540

SHE WEARS IT WELL
Good-natured single Hispanic mother, 23, 5'2", 230lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, family activities and more, is seeking a single Hispanic male, 25-36. Ad#.7732

RESPECTING
Fun-loving single black female, 25, 4'11", who enjoys movies, rhythm and blues music, dining out and shopping, seeks a single black male, 22-35. Ad#.8457

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Full-figured single Hispanic Christian mother of two, 36, 5'3", with light brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys Bible study, family activities and more, seeks a caring single white Christian male, 35-45. Ad#.7754

MAKE IT HAPPEN
Baptist single black female, 31, 5'6", 150lbs., who enjoys reading, movies and fishing, is in search of a single male, 26-50. Ad#.8592

NOW'S THE TIME
Sweet single white female, 40, petite, with hazel eyes, who enjoys Christian and country music, traveling, hiking and outdoor activities, wishes to share the pleasures of life with an outgoing, caring single white male, 40-43. Ad#.7653

YOUR LUCKY DAY
Cheerful single white Christian female, 59, 5'4", a green-eyed brunette, who enjoys church activities, reading, sports, movies, dining out and more, seeks a single white Christian male, 57-65. Ad#.7600

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
Single white female, 18, 5'3", 110lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys rock music, horseback riding, movies and reading, seeks an honest, outgoing single Christian white male, 18-21. Ad#.7164

WALK WITH ME
Single white Baptist professional female, 50, 5'4", 122lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys swimming, travel, dancing and sports, seeks a single white professional male, 45-56. Ad#.8546

REMEMBER TO CALL
Single white female, 53, 5'6", 180lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys hunting, fishing, country music and quiet nights at home, seeks a compatible, family-oriented single white male, 55-65. Ad#.9513

WHOLESOME
Personable single white mom of twins, 19, 5'4", 165lbs., with brown hair and hazel-green eyes, a smoker, seeks a sincere single white male, 19-26, who enjoys movies, skiing, country music, fishing, dancing and family activities. Ad#.7073

VERY GOOD COMPANY
Easygoing single white female, 60, 5'7", slender, with blonde hair and brown eyes, is hoping to meet a handsome single white male, 55-65, whose interests include sports, traveling, dancing and socializing. Ad#.8301

COULD IT BE YOU?
Congenial single black Christian female, 30, 5'5", full-figured, with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, church activities and dining out, is hoping to spend time and share friendship with an understanding single black male, 40-50. Ad#.7141

MAKE IT POSSIBLE
Friendly single white female, 44, 5'7", 115lbs., with blonde hair and brown eyes, who enjoys movies, the beach, bowling and horseback riding, seeks a humorous single white professional male, 38-53. Ad#.9084

YOUR HEART
Fun-loving single white female, 51, 5'5", 130lbs., brown hair/eyes, attractive, educated, enjoys painting, gardening, reading and more, seeking a flexible single white male, 48-58, non-smoker. Ad#.8097

IT'S NOT TOO LATE
Fun-loving single white female, 66, 5', enjoys country music and dancing, yard work, traveling and cooking. She would like to meet a single white male, 70-72, with similar interests. Ad#.7463

FROM THE HEART
Attractive, secure single white female, 39, 5'11", 140lbs., with long brown hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, dancing, billiards, the great outdoors and more, seeks a trustworthy, handsome single white male, 32-52. Ad#.9741

FUN-LOVING
Humorous, divorced white female, 23, 5'6", 157lbs., with red hair and brown eyes, enjoys movies, the outdoors, skating, fishing and sports. She seeks an honest single white male, 21-35. Ad#.8831

ON TOP OF THE WORLD
Outgoing single white mom of two, 34, 5'11", 140lbs., with dark auburn hair and brown eyes, who enjoys amusement parks, seeks a single white male, 28-42, who enjoys children. Ad#.7738

STILL LOOKING
Single Hispanic mother of one, 25, 5'4", 200lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, a variety of music, reading and more, would like to meet a single black male, 23-28. Ad#.7650

CHECK IT OUT
Slender single white female, 18, 5'4", with brown eyes, is hoping to share friendship with a caring, considerate single white male, 18-23, preferably a muscular, blue-eyed blond. Ad#.9387

SHALL WE DANCE?
Secure single white female, 42, 5'3", slender, with curly red hair and green eyes, who enjoys reading, foreign travel, the theater, movies and music, would like to meet a compatible single white professional male, 38-47. Ad#.8412

ON FIRST INSTINCT
Self-employed single white mom of one, 40, 5'6", full-figured, with short brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys movies, dining out and trying new things, seeks an honest, fun-loving single white Christian male, 36-49. Ad#.8155

RESPECT IS FIRST
Athletic single black female, 18, 5'9", 135lbs., a college student, who enjoys singing, reading, the Internet and playing basketball, seeks a sweet, outgoing single black male, 19-24. Ad#.9119

LIGHT-HEARTED
Charming single white mom of one, 18, 5'6", 125lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys playing violin, flute and piano, seeks a fun-loving, compatible single white male, 19-26. Ad#.9556

FIND OUT TODAY
Happy single white mom of two, 23, 5'7", full-figured, with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, swimming, horseback riding and going to the lake, is looking for a single white male, 23-37. Ad#.9638

INTERESTED
Light-hearted divorced white mom of two, 33, 5'10", 150lbs., with reddish-blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys the Dallas Cowboys, is seeking a compatible single white male, 30-40. Ad#.7941

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
Hardworking single black mom, 33, who has a great sense of humor, is new to the area and looking for a hardworking single black male, 35-40, with inner qualities. Ad#.7413

JUST BE YOURSELF
Single Hispanic mom, 26, 5'2", 120lbs., with brown hair/eyes, a student, who likes reading and the outdoors, is looking for a responsible and honest single Hispanic male, 27-32. Ad#.9107

LIMITLESS COMPASSION
Meet this single white female, 46, 5'7", 155lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, movies and keeping active. If you're a single white male, 35-54, interested in a fun-loving lady, call now. Ad#.9965

DYNAMIC PERSONALITY
Established, well-spoken single white Christian professional female, 45, 5'7", 116lbs., with blondish-brown hair, an avid sports fan, is seeking a handsome, very humorous single white Christian professional male, 44-56. Ad#.7356

INTERESTED IN YOU
Single black Christian mom, 31, 5'7", 132lbs., who likes movies, romantic walks in the park and singing, is looking to meet a single white male, 35-45, who likes going to church. Ad#.9112

GOLDEN GIRL
Well-rounded, vivacious and conservative, this friendly single white female, 64, 5'2", with white hair, who enjoys movies, ceramics, walking, playing the organ, animals and more, is looking to meet a single white male, 65-75. Ad#.7167

DREAM GIRL
Single Hispanic female, 20, 5', 137lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dogs, dining out, travel, summertime, the beach and more, is seeking a compatible single white male, 30-40. Ad#.7941

INTRODUCE YOURSELF
To this full-figured, Baptist divorced black mother of two, 30, with reddish-brown hair and brown eyes. She enjoys family activities, church, attending school, dining out, movies, dancing and seeks a single Hispanic male, 23-45. Ad#.7465

NEW TO THE AREA
Is this cheerful single white male, 42, 5'11", 197lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys movies, a variety of music, snowboarding and more. If you're a similar single white female, 35-49, don't wait to call. Ad#.8277

BREAK THE ICE
Sincere single white female, 23, 5'5", 119lbs., with strawberry-blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys movies, a variety of music and more, is seeking an intelligent single white male, 23-31. Ad#.8167

INDEPENDENT
Employed single Hispanic mom, 25, 5'6", with auburn hair and green eyes, is seeking a handsome single male, 26-36. Ad#.8124

ONE OF A KIND
You'll be laughing with this humorous, well-educated single white female, 49, 5'5", 165lbs., a blue-eyed blonde, non-smoker. She enjoys outdoor activities, sports, children, dancing and seeks a single white male, 45-50. Ad#.7153

LOVING LADY
Spend some time with this single white Christian mother, 46, 5'8", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes. She enjoys nature, a variety of music, reading, church and seeks a single white Christian gentleman, 45-55. Ad#.7825

SEEKS SIMILAR SOUL
Here's a good-natured, attractive, professional single white female, 60, 5'4", 145lbs., with a nurturing nature, who seeks companionship with a single white male, over 60. She enjoys reading, children, pets and genealogy. You'll have to talk to her. Ad#.7845

GOOD DISPOSITION
Slender single white female, 26, 5'6", a blue-eyed blonde, who enjoys movies, hiking, horseback riding, camping and more, seeks a single white male, 25-32. Ad#.8600

DESERVING
This single white mom, 48, 5'8", 135lbs., with brown hair and gray eyes, who is seeking a single white male, 45-55. Ad#.9866

COMMON BOND
Honest single white female, 41, 5'1", 108lbs., with green eyes, who is seeking a single white male, 35-45. Ad#.8960

CALL NOW
Single white female, 39, 5'1",104lbs., who enjoys live theatre, racquetball and staying active, is seeking a loving, easygoing single white male, 39-49. Ad#.8385

DESTINY
Single black female, 28, full-figured, who enjoys reading, romantic movies and more, is seeking a single black male, 30-48. Ad#.7710

PERFECT COMBINATION
Professional single white female, 43, 5'6", 134lbs., a blue-eyed brunette, who enjoys candlelit dinners, dancing, water and snow skiing, the outdoors, reading, music and more, is seeking a single white male, 35-48. Ad#.8478

CALL NOW
Intelligent single black female, 32, 5'4", with light brown hair/eyes, is seeking a spontaneous, outgoing single male, 30-40. Ad#.9889

CHECK IT OUT
Single white female, 35, 6', with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, camping and just having fun, is seeking a kind, easygoing single white male, 30-40. Ad#.7344

THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT
Get to know this outgoing, college-educated single white female, 26, 5'4", 135lbs., with auburn hair and brown eyes. She enjoys meeting all kinds of people and seeks a trustworthy, commitment-minded single male, 19-40. Ad#.9272

GOLDEN GIRL
A green-eyed blonde, this friendly, self-employed single white female, 60, 5'5", a Lutheran, enjoys wintertime, family, foreign travel and seeks an adventuresome, sincere single white male, 57-70. Ad#.9419

MAKE THE CONNECTION
Catholic single Hispanic mother, 23, 5'2", 125lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, movies, family activities, church and more, is seeking a sincere single Hispanic male, 24-35. Ad#.9404

SIMPLY THE BEST
Single white female, 20, 5'6", 120lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, is seeking a stable single male, 23-31, for a possible relationship. Ad#.8029

HONEST AND FAITHFUL
Get together with this divorced white mom of four, 33, 5'7", 135lbs., a vegetarian, who enjoys studying the Bible, singing and dancing. She seeks a family-oriented, mature single white male, 33-65, to share time with. Ad#.9061

HIGH QUALITY
A blue-eyed blonde, this single white Christian mother of three, 47, 5'8", 118lbs., is seeking a loyal, educated, professional single white Christian male, 45-55, with integrity. She enjoys movies, sports, animals and more. Ad#.9525

GOAL-ORIENTED
She's earned two associate's degrees. A Catholic single Hispanic mother of four, 39, 4'11", with dark brown hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, music, dining out, travel, quiet times and more, she is seeking a Catholic single Hispanic male, 36-41. Ad#.7467

RAY OF SUNSHINE
Why not call this attractive single white female, 47, 5'7", 117lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys art museums, long walks and various spectator sports? She'd love to hear from a single white male, 45-60, who has a positive attitude. Ad#.8429

GET TO KNOW ME
Reading, country music and spending time with her daughter are interests of this divorced Hispanic mom of two, 22, 5'2", with black hair and brown eyes. She is looking for a single Hispanic male, 22-34. Ad#.9212

ONE-MAN WOMAN
Single white mom, 49, 5'2", full-figured, with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys movies, walking her dog, dining out and more, is seeking an honest, romantic single white male, 45-60. Ad#.7854

SOUL MATES?
Attractive single white female, 48, 5'7", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys long walks, singing and playing the piano, wants to meet a single white male, 44-54, who is true to himself and honest to those around him. Ad#.8782

UPBEAT
She's a single white female, 49, 117lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes. She's seeking a loving, compassionate single white male, 45-50. Ad#.8897

GIVE HER A CALL
This single black mom, 30, 5', with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a loving, easygoing single Hispanic/black male, 23-48. Ad#.9015

WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?
This single white female, 46, 5'10", full-figured, is seeking a single white male, 32-46, who would like to enjoy movies, music, Mythology and more with her. If you are ready for happiness, this is your call to make. Ad#.9251

LOVE TAKES TIME
Single Hispanic mom, 38, 5'2", who enjoys dancing, the outdoors and more, would like to meet an honest, dependable single Hispanic male, 38-45. Ad#.9413

A WINNER
Fun-loving single white female, 48, 5'4", 205lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, reading and socializing, is seeking a single white male, 40-60. Ad#.8313

HOPES & DREAMS
Sweet single black mother of two, 23, 5'4", 140lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys movies, reading and sports. She seeks an open-minded, humorous single male, 20-32. Ad#.8087

MEANT TO BE
Get to know this single Hispanic mother of two, 37, with brown hair and eyes. She likes dining out and dancing till dawn. She'd like to meet a single Hispanic male, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#.9201

MATE FOR LIFE
Single Hispanic mom of two, 27, petite, with long brown hair, who enjoys dancing and relaxing at home, is seeking a single Hispanic male, 21-38, to share life with. Ad#.7942

CATCH A RISING STAR
Single white female, 36, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys reading, country music, horseback riding, the outdoors and more, is looking to meet a single white male, 30-44. Ad#.8763

MIDNIGHT TALKS
Happy, fun, single white female, 40, with auburn hair and blue eyes, who is slender and beautiful, enjoys music, dancing, dining out, long walks and quiet evenings. She is looking for a handsome, fun-loving single white male, 38-50. Ad#.8321

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Camping, cuddling, sports, movies and horseback riding are interests of this single white female, 27, 6'2", with brown hair and hazel eyes. She'd like to hear from you if you're an honest, affectionate single white male, 25-38. Ad#.9602

HELLO SUNSHINE
Professional single white mom of four, 38, 5'3", 105lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music and movies, traveling, dining out, swimming and fishing, is looking for a single male, 30-45. Ad#.9917

ADORABLE
Here is a family-oriented single white female, 20, 5'4", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who likes skiing, dancing and carnivals. She seeks a fun, dependable single white male, 20-27. Ad#.9257

START A FRIENDSHIP TODAY
Single white female, 40, 5'3", 120lbs., with long blonde hair and blue eyes, would love to meet a single white male, 34-50, for a wonderful relationship. She enjoys cooking, movies and roller skating. Ad#.9769

COUNTRY LOVING
I'm a single white mother of three, 46, 5'6", with blonde hair and green eyes who enjoys horses, autumn, action movies, dancing and country life. If you're a single white male, 38-55, give me a call. Ad#.7665

ON MY OWN
This single white mom of three, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, will not rest until she finds the single male, 35-55, of her dreams. She enjoys family times, the changing seasons and much more. Ad#.8170

SOUL MATES
Slender, professional single white Christian female, 48, with frosted blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys a variety of music, travel, dancing, theater and dining out, seeks a handsome, single white Christian male, 45-49. Ad#.7128

REACH FOR THE STARS
This fun-loving single black female, 20, 5'8", with brown hair and hazel eyes, a student, likes dancing, movies and walks in the park. She would like to find a compatible single male, 19-34, to have good times with. Ad#.8605

QUALITY TIME TOGETHER
Professional single white female, 45, 5'7", 118lbs., with frosted blonde hair and hazel eyes, enjoys boating, picnics, nature walks, sports, the theater, singing and playing piano. She's looking for a stable, educated, true single white gentleman, 44-49. Ad#.8017

OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME
The fun never stops with this lovely and sweet single white female, 20, 5'8", 140lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, movies, horseback riding and walks in the park. She is seeking a good-natured, sociable single white male, 20-24. Ad#.7242

SHOW ME A GOOD TIME
I'm an enjoyable, outgoing single white mom, 18, 5'5", 120lbs., with red hair and blue eyes, who wants to spend time with a single white male, 18-21. I enjoy rollerblading, horseback riding, dancing and singing. Ad#.9544

'TIL WE MEET
Single white mom, 39, 5'6", with dark hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, flea markets, sports and dining out, is seeking a single white male, 33-42, with similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#.8909

COUNTRY GAL
Are you a one woman single white male, 35-55? Meet this single white female, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes. She is an animal lover, who enjoys rodeos, country dancing and shooting pool. Ad#.7670

TRULY BLESSED
This professional single white Christian female, 45, 5'7", slender, with blonde hair and green eyes, loves helping people, movies and most music. She seeks a professional single white male, 44-48, who is a true gentleman. Ad#.7664

A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE
Kind, loving, single black female, 25, 6', full-figured, who enjoys picnics in the park, music, building snowmen and reading, is seeking a single black male, 21-35, with similar interests. Ad#.8298

STAR-GAZER
Fun-loving single black mom, 29, 5'6", with brown hair and eyes, likes dancing, all kinds of music, playing softball and horseback riding. If you are a single male, 21-35, call soon. Ad#.8505

HURRY AND CALL
Take a walk in the park and talk with this single white Christian female, 45, 5'6", 189lbs., who enjoys barbecuing, reading the Bible and swimming. She seeks a cheerful single white Christian male, 48-66. Ad#.7917

ON THE RIGHT TRACK
She's a single Hispanic female,34, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes. She's seeking a single Hispanic male, 43-48, for possible relationship. Ad#.7686

LOOK HERE
She's a single white female 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys the outdoors and all sports. She's seeking a single white male, 35-52, who is a good guy. Ad#.8427

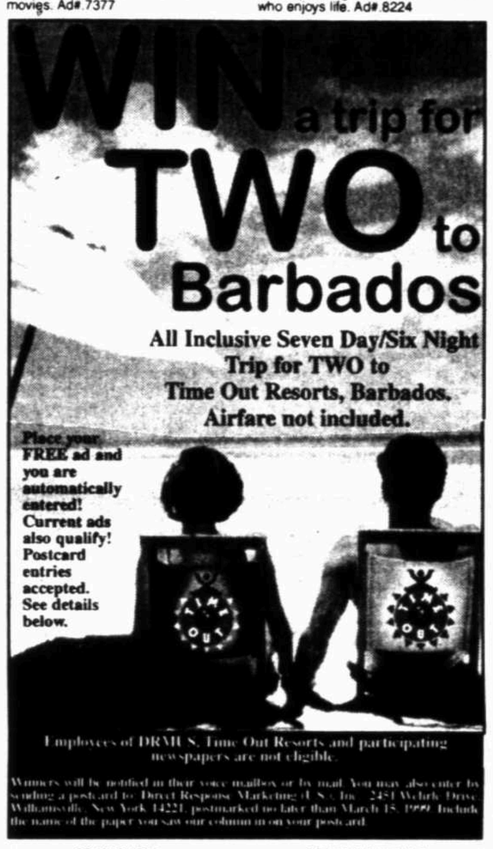
SEARCHING
Attractive single white female, 49, 5'8", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, is seeking a single white male, 45-50. Ad#.9612

GIVE HER A CALL
Listen closely to this soft-spoken single white female, 19, 5'5", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys writing poetry, being with friends and music. She's in search of a single white male, 19-22, to have fun with. Ad# 9510

COUNT ON HER
Divorced white female, 26, 5'7", 150lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys dancing, skiing, fishing, camping and quiet times at home, would like to meet a special, caring single white male, 28-36. Ad#.9420

OLD FASHIONED
Professional, green-eyed brunette single white mother, 46, 5'7", who enjoys country music, dancing, rodeos, bowling and camping, seeks a sincere single white male, 35-55. Ad#.8054

FAMILY COMES FIRST...
I hope you understand. But, I look forward spending quality time with you, a single male, 40-49. I am a single Hispanic mom, 41, 5'1", with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys cook outs at the park, dancing and going to the movies. Ad#.7377



SO MUCH FUN
Single white female, 19, 5'4", 128lbs., with long blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports and baseball, is seeking a fun-loving single male, 18-25. Ad#.8102

COUNTRY GIRL
Nice, honest single white mom, 46, 5'7", with light brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys country music, rodeos, shooting pool, bowling and sports, seeks a single white male, 35-53. Ad#.8013

RIGHT BESIDE YOU
Family-oriented, full-figured single black female, 25, 5'4", seeks a compatible single black male, 26-45, who likes movies, dining out, football and quiet times. Ad#.7627

THE SPECIAL ONE
Single white mom, 28, 5'6", 130lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and trips to the lake. She seeks a single white male, 25-35, for friendship first. Ad#.8188

A COMMON INTEREST
Share your goals and dreams with this hardworking, honest single white female, 20, 5'4", with blonde hair and brown eyes. She's into reading, going to school and seeks a single white male, 18-27, who won't play any games. Ad# 8446

LOVE IS ON THE WAY
Single Hispanic mom, 31, 5'3", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music, movies and family time, seeks a single Hispanic male, 29-43, who likes children. Ad#.8207

FRIENDS FIRST
Single white female, 35, 5'7", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, biking, traveling, hiking and walking in the woods, is seeking an easygoing single white male, 36-50, for friendship first. Ad#.8213

A HOMEBODY
Single white female, 19, with brown hair/eyes, a smoker, is seeking a caring single white male, 18-27, who enjoys living life to the fullest. Ad#.7310

MAKE EACH MOMENT COUNT
Spontaneity and romance are appreciated by this single white female, 34, 5'3", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who seeks a good-natured single white male, 28-38. She likes swimming, biking and going for long walks. What about you? Ad# 9279

STAND BESIDE HER!
Working in the yard, walking, reading and sharing time with her grandchildren are what makes her happy! She's a single white female, 50, 5'2", 145lbs., with frosted hair and green eyes, who is waiting to hear from a loving single white male, 45-52. Ad#.9093

WONDERFUL HEART
True love is hard to find, that's why you should meet this Christian woman, 49, who always tries to find the good in people and situations. She searches to meet a tall, dark and handsome single white Christian male, 44-54, with a zest for life. Ad#.8492

HERE SHE IS...
She's a single white Christian mom, 40, 5'7", interested in meeting a single white Christian male, 38-50, who enjoys dancing, country music, good conversation and the great outdoors. Ad#.7076

LET'S MINGLE
Slender, classy single white mom, 48, 5'8", who enjoys taking nature walks, animals and just having fun, seeking single white male, 45-60. Ad#.8661

CALL NOW
She would like to meet a single Hispanic male, 19-24. Is that you? If so, call this single Hispanic mom of one, 19, 5'4", 110lbs., with brown hair/eyes. Ad#.8734

SHY AT FIRST
Here's a college-bound, cheerful single white female, 19, 5'6", 165lbs. with brown hair/eyes, who is looking to meet a single white male, 18-25. Ad#.7032

LET'S MEET
I'm a single Hispanic mom, 20, 4'10", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys reading, movies and more. I'm seeking a single male, 25-30. Ad#.8115

POSITIVE ATTITUDE
Full-figured, friendly single black female, 32, who enjoys spending time with her children, wants to meet a mature, kind-hearted single black male. Ad#.7654

HONESTY IS KEY
Outgoing single white female, 45, who enjoys traveling, singing, dancing, the Internet, day trips, the outdoors and dining out, wants to meet an honest single white Christian male. Ad# 9396

CIRCLE ME TODAY
Single white female, 49, 5'7", with reddish-blonde hair, who enjoys animals, country music and going to the park, is seeking a single white male, 45-55. Ad# 9331

GOAL SETTER
Single black female, 23, who enjoys swimming, reading, watching movies and writing, is seeking a single male, 20-30. Ad#.7252

I'LL BE HERE
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'4", 118lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys shopping and socializing with friends. She is seeking a single Hispanic male, 18-28. Ad#.7831

TAKE NOTICE
This single Hispanic mom, 31, 5'4", with long reddish-brown hair and brown eyes, likes watching football, playing softball and being with her kids. She seeks a single Hispanic male, 29-43. Ad# 8236

I'M YOUR LADY
Attractive single Hispanic female, 66, 5'7", 145lbs., is interested in meeting a single Hispanic male, 69-70, for a possible relationship. She enjoys dining out, the theatre, movies and good conversation. Ad# 8914

WELL-ROUNDED
Single white female, 45, 5'6", with dirty blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, crafts, dining out and more, is seeking a single white male, 40-50. Ad#.7067

GIVING
Caring single white female, 40, with dark hair and hazel eyes, likes cooking, flea markets and crafts. She seeks a sincere single male, 25-60, for a possible relationship. Ad#.9843

A REAL ZING
Athletic single white mom, 43, 5'8", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys tennis, yard work, reading, dining out, dancing and spending time with her daughter, is looking for a single white male, 35-55, who shares similar interests. Ad#.8805

AMAZING GRACE
Single white Christian female, 29 5'4", 135lbs., with reddish-brown hair and brown eyes, who enjoys reading, Christian music, swimming, camping and the outdoors, seeks a single black Christian male, 27-38 Ad#.8587

NEVER A DULL MOMENT
Reserved single white female, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys country music and dancing, horseback riding, football and camping, is seeking a single white male, 35-52 Ad# 8660

JUST BELIEVE
Single Hispanic female, 55, petite, with dark brown hair, non-smoker, is looking to share interests and friendship with a friendly single white male, 48-57, who enjoys gardening and reading. Ad#.9565

AND YOU?
Employed single white mom of one, 20, 5'5", 200lbs., with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, is seeking a single white male, 20-25, who likes children, and enjoys country music, fishing, basketball, and beach walks. Ad#.7734

THE FINER INTERESTS
Single white female, 48, 5'8", 117lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, enjoys skiing, playing the piano, helping people, art museums, theater and walks. She is seeking a single white male, 45-53. Ad#.8552

WHOLESOME
Friendly, outgoing and honest single white female, 46, 5'7", 175lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys dancing, fishing, bicycling, camping and having fun with a compatible single white male, 37-50, non-drinking, non-smoker. Ad#.8517

AND THE WINNER IS
Cheerful single Hispanic female, 20, 5'5", slim, with brown hair/eyes, enjoys reading, running, basketball, comedy films, dancing and seeks an honest, humorous single Hispanic male, 20-26. Ad# 8421

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Blessed with a great personality, this sweet single white mother of two, 30, 5'3", 106lbs., with brown hair, is looking to meet a single male, 31-47, non-drinker. She enjoys dancing, family times, horseback riding, country music and more. Ad#.9402

BE PART OF MY TOMORROW
Are you a single male, 38-48, who enjoys the outdoors and traveling? If so, then you could be the perfect match for this single white Christian female, 46, 5'7", who's waiting patiently to hear from you. Ad#.9504

GET THE PICTURE?
Single black female, 25, 5'5", medium build, with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys long walks, movies and sports, is in search of a single male, 25-35, who enjoy children. Ad#.9834

HERE SHE IS
Freckle-face single white female, 39, with blonde hair and green eyes, is in search of a single white male, 35-55. Ad#.7501

LOVE TAKES TIME
Single white female, 43, 4'11", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys traveling, fishing and movies, is seeking a single white male, 40-53, non-smoker. Ad#.7208

LOOKING FOR A COWBOY
Outgoing single white female, 46, who enjoys singing, listening to music, spending time with her daughters, rodeos and the mountains, is seeking a handsome, caring single white male. Ad# 9476

NICE TO MEET YOU
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'1", 140lbs., who enjoys sports, movies, good conversations and more, is seeking a single black male, 18-29, who enjoys life. Ad#.8224

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AT PEACE
Single Hispanic male, 52, 5'7", 185lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys motorcycling, horseback riding, fishing, boating, reading and more, seeks a truthful, caring single white female, 47-52. Ad#.1607

HAND IN HAND WITH ME
How about a walk in the park with this friendly single Hispanic male, 37, 5'5", with brown hair and eyes? He's seeking an easygoing and honest single female, 21-47, who knows how to be herself. Ad#.2419

JUST BE YOURSELF
Drag racing, the outdoors and music are interests of this friendly single Hispanic male, 37, 5'5". He is looking to meet a nice, outgoing single female, who loves to talk. Ad#.8036

YOUR DREAM GUY
Make your day more special by calling this single white Christian dad, 32, 6', 185lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes. He likes water skiing, playing guitar, listening to music and hopes to meet a single white female, 22-33. Ad#.9523

HOW ABOUT A MOVIE?
Friends say he's supportive, kind-hearted and a great guy to be with. This single white male, 19, 5'8", 140lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, enjoys rollerblading, dancing, karaoke and is seeking a compatible single white female, 18-21. Is it you? Ad#.8231

TIME TO MOVE ON
Easygoing, open-minded divorced white dad, 41, 5'7", 180lbs., with blue eyes, a beard and mustache, who enjoys the outdoors, camping, swimming, skiing, movies and the theater, seeks an understanding single female, under 40. Ad# 4040

DANCE WITH ME
Funny single white dad, 45, 5'11", 290lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys country music, coaching baseball and outdoor activities, hopes to meet a single white female, 38-48, with similar interests. Ad#.7736

NEW IN THE AREA, LADIES
His friends say he's mature, outgoing and a lot of fun to be with. This single white male, 31, 5'11", 220lbs., with dark hair and hazel eyes, enjoys the outdoors, photography, traveling and more. He's seeking a compatible single white female, 25-37. Ad# 9445

FRIENDS SAY I'M A...
Fun-loving, humorous guy, so if you're a single white female, 25-37, with a zest for life, tell me about yourself. I'm a single white male, 31, 5'11", 220lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys camping, hiking, travel and romantic evenings. Ad#.3129

IF YOU ARE...
An eligible single black male, 27-42, imagine the fun you'll have with this single black female, 30, 5'8", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys sports, movies and more. Ad#.3093

YOUR LUCKY DAY
Hardworking single Hispanic male, 32, 5'6", 170lbs., with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, music and more, wants to share friendship with a beautiful single Hispanic female, 23-40. Ad#.9470

LET'S MEET
Single white male, 35, 5'6", 120lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys rock music, is seeking a single white female, 30-39. Ad# 8630

LOVE & LAUGHTER
Cheerful single white male, 37, 5'7", 190lbs., with long hair, who enjoys motorcycling, movies, camping and more, is seeking a happy single white female, 32-38, with a zest for life. Ad#.7398

CATCH OF THE DAY
Single Hispanic professional male, 40, 6', 185lbs., with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, travel, hunting, fishing, dining out and more, is hoping to meet a single female, 27-40. Ad#.8801

SINCERELY
Single white male, 47, 6'4", 190lbs., with blue hair/eyes, is seeking a caring single white female, 30-50. Ad#.8633

DREAMS COME TRUE
Catholic single Hispanic male, 19, 6', 175lbs., with green eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, basketball, music and more, is seeking a beautiful, trustworthy single Hispanic female, 18-25. Ad#.9184

THE WAY TO GO
Personable single white male, 42, 5'8", 155lbs., with black hair and green eyes, who enjoys reading, visiting Las Vegas, fishing, bowling, camping, motorcycling and more, is seeking a compatible single white female, 35-42. Ad# 9546

SO VERY NICE
Meet this single Hispanic male, 52, 5'7", with dark hair/eyes, a thoughtful type of guy, who loves animals, traveling and reading the Bible. His choice will be a kind, sweet single female, 46-52. Ad#.7598

CONCERNED & CARING
Considerate single black professional male, 35, 6'2", 205lbs., who enjoys dancing, drawing, video games, football, basketball, wrestling and weightlifting, seeks a compatible single female, 24-42. Ad# 8121

ONE SWEET DAY
Hardworking single Hispanic male, 24, 5'9", with brown hair, who enjoys dancing, music and dining out, is searching for a special single white female, 19-34. Ad# 8854

WORTH A TRY
Pleasant single Hispanic male, 20, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys working out, romantic evenings and more, is seeking a single Hispanic female, 19-45. Ad# 8343

SHY AT FIRST
Share a quiet dinner with this friendly single Hispanic male, 21, 5'7", 170lbs., with brown hair/eyes. He enjoys movies, spending time with friends and he seeks a single Hispanic female, 18-21. Ad#.9147

SOUNDS GREAT
Single white male, 42, 6', 180lbs., who enjoys music, swimming and fishing, is seeking a kind single white female, 28-48. Ad# 8896

VERY EASYGOING
Laid-back single white dad, 51, 5'10", 190lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys the outdoors, sports and flea markets, is seeking a single female, 35-55. Ad# 7199

NEW TO THIS
Single white male, 40, 6'1", 200lbs., with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a sincere, kind single white female, 28-39. Ad# 9723

WELCOME TO OUR WORLD
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FULL SIZE Suntana tanning bed- $650 firm. Priced to sell. Please call 683-2371 or 553-6851.

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DOG HOUSES- new $35/ $45, Porch Swings $35. Glider Swings $65. Handmade, all new. 563-0452.

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SOLID OAK, Ranch style, twin bunk bed frame. Good condition, $125, Please call 685-0911.

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Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA.	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA.	Qualifying
	Assumable
Ac.	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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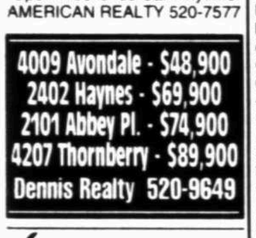
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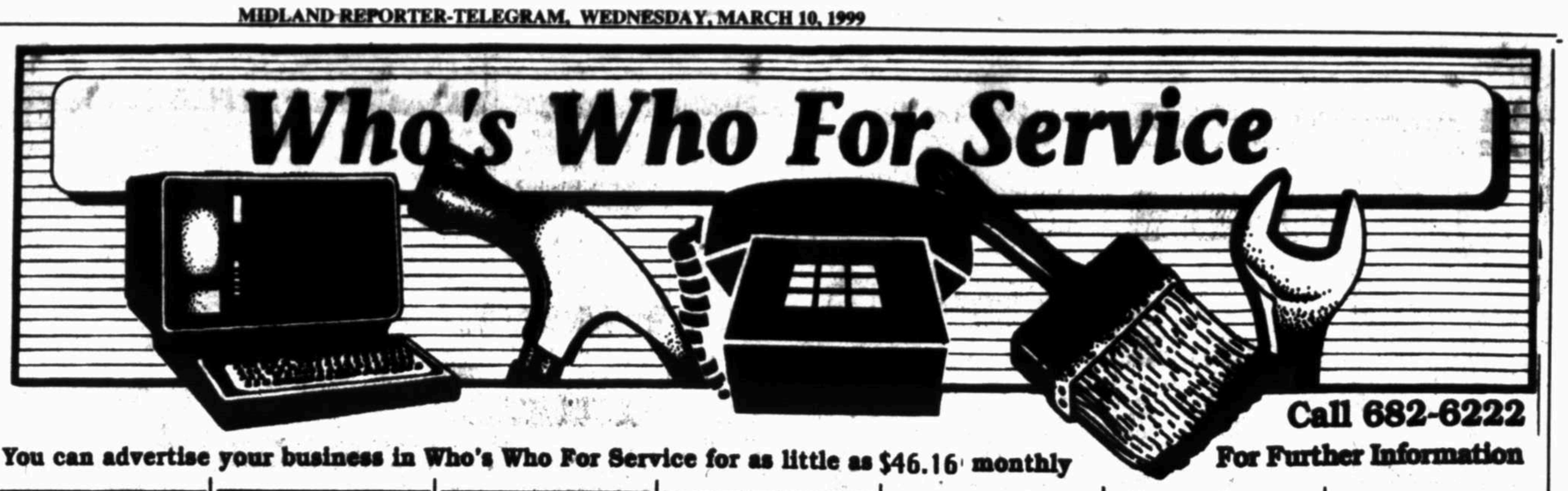
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